

# TEF... QEF... what the EF?



# University quality in 3 parts

- Update on latest developments
- Discussion: your thoughts
- Action planning



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Can you remember the five pillars?

1. Enhancement-Led Institutional Review
2. Institution-Led Review
3. Student engagement
4. Enhancement Themes
5. Public information



# Latest in university quality



2 main developments:

- ELIR3 ended in 2015-16.
- UK-wide Teaching Excellence Framework being introduced



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# ELIR highlights



- Extended to a 5-year cycle:
  - Same cycle of reviews over 4 years.
  - (QMU and RCS up first in 2017-18)
  - Extra year of reflection & development.
- Intended to be more contextual, more celebratory, less burdensome.



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# ELIR highlights



- New ELIR guidance forthcoming from QAA (probably Easter 2017).
- sparqs will:
  - update and re-issue our ELIR Guidance.
  - provide support to unis and SAs.
  - contribute to QAA reviewer training.



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# Thoughts from sparqs



- See our views in our ELIR consultation response.
- We would love to see...
  - continuing deepening of SE in...
    - annual discussions.
    - ILR.
  - More role for SPAs within the QEF.



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# Teaching Excellence Framework



- UK Government initiative aimed at:
  - capturing teaching excellence.
  - “student choice”.
  - raising standards.
- Seen in Scotland as addition to QEF.
- 3 main phases...



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# Teaching Excellence Framework



1. TEF1 – Institutional level. All institutions participating.
2. TEF2 – Scotland still discussing.
3. Beyond... subject level?



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# Teaching Excellence Framework



1. What do you know about TEF?,  
Where is your university in TEF?
2. How has the SA been involved in discussions?
3. What are the opportunities and risks for SE?



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