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# LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR DOUBLE DEGREE DEVELOPMENT IN UKRAINIAN HE SYSTEM

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## **New legislation**

- Law of Ukraine “On Higher Education” (2014)
- Law of Ukraine “On Education” (2017)

## Basic principles of HE reform

- Academic autonomy of universities
- Harmonization with the Bologna process
- Full implementation of the key Bologna instruments
- Modern quality assurance procedures based on ESG 2015
- Internal and external students mobility (Erasmus+ KA1, bilateral agreements)

## **Law “On Higher Education”**

### **Article 7. Documents on higher education (academic degrees)**

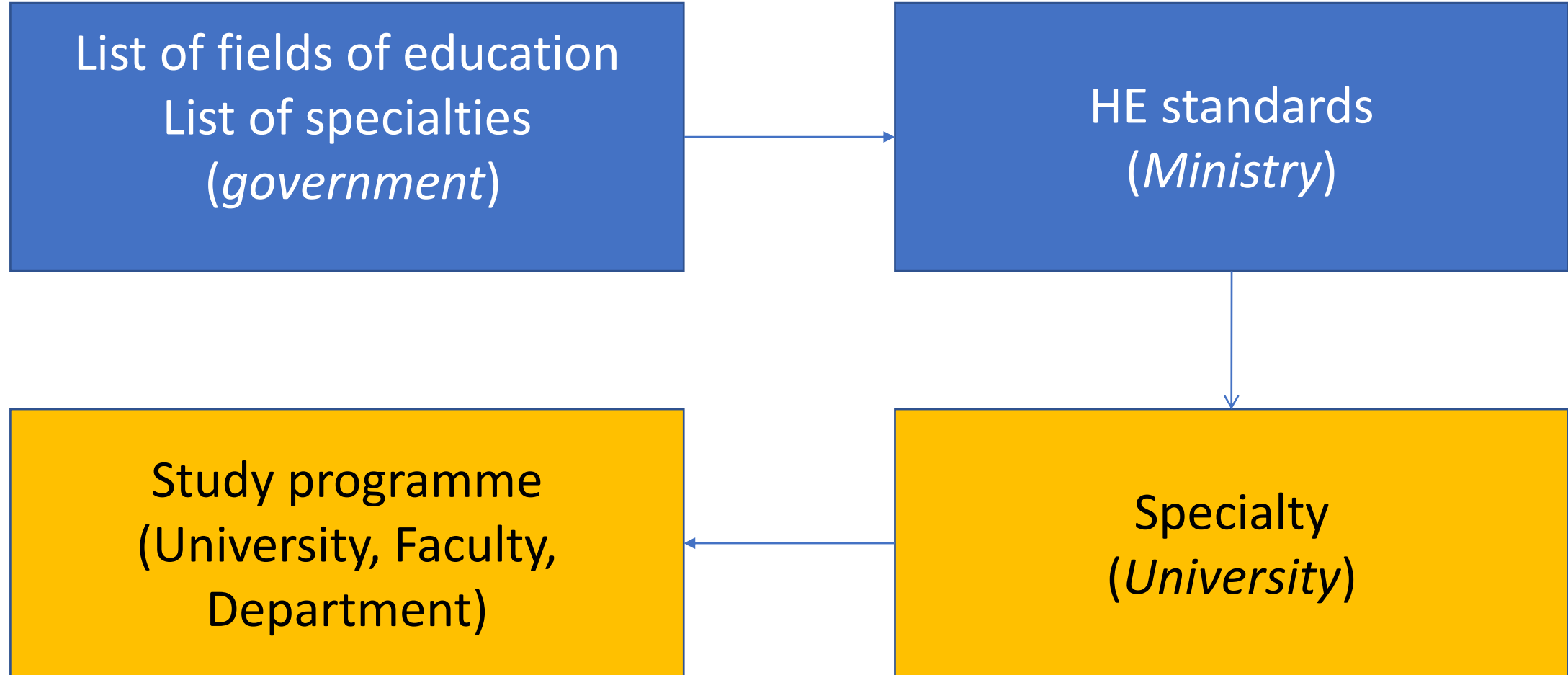
8. Shall the person graduate from study programmes delivered by higher education institutions, including foreign ones, these higher education institutions have the right to produce and issue joint degrees according to the template commonly decided upon by their academic councils

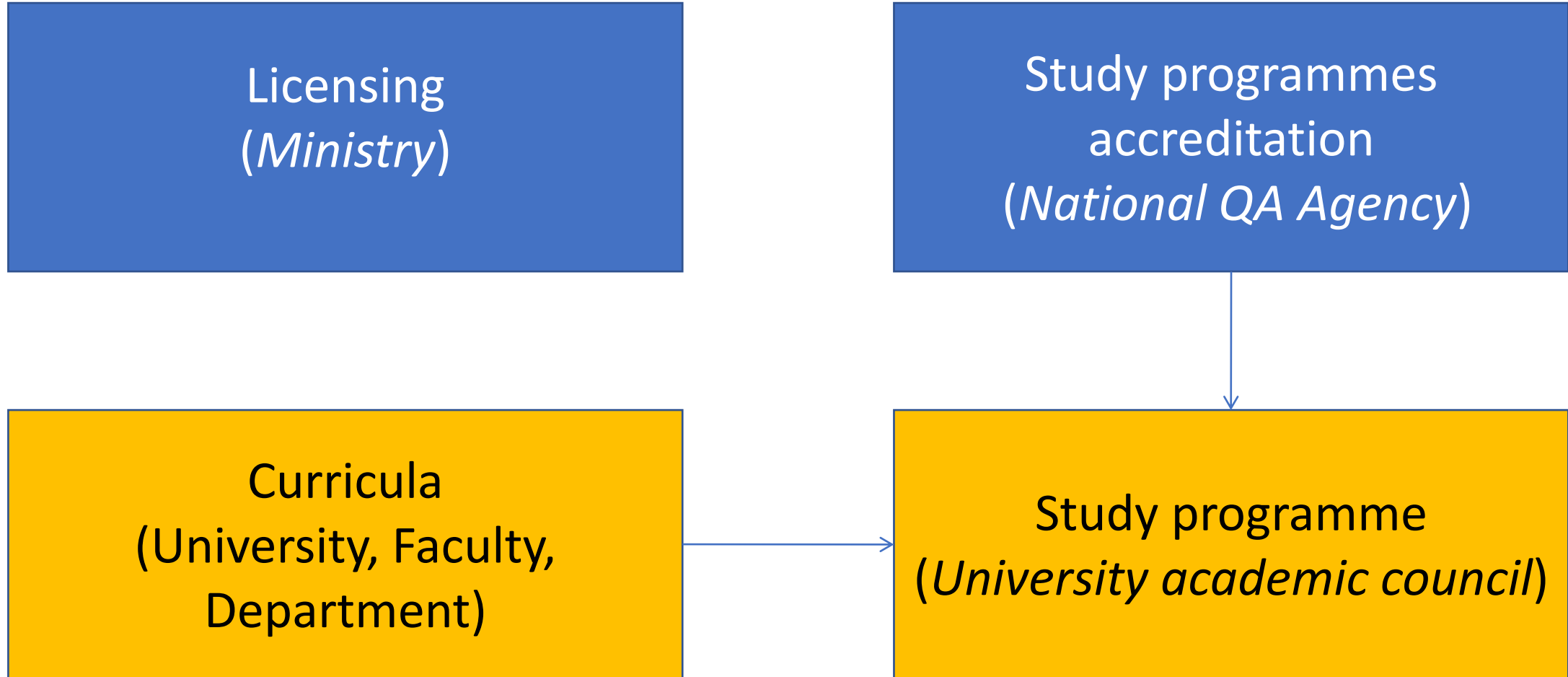
### **Article 75. Key directions for international cooperation in the field of higher education**

7) Establishing joint academic and research programmes with foreign higher education institutions, research organizations, other institutions

## Supporting Laws and Regulations

- Law of Ukraine "On the Legal Status of Foreigners and Persons without citizenship“
- Law of Ukraine "On Refugees and Persons Requiring Additional or Temporary Protection”
- Law of Ukraine "On Foreign Ukrainians“
- Resolution No. 729 of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine “Obtaining Higher Education by Some Categories of Persons”, September, 2018 (academic mobility in the frame of international agreements, foreign Ukrainians)
- Order No. 504 of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine "On Recognition of Degrees Acquired Abroad ", May, 2015
- Order No. 1378 of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine "On Approval of Certain Regulations on Admission to Higher Education Institutions" of October 13, 2017





## New opportunities

- Recognition of foreign agencies' accreditation certificates  
(list to be approved by the government)
- National Qualifications Agency
  - Professional standards
  - NQF
  - SQF
  - Qualification centres



## Double Degree Programme

Based on establishing correspondence between and synchronizing study programmes of partner higher education institutions (HEIs); characterized by mutual commitments of the parties involved in regard to the goals of the programme, study plan, organization of the learning process, and qualifications to be awarded.

1. Joint development and approval of study programme.
2. Conducting part of programme at partner HEI.
3. Automatic recognition of periods of study and learning outcomes from partner HEI.
4. Participation of faculty members in the learning process of partner HEI within the framework of the given programme.
5. Awarding qualification at both partner HEIs.

For Master and PhD programmes – automatic recognition of the previous

## **DD programme – model 1 (1<sup>st</sup> cycle)**

Typical 4-year first degree programme

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year – study at Ukrainian university
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year – study at Partner university
- 4<sup>th</sup> year - at Ukrainian university
- Mutual recognition of field placement (especially in engineering and similar specialties)
- Agreed bachelor thesis/diploma work, two supervisors



## DD programme – model 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)

Typical 1.5 year second cycle programme

- Mutual recognition of Bachelor degree
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> semesters – study at Ukrainian university
- 2<sup>nd</sup> semester – study at Partner university
- Agreed master thesis, two supervisors
- Partner participation in thesis defence

## **DD programme – model 3 (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)**

1 – 1.5 year second cycle programme

(Master of Engineering in Measuring Technology)

- Mutual recognition of Bachelor degree
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters – study at Partner university
- 3<sup>rd</sup> semester – study at Ukrainian university
- Agreed master thesis, two supervisors
- Partner participation in thesis defence



## **DD programme – model 4 (2<sup>nd</sup> cycle)**

1 – 1.5 year second cycle programme

(Master of Economics in Accounting and Audit)

Mutual recognition of Bachelor degree

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters – study at Ukrainian university

3<sup>rd</sup> semester – study at Partner university

Agreed master thesis, two supervisors

Partner participation in thesis defense



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