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EQA

Don't let technical evaluations step on your way

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About us



EQA is not an Innovation Agency; and it **does not offer consultancy services**.



EQA is an **International Evaluation Agency**: we are specifically focused on providing support to public sector entities at an international level, such as:

- ✓ Regional Development Agencies (RDA)
- ✓ National Innovation Agencies
- ✓ Universities and Foundations
- ✓ Multilateral Organizations



EQA is specialized in conducting a **massive number** of evaluations of projects in a **short period** of time.

Time as a major problem

Risk of overlapping proposals due to significant delays, which underlines the need for increased agility and transparency in the process.

Major challenges in fund delivery

Administrative Complexity

Complex procedures and regulations lead to delays in the bureaucratic system. Some companies withdraw due to these delays.

Slow Decision-Making Processes

Delays in project implementation occur due to slow procedures in approving and disbursing funds.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Ensuring effective monitoring and evaluation of projects funded can be challenging. Adequate mechanisms to track progress, measure outcomes, and address potential issues are crucial.

Utilisation of Funds

Difficulties arise in fully utilizing allocated funds within specified timeframes.

EQA's priority: ensuring objective and timely evaluation of projects

EQA carries out the evaluation of your projects in an **objective**, **measured** and **efficient** way. Whatever the evaluation model chosen, it will be carried out in a professional manner in the shortest time possible.

Some of the most common models we work with are:



Individual assessment

SPRI – Basque Business Development Agency; Central Finance and Contracting Agency - Latvia



Peer evaluation

GAIN - Galician Innovation Agency



Committee or Panel of experts

IVACE - Valencian Institute of Business Competitiveness



Combinations of the above

CORFO - Chile; Innovation Agency Lithuania



**+15,000
evaluations
in the last
3 years**

CORFO - Chile



National expert evaluators only

Evaluations performed in their official language (**Spanish**)

Simple and objective evaluations – one expert per evaluation

Evaluations done in **one phase** – scientific-technical evaluations



Lithuania - INNOVATION AGENCY



International expert evaluators only

Evaluations not performed in their official language (**English**)

More **complex** evaluations – 3 to 4 experts per project and each project had several R&D projects

Evaluations done in **three phases** – R&D projects' validation / scientific-technical evaluations / evaluation reports

How does EQA do it?



+200 employees



+25 years of experience



International presence



Management **evaluation tools** and know-how



Accredited evaluation processes and methodology



Extensive experience working with the **public sector**



More than 9,000
scientific collaborators



+ 137
countries



+ 1600
UNESCO disciplines

Our network of international expert evaluators

Expert Evaluator Network

EXPERTS BY OECD'S RESEARCH AREAS

Engineering and Technology **28 %**

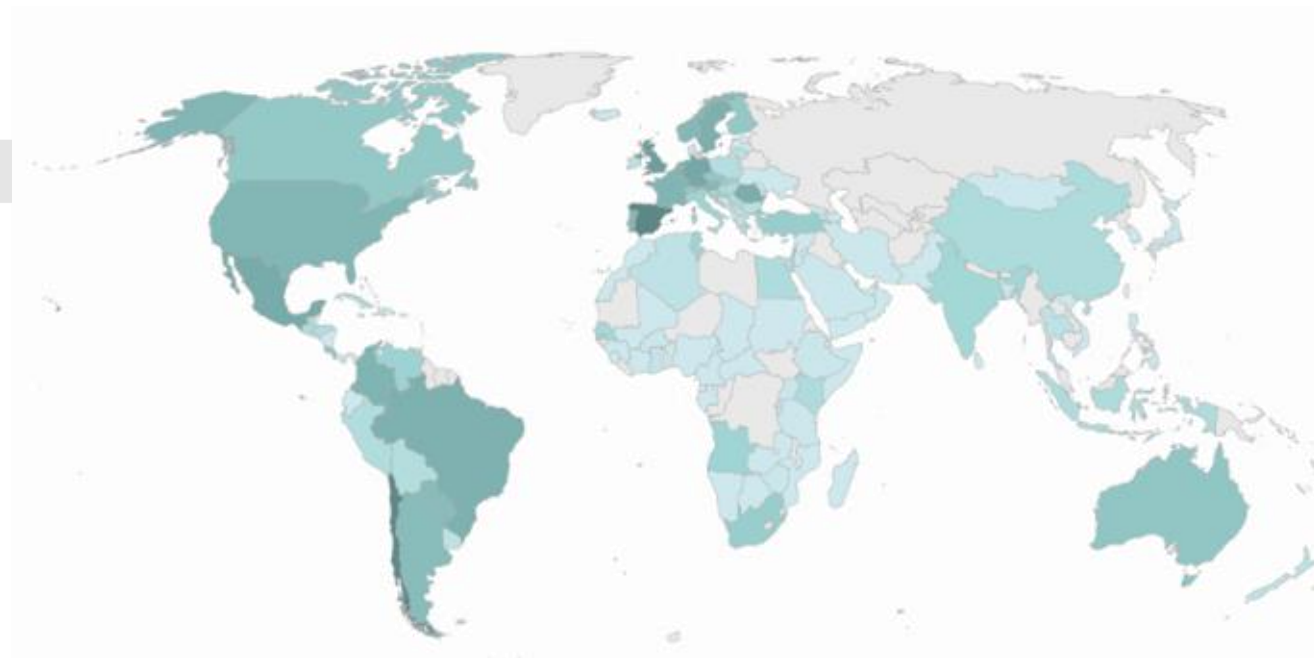
Natural Sciences **25 %**

Agricultural Sciences **21 %**

Medical and Health Sciences **16 %**

Social Sciences **6 %**

Humanities **4 %**



EQA's Fundamental Pillars



Holistic Management

Streamlining the process from expert search to final report delivery and handling of potential appeals:

- Client signs a single contract
- Impartial delivery assurance
- End-to-end coverage



Transparency

Continuous **fluid communication**

The expert signs commitments of no conflict of interest and confidentiality



Swift Evaluation Protocol

Backlog reduction during peak periods

Reduced timelines for:

- Expert selection
- Delivery of finalized reports
- Resolution of potential appeals

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THANK YOU

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