



Welcome to the July 2016 edition of NARIC News



Book your Conference place today: Early Bird prices end 31 July

Discounted [Early Bird prices](#) for paid-for places at UK NARIC 2016 annual conference are now available – the deadline is 31 July so [book](#) before then to secure these special rates. Conference dates are 21 and 22 November.

If you qualify for free conference places, then you should [book as soon as possible](#) to guarantee your attendance, as conference is filling up fast. It is possible to combine free and paid-for places, if you wish to attend conference with colleagues. The venue is at London Victoria, close to all transport links.



We are developing an exciting programme for UK NARIC 2016 – our 20th annual conference and our biggest ever. Over 50 workshops with expert speakers and contributors will cover topics of current concern in what is a fast changing international landscape. The programme includes speakers, contributors and exhibitors completely new to UK NARIC conferences. ([more...](#))

CHARONA II: new ENIC-NARIC information resources now online

Next Tier 4

Compliance event:
28 September,
central London

Our [Tier 4 Compliance seminars](#) are our most popular training events – it is clear from all our events that there is a huge appetite for more information on compliance.

Our next Tier 4 seminar event is at the [London College of Commerce](#) near [London Bridge](#), close to transport links, on 28 September. [Book early to guarantee your places. \(more...\)](#)

Changes in OISC immigration adviser CPD/training rules

There are [important changes in the CPD rules](#) for OISC-accredited immigration advisers.

The requirement to do 'core hours' of CPD is removed. However, you must actively consider and identify CPD needs so as to maintain competence, sign and declare to this effect, and maintain records of all CPD activity ready for OISC inspection.

As an official national agency and provider of the Visas and Nationality service for the Home Office, UK NARIC is a trusted provider of OISC immigration adviser training.

Our next [OISC Immigration Adviser Seminar](#) is on 27 September in central London ([more...](#))

HK enquiry numbers strong; Ghana,



Information about ENIC and NARIC centres

ENIC and NARIC centres – Who are we?

Established by the Council of Europe and UNESCO Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region (the Lisbon Recognition Convention), the ENIC and NARIC Networks are primarily concerned with ensuring that there is a fair and consistent approach to the recognition of qualifications. On that basis the networks operate in an international legal framework supporting the implementation of the Lisbon Recognition Convention as well as the European Union Directives on professional recognition and developing recognition policy and practices for the recognition of qualifications in the European Region.

What do we look like?

No two centres are the same and not all offer the same services or guidance. Each centre has a unique name that may or may not include 'ENIC' or 'NARIC'. Some have a full office, while others are a small department within another

Russia fall

UK NARIC presents the sixth edition of our quarterly statistics series, covering April to June 2016.

Ghana had sustained a top 20 position for individual enquiries to UK NARIC throughout the first quarter of 2016, and this continued into April, but enquiries then dropped and Ghana remained outside the top 20 throughout May and June.

After rising into the top 20 in February and March, Russia does not ([more...](#))

The CHARONA II project - to research stakeholder perspectives and explain and promote the role, functions and work of the ENIC-NARIC network across Europe - is now complete. The final report, and a set of information resources targeted at the different NARIC user groups and stakeholders, are all now online on the UK NARIC website.

CHARONA II surveyed service users and stakeholders across 138 countries worldwide about how they access and use ENIC-NARIC agencies, and about their knowledge of the role of ENIC-NARICs.

The CHARONA I and II projects - led by UK NARIC - are the most comprehensive analysis ([more...](#))



Member survey: satisfaction high; marketing usage up

Our 2016 UK NARIC membership survey attracted a record response with over 1300 surveys returned.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey. Detailed findings, and the winner of the prize draw, will be announced in future editions of this newsletter.

Initial survey findings are: usage of our data and services for purposes other than admission to study is on the increase. Usage for purposes of marketing is up; ([more...](#))



New CPQ professional qualifications website is now live

The website for UK NARIC's new Centre for Professional Qualifications (CPQ) is now live and online. The CPQ incorporates the designated 'Assistance Centre' under EU Directive 2013/55/EU on professional qualifications, and replaces the UK National Contact Point for Professional Qualifications (UK NCP) under the older EU Directive 2005/36/EC.

The CPQ has a wider remit than the UK NCP, and will offer advice and support to non-EU nationals, as well as ([more...](#))



Brexit: implications – free webinar with Fragomen, 5 August

UK NARIC in partnership with Fragomen the immigration law specialists are running a free 40 minute webinar on 5 August (2.30pm start) on the possible immigration and visa implications of Brexit.

Email events@naric.org.uk to reserve your place. You will be emailed later with joining instructions.

Lee Bartlett of Fragomen, a very popular speaker at UK NARIC events, will be taking part, and other experts from Fragomen. ([more...](#))

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