## Brevet de technicien supérieur (BTS) programmes

The Lycées organise the BTS programmes. These are programmes at level 5 of the EQF for which NVAO organises the initial accreditation and the re-accreditation procedures.

## **ALGEMENE INFORMATIE**

An initial accreditation procedure is an assessment of the potential quality of a new BTS programme. A re-accreditation procedure assesses the realised quality of an existing BTS programme. NVAO bases its accreditation conclusions on the assessment of the (potential or realised) programme quality by a panel of independent experts.

For this, the panel studies the application dossier (self-evaluation report) with a SWOT analysis of the programme. During a site visit, the panel engages in discussions with the management of the Lycée, staff responsible for the programme, teaching staff, students from the Lycée or the programme, and representatives from the professional field.

The quality of a BTS programme is demonstrated through four assessment areas: i) Aims and objectives of the programme; ii) Admission, evaluation, certification; iii) Implementation of the programme and iv) Quality assurance measures.

These assessment areas determine the scope of the investigation conducted in the light of the assessment. The four assessment areas are detailed in assessment criteria.

If applicable, the panel verifies whether the programme meets the regulations with respect to the admission of graduates to corresponding offices or professions.

NVAO's conclusion, consisting of advice to the Minister and the underlying assessment report, is forwarded to the Ministry of Research and Higher Education. The Minister then takes the accreditation decision.

You can find the accreditation regulations in the Luxembourg legislation here.





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