| **Update on Quality Review and QPO Activities**  **September - November 2018** **Quality Assurance and Promotion Activities** | |
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| **Office of Vice-President External Affairs** | * School Quality Improvement Plan completed * Draft university response proposed, subject to SMG sub-group meeting. * Planning for follow-up meeting in is 3rd December, 2018 |
| **School of Mathematical Sciences** | * SMG QuIP meeting held on 17th October, 2018 and finalisation of University response to QuIP * QuIP follow-up meeting date is 26th November, 2018 |
| **Office of Student Life** | * Office of Student Life confirmed for 27th Feb-1st March, 2019 * PRG panel is now confirmed. * Continuing liaison regarding development of Self-Assessment Report. |
| **Student Support and Development** | * Student Support and Development Review- confirmed 27th-29th March, 2019; PRG panel confirmed * Presentation and training sessions for SS&D staff on process * Ongoing liaison regarding self-evaluation |
| **Office of the Chief Operations Officer** | * Chief Operations Officer Quality review visit for 22nd, 23rd & 24th May 2019. * Sub-group to meet mid-November to finalise external peer review group members |
| **DCU Institutional Review** | * Collation of additional material for main site review visit * Completion of three briefing workshops for staff participating in main site review visit * Planning and logistical arrangements for main site visit * Presentation to Academic Council (Oct 2018) ahead of main site review visit * Hosting of review team for main site review visit (22-26th October) |
| **IUA/ QQI Activities** | * Liaison with Quality Officers on IUA co-ordinated response to QQI Act amendments * IUA- Quality Officers meeting, hosted at TCD, 8th October, 2018 |
| **N-Step/ Student Engagement/ ISSE** | * **NStEP Networking Session** – DCU hosted the annual networking session on the Glasnevin Campus on Thursday 21st November. Aligned to the theme of ‘Technology enhancing student engagement’ the QPO on the ways in which DCU Fuse enhanced student engagement in the context of strategic planning and generation of ideas to enhanced the student experience. DCU President, Prof Brian MacCraith and the SU President Vito Maloney Burke will each provide a 5-minute welcome address to attendees. Representatives from the 23 participating institutions were in attendance with over 60 delegates. The 3 year NStEP work plan will finish up in March 2019 with a conference hosted in the Department of Education and Skill. Staff and student representatives from DCU will be in attendance. * **Staff / Student Forums** – Phase II of the staff/student forums commenced in December with the Business School. This session, facilitated by the QPO / OSL and was very productive resulting in actionable items that will work to enhance the experience for BS students. A further update on this will be provided at the next meeting. QPO is working closely with faculties and the SU to finalise arrangements for the remaining forums. * **ISSE Fieldwork (2019)** – The survey will open for three weeks from March 11th - 30th inclusive (week 7 - 9). A project plan for faculty level fieldwork is in preparation drawing on ISSE data to demonstrate the impact of the student voice in order to encourage participation. Faculty level student’s groups have been selected and the campaign will commence w/b 21st January. |
| **Quality Enhancement** | * **QUID Funding** – completion of scoping for 2018/19 QuID funding theme on Embracing Sustainability, in co-operation with Sustainability Manager; finalisation of application material for 2018/19 * **QQI Conference (20/11/18)** Completion of poster submission to conference |
| **Other** | * QPO representation,   + Education Committee   + Academic Council   + Heads and Deans   + TEU Advisory Committee   + Strategic Intelligence pilot project steering group   + Sport Strategy Working Group   + Sustainability Council |

| **QPO Activity Report** **Strategic Planning and Institutional Research Activities** | |
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| **Strategic Planning** | * Co-ordination of review and renew of institutional strategy   + Collation of Yr 1 prioritised actions performance reporting   + Co-ordination of SMG-led review and renew process   + Report to Governing Authority of Yr 1 process, and outcome of review and renew   + Development of strategy implementation report to DCU community (to be completed by end November 2018) * HEA Strategic Dialogue- completion of presentation, and meeting with HEA to finalise 2018-2022 DCU Compact Goals |
| **Institutional Research** | * Presentation at HEIR UK and Ireland Institutional Research Conference, 20-21st September, 2018 * Support for Strategic Intelligence initiative in defining and extracting student data for student engagement pilot * Completion of ISSE dashboards, circulation to programme chairs, and hosting of information lunches to support Programme Chairs * KPI definitions and rankings presentation to DCU Research Committee * Programme Level Pass rate analysis to Education Committee * Definition of Compliance reporting requirements for SIS project * Completion of analysis on HEA Graduate Outcomes Survey * Participation on Sport Strategy working group * Completion of data return for UMultirank * Completion of specific analysis queries, including FOI requests |