

Engineering Accreditation Board (EAB)

Statement on International Visits

Individual Professional Engineering Institutions (PEIs) have their own policies on accreditation and visits outside of the UK. EAB does not have a policy on these matters, however the EAB Secretariat periodically receives requests for EAB accreditation visits to Higher Education Institutions outside the UK. The following statement is intended to clarify the procedure.

The EAB Secretariat will forward any requests for international accreditation visits to the relevant PEIs for their consideration, asking for a decision as to whether they wish to participate in such a visit. The EAB Secretariat will collate responses.

In the case where only one PEI wishes to undertake the visits, this becomes the responsibility of that PEI and the EAB Secretariat plays no further part.

Where more than one PEI wishes to undertake a visit, the EAB Secretariat will assist in coordinating the visit, in collaboration with the host university and the staff from the PEI who will be participating in the visit. Typically a PEI visiting team comprises two Members and one member of staff.

The procedures for a visit, documentation required and standards applied will as far as possible be the same as for UK accreditation visits. The direct costs (travel, accommodation, meals etc) of the visit will be met by the host university. Indirect costs (eg staff time) will not be charged for. Secretariat provision for an international visit will be discussed with the participating PEIs, with a view to them covering this role. If necessary, the EAB Secretariat will consider providing a maximum of one staff member per international visit.