

Short Biography: Dr. Fabrizio Trifiro'



[Dr. Fabrizio Trifiro'](#) is an international expert in quality assurance and international education. He heads Ecctis (formerly UK NARIC) quality benchmark services aimed at supporting the international recognition of qualifications in challenging areas, and leads strategic engagement with key international stakeholders. In this role Fabrizio developed the [TNE Quality Benchmark](#) and [TVET Quality Review and Accreditation](#), the only international schemes aimed at improving international understanding and trust of TNE and TVET qualifications respectively, regardless of countries of origin.

Prior to joining NARIC, Fabrizio was with the UK Quality Assurance Agency for over 10 years, where he led on the quality assurance of UK TNE, the international students experience, and cross-border cooperation with international QA bodies and networks.

Fabrizio acts as reviewer for a number of international quality assurance and accreditation bodies, and he has published widely on TNE and international cooperation in quality assurance leading innovative initiatives in this area. For example, he led the development of the ENQA Toolkit: [Cooperation in Cross-border Higher Education](#), carried an INQAAHE funded [study](#) on the challenges and opportunity for cross-border cooperation, and played a key role in establishing the [Quality Beyond Boundaries Group](#), an informal network of QA bodies in key receiving and sending countries of TNE.

Fabrizio holds a PhD in Political Theory (University of London), an MA in Human Rights (University of Bologna), an MSc in Social Research Methods (University of Sussex). He also held a post-doctoral fellowship at Trinity College Dublin, and a number of lecturing position in Italy and the UK.