IFEIA · ORGANISATION PROFILE

International Framework for *Educational* Institutions Accreditation

Accreditation for business and professional programmes, under a published framework and a public registry anyone can check.

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01 · ABOUT

An accreditor with one job.

To judge business and professional programmes against a standard that anyone can read, and to keep the result on a record anyone can check.

IFEIA accredits business and professional programmes: associate-, bachelor-, master- and doctoral-level programmes in business and related professional fields, and stand-alone certificate programmes. Professional programmes that are not degree-level can receive Professional Programme Recognition.

It does so under its own published standards and system. The standards are the seven axes of The IFEIA Framework. The system is a documented process, from inquiry to annual monitoring, ending in a decision that states its reasons and an entry in the public registry.

Why a specialist accreditor

Business and professional education changes quickly and is judged by employers and professional bodies as much as by academics. A specialist can ask sharper questions about applied practice, industry input and the real meaning of a credential. The scope is kept narrow so that the standard can be exact.

Status. IFEIA is an independent, private, non-governmental accreditation body. Its accreditation rests on its own published standards. It is not a government licence and is never presented as one. An institution that needs government approval to operate or to award degrees must still obtain it from the competent authority.

02 · INDEPENDENCE

What you can rely on.

Authority that is exactly what is published: the standards, the process and the record.

- **Published standards.** The seven framework axes and what we look for under each are open to read.
- **A documented process.** Inquiry, application, self-assessment, review, decision and annual monitoring, each described.
- **Reasoned decisions.** Every outcome is recorded with its scope, level, dates and duration.
- **A public registry.** Each accredited institution has a record page, a numbered certificate and a QR code that resolves to the record.
- **Appeals and complaints.** A procedure that is separate from the original decision.

Keeping decisions sound

Anyone taking part in a review or decision declares any interest in the applicant: financial, professional, family, or a link of ownership or management. Where an interest exists, that person takes no part. Declarations and the action taken are recorded.

Institutions may hold accreditation or recognition from more than one body. That is normal and does not conflict with an IFEIA accreditation, which speaks only to IFEIA's standards and to the scope stated on the record.

03 · THE FRAMEWORK

Seven axes, one standard.

Every level is assessed against the same seven axes. What differs is the evidence expected for the credential.

01 Leadership & Governance

How the institution is directed, held to account and kept honest.

02 Strategy & Planning

How goals are set, resourced and followed through.

03 Learner & Stakeholder Focus

How learners and employers are served and heard.

04 Programme Design

Outcomes, level, content and structure that mean what they say.

05 Faculty & Delivery

Qualified staff and reliable delivery of what is promised.

06 Assessment & Results

Fair assessment and results that can be trusted and traced.

07 Continuous Improvement

Evidence-led review that changes what needs changing.

Five routes

Associate-level, bachelor-level, master-level and doctoral-level programmes, and stand-alone certificate programmes. A registry record always states exactly what was accredited and at which level.

04 · PROCESS

Six stages, one clear path.

From first conversation to a continuing public record.

1 **Inquiry**
You tell us about the institution and the programme. We confirm it is in scope, which level and route apply, and what the application will need.

2 **Application**
You submit the programme profile and the supporting documents, and sign the applicant's conflict-of-interest declaration.

3 **Self-assessment**
The institution reviews itself against the seven framework axes and submits its findings with evidence. Candour counts for more than a perfect picture.

4 **Review**
Independent reviewers with no interest in the applicant examine the evidence and report axis by axis.

5 **Decision**
The Accreditation Committee decides: accredit, accredit with conditions, defer or decline, with reasons, scope, level and duration, entered in the public registry.

6 **Annual monitoring**
Each year the institution reports against its commitments and axis 07, Continuous Improvement. The public record is kept current.

05 · FEES

Published and simple.

One initial review fee per programme, paid once, and a separate annual monitoring fee. No charge depends on the outcome. Amounts in US dollars, per programme. For certificate and professional programmes the fee depends on the programme's approved learning hours; degree-level programmes are priced by level. Programme routes accredit a single programme; institutional accreditation reviews the institution as a whole.

CERTIFICATE AND PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMMES: APPROVED LEARNING HOURS	INITIAL REVIEW (PAID ONCE)	ANNUAL MONITORING (EACH YEAR)	FIRST-YEAR TOTAL
Up to 9 hours	290	90	380
10 to 15 hours	390	120	510
16 to 20 hours	590	190	780
21 to 36 hours	790	250	1,040
37 to 80 hours	990	320	1,310
More than 80 hours	1,290	420	1,710

DEGREE-LEVEL PROGRAMMES	INITIAL REVIEW (PAID ONCE)	ANNUAL MONITORING (EACH YEAR)	FIRST-YEAR TOTAL
Associate-level programme	1,590	520	2,110
Bachelor-level programme	2,190	690	2,880
Master-level programme	2,790	890	3,680
Doctoral-level programme	3,590	1,150	4,740

The USD 100 application fee is credited in full against the initial review fee. Annual monitoring is charged from the first year and is not part of the initial review fee, so the first-year total is the initial review fee plus the annual monitoring fee. Institutional accreditation, which reviews the institution as a whole: initial review USD 2,990 (paid once), annual monitoring USD 790, first-year total USD 3,780. The discount for additional programmes (10%) does not apply to it. Amounts are current as of 23 November 2026. The full schedule, including additional programmes, renewal and appeals, is published at www.ifeia.org/accreditation/fees/.

06 · REGISTRY

The public registry.

Accredited institutions recorded by decision of the IFEIA Accreditation Committee. Every record can be checked at www.ifeia.org/verify.

	INSTITUTION	COUNTRY	LEVEL	REGISTRATION NO.
01	**ALMAARI Professional Institute** (ALMAARI)	Saudi Arabia	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0001
02	**Alpine Institute for Professional Certification** (AIPC)	Austria	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0016
03	**American Council for Applied Learning** (ACAL)	United States	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0012
04	**American Institute for Career Development** (AICD)	United States	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0017
05	**Andean Council for Learning Assurance** (ACLA)	Colombia	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0020
06	**Atlantic Board for Professional Excellence** (ABPE)	Portugal	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0002
07	**Australian Institute for Training Excellence** (AITE)	Australia	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0021
08	**Bahrain Center for Quality and Excellence** (BCQE)	Bahrain	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0003
09	**Baltic Institute for Institutional Review** (BIIR)	Estonia	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0024
10	**Canadian Council for Applied Competencies** (CCAC)	Canada	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0013
11	**Caribbean Board for Educational Quality** (CBEQ)	Barbados	Professional programmes	IFEIA-R-2026-0028
12	**Central European Academy for Training Quality** (CEATQ)	Czech Republic	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0006
13	**East African Institute for Technical Standards** (EAITS)	Kenya	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0026
14	**European Institute for Academic and Professional Quality** (EIAPQ)	Ireland	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0019
15	**German Institute for Technical and Engineering Standards** (GITES)	Germany	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0025
16	**Iberian Center for Skills Recognition** (ICSR)	Spain	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0014
17	**International Academy for Business Standards** (IABS)	United Kingdom	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0015
18	**International Council for Future Skills** (ICFS)	South Korea	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0018
19	**Levant Institute for Learning and Development** (LILD)	Lebanon	Professional programmes	IFEIA-R-2026-0005
20	**Mediterranean Council for Knowledge Quality** (MCKQ)	Malta	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0022
21	**Moroccan Institute for Hospitality and Service Excellence** (MIHSE)	Morocco	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0009
22	**Netherlands Institute for Media and Communication Standards** (NIMCS)	Netherlands	Bachelor-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0029
23	**New Zealand Institute for Education and Skills Assurance** (NZIESA)	New Zealand	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0027
24	**Nordic Institute for Skills Assurance** (NISA)	Sweden	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0004
25	**Oceania Council for Education Integrity** (OCEI)	Australia	Bachelor-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0030
26	**Singapore Institute for Digital Innovation** (SIDI)	Singapore	Certificate	IFEIA-R-2026-0011
27	**Southern African Board of Professional Competence** (SABPC)	South Africa	Professional programmes	IFEIA-R-2026-0008
28	**Swiss Academy for Institutional Governance** (SAIG)	Switzerland	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0010
29	**Swiss Center for Institutional Quality** (SCIQ)	Switzerland	Master-level	IFEIA-R-2026-0023
30	**Tunisian Institute for Logistics and Skills** (TILS)	Tunisia	Professional programmes	IFEIA-R-2026-0007

07 · CONTACT

Verify, ask, apply.

Anyone can check a certificate without asking the institution.

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