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Rafael Llavori is Head of the Unit for International Relations of ANECA. He is graduated in History at Universidad Complutense de Madrid and he also holds a Master in Modern Languages by the Universidad Complutense.

He developed his professional career for 12 years in the private sector as a consultant on environmental impact assessments in the field of public works, where acquired experience in quality assurance procedures associated to industry and environmental processes.

He joined the Spanish National Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education in January 2003, becoming the Head of the Unit in 2005. In his daily activity he plays an active part in the definition of technical instruments to advance in the mutual understanding of accreditation processes amongst European Agencies and also in the Latin American setting.

As part of his activities in the Agency, he is in charge of the relations at the bilateral and multilateral level with agencies from Europe and Latin America. He was secretary of the Latin American Network of Accreditation Agencies of Higher Education (RIACES) as well as for the Follow-up Committee of the Latin American and The Caribbean-European Union Higher Education Area (UE-ALC) for two years (2003-2005).

Amongst other issues related to the topic, he represented ANECA in the international working group on the Quality Assurance of Student Assessment in Higher Education initiative of the Netherlands Inspectorate of Education (IvH) in 2007 and 2008. He has co-chaired the Working Group of the European Consortium of Accreditation (ECA) on Accreditation of Joint-programmes (2006-2007) and took part as expert in the Spanish team of the Report in the *OECD Tertiary Education for the Knowledge Society (2004-2008)*.

He is member of the training team of ANECA for the CINTAS project of the Iberoamerican Network of Accreditation Agencies (RIACES) for training technical staff in the internal quality assurance system processes of the accreditation agencies.

Furthermore, he is member of the technical working group for the definition and implementation of the Spanish National Qualification Framework (2007-2009).

Within ANECA has taken part in many evaluation procedures of different Spanish universities within the various programmes accomplished by ANECA at Bachelor and Doctorate level. He has been also member of international procedures in Austria and Belgium (Flanders).

Between 1996 and 2002 he also co-ordinated two projects led by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science focusing on promoting science and technology amongst students at secondary school and undergraduate level. These programmes were also conducted at the European level in collaboration with the European Commission.

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