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The review process
(full agency reviews)

O processo de avaliação
(avaliações completas da
agência)

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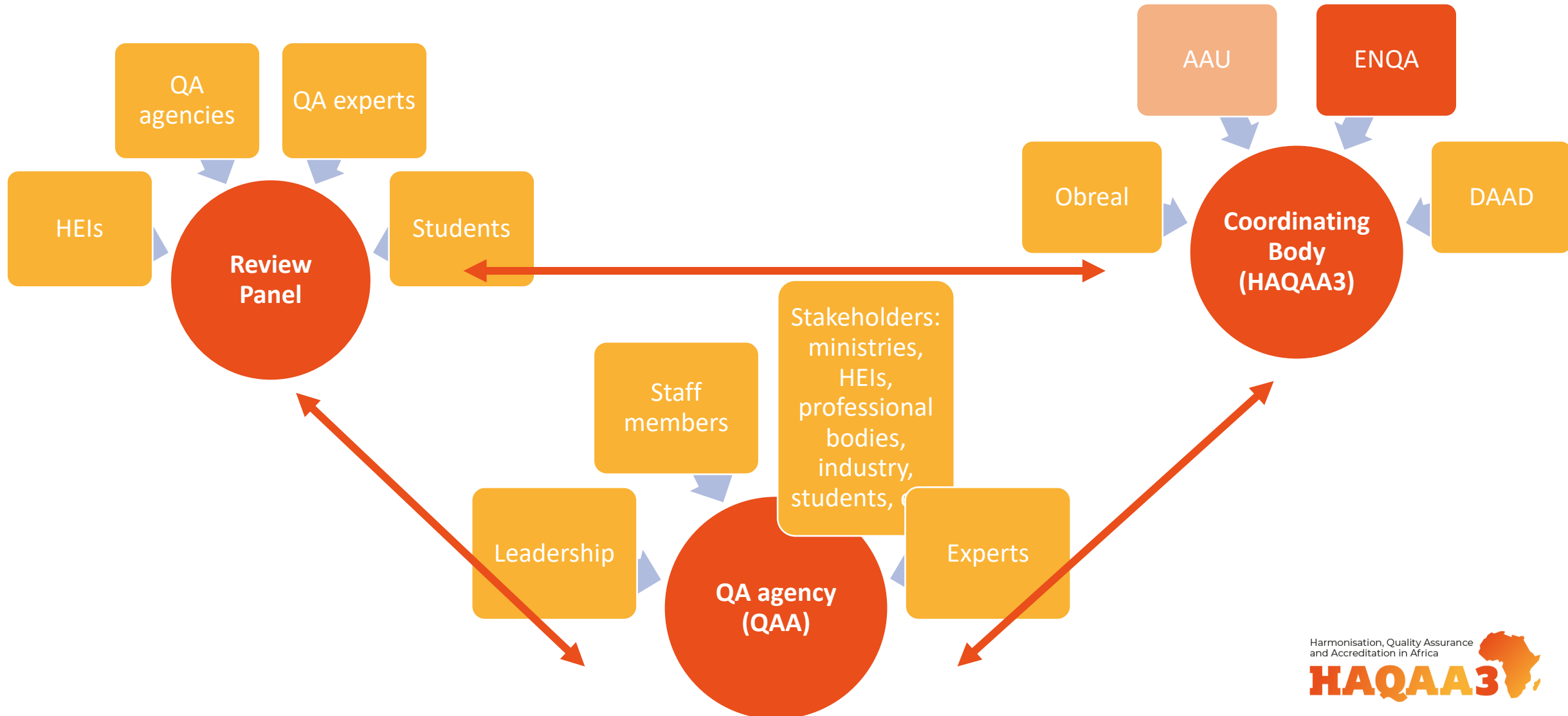
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The review process: aims and objectives

- Enhancement-led review to evaluate the extent to which the agency/ministry meets the expectations of the ASG-QA.
- Supporting the development/establishment of national QA agencies in line with the ASG-QA.
- Raising awareness of ASG-QA and [Pan-African Quality Assurance and Accreditation Framework \(PAQAF\)](#).
- Facilitating discussion with stakeholders.
- Increasing visibility, trust and transparency.

The review process: actors involved



The Review Panel (I)

Full agency reviews	Consultancy visits	Follow-up visits
4 experts , with at least a representative from a QAA, a HEI and a student.	3 experts , with at least a representative from a QAA and a HEI	2 experts
Nominated by national QAAs, regional QA bodies and the All-African Students' Union.	Nominated by national QAAs, regional QA bodies.	Nominated by national QAAs, regional QA bodies
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Each panel will have a Chair and a Secretary, plus two other members (one of which will be a student).	Each panel will have a Chair and a Secretary, plus one member.	Experts will divide the work equally, but with a clear division of tasks.

The Review Panel (II)

- The members of the Panel:
 - Study materials submitted by the agency (including SAR)
 - Collect evidence during the site visit
 - Draft the external review report
 - Be available for any clarifications or discussions regarding the external review report.

The Coordinating Body

- Prepares the Terms of Reference (ToR) together with the agency under review.
- Appoints panel members, based on defined criteria.
- Officially contracts the panel members for the review activity.
- Guides the panel and the agency throughout the process.
- Assigns one of its staff as a coordinator for the process of review (the coordinator does not take part in the review activity).
- Monitors the process as agreed and intervene if delays are observed.

The Quality Assurance Agency (QAA)

- Agrees on the Terms of Reference (ToR) together with the Coordinating Body.
 - Writes the Self-Assessment Report as per the provided guidelines.
 - Provides additional information (if requested).
 - Organises the site visit, in cooperation with the Coordinating Body.
 - Fact-checks the External Review Report.
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- ✓ Co-owner of the process, takes initiative in cooperation with the Coordinating Body and the review panel.
 - ✓ Commits to the review process, providing it with the required resources, taking part in training, and involving stakeholders.

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Provides a comprehensive evaluation based on Parts B and C of the ASG-QA.	The focus is on selected key standards to help guide the development of a structured quality assurance system.	Focuses on progress made since the previous review , assessing how past recommendations have been implemented.
The review assesses whether the agency meets Pan-African quality standards.	Provides advisory support and recommendations on the necessary steps to build an independent and operational agency.	Identifies further areas for improvement and ensures continuous quality enhancement.
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