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Notice from the Examination Secretariat – Exceptional acceptance of late registration for the purpose of the enrolment to the EQE 2026

The Examination Secretariat has decided, as a one-off *ex gratia* measure to the benefit of candidates, to exceptionally accept the validity of certain late registrations for the purposes of enrolment to the 2026 main examination (A, B, C, D).

This decision is made in light of the cancellation of the pre-examination in 2025, which may have resulted in misunderstanding on the part of some candidates of the formal requirements for registration once they started their professional activities (Rule 28 IPREE), in particular the applicable timeline. Where the substantive requirements for enrolment are fulfilled, the registration deadline of **28 May 2025** (OJ 2025, A9) will be deemed valid for the candidates enrolling to the examination 2026 for the first time, by analogy with registration for first-time enrolment for paper F.

This measure applies exclusively to the first-time enrolments to 2026 main examination (A, B, C, D) and is without prejudice to the strict application of the relevant deadlines in future years.

No right can be derived from this decision in respect of Article 25(2)(b) to (e) REE 2025. In particular, it is clarified that only a “PASS” result achieved in papers A, B, C, or D in 2026 can be used for exemption from future examinations M2, M3 and M4 under the REE 2025.