

## About the benefits of cooperative action in curriculum development

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## Common Difficulties in Curriculum Development

- Lack of knowledge of formal/legal requirements and/or principles of university didactics
- Decisions on content or didactics are often second to administrative decisions
- Relevant stakeholders are not included or included too late
- Focus on a single process step and neglect of further relevant process steps


## Crucial Aspects of Curriculum Development

- Interaction and participation
- Attention to all process steps
- Distribution of tasks between stakeholders (teachers, university and faculty leadership, didacticians, quality managers and administrative staff)


## Interaction \& Participation: What is helpful

- Regular exchange of information between the relevant stakeholders
- A change of roles or perspectives of the stakeholders when a discussion stalls
- A culture of the university that allows transparent, discourse-oriented and respectful communication


## Distribution of Tasks: What is helpful

- Involve existing expertise at an early stage
- Define responsibilities early in the process
- Make faculties, teachers, university administration and didacticians equal partners with different competences and tasks


## Attention to Process Steps: What is helpful

- Give equal priority to all relevant process steps:
$\checkmark$ Curriculum development in the department
$\checkmark$ Committee advice
$\checkmark$ Accreditation
$\checkmark$ Preparation and commencement of studies
- Define responsibilities as clear as possible right from the start
- Define binding schedules


## Curriculum Development: Integrative Approach

Interaction \& Participation<br>Quality/\& Sustainability of Curriculum Development<br>Competence-oriented Distribution of Tasks between Stakeholders

Equal Attention to all Process Steps up from the Start

## Thank you for your attention!

