



# **Creating a sustainable network for information sharing**



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# Overview

- ① Problem
- ② Proposed solution
- ③ **Barriers to successful networking**

# Problem

- Below optimum performance of QAAs:
  - ✓ Unfamiliarity regarding other countries' QAAs frameworks/approaches
  - ✓ Different stages of development of QAAs
  - ✓ Disparate systems/standards/processes
  - ✓ Limited cooperation & trust amongst QAAs
  - ✓ Poorly developed websites/communication channels

# Proposed solution

- *Effective Networks* of QAAs facilitate:
  - ✓ Dialogue & information sharing;
  - ✓ Capacity building;
  - ✓ Dissemination of good practice;
  - ✓ Cooperation & building trust

# Barriers to successful networking

- Absence of formal MoUs;
- Legislative & policy restrictions e.g. confidentiality & IP
- Language & cultural constraints
- Plagiarism (or fear of it)
- Human resources turnover in QAAs
- building trust takes time, dedication & resources



**Thank you**