



# Doctoral Education in Europe and China

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## **Abstract:**

The presentation is based on an analysis of recent changes in doctoral education that can be observed in Europe and China. It traces the policies having led to these changes and discusses related policy transfer looking at differences and similarities in the underlying rationales. The presentation will emphasise in particular the extended policy field for doctoral education which is no longer regarded as an exclusively academic affair but has become an object of institutional management, national policy making and – at least in Europe – supra-national agenda setting. A further part of the presentation will have a closer look at the multiplication of purposes and models for doctoral education. The presentation will discuss two overarching issues which are equally in the centre of debates and policy-making in Europe and China: Quality management and internationalisation of doctoral education. In the concluding part I will reflect on the implications of the extended policy field and the diversification of doctoral training models in terms of the questions (a) how this reflects on quality assurance mechanisms, (b) who is qualified to convey the extended skills set and (c) whether academic careers remain sufficiently attractive to attract the best and the brightest talent.

## **About the speaker:**

Barbara M. Kehm is specialised in research on higher education, worked at the International Centre for Higher Education Research (INCHER) at the University of Kassel (Germany) and the Institute for Higher Education Research (HoF) at the University of Halle-Wittenberg (Germany). She was a professor and Director in INCHER from 2004 to 2011 before she joined in the Glasgow in 2013. She has published extensively (more than 30 books and more than 250 book chapters and journal articles) on issues of internationalisation, changes in doctoral education, new forms of governance and processes of professionalization. She has been a member of a variety of academic advisory boards as well as the international advisory board of the University of Helsinki (Finland) and currently is a member of the Board of Governors of two German universities. She has been a visiting professor at the University of Damascus (Syria), RMIT Melbourne (Australia), South West Jiaotong University in Chengdu and BUAA in Beijing (China), the Catholic University in Santiago (Chile) and the National University of Buenos Aires (Argentina).

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