The Eligibility Criteria

1. Institutional Scope
   The School must demonstrate that its activities fall within the scope of institutions covered by the scheme. It must produce evidence that it:
   a. is an EFMD member. It must remain a member in good standing during the period of accreditation.
   b. is a degree awarding institution; institutions whose focus is in non-degree education cannot be declared eligible, even if they are attached to a university or university faculty.
   c. has a mission which is appropriate for a higher education institution.
   d. has a primary focus on education for general management or business administration.
   e. has reasonable autonomy in formulating and implementing its strategy, the management of its academic staff and budget and in the design and running of its programmes.
   f. has clear boundaries which make it possible to distinguish it from other units within the wider university structure.
   g. has academic staff covering the principal management disciplines.
   h. has graduated at least 3 classes in its main degree programme.
   i. has been in operation for at least 10 years.
   j. can demonstrate sufficient institutional stability in cases where major structural changes have occurred.

2. Excellent National Standing
   The School is recognised as an institution having excellent standing in its home market. The School should produce evidence that it enjoys significant recognition for excellence in at least two clearly defined areas of activity.

3. International Reputation
   The School is recognised outside its own country.

4. Breadth of Activities
   The School has reasonable breadth in its portfolio of activities as demonstrated by presence in at least two of the principal programme segments (Bachelor, Master, MBA, PhD, Executive Education).

5. Core Faculty
   The School has a core faculty of at least 25 FTE qualified academics. In all cases, the School must demonstrate that the size of its core faculty is sufficient to support its portfolio of activities and the number of students enrolled in its programmes, and that it constitutes a viable academic community.
6. EQUIS Standards and Criteria
The School has a reasonable prospect of satisfying the EQUIS criteria within two years of being declared Eligible, particularly in the key areas of programme quality, faculty, research, internationalisation, ethics, responsibility & sustainability and corporate connections. The perceived ability to meet the EQUIS Standards & Criteria is the key factor for the Committee in making the decision for eligibility.

In this process, the onus is upon the School to present a convincing case that it does demonstrably satisfy the above Eligibility criteria.