Supplier has finalised their submission and the questionnaire is submitted to the Validations team, the answers are locked and can no longer be amended.

**System Validation**
Hellios’ advanced system checks to ensure the information provided is consistent with the expectations of each response.

**Rigorous Checking of Questionnaire**
Hellios check each supplier response against multiple sources to provide the highest quality of information to our buyer members.

**Coherency Testing**
Hellios’ experienced team of validators check the consistency of each submission to ensure the responses provided align to the organisation completing.

**Validation of Certificates**
Hellios have developed relationships with accreditors to ensure no fraudulent certificates are accepted.

If the Validations team find any discrepancies, the questionnaire is returned to the supplier for amendment. Hellios discuss the responses with the supplier to understand context ahead of publication.

If the questionnaire passes our strenuous Validation process, the questionnaire is accepted, published and the supplier’s details become visible to the buyers.

**Validation Guidelines**
Hellios’ validation guidelines are set by the Buyer Members Governance Group and regularly reviewed to ensure alignment with the changing requirements.