European Qualifications Framework
&
Europass

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EQF Objectives

Transparency, comparability and portability of people's qualifications

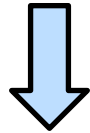Employability, mobility and social integration of workers and learners

Linking formal, non-formal and informal learning

Supporting the validation of learning outcomes acquired in different settings

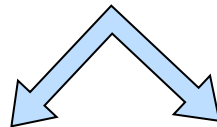Contributing to modernising education and training systems

EQF: institutional basis

2017 EQF Recommendation: based on articles 165 & 166 TFEU

Voluntary process and tool

Governance

EU level
EQF Advisory Group

National level
EQF National Coordination Points

27 EU MS + 11 additional European countries

(+ UK in 2020)

What is the EQF?

- 8-Level reference framework, covering <u>all</u> types and all levels of qualifications

- Defined in terms of learning outcomes

Knowledge

Skills

Responsibility & autonomy

- A translation grid for qualifications across countries

What NOT?

- It does not provide automatic European wide-recognition

- It is not about harmonising education and training systems

- It is not a competence framework

EQF Recommendation of 2008 replaced by Recommendation of 2017: new elements

1) Review and update, when relevant, the referencing

2) Inclusion of EQF Referencing criteria in the Recom.

3) Annexes on quality assurance and credit systems

4) International qualifications

5) Third country dimension

6) Communication & databases/registers

7) Consistency of referencing

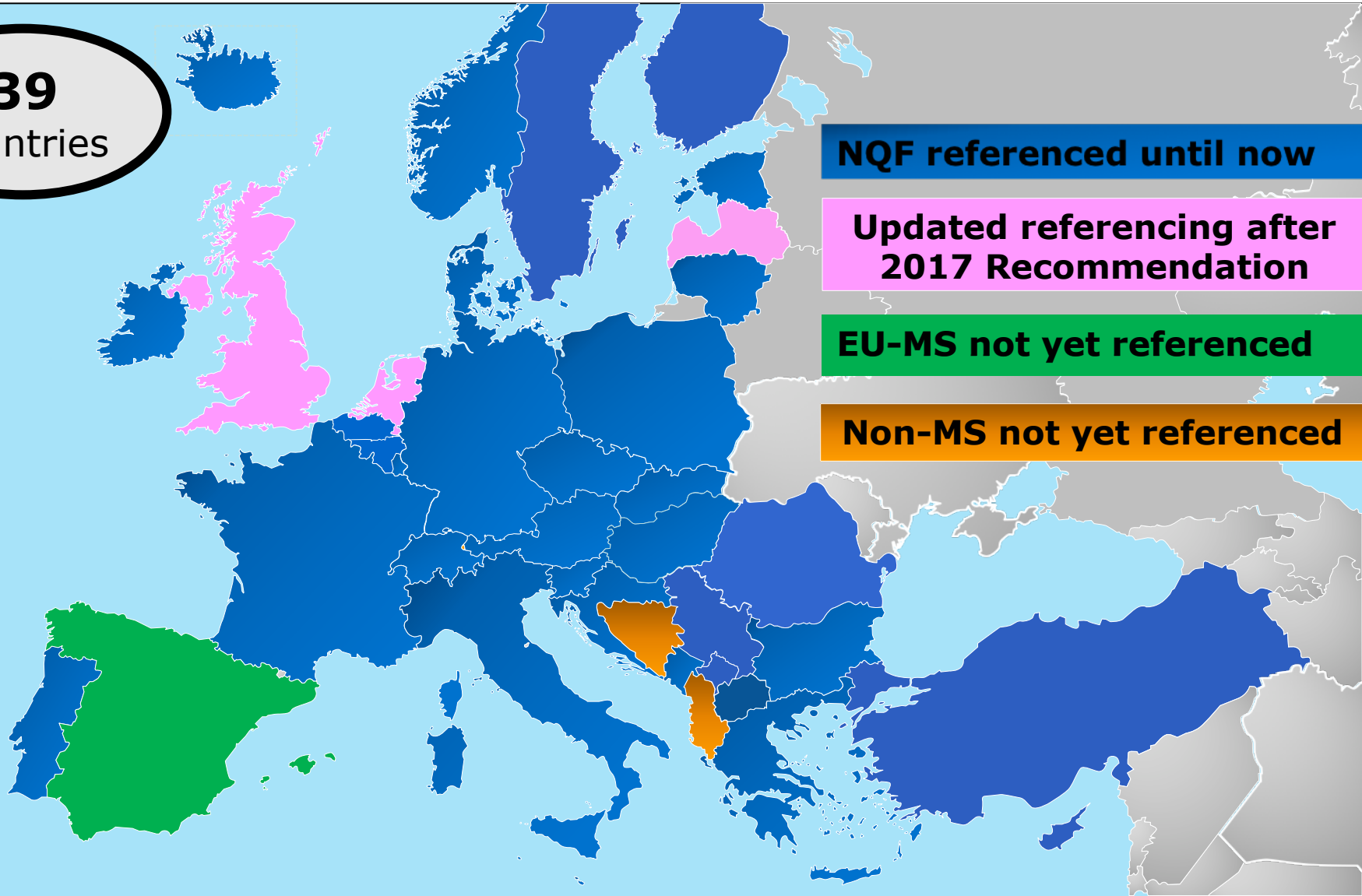# Current state of EQF implementation

State of play of EQF referencing

39 countries

NQF referenced until now

Updated referencing after 2017 Recommendation

EU-MS not yet referenced

Non-MS not yet referenced

EQF/NQF Levels

33 on qualifications/ Europass supplements

28 in qualifications databases

33 countries: NQF/EQF levels on certificates, diplomas and supplements

Main impacts of the EQF

Development of NQFs: **3 → 43** (since 2008)

Mutual learning → TRUST

Change in thinking ⟷ OUTCOME

EQF levels

Main impacts of the EQF

Different types of qualifications in the frameworks

Interconnected landscape of NQFs

Map of qualifications
in Europe

Links NQFs - validation NFIL

Contribution of European NQFs – areas of influence

Communication/transparency/classification

- *Improved **transparency and understanding of national education and qualifications systems**: a comprehensive map of qualifications*

- ***Qualifications registers/ databases** improve understanding of single qualifications*

- *NQFs have contributed to **visibility of VET at higher levels** (EQF levels 5-8);*

- *Identifying **gaps in provision** of qualifications - EQF level 5*

- *Opening up toward qualifications **outside regulated qualification system***

- ***Comprehensive character of NQFs**, including all levels and types of qualifications is becoming **stronger***

Focus on learning outcomes

- *NQFs have strengthened **use of learning outcomes** and competence approach*

- *NQFs have pushed forward **quality assurance of qualifications** – 'gate-keepers' of quality assured qualifications*

- *NQFs have facilitated the implementation **of validation of non-formal learning /recognition of prior learning***

- ***Updated/extended** qualifications standards*

Remaining challenges for the EQF

- Full implementation of learning outcomes
- Bringing the EQF closer to learners, workers, employers
- Consistency in referencing across countries
- Qualifications outside the formal domain (private sector, international)
- International dimension

Europass

europa.eu/europass

Europass: *the* European tool

to manage your skills, and

plan your learning and career.

E-Portfolio

The European place to record and manage skills and qualifications

Information

Reliable and transparent information on education, training, learning opportunities, qualifications and skills needs

Digital Credentials

One European Framework for issuing digital credentials

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Johanna ▼

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The European tool to **showcase your skills**, plan your learning and your career... all in one place.

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Jobs   Training   Advice

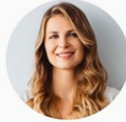🔍 Search jobs...   📍 Location   **Find**

Learn in Europe

Find information on opportunities to learn or study in another European country and practical insights to support you when moving to another country. Here you will also learn about validation of non-formal and informal education and how to recognise your diplomas and qualifications.

Find learning opportunities in Europe now

Find a job   Find a course   Create a cover letter   **Create a CV**

Me ▾   My Skills   My Interests   Library   Applications

My Profile ⓘ

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JOHANNA SMITH

English ⚙ Manage profile language   ✎ Edit

My personal information ⌄

✎ Edit

Work Experience

Photographer & Videographer   ✎ Edit | 🗑 Delete
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June 2017 - Current   🏢 Reverside Street 123, 23 10320 Ixelles, Belgium | www.acme-co.com
Name of unit/department: **Photography** | Business or sector: **Graphic Arts** | Contact email: **johannas@gmail.com**

Experience in high quality digital photographs and videos, including setting up precise photographic measurements and control equipment. I'm able to understand clients' needs and bring my artistic vision to into the images and visual stories I create. I also coordinated and supported stylists for photography and video sessions.

Additional information ⌃

Photographer   ✎ Edit | 🗑 Delete
Negatif Plus
May 2016 - May 2017 – Brussels, Belgium

I contributed to various assignments from studio photo sessions to outdoor shoots and gained experience in scheduling, designing sets and photo editing. I also assisted the senior photographer with polishing rough edits and ensuring background, lighting and camera techniques.

⊕ Add work experience

Education & Training

ESRA School of Photography   ✎ Edit | 🗑 Delete
Master of Photography
Sept 2012 - Aug 2014 – Madrid, Spain

Additional information ⌄

Bristol Ad School   ✎ Edit | 🗑 Delete
Art Direction Certificate
Sept 2009 - Aug 2012 – Bristol, United Kingdom

My photographic work focuses on abandoned places. Far from being documentary, even though we cannot deny it this aspect, it is primarily a work on aesthetics and on the atmosphere that give off these places.

⊕ Add education & training

Language skills

Mother tongue(s)   ✎ Edit / Add

| **English** | **Irish Gaelic** | **British Sign Language** |
| Mother tongue | Mother tongue | Mother tongue |

Other language(s)

Spanish	‹ German Certificates & Diplomas	**French**
Listening		Listening
●●●○○	**EPFC**	●●●○○
B1 - Independent user	German A2: Basic User	B1 - Independent user
Reading	**EPFC Institute**	Reading
●○○○○	German B1: Independent User	●○○○○
A1 - Basic user		A1 - Basic user
Spoken interaction		Spoken interaction

Find a job   Find a course | Create a cover letter   Create a CV

Me ▾   **My Skills**   My Interests   Library   Applications

My Skills ⓘ

Build your skills profile by confirming or rejecting skills suggestions from your personal profile.
Update your personal profile to get more accurate suggestions or try the search.

Suggestions

protect health and well-being while... ✓ ✗	use learning strategies ✓ ✗	support company plan ✓
apply quality standards ✓ ✗	support cultural diversity ✓ ✗	follow environmentally-sustainable... ✓
attend to detail ✓ ✗	accept constructive criticism ✓ ✗	support gender equality ✓ ✗ persist

🔍 photograph |

photography

advice customers on **photography**

work with the director of **photography**

commercial **photography**

research new **photographic** procedures

Edit mode 🔵 **View mode**

My Skills

Application of knowledge

Digital competences

protect ICT devices | implement ICT safety policies | implement a firewall | implement spam protection |

implement a virtual private network |

Numeracy and mathematics

carry out work-related calculations | carry out work-related measurements | manage quantitative data |

use mathematical tools and equipment | work with shape and space |

Attitudes and values

demonstrate consideration | demonstrate enthusiasm | manage frustration | meet commitments | manage quality |

adapt to change |

Thinking

develop strategy to solve problems | evaluate information | make decisions |

Social interaction

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Me ▼   My Skills   **My Interests**   Library   Applications

My Interests ⓘ

List your interests and preferences to receive tailored job and course suggestions on the Dashboard.

Are you interested in…?

Please select your interests

develop new skills ✓	volunteer ⊕	get better at my job ✓	traineeship/internship ⊕	learn abroad ⊕
apprenticeship ⊕	improve languages skills ✓	start own business ⊕	change career ⊕	work abroad ✓
start to study ⊕	learn a trade ⊕	find a job ✓		

Preferred location(s)

Select cities and countries

📍

Mexico ⊗   Marseille ⊗   Brazil ⊗

Your interests

Add tags to describe your interests

🔍   ⊕ Add

Teach English street children in Mexico ⊗   Spanish ⊗   French ⊗   Portuguese ⊗   Adobe Lightroom ⊗   Skylum Luminar ⊗

Photojournalist ⊗   Photography teacher ⊗   Audio-visual techniques and media production ⊗   Work with children ⊗

Report a problem or give feedback on this page

Me ▼   My Skills   My Interests   Library   Applications

Johanna Smith
"Keep calm, take photos"

Profile language: **English** ▼

I'm interested in photography, people and nature. I'm a passionate photographer since the age of 9, when I got my first camera. Today,...

View Profile

Create a CV

Create a Cover Letter

My Applications

My Library

Opportunities for you

Update your profile, skills and interests to receive tailored jobs and courses

⚙ **Settings**   ♡ **See my favourites**

Jobs

◀

Photographer
Zoom, France
12/04/2019 (2 weeks ago)

Wedding Senior Photographer
BBVA, Spain
12/04/2019 (2 weeks ago)

BBVA
Wedding Senior Photographer
BBVA, Spain
12/04/2019 (2 weeks ago)

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Courses

◀

Wedding Senior Photographer
BBVA, Spain
12/04/2019 (2 weeks ago)

A School of Art
Become a fashion photographer
School of Arts, Germany
12/04/2019 (5 weeks ago)

BBVA
Wedding Senior Photographer
BBVA, Spain
12/04/2019 (2 weeks ago)

▶

My Skills   ⊕ Add new skill

protect ICT devices | adapt to change

implement anti-virus software |

implement a virtual private network |

My Interests   ⊕ Add new interest

● Fashion Photographer Course

● Learn French

● Fashion Photographer Course

Europass Digital Credentials

Diploma in Sociology

Date: 12/05/2019 | **Type:** Diploma

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Issuing organisation

Credential Owner

Achievements

Activities

Entitlements

Sub-credentials

Other Data

UNIVERSITY
OF GOZO

DIPLOMA IN SOCIOLOGY

The University of Gozo
certifies that

Johanna Marie Smith

has graduated *magna cum Laude*

course in **SOCIOLOGY AT EQF LEVEL 6**

Paul Smith
November 12, 2019

This certificate is verified
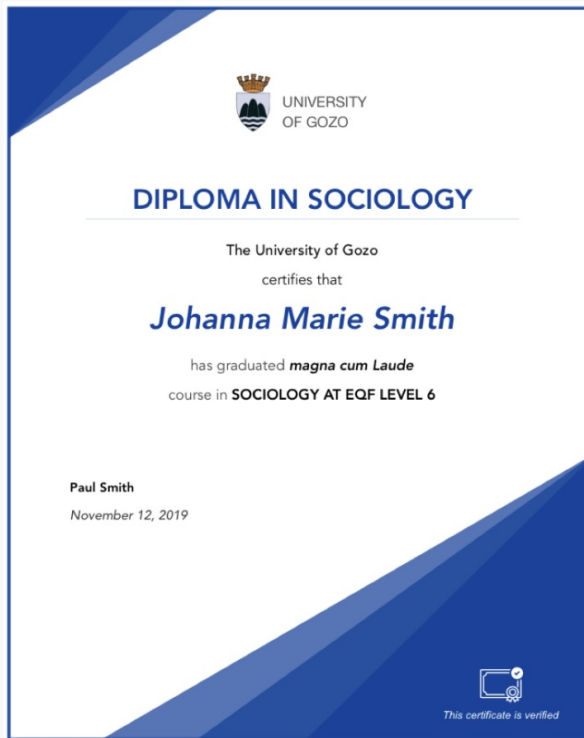
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