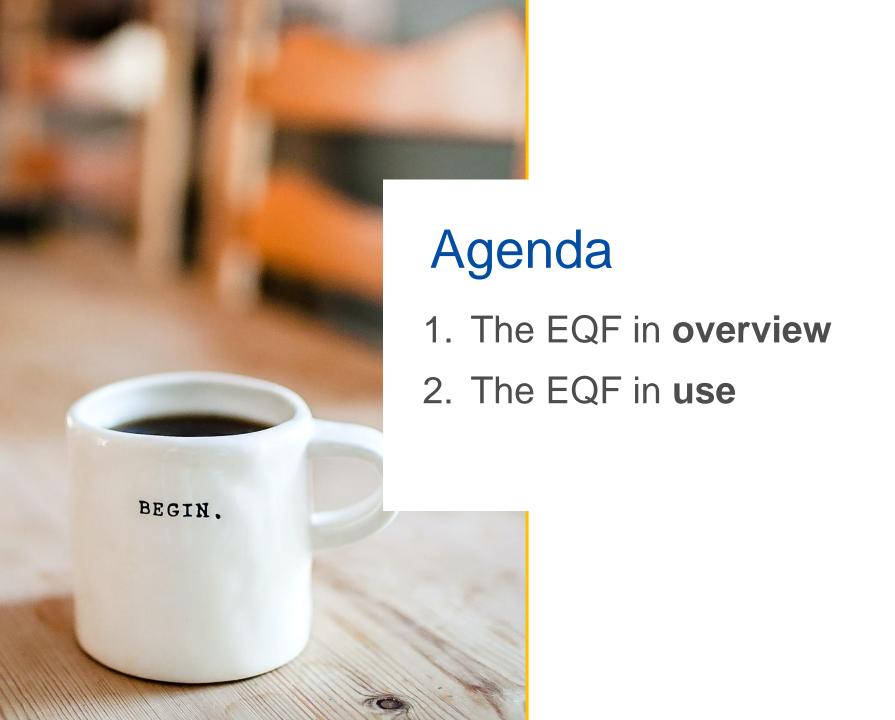


Introduction to the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)

Webinar on EU education tools

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- Purpose
- Core elements
- Governance

What is the purpose of the EQF?

CHALLENGE

Education and training systems differ across countries. Qualifications are diverse and reflect national rules and traditions.



To improve the transparency, comparability and portability of people's qualifications

WIDER IMPACTS

- Employability, mobility and social integration of workers and learners
- Foster lifelong learning
- Modernising education and training systems



What is the EQF?

- A translation grid for qualifications across countries
- Defined in terms of learning outcomes (knowledge, skills, responsibility & autonomy)
- 8-Level reference framework, covering all types and all levels of qualifications
- 38 countries participate to the EQF process and a third country dimension





What is the governance of the EQF?



Legal base

<u>Council recommendation</u> of 22 May 2017 on the European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning



Governance

- EU level: EQF Advisory Group
- National level: EQF National Coordination Points





What are key areas of work linked to the EQF?

MS in accordance with national circumstances

Reference to the EQF and update referencing reports, where relevant

Publish relevant information

Include EQF levels on qualification documents

Coordinate the work of EQF NCPs

The Commission, in cooperation with MS and stakeholders within the EQF AG

Support **EQF implementation process**:

- Voluntary procedures linked to international qualifications;
- Exploring comparison with non-EU frameworks;
- Horizontal comparison projects of qualifications and guidance on how to draft short descriptions of learning outcomes.



What is the implementation status of the EQF?

- All 38 EQF countries have national qualifications frameworks;
- 36 of them have referenced and 7 presented an updated referencing report;
- 33 countries indicate EQF levels on certificates, diplomas or supplements,
- 22 countries indicate EQF levels on databases or registers of qualifications;





The European Qualifications Framework in use

- Who is it for?
- Further reading and examples



Who is the EQF for?





Where can I find further information?







National referencing reports and Cedefop's European Inventory of NQFs



Get in touch with us!





Thank you for the attention!

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