



CyQF – National Qualifications

Authority

Background Info



- ➢ National Coordination Point of EQF → MOEC
- ▶ February of 2017 the CyQF was referenced to the EQF
- April 2017, Announcement of the CyQF Registry by the Ministry of Education and Culture, supported by a secretarial officer
- May 2017, the Board of Ministers (Decision no. 82592) approved the development of the "National Qualifications Authority"

<u>The Mission of the "National Qualifications</u> <u>Authority"</u>



- The NQA mission is to oversee and develop the National Qualifications Framework in the context of lifelong learning in cooperation with the students/candidates, employers and providers of Vocational Education and Training at all levels and in compliance with demand needs of society and economy.
- The NQA acts as the Governance Body with the responsibilities of the "CyQF Registry"

NQA 2019-2020 Work Package



- Development of "CyQF Guidelines Handbook".
 This handbook will include the guidelines, criteria and procedures for the inclusion of qualifications in the CyQF Registry
- Development of the IT infrastructure to support the CyQF Registry and the qualifications inclusion
- Revision, development and inclusion of new qualifications
- Communicate with all stakeholders the EQF AG

NQA Future Challenges



- Inclusion of the mechanism- Recognition/Validation of Prior Learning-(through Informal and Non-Formal learning)
- Budgetary restrictions of further implementations and staffing up

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Thank you!



THE CYPRUS QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

NQF LEVELS	EDUCATIONAL/ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS	Occupational/Vocational Qualifications	EQF LEVELS
8	DOCTORAL DEGREE		8
7c	MASTER'S DEGREE		
7b	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA		7
7a	POST GRADUATE CERTIFICATES		
6	UNIVERSITY DEGREE (PTYCHION/BACHELOR'S DEGREE)	SVQ Level 6	6
5c	HIGHER CERTIFICATES AND DIPLOMAS (3 years or more)		
5b	POST SECONDARY CERTIFICATES AND DIPLOMAS (2 years)	SVQ Level 5	5
5a	POST SECONDARY CERTIFICATES AND DIPLOMAS (1 year)		
4	UPPER SECONDARY GENERAL EDUCATION AND EVENING SCHOOLS CERTIFICATES (12th Class-or 12&13th for some private schools)-APOLYTERION UPPER SECONDARY TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND EVENING TECHNICAL SCHOOLS CERTIFICATES (12th Class)-APOLYTERION	SVQ <u>Level 4</u>	4
3	NEW MODERN LOWER SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE 10th Class APPRENTICESHIP CERTICATE	SVQ Level 3	3
2	PREPARATORY PROGRAMME (NEW MODERN APPRENTICESHIP)		2
1	COMPULSORY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE (Elementary School Leaving Certificate, and/or graduates of 7th and /or 8th Class)		1
	SVQ=SYSTEM OF VOCATIONAL		

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