

CISESK Certification of Civil Services non formal and informal Skills

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1. Project progress



The "European Certification of Volunteers" is already online. You can log in www.ciseskproject.eu

The output of this tool will lead to a certification of the skills developed by a volunteer during his/her experience, in the form of a "declaration of non-formal competencies". This tracking model should be implemented in two phases, at the beginning of the voluntary project and at its conclusion.

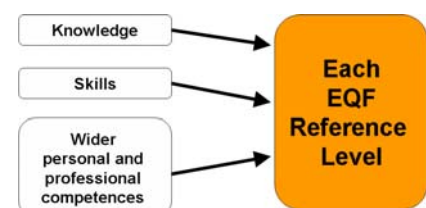
The gap between the skills owned in these two phases represents the unit of measurement of change.

Competences might be acquired through formal, non formal and informal learning occasions. In any case, competences are meant as the possibility to use and master knowledge. This tool is thus designed to photograph the ability to use and to master knowledge at the beginning of the voluntary project and at its conclusion, assuming that any (positive) gap is the result of learning (formal - non formal and informal) occurred during the voluntary experience.

This tool allows each volunteer to acquire, at the end of the voluntary experience, a document attesting the skills developed during the project, namely: "The declaration of competences".

2. Qualification Framework

The EQF is a translation device for comparing qualifications. It uses neutral reference points based on learning outcomes. The EQF uses 8 reference levels based on learning outcomes (defined in terms of knowledge, skills and competences).

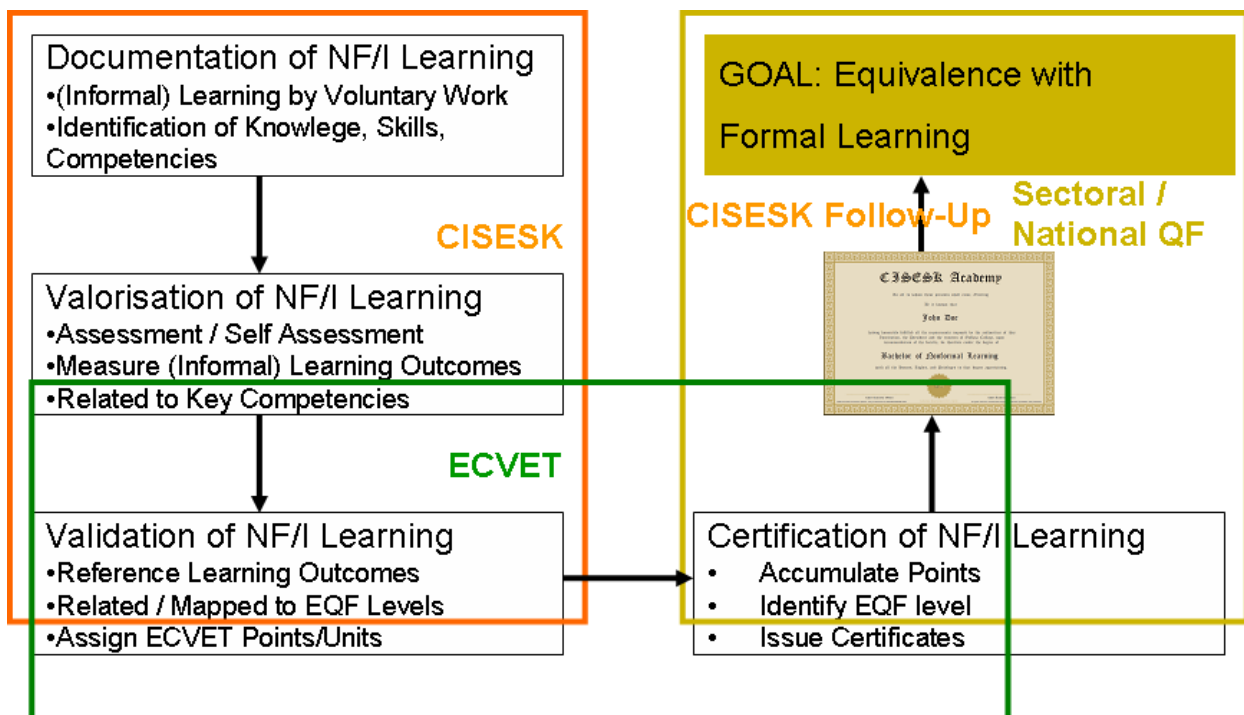
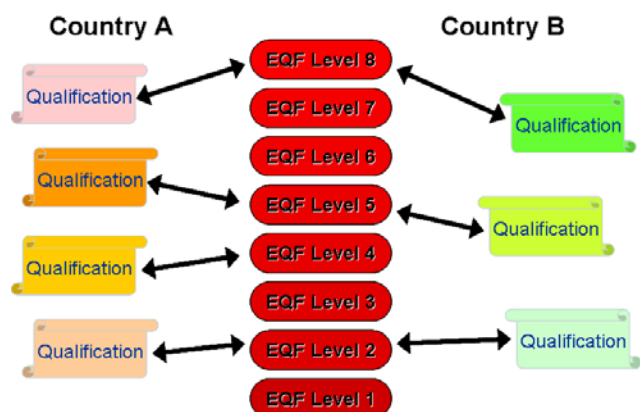


The EQF shifts the focus from input (lengths of a learning experience, type of institution) to what a person holding a particular qualification actually knows and is able to do.

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This supports a better match between the needs of the labour market and education and training provision, facilitates the validation of non-formal and informal learning, and facilitates the transfer and use of qualifications across different countries and education and training systems.



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CISESK Scope

The main scope of CISESK in terms of validation can be describes as follows:

- Documentation of NF/I learning contents by voluntary work (like EVS), by identification of the knowledge, skills and competencies required for /gained by the voluntary work
- Valorisation of NF/I learning outcomes by assessment and/or self assessment, measured through repeated monitoring of acquired skills and competencies, referencing the 8 key competencies, as defined by the European Commission.
- Validation of the NF/I learning outcomes

(Integrated) Certification

The CISESK project has developed and disseminated an assessment tool that produces a certificate about acquired competencies through a voluntary work / voluntary service. This certificate is mainly dedicated to the (generic) European key competencies.

A follow up project could produce the necessary integration with certification of vocational qualifications, by using ECVET mechanisms/tools, for specific sectors/working environments. Additionally an EQF reference level will be defined for selected job profiles. The resulting integrated certificate for voluntary work could then go into the process of international recognition.

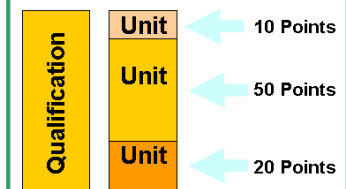
Integrated CISESK Certificate for Voluntary Work

- Generic Key Competencies acquired by NF/I Learning
- Vocational Qualification acquired by NF/I Learning
- EQF Reference Level for defined working environment

NF/I Generic Key Competencies Assessment (by CISESK Tools)

- Documentation
 - Valorisation
 - Validation
- ➔ Key Competencies Certificate

NF/I Vocational Qualification (by ECVET validation)



5. Project Partners news



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