

New features in DEQAR – Other providers

New features in DEQAR: Other providers and micro credentials

26/02/2024, Zoom platform

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Introduction



- The **IMINQA** is the umbrella project to support the work of the Bologna thematic peer group on quality assurance (TPG C).
- **Consortia:**
 - * The Flemish Ministry of Education and Training (MINEDU-FC), Belgium
 - * The Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ARACIS), Romania
 - * The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA), Belgium
 - * The European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR), Belgium
- WG on the QA of Micro-credentials, WG on the QA of European Universities and WG on Digitalisation of QA processes

Overview of the landscape of providers



- No comprehensive mapping on all the non traditional providers of HE programmes across the EHEA yet
- **The number of micro credentials**, measured by number of courses at 6 main learning platforms, **rose for more than 200% between 2018 and 2022** (OECD, 2023)
- Cedefop (2023) shows that **variety of actors** such as public organisations, companies and employment services, offer programmes at higher education level
- Employees surveyed (N=384) had a **stronger preference for micro credentials offered by accredited providers** (62%) and to the ones being **offered as part of the national formal offer** of education and training (48%) (Cedefop, 2023)

Defining “Other providers” in DEQAR



a) Higher education institution: an entity that has **full degree awarding powers** recognised by at least one national authority

b) Other provider: an entity that has provides learning opportunities at HE level, but **does not have full degree awarding powers itself**

Type of information collected on other providers



- **Name of the other provider**
- **Location/Legal seat**
- **Website**
- **Other identifier** (preference for EU-VAT number) **(n)**
- **Identifier source (n)**
- Type of organization (n)
- Source of information about the provider
(the agency that provided the information)
(a)

Providing identifiers

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Fournisseur officiel d'information sur chacun des 36 millions d'établissements dont 15 millions actifs.
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PUBLIC SERVICES - TAXPAYER TERRITORY
LIST OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO FORCED
PRICING INFORMATION ON GOODS
TOP 20 QUESTIONS WEB-ЖУРНАЛ

Home » Electronic services » Business Ass

Taxpayers search

Dear taxpayers!

Due to the forthcoming transfer of the operational functions to the State Registration of a Legal Entity, the IIN or BIN.

The IIN of individuals is shown at the bottom of the State Registration of a Legal Entity.

Using this search functionality you can check the IIN or BIN of individuals.

Individual entrepreneurs Legal entities

TRN

BIN

Company name

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Search



Diffusion open data

Documentation

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Nouvelles modalités de diffusion des données Sirene depuis le 1er avril 2023.
Les nouvelles modalités de diffusion annoncées dans la lettre d'information n°14 du 21 mars 2023. Elles sont appliquées aux données de l'API Sirene depuis le 1er avril 2023 sur le site data.gouv.fr. Ces nouvelles modalités de diffusion sont mises en œuvre tout en garantissant la protection des données personnelles des entreprises.
d'information Sirene open data actualités n°14.

Important : Avis aux créateurs d'entreprise

Depuis le 1er janvier 2023, votre numéro SIREN / SIRET vous est attribué par l'Insee. Les entreprises (https://formalites.entreprises.gouv.fr) dès lors que l'entreprise est créée, le numéro SIREN / SIRET est validé. L'état d'avancement de votre formalité de création est consultable sur le tableau de bord.

Rechercher une unité légale

Retrouvez toutes les unités légales et leurs établissements

Unité légale - Établissement

Saisir uniquement un Siren (9 chiffres) ou un Siret (14 chiffres)

Raison Sociale - Nom ou Prénom

Saisir une raison sociale (personne morale) ou [nom et/ou prénom]

Adresse - Rue

Saisir un numéro, un type ou un libellé de voie

Adresse - Commune

Saisir un nom de commune ou un code postal

☒ Exclure de la recherche les établissements fermés

UK Register of Learning Providers

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Home

Welcome to the UK Register of Learning Providers

The UK Register of Learning Providers (UKRLP) is the portal for government departments, agencies, learners, and employers to share key information about learning providers.

Search the UKRLP for a learning provider

Provider name

Enter the legal or trading name of the learning provider. The search will also work when only part of the name (if you only use one word) is entered.

You can filter your search by:

- postcode
- town, city or county

Provider Name

Location

Within 1 mile of Postcode

or

Town, city or county

UK Provider Reference Number (UKPRN)

The UKPRN is a unique number allocated to providers after successful UKRLP registration. This is an 8-digit number that always start with a 1.

UKPRN

☐ Include deactivated providers in the search?

Search Reset

Rechercher

Type of information collected on the certification of the other providers



- **Agency that uploads the report**
- **Activity**
- **Status of decision** (obligatory or voluntary)
- **Valid from**
- Valid to
- Link to the report on agency's website
- **PDF file of the report**
- Report language

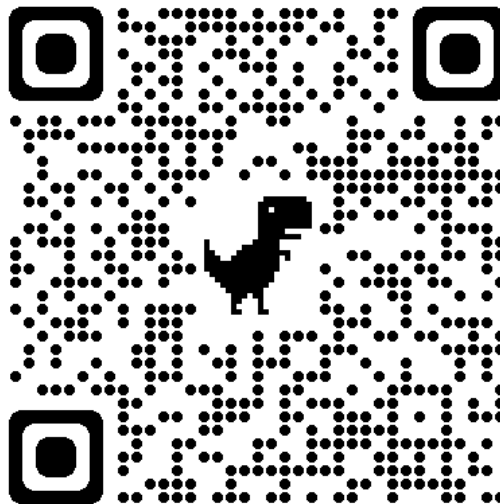
First test (July – September 2023)




4 agencies participated in the test phase:

- * **ACQUIN** - Accreditation, Certification and Quality Assurance Institute (DE)
- * **IAAR** - Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating (KZ)
- * **ECTE** - European Council for Theological Education e.V. (DE)
- * **ZEVA** - Central Evaluation and Accreditation Agency (DE)

<https://www.testzone.eqar.eu/qa-results>



The results are in test version. The preview is not public yet. The current version may go through changes



First tests and other providers in DEQAR (info on other providers)



Database

Search

— By provider

— By report

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Frequent questions

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Товарищество с ограниченной ответственностью "Учебный центр "Зерде"

Basic information

Identifiers	DEQARINST8167	KZ-NATIONAL: SERIES 62001 N°0028712; 100340017898
Provider type	other provider	
Type of organisation	private company	
Legal seat(s)	Astana, Kazakhstan	
Website	https://edu-zerde.kz/	
Founding year	2010	
QF-EHEA levels	second cycle, first cycle	
Data source		
Permalink	https://www.testzone.eqar.eu/qa-results/search/by-institution/institution/?id=8167	

National External Quality Assurance Requirements

- Institutional Accreditation
- Programme Accreditation

First information on certification of other providers



Search

— By
organisation/provider

— **By report**






Get data

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Limited Liability Partnership "Training and Clinical Center "Dentistry"

IAAR: Institutional Accreditation of the Organisation of Continuing Education

DEQAR Report ID 	93960
Agency	Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating (IAAR)
Type	Institutional Accreditation of the Organisation of Continuing Education
Status 	voluntary
Formal decision 	positive
Date	30/06/2023
Valid until	29/06/2028
Micro-credential(s) covered	no
Report and decision	 Decision (Russian)
	 Review Report (Russian)
Permalink	https://www.testzone.eqar.eu/qa-results/search/by-report/report/?id=93960
Institution page	Limited Liability Partnership "Training and Clinical Center "Dentistry"
External link	View record on agency's website

Questions and reflections

Coffee break (10 min)



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Overview of the landscape of micro credentials



- No comprehensive dataset of all micro-credential offers in the EHEA yet
- **Few national registers exist** either as a part of general list of HE provisions or independently (10 EHEA systems) (ENQA, 2023)
- Web portals tend to provide limited information as to how specific credentials are linked to occupational fields. In addition, it is not always clear whether micro-credentials are a pathway to a qualification at a higher level (Cedefop, 2023)
- **Accreditation and certification as crucial elements** in trusting the MC; More trusted when related to national formal offer (Cedefop, 2023)

Defining a micro – credential



A study programme:

- a) Related to **EQF/ISCED level (5), 6, 7 or 8 OR QF EHEA level short, first, second, third cycle**
- b) Does **not** lead to a **full (recognised) degree**
- c) Consisted by a **workload expressed in ECTS** in the range of **1 and 59 ECTS credits**

Type of information collected on QA of micro credentials and other provisions



- **Name of the programme**
- Programme qualification
- Programme NQF
- **Programme QF EHEA level (n)**
- **Degree outcome (n/a)** (always “No full (recognised degree)”)
- **Workload expressed in ECTS Credits (n)**
- Assessment and certification (n)
- Learning outcomes (n)
- Description of LO (n)
- Field (n)

Connection to European Commission's ESCO taxonomy



Learning outcomes

drawing

tend drawing kiln - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

cold drawing processes - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

technical drawings - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

tend bar drawing machine - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

create AutoCAD drawings - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

metal drawing processes - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

use artistic materials for drawing - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

drawing kiln operator - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

Field of study (ISCED-F)

accounting and taxation - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

agriculture - <http://data.europa.eu/esco/isced-f/081>

agriculture not elsewhere classified - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

agriculture not further defined - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary - <http://data.europa.eu/esco>

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First tests and practical examples – certification of MC



ZEvA: Certification

Programme	Weiterbil Kindheits und Päd
Qualification	
<u>Level</u> ?	first cycle
Degree outcome	No full de
Workload (in ECTS credits)	25
Assessment and certification	Assessm
Learning outcomes	(informat
Field of study	(informat

<u>DEQAR Report ID</u> ?	93963
Agency	<u>Central Evaluation and Accreditation Agency (ZEvA)</u>
Type	Certification in tertiary education
<u>Status</u> ?	voluntary
<u>Formal decision</u> ?	negative
Date	14/02/2017
Valid until	<u>not applicable</u> ?
Micro-credential(s) covered	no
Report and decision	 (German)
Permalink	https://www.testzone.eqar.eu/qa-results/search/by-report/report/?id=93963
Institution page	<u>Advent-Kindergarten-Institut</u>
<u>Verifiable Credential</u> ?	 DEQAR format

Third category of programmes

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ECTE:

Programmes covered

Programme	Theology
Qualification	
Level ?	first cycle
Degree outcome	No full degree
Workload (in ECTS credits)	180
Assessment and certification	Assessment based certificate
Learning outcomes	(information not provided)
Field of study	http://data.europa.eu/esco/isced-f/0224

Refine your search

Search term

Provider name, city, country



Provider type

Agency

Country

Report type

✓ Programme type

Full recognised degree programme (87415)

Micro-credential (5)

Other provisions (13)

ESG activity

Status

Cross-border review

Sort by

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North Macedonia

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AAQ INSTITUTIONAL ASSESSMENTS ABROAD

South East European University - Tetovo

North Macedonia

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ECTE INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION

Jordan Evangelical Theological Seminary

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INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION

Bible College

Palestine

14/02/2023 - 14/02/2028 uploaded 13/09/2023

ECTE INSTITUTIONAL AND PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION

International School of Theology and Leadership

Albania

Validation rules – required fields

- Newly required **for all programmes** (i.e. except institutional reports):
 - degree outcome
 - qualification level (QF-EHEA/EQF/ISCED)
- Required for **programmes with degree outcome "no"** (= micro-credentials, other provision):
 - Workload expressed in ECTS
 - Details on assessment or certification

Validation rules – constraints



- Reports **not covering any EHEA higher education institution** (e.g. only non-European HEI or other provider):
 - Status must be "voluntary"
- Programme-level reports **covering only other providers**:
 - Degree outcome must be "no" (= cannot lead to a full recognised degree)

Flagging – high level / red



NB: The purpose of flags is to bring a report to EQAR's attention. Do not change the data you entered/uploaded if it is correct, but wait for EQAR Secretariat to have checked the report.

- Status given as “part of obligatory EQA system”, but the **agency does not have official status** (according to EQAR's information) in any legal seat country of any higher education covered by the report.

NB for mixed reports: agency must have official status **in one of the higher education institutions' countries**, the status in the other providers' countries is not relevant and will not make this check pass

Flagging – low level / yellow



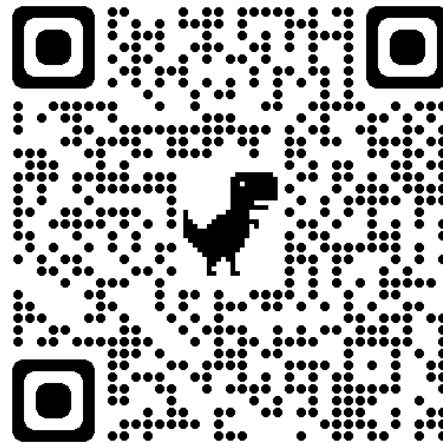
NB: Flags with a yellow flag appear normally on the public DEQAR website, they are only informative for the EQAR Secretariat to take note of the report.

- Report covers a provider with a legal seat (or programme) in a country **where the agency has not operated before**
- Programme **country does not match any location** country of the provider(s).
- Status is "voluntary" and programme's **qualification level is not listed** as qualification level **for any of the higher education institutions** covered
- PDF **file could not be downloaded** from the URL that was specified, or still has to be uploaded (using the specific API endpoint)

Try out the new system

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<https://admin.testzone.eqar.eu/login>



Submission of reports → Manual submission →
Choose a programme activity → Try out

Questions and reflections



European Quality Assurance
Register for Higher Education



Call for action and next steps

Next steps for QA agencies



- 1. Test the system and send us your comments by 11th March (Monday) 2024**
- 2. Send us your comments to the new handbook by 11th March (Monday) 2024**
- 3. Fill in template for adding other providers in DEQAR** and forward the file to us in March 2024 at giorgi.munjishvili@eqar.eu and deqar@eqar.eu

Next steps for EQAR



1. Last changes following feedback and launching the live system on 18th March (Monday) 2024
(agencies will be able to do their uploads in the real admin interface)

2. Feasibility study for implementing quality labels
(estimated – September 2024)

* Will involve interviews with QA agencies

Feasibility Study for Implementing Quality Assurance Labels



Agency	QA Label
Swiss Agency of Accreditation and Quality Assurance (AAQ)	Seal of quality
Aragon Agency for Quality Assurance and Strategic Foresight in Higher Education (ACPUA)	ALCAEUS
Catalan University Quality Assurance Agency (AQU)	Programme ex-ante accreditation; Accreditation; Additional dimensions in accreditation (Internationalisation, Employment and Research); Short learning programmes (micro-credentials); Certification of the Internal Quality Assurance System (IQAS); Institutional Accredited Centre; Quality Assurance of Research Department Level; Accreditation of an International Educational Facility for Cooperation and Academic Mobility
ASIIN e.v. (ASSIN)	ASIIN-AMSEE label, Certification of continuing education courses, modules and training courses
Enhancing Quality in the Arts (EQ Arts)	ETIKETA
Evaluation Agency Baden-Württemberg (evalag)	Institutional Quality Label
Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA)	FIBAA Quality Seal for Institutional Accreditation; FIBAA Seal (Premium) for certified continuing education courses

Feasibility Study for Implementing Quality Assurance Labels



Agency	QA Label
German Accreditation Council (GAC)	System accreditation; Programme Accreditation
Estonian Quality Assurance Agency for Education (HAKA)	HAKA Quality Label; Certificate of Assessment
Institutional Evaluation Programme (IEP)	Evaluated by IEP
Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA)	The QAA Quality Mark
Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI)	International Quality Mark (IEM)
Agency for Quality of the Basque University System (Unibasq)	Unibasq Quality Label
Fundación para el Conocimiento Madrimasd (madri+d)	Cualificam Programme
Turkish Higher Education Quality Council (THEQC)	Accreditation Label
Finnish Education Evaluation Centre (FINEEC)	Quality label for excellence

Feasibility Study for Implementing Quality Assurance Labels



Other QA Labels	QA Agencies
EUR-ACE	AAQ, ANECA, ARACIS, ASIIN, CTI, FINEEC, KAZSEE
Certificate for Quality in Internationalisation (CeQuInt)	CTI, NVAO, HCERES, Unibasq, ACSUCYL, AQAS, ACSUG, PKA
Euro-Inf Quality Label	ANECA, ASIIN
Eurolabel Chemistry Quality Label	ANECA, ASIIN
EQAS Food Quality Label	ASIIN
GAC label	AAQ, ACQUIN, AHPGS, AQAS, AQ Austria, AKAST, ASIIN, evalag, FIBAA, MusiQue, ZeVA

Last questions, reflections, comments?

Thank you for you participation

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