


# Teacher portfolio

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

PRACTICAL MEASURE/INITIATIVE

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## Timeline

2019 Implementation

2020 Implementation

2021 Discontinued

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## Description

The teacher portfolio is an online tool developed for teachers to give substance to their professional development. The portfolio enables teachers to keep track of their professional development and competences and record both formal and informal learning. It also features a catalogue functionality with courses, training and other education opportunities. Teachers can build their own portfolio and use the tool as a network to establish contact with other teachers. The portfolio is a continuation of the teacher register, which was discontinued.

### 2019 Implementation

In 2019, and finally in February 2020, the technical functionalities of the portfolio were improved.

### 2020 Implementation

The portfolio is fully functional and runs as a regular practice.

### 2021 Discontinued

On 16 November 2021, the senate approved a legislation proposal from the parliament to scrap the teacher portfolio from the relevant education laws. The legislation will be in order from 1 August 2022. This means that the teacher portfolio will be discontinued at the same date. In a letter to parliament, the minister for primary and secondary education states that, after the proposed teacher register system had already been discontinued earlier, the decision was made to also discontinue the voluntary teacher portfolio tool: this is because of the very high costs and the low usage rate among teachers, which cannot justify these costs. Further, the support base from education practice is slim. Even transferring the system to a commercial party is deemed as a long and costly process which is not worthwhile.

## Bodies responsible

- Ministry of Education, Culture and Science

## Target group

## Education professionals

Teachers

## Thematic categories

### Teachers, trainers and school leaders competences

Systematic approaches to and opportunities for initial and continuous professional development of school leaders, teachers and trainers

## Subsystem

IVET

## Further reading

[Teacher portfolio](#)

[Policy letter of 17 February 2022 on discontinuation of teacher portfolio](#)

## Related policy developments

2018 **Discontinued**

### Teacher register

The Teacher register bill, approved by the Cabinet in 2015, made enrolment of teachers in the register mandatory from 2017 onwards.

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#### Type of development

Regulation/Legislation

#### Subsystem

IVET CVET

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