

Law on recognition of diplomas from third countries

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

REGULATION/LEGISLATION

 LUXEMBOURG

Timeline

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Background

Amendment of the regulation of 27 October 2006 in implementation of Article 4 of the amended Law of 18 June 1969 on higher education and the accreditation of foreign higher education titles and degrees.

Objectives

To facilitate the recognition of diplomas from third countries and their integration into education or onto the labour market.

Description

A regulation adopted in 2016 amends the recognition of diplomas or certificates acquired in third countries under certain conditions (which are not covered by the European convention on the equivalence of diplomas leading to admission to universities or the convention on the recognition of qualifications concerning higher education in the European region) as equivalent to national diplomas. The diploma must be delivered by a higher education institution recognised by the third country and attest a minimum of 3 years of studies. Candidates must either:

- (a) provide a certificate attesting their language proficiency of at least B2 of the European framework of reference in Luxembourgish, German or French, or
- (b) prove that they have completed 3 years of study of one of the 3 languages, or
- (c) provide a proof that 1 of the 3 languages mentioned above has been passed in the final examination.

Recognition of equivalence is pronounced on a case-by-case basis by an order of the Minister of Higher Education after being advised by a commission of experts composed of 5 members, appointed by the Minister for a renewable term of 4 years.

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Bodies responsible

- Ministry of Higher Education and Research

Target group

Learners

Young people (15-29 years old)
Learners with migrant background, including refugees
Adult learners

Thematic categories

Modernising VET offer and delivery

Acquiring key competences

Transparency and portability of VET skills and qualifications

Learners' possibilities of accumulation, validation and recognition of learning outcomes acquired non-formally and informally

European and international dimensions of VET

International qualifications

Subsystem

IVET CVET

Further reading

[Legal act on recognition of third country diplomas.](#)

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