Vocational education and training in France

TERTIARY LEVEL

- **ISCED 554**
  - General education programmes
  - VET programmes
  - Programmes combining VET and general education
  - May also be offered to adults (full-, part-time or distance education)
  - Officially recognised vocational qualifications
  - Qualifications allowing access to the next education level
  - End of compulsory education

- **ISCED 655**
  - Programmes at public or private higher colleges of excellence

- **ISCED 655**
  - Bachelor programmes, 3 years

- **ISCED 344**
  - Upper secondary general programmes, 3 years

- **ISCED 344**
  - Upper secondary technological programmes, 3 years

- **ISCED 776**
  - Master programmes, 1-2 years

- **ISCED 757**
  - Master programmes WBL up to 50%, 2 years

- **ISCED 645**
  - Bachelor programmes, 3 years

- **ISCED 756**
  - Higher technician programmes (BTS, DUT) WBL 30%, 2 years

ADULT LEARNING/CONTINUING TRAINING
(outside the school system)

- Programmes for employees
- Programmes for the unemployed
- Programmes for vulnerable groups

SECONDARY LEVEL

- **ISCED 244**
  - Lower secondary programme

- **ISCED 343, 344**
  - Upper secondary programmes WBL ca 50%, 2 or 3 years

NB: ISCED-P 2011. The French qualification framework is not linked to European qualifications framework levels 1 and 2.

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