

3 - Educational system

3.1 - Are there any legal provisions for language learning in your country? (Yes/No)

Yes

3.1.1 - If "Yes" please specify:

The study of foreign languages is compulsory from the 3rd. grade of the 1st. cycle of primary education.

3.2 - At which age does compulsory language learning start in your country?

8 years old.

3.3 - At which age does compulsory language learning end in your country?

18 years old.

3.4 - Does your legislation specify the number of hours language(s) should be taught by educational level? (Yes/No)

Yes

3.4.1 - If "Yes" please specify number of hours at (*indicate unit of measurement, for example statutory hours per year or by week*).

3.4.1.1 - ISCED level 1:

Variable. In the 1st. cycle of ISCED level 1, a minimum of two hours; In the 2nd. cycle, it

3.4.1.2 - ISCED level 2:

Variable. It depends on the specific course in which the student is enrolled.

3.4.1.3 - ISCED level 3 general orientation:

Variable. It depends on the specific general course in which the student is enrolled.

3.4.1.4 - ISCED level 3 pre-vocational and vocational orientation:

Variable. It depends on the specific vocational course in which the student is enrolled.

3.5 - Does your legislation specify which languages to be taught? (Yes/No)

Yes

3.5.1 - If "Yes" please specify which languages at (*if there is a choice between more languages then please indicate these*).

3.5.1.1 - ISCED level 1:

In the 1st. cycle: English; In the 2nd. cycle: German, Spanish, French and English.

3.5.1.2 - ISCED level 2:

German, Spanish, French and English.

3.5.1.3 - ISCED level 3 general orientation:

German, Spanish, French and English.

3.5.1.4 - ISCED level 3 pre-vocational and vocational orientation:

German, Spanish, French and English.

3.6 - Please add any additional comments you have in the box below

In Portugal, the ISCED level 1 is organized in two cycles:
. the 1st. cycle, with four years of theoretical duration;
. the 2nd. cycle, with two years of theoretical duration.