











The Link Between the Turkish Qualifications Framework and the Validation Arrangements in Turkey



Some Important Statistics

Participation Rate in LLL



NEET Rate (15-24)



LFP Rate of Women



31

Educational Attainment of Labour Force

Illiterate	%3
Literate without school certificate	%4
Lower than Upper Secondary Education	%50
Upper Secondary Education	%20
Higher Education	%23



Turkish Qualifications Framework



is the national qualifications framework referenced to the European Qualifications Framework and which includes the qualifications achieved in all learning contexts such as



formal



non-formal



informal



TQF Before Validation





TQF After Validation







Validation of Non-Formal and Informal Learning

means the process of confirmation by a competent authority that an individual has acquired learning outcomes acquired in non-formal and informal learning settings measured against a relevant standard



Main Driving Forces for Validation Arrangements

High number of employees without a formal (official) professional qualification



Demand of employers for qualified and certified labour force

Culture of work-based learning



Demand of individuals for time and cost efficient certification processes



Lack of qualifications related to newly emerging occupations





Stages of Validation of Non-formal and Informal Learning



1. Identification



4. Certification



2. Documentation



3. Assessment





Validation in Numbers

Purpose:
Qualified and
Certified Labour
Force



306.323 Certificates

The opportunity for individuals to have their vocational knowledge, skills and competences validated regardless of education level or work experience

26 Sectors **777**National
Occupational
Standards

434National
Qualifications

126
Authorised
Certification
Bodies



Funding Incentives



Unemployment Insurance Fund

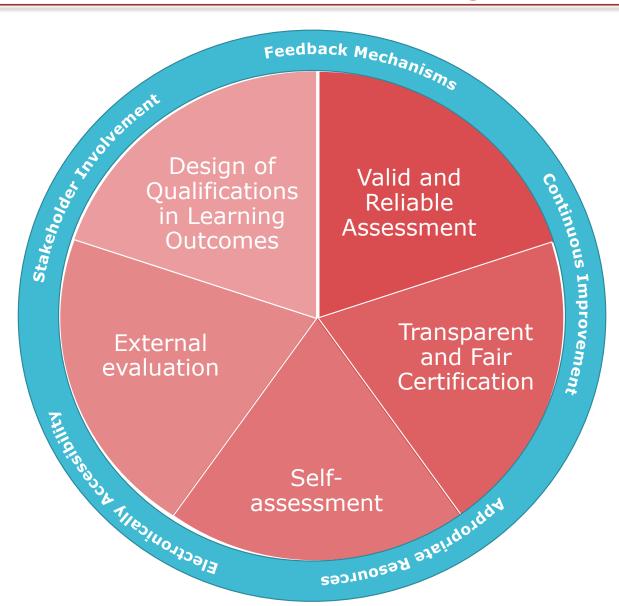
204.468 People

Direct Grant for Validation
Supported by EU Funds

32.040 People



Quality Assurance of the Validation Arrangements





Added Value of Qualifications Frameworks in Validation

Qualification frameworks better support the creation of links between formal, non-formal and informal learning by;



Using the learning outcomes approach



Making the outcomes of non-formal and informal learning more visible



Increasing the esteem of new learning routes



Closing the gap between different learning settings



Levelling qualifications achieved in different learning contexts at the same level



Enabling progress between different learning settings



Main Achievements at National Level



Main achievements at national level in linking qualifications frameworks and validation arrangements are;



A new route for accessing qualifications has been provided to the individuals

Qualification providers have found out a new way of delivering qualifications

A bridge between work-based learning and formal learning has been established

The stakeholder involvement has been strengthened

A broad range of learning outcomes have been identified and recognised



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- Including the formal traditional qualifications and new qualifications provided through validation at the same level
- Misunderstanding that the qualifications at the same level replace each other
- Threatening the hegemony of higher education qualifications
- Creating a new qualification brand rather than using the existing ones

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