



Competences Before Diplomas

Project Result 1

COMPARATIVE RESEARCH

OF THE STATE-OF-THE-ART IN VALIDATION OF NON-FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING

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PROJECT INFORMATION

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Public bodies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● National Agency for Qualification and Vocational Education (<i>Agência Nacional para a Qualificação e o Ensino Profissional - ANQEP, I.P.</i>) is an interministerial public institution managing adult education. ● Institute for Employment and Vocational Training (<i>Instituto do Emprego e da Formação Profissional – IEFP, I.P.</i>) is the national public employment service, with responsibilities on adult qualification, especially dual certification and certified vocational training. ● Qualifica Centres Network (<i>Rede de Centros Qualifica</i>) are specialised qualification centres for adult learners, local providers of vocational and training guidance and VPL, promoted by public basic and secondary school clusters and non-clustered schools, training centres part of the IEFP network, municipalities, regional bodies and professional associations.
Private Bodies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Qualifica Centres can be promoted by private training centres and similar entities.

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<p>Tools, Systems</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Qualifica Centres <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide information, guidance, and referral to adult learners by specially trained professionals. • implement Recognition, Validation and Certification of Competences processes (RVCC or commonly known as VPL) based on previously acquired competences by adults throughout life in formal, informal and non-formal contexts and leading to legal formal qualification and diploma acknowledged within the national education system. • Qualifica Passport (<i>Passaporte Qualifica</i>) – digital tool managed by the adult learner, to register qualifications and competences acquired and developed throughout life, through a credit system, and to simulate learning paths for adults to keep progressing. • Information and Management of the Education and Training provision (<i>Sistema de Informação e Gestão da Oferta Formativa SIGO</i>) – national digital platform for registering and managing all educational and vocational provisions, only accessible to operators and coordinators. Also works as a monitoring tool for central authorities. • The RVCC process is a guided educational path based on a skills audit and validation of evidence of knowledge and competences acquired in formal, non-formal and informal contexts, throughout one’s life. It is framed by key competences descriptors, aggregated in a reflective
<p>Methodologies</p>	





<p><i>Policies</i></p>	<p>portfolio and the design of a final project, to be assessed by a panel of trainers, to produce a formal qualification and diploma, academic and vocational.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualifica Program (Programa Qualifica) - National strategic program to implement the European Agenda for Qualification (2017-2020/2021-2027), combining tools and mechanism and a broad network of operators, the Qualifica Centres.
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<p><i>FEES to access to recognition and validation offer</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The whole RVCC process is free. • Acelerador Qualifica – a monetary grant available for adult learners improving their qualification through processes of recognition, validation and certification of competences. It equals a percentage (1,25) of the national social support indexing, and it is granted after the certification is concluded.
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European tools

- **National Qualifications System (*Sistema Nacional de Qualificações – SNQ*) and National Qualifications Framework (*Quadro Nacional de Qualificações – QNQ*)** are reference tools to classify all the qualifications produced in the national educational and training system. It defines a set of structures and mechanisms, and it adopts the qualification levels and respective descriptors of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF).
- **The National Catalogue of Qualifications (*Catálogo Nacional de Qualificações - CNQ*)** – a tool, made available to all, regulating over 270 vocational qualifications in 40 educational and training areas, with detailed information on: occupational profile, training reference and frameworks for training courses or recognition, validation and certification of informal and non-formal competencies (academic and vocational).
- **The National Credit System for Education and VET (*Sistema Nacional de Créditos do Ensino e Formação Profissionais - SNCEFP*)** – a system to allow attribution, capitalization and transference of credits, expressed in a quantitative value, to acquired learning in varied educational and training pathways, and in different contexts. Following the principles of European Credit system for Vocational Education and Training, ECVET, it was implemented in 2017 and defines the model for **Qualifica Passport**.
- **The Dynamic Digital Competence Framework for Portugal (*Quadro Dinâmico de Referência de Competência Digital*)** – a tool to assess and certify the digital competences of the Portuguese population, based on





	<p>the European Digital Competence Framework for Citizens. It also works as a support to design policies, strategies, and educational programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Europass and Youthpass – implemented in 2005 and managed by Centro Nacional Europass, CNE.
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