

TITLE OF THE SEMINAR

TRAINING FOR THE STAFF OF THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AGENCY (NAK) OF UKRAINE

VENUE

European Training Foundation, Turin

DATE

26-28 February 2019

BACKGROUND:

ETF has been supporting reforms of qualifications systems in Ukraine since 2010. We were involved in the development of the first occupational standards, the first exposure to NQFs and the Validation of Non-Formal and Informal Learning. We organised many seminars and study visits and international meetings where Ukrainians have had the opportunity to familiarise themselves with European developments linked to the conceptualisation, development and implementation of qualification systems.

Since 2016 and the preparation and adoption of the Implementation Plan for the NQF 2016-2020, ETF has increased its involvement in monitoring and supporting the implementation of the Implementation Plan, legislative reforms, and new institutional settings, in particular around the agency for qualifications. We have commissioned background research organised several seminars and study visits that have been dedicated to the role of the agency, the establishment of the register of qualifications and a national NQS website. Moreover, we have been looking into the development of a system of independent assessment of qualifications, including the development of assessment standards from occupational standards, the link to regulated professions and to the validation of non-formal and informal learning.

We have worked intensively on the linkages between occupational standards, assessment standards, educational standards, educational programmes and modular training programmes.

In all the years that we cooperated with Ukraine, we have tried to be inclusive working with stakeholders from employers, ministries, the Verkhovna Rada, education providers, experts, trade unions and non-governmental organisations and international partners.

We never had doubts about the potential of Ukrainian stakeholders and institutions to bring these issues forward, in spite of the fact that there have always been issues of lack of coordination, fragmentation and lack of resources. We are very proud that we could be part in these developments and we see the establishment of the national qualifications agency, as an important step to implement the new qualification system, to develop a competency-based education system and to facilitate lifelong learning and better recognition and quality assurance of Ukrainian qualifications.

The establishment of NAK comes at a key moment, when the implementation of a large EU project for the modernisation of vocational education is starting that will provide more opportunities to raise the capacities of the new agency.

The training in Torino is meant to take you out of your daily environments and bring you together to ETF to discuss the establishment and development of NAK. We would like to use the training to clarify key issues linked to the tasks of NAK, to identify priorities for 2019-2020 in view of making NAK operational and visible at an early stage.

We have invited colleagues from 3 other Qualifications Agencies to share their experience with you. We hope you will leave Torino with new energy and a clear sense of direction for your pioneering work.

26/02/2019	
09.30 - 09.45	Opening of the workshop and introduction of the participants Carmo Gomes, Head of Country Intelligence Unit, ETF
09:45 – 10:00	Aims and objectives Arjen Deij, ETF <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Validate the Concept of NAK 2. Develop and agree a workplan for 2019-2020
10:00 – 11:00	Background and context of establishing NAK <i>International context of institutional arrangements,</i> Arjen Deij, ETF <i>Ukrainian context and presentation of the Concept of NAK,</i> Serhii Melnyk, Institute of Educational Analytics of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine
11:00-11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	The 17 tasks of NAK- understanding 3 working groups go through the 17 tasks and each group summarises what NAK will do to support these 6 earmarked tasks
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	The 17 tasks of NAK- agreement Plenary
15:00 – 16:00	Creation and maintenance of NQS website and Qualifications Registry Anatoliy Garmash, Federation of Employers Discussion
16:00 -16:15	Coffee break
16:15- 17:15	Which tasks NAK needs to deal with first? Mentimeter and plenary discussion
17:15 -17:30	Preliminary list of priorities for 2019-2020
19:30 -21:30	Welcome dinner restaurant Consorzio Torino

27/02/2019	
09.00 - 09.15	Introduction to the programme of Day 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Division of work in NAK-who does what?
09:15 – 10:30	<u>The case of Turkey</u> Evolution of the Vocational Qualification Authority 2006-2019 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Structure of VQA and how it has changed 2. Establishment of VocTest Centres Presentation: Osman Seçkin AKBIYIK Head of the Turkish Qualifications Framework Department Vocational Qualifications Authority, Turkey Q&A session
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30	<u>The case of Estonia</u> Kutsekoda, Estonian Qualifications Authority 2001-2019: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How Kutsekoda was established and evolved, • What are the lessons learnt? Katrin KEREM (Member of the Board) and Olav AARNA (Advisor) Kustekoda, Estonia Questions and answers
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 15:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of Qualifications Centres and promotion of VNFIL in Ukraine, Anatoliy Garmash, Federation of Employers • Comparing of Turkish, Estonian and Ukrainian approaches Plenary discussion
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 17:00	Organisational structure of NAK including the Secretariat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 working Groups review and clarify the structure of NAK based on the Concept of NAK
17:00 -17:45	Feedback from the Working groups and conclusions

28/02/2019	
09.00 - 09.15	Introduction to the programme of Day 3
09:15 – 10:45	<p><u>The case of Portugal</u></p> <p>From ANQ to ANQEP, the story of the National Agency of Qualifications and Vocational Education of Portugal 2007-2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the role of the agency? • Why the Agency changed its role? • How the Agency works with social partners and sectors? • Lessons learned <p>Ana Claudia Valente, Deputy Director, ANQEP</p>
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 13:00	<p>What could be the role of NAK in forecasting of the labour market needs in qualifications?</p> <p>Eduarda Castel Branco, ETF</p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Sectoral committees and occupational standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of relevant foreign and Ukrainian developments, Serhii Melnyk • The role of sectors in a market of qualifications, the French experience <p>Didier Gelibert, ETF</p> <p>Discussion on the role of NAK and cooperation with sectors</p>
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 17:00	Agreement on draft NAK workplan 2019-2020 and Follow up actions
17:00 -17:15	Conclusions