



Accreditation and Quality Assurance European level 5 Area

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It is about...

- ▶ Having level 5... in the European context = EQF-5
- ▶ And in the national context = NQF-5 or -... = similar to EQF-5
(problem:
In A = 5 and then in B = 6 (based on EQF)
And/or:
in B = 6 and then in A = 6 (based on EQF)
How to deal with that?)
- ▶ And if the qualifications are offered in different sectors... what to do?
- ▶ Let's consider the situation that a country is having a NQF, linked to the EQF
(member of the Advisory Board EQF - using the criteria, and so on)

Level 5 in a country

- ▶ NQF-5
- ▶ Then we can have the following scenarios for formal education (public financed / private / under control of the government, having laws for this):
 - Only Short Cycle HE
 - Only Higher VET at level 5
 - Both SCHE and HVET-5
 - None of them
- ▶ But there will be BET at level 5 - non-degree - non-formal... or?
- ▶ How is that in your country?

What is the question?

- ▶ What to do in those situations?
 - ▶ Having SCHE, also HVET?
 - ▶ No SCHE, striving for HVET?
 - ▶ What are the drivers behind this? Will it happen?
 - ▶ And so on... and more... and what about the target groups?
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- ▶ If there is a need for HVET... how to deal with that?
 - ▶ Using criteria, already developed for the EHEA?

And...

- ▶ Taking the lead?
- ▶ Organisation involved?
 - Accreditation Body for HE
 - Institution for VET qualifications
 - NCP
 - NARIC
 - Or?(Think of QQI, NOKUT... - all together...)
- ▶ Europe:
 - CHAIN5
 - ENQA
 - EQAVET
 - Or?

And...

- ▶ If we can have a transparent situation for level 5...
- ▶ We can have it also for the whole HVET/HVPE sector... (5 and higher)
- ▶ And for all types of qualifications... for all target groups...


Case

- ▶ The Netherlands
- ▶ Reflection about Flanders



Statements

- ▶ **Do we need SCHE in a national system?**
- ▶ **If there is no SCHE, we need HVET at level 5**
- ▶ **For HVET and its sector, we need similar criteria as we have for HE**
- ▶ **The lead in a national context has to be in the hands of a combination of organisations, already involved in HE, VET and NQF**

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- ▶ If a country needs both types, HVPE and SCHE, we can have ‘Community Colleges’ as a collaboration for providers, based on national laws
 - ▶ We need an international consortium for this process, to help and inform all national organisations
 - ▶ The best way to start this up, is to have a group of experts
 - ▶ We have to take care of research on this...



▶ Interested?

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