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Learning outcomes: Concepts, application, development. Short descriptions of learning outcomes of qualifications

Learning outcomes – the GPS in qualifications systems?

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Day 2: 18 April, 09.00-11.00 CET / 11.00-13.00 (Seychelles) Topic: Learning Outcomes – the GPS of qualifications systems Agenda

- 11.00-11.10: opening, brief introduction
- 11.10-11.50: Learning Outcomes the GPS of Qualifications systems? Trends, guidelines, and handbooks (ACQF-II)
- 11.50-12.20: Learning Outcomes application in CBT (*Kenya, TVET CDACC to be confirmed*)
- 12.20-12.45: Learning Outcomes role and place in Seychelles NQF
- 12.45-13.00: Questions and answers. Closure

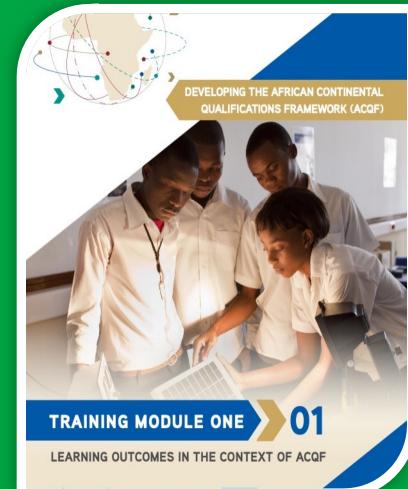












Learning outcomes Sources and references

Introduction

This presentation addresses an essential building block of qualifications frameworks: Learning Outcomes

To learn more:

✓ ACQF Training Modules 1 and 2

At: <u>https://acqf.africa/capacity-development-programme/training-modules/training-modules-1-to-10-english</u>

✓ ACQF Thematic Brief 10

At: <u>https://acqf.africa/capacity-development-programme/thematic-</u> <u>briefs/acqf-thematic-brief-10-acqf-level-descriptors-the-story-of-the-</u> <u>development-journey</u>

✓ Orientation Note on RQF

At: <u>https://acqf.africa/resources/library/publications-from-international-</u> <u>sources/etf-orientation-note-on-regional-qualifications-frameworks-2021</u>

Cedefop

Cedefop: Handbook on Learning outcomes (second edition, 2021): <u>https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/publications/4209</u>

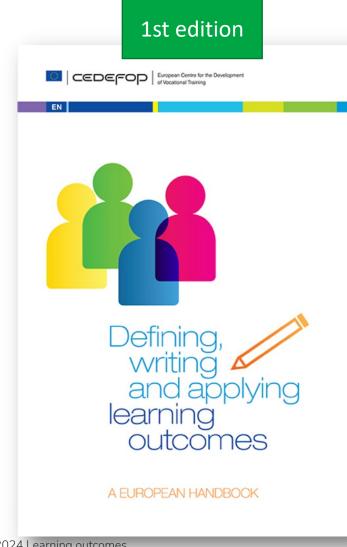
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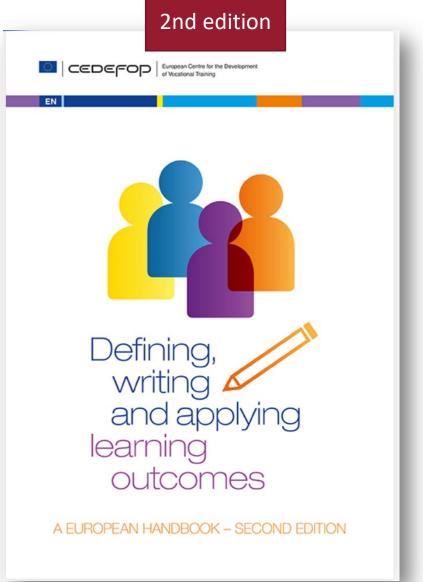


ACQF Sources, references on NQFs

- Cedefop: Online tool on NQF in Europe: <u>https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/tools/nqfs-online-tool</u>
- Cedefop: Handbook on Learning outcomes (second edition, 2021): <u>https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/publications/4209</u>
- Cedefop: Handbook on Learning outcomes (first edition, 2017): <u>https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/publications/4156</u>
- EQF and Europass: <u>https://europa.eu/europass/en/european-qualifications-framework-eqf</u>
- Global Inventory NQF-RQF (every 2 years) ETF, Cedefop, Unesco
- ACQF website: library <u>https://acqf.africa/resources/library/publications-from-international-sources</u>
- ACQF Training Modules: <u>https://acqf.africa/capacity-development-programme/training-modules</u>
- ACQF Thematic briefs: <u>https://acqf.africa/capacity-development-programme/thematic-briefs</u>
- ACOF Mapping study: <u>https://acqf.africa/resources/mapping-study</u>

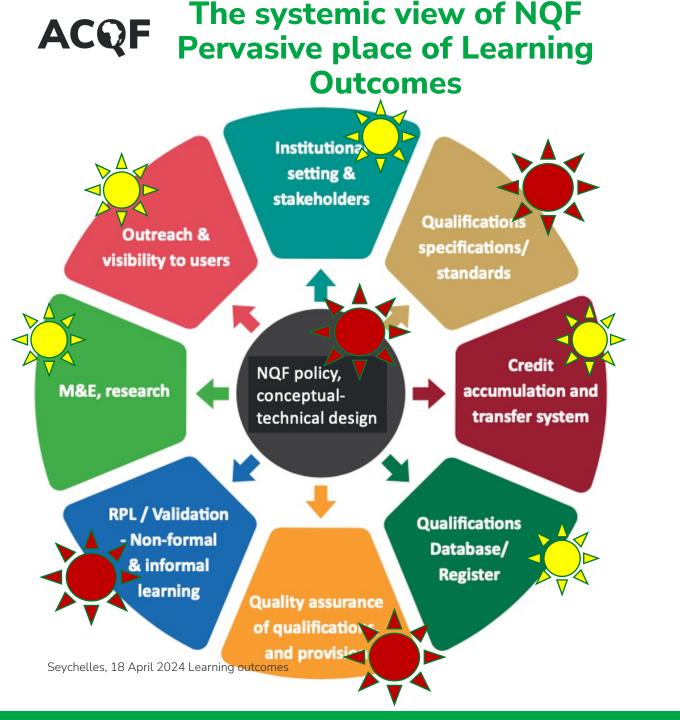
ACQF European Handbooks on Learning outcomes (Cedefop)





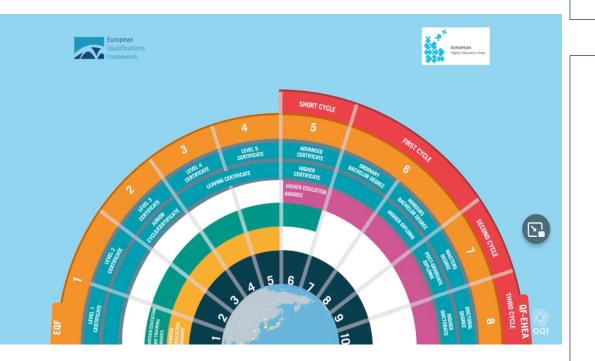
Defining, understanding key concepts ➢ Learning outcomes







National qualifications frameworks



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National qualifications frameworks (NQFs) help

- To make qualifications easier to understand and compare.
- They can also encourage countries to **rethink and reform** national policy and practice on education, training and lifelong learning.

Learning outcomes: a fundamental principle

- NQFs classify qualifications by level, based on learning outcomes - that is, what the holder of a certificate or diploma is expected to know, understand, and be able to do.
- This classification reflects the content and profile of qualifications.
- The learning outcomes approach also ensures that education and training subsystems are open to one another.
- Thus, it allows people to move more easily between education and training institutions and sectors.
- Learning outcomes-based qualifications: essential for RPL

What is a qualification?

Means a formal outcome of an assessment and validation process which is obtained when a competent authority determines that an individual has achieved learning outcomes to given standards. Source: EQF 2017

> Therefore, a qualification is a specification of learning outcomes that is approved by an authority (accrediting body) as meeting the requirements of the NQF.

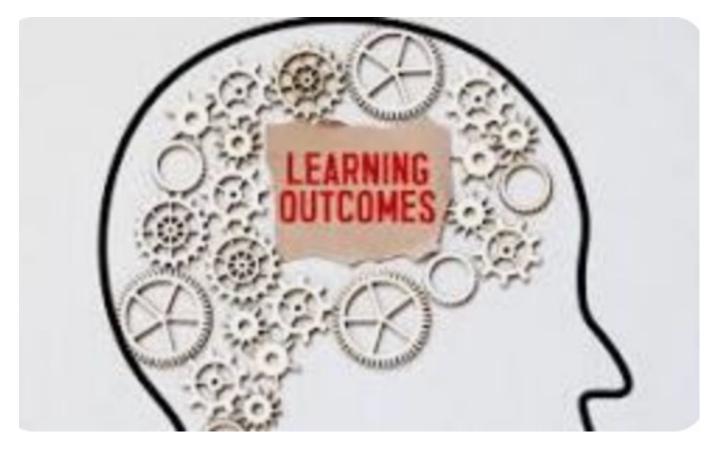


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Between the world of work and the world of education and training



Learning outcomes



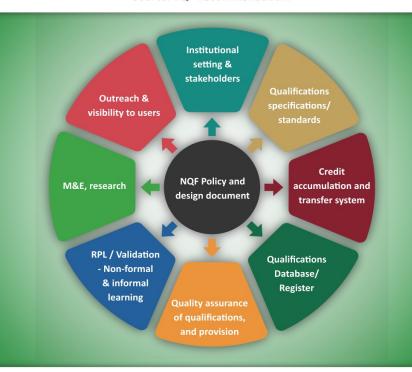


A national qualifications framework (NQF) is 'A policy and instrument for the development and classification of qualifications according to a set of criteria for specified levels of learning achieved, which aims at integrating and coordinating national qualifications subsystems and improve the transparency, access, progression and quality of qualifications in relation to the labour market and civil society. *Source: EQF Recommendation*

A national qualification system includes all aspects of a country's activity that result in the recognition of learning. These include the means to develop and operationalise national or regional policy on qualifications, institutional arrangements, quality assurance processes, evaluation and attribution processes, skills recognition and other mechanisms linking education and training to the labour market and civil society. Qualifications systems can be more or less integrated and coherent. One of the characteristics of a qualification system may be an explicit qualifications framework.

Source: OECD, Bridges to Lifelong Learning, 2007 chelles, 18 April 2024 Learning outcomes African Continental Qualifications Framework

A qualification: means a formal outcome of an assessment and validation process which is obtained when a competent authority determines that an individual has achieved learning outcomes to given standards. Source: EQF Recommendation.



Level descriptor: A statement describing learning achievement at a particular level of a Qualifications Framework that provides a broad indication of the types of learning outcomes and assessment criteria that are appropriate to a qualification at that level. *Source: SAQA, NQFPedia* Learning outcomes: Statements of what a learner knows, understands and is able to do on completion of a learning process, which are defined in terms of knowledge, skills and competence.

Set of knowledge, skills and/or competences an individual has acquired and/or is able to demonstrate after completion of a learning process, either formal, non-formal and informal.

Source: Cedefop

structure of levels of learning outcomes that is agreed by countries in a geographical region. A means of enabling one national framework of qualifications **to relate** to another and, subsequently, for a qualification in one country to be compared to a qualification from another country.

A regional qualifications framework (RQF) is a broad

Source: ASEAN

QRF: ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework, A Practical Guide and All you Need to Know.

ACQF Learning outcomes: 2 definitions – common meaning

Completion of a "Learning process" – not about "duration of formal schooling"

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Statements of what a learner <u>knows</u>, <u>understands and is able to do</u> on completion of a learning process, which are defined in terms of knowledge, skills and competence.

Set of knowledge, skills and/or competences an individual has acquired and/or is able to demonstrate after completion of a learning process, **either formal, non-formal and informal**.

Source: Cedefop. Terminology.

https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/files/4117_en.pdf

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Results of what a learner <u>knows</u>, <u>understands and is able to do upon</u> completion of a learning process.

Source: Addis Convention (UNESCO)

Revised Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees and Other Academic Qualifications on Higher Education in African States (Addis Convention), adopted on 12 December 2014 in Addis Ababa

https://en.unesco.org/news/unescos-addis-conventionhigher-education-enter-force

Learning outcomes encourage a more systematic approach to qualifications design - and comparison

- ✓ **Common language** for describing and comparing qualifications and for defining level descriptors
- ✓ Provides understanding of what will be learned and how best to achieve it. Set expectations, guide teaching and learning, essential for assessment.
- ✓ Enable learner-centred approach: Enable learners to be clearer about learning expectations, encourage learners to take initiative and responsibility for own learning
- Promote personal achievement, mobility and recognition. Achievement (through formal, non-formal and informal pathways) of assessed learning outcomes signals that an individual has achieved certain learning outcomes, and usually culminate in a qualification award
- ✓ **Supports credit systems** to create flexible ways for individuals to gain access to qualifications
- \checkmark Essential for transparency and quality of RPL
- \checkmark Allow stakeholders to have a better understanding of what to expect from a qualification holder
- ✓ Allow evaluation/ comparison of the qualification for work or study purposes (local and international)

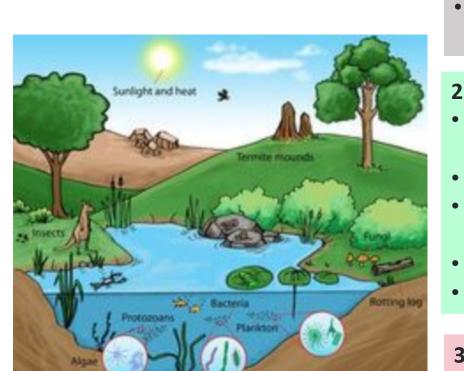
Question 1

Learning outcomes: what terms are used in Seychelles?

Please answer in the chat box



Learning outcomes – eco-system



ACQF

1. Structure

- As building blocks of qualifications policy
- As common currency that enhances transparency

2. Guide for coherence

- Classification of qualifications in the NQF/ NQS
- Learning outcomes statements
- Teaching and learning (curriculum, modules)
- Assessment
- Certification

3. Quality assurance

- Continuous improvement
- Expected outcome
- Achieved outcome
- Feedback loop

Learning outcomes: GPS of the qualifications system



Relationship (loop) between expected and achieved learning outcomes

Desired target

Expected learning outcomes

 statement of what an individual is <u>expected</u> to know, be able to do and understand after completing a learning process

Achieved learning outcomes

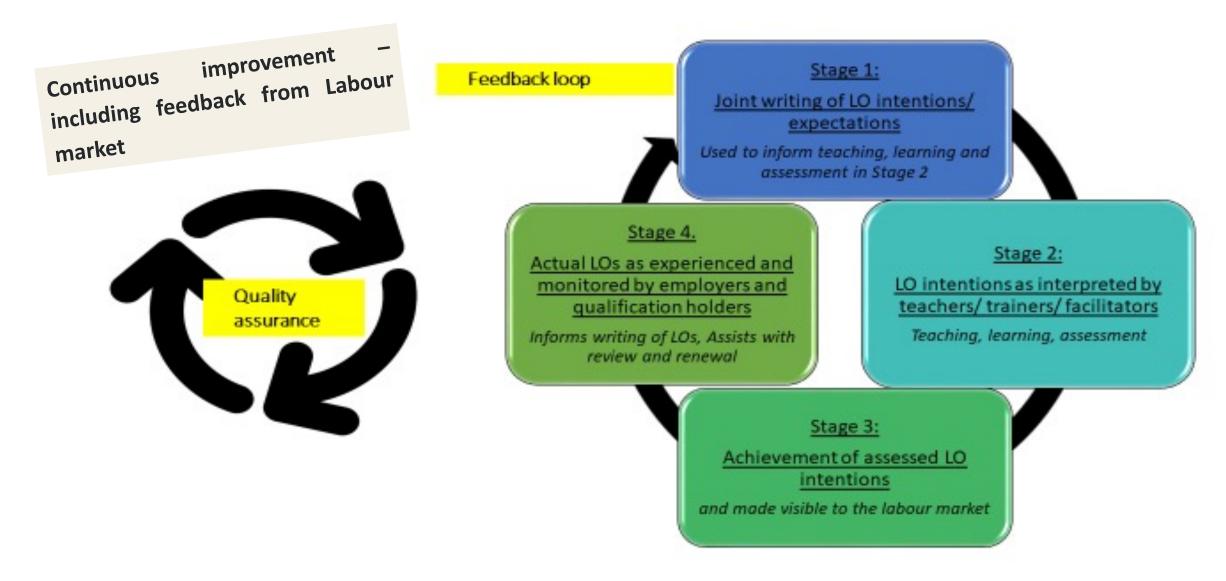
 Set of knowledge, skills and/or competences an individual has <u>acquired</u> and/or is able to demonstrate after completion of a learning process



Obtained following learning

Relationship (loop) between expected and achieved learning outcomes *Adapted from Cedefop, 2017, p.29*

Continuous improvement





Applications

Learning outcomes in different contexts

- As reform tool
- In the NQF /RQF level descriptors
- In the standards of qualifications
- In training standards / programmes
- In assessment criteria
- In RPL / VNFIL processes and standards
- In qualifications documents, credentials: diplomas, certificates, diploma supplements, micro-credentials
- In databases / registers of qualifications

In each context the learning outcomes formulations are more or less detailed, specific, comprehensive.

ACQF Domains: Personal, work and education and training



Education and training

- $\circ~$ Reforms of education and training
- Level descriptors of QF
- Qualification descriptors, qualification standards
- Diplomas, certificates and related supplements
- Classification of qualifications in the NQF
- Registers, catalogues of qualifications
- Comparison of qualifications between countries (supporting recognition, portability, convergence)
- Quality assurance of education and training
- Coherence between curricula, modules, subjects, assessment, certification
- Credit accumulation and transfer (CAT)
- Recognition of prior learning (RPL)
- Evaluation of foreign qualifications
- Career guidance

Work

- Skills/ competencies in occupational/ professional standards
- Recruitment, job vacancies
- Matching job seekers' CV job vacancies
- $\,\circ\,$ Job descriptions
- $\circ~$ Performance appraisals
- In classifications / taxonomies of occupations and skills (ISCO, ESCO, O*Net)

Personal

- \circ Description of experience
- o CVs
- RPL portfolios

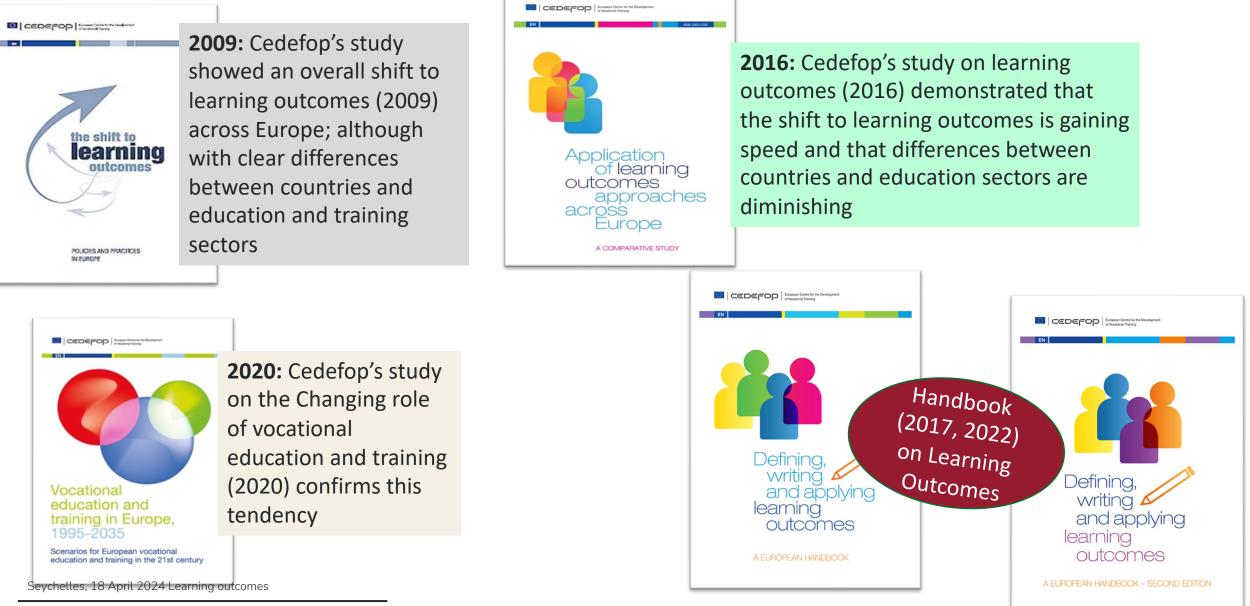
Question 2

In which areas and contexts are Learning Outcomes used in Seychelles?

Please write in chat box. Thanks



Learning outcomes as a reform tool (example from Europe)



Adapted from Jens Bjornavold, ACQF peer learning webinar, 23 September 2021

Learning outcomes in CBT – APC reforms Africa • Angola

- Competence-based training
- Approche par compétences

TVET

- Cape Verde
- Cameroon
- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Kenya
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Senegal
- And others

ACQF Some principles for writing learning outcomes statements (1)

Learning outcomes statements are verb-driven, learner-centred actions

- > start with an action verb, e.g. "organise"
- > followed by the object of that verb, e.g. "administrative processes"
- > followed by a phrase that provides the context, e.g. "for presentation to public entities"

Example: "Organise administrative processes for presentation to public entities"

Tip: Work backwards from what the learner is required to achieve

 ✓ For every verb-driven learning outcome statement, teaching/ learning activities and different examples of assessments should flow logically from the verb of the statement

- Complicated, double-barrelled sentences should rather be split into more than one sentence to ensure clarity
- Learning outcomes' descriptions must be fit for purpose / suit the context (e.g.: level descriptors, qualifications standards, curricula, assessment...)
- \checkmark Learning outcomes must be achievable within the time and the resources available

Subject benchmark statements

https://www.qaa.ac.uk/docs/qaa/subject-benchmark-statements/subject-benchmark-statement-social-

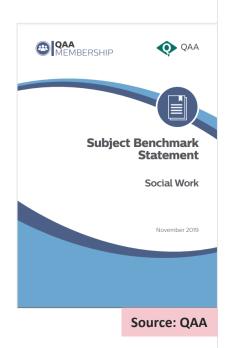
work.pdf?%20sfvrsn=5c35c881_6#:~:text=This%20is%20the%20Subject%20Benchmark,the%20nature%20of%20the%20subject.

Learning outcome statements make explicit the nature of study and general subject-specific academic features and standards expected of graduates in specific subject areas, and what they are expected to know at the end of their studies.

They are written by subject specialists and function as subject-specific external reference points for designing, delivering and reviewing academic programmes.

They provide guidance but are not intended to prescribe approaches or curriculum.

Used extensively in QAA



Introduction

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1.1 This Subject Benchmark Statement covers social work as an academic subject applied through professional practice. It sets out expectations concerning:

- the subject knowledge, understanding and skills of a qualifying graduate in social work
- the teaching, learning and assessment methods employed in their education.

1.2 The minimum academic standards required at the point of qualification. The scope of this Statement is higher education courses that constitute a qualifying degree in social work. This Subject Benchmark Statement fully acknowledges recent changes within the context of social work and its regulation across the UK. These changes include:

- the establishment of care councils as regulatory bodies in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
- articulation of new rules and requirements governing social work education across the UK
- formal registration of social workers
- development of national occupational and capability standards for social work across the UK
- development of care standards, proficiency standards, codes of conduct and codes of practice.

1.3 While developments in policy and practice have led, in some countries, to a greater degree of specialisation, this Statement reflects the generic knowledge and skills required for the award of a social work degree as the preparatory qualification for practice across settings and 'client' groups. It recognises that the degree of specialisation offered within social work courses varies and evolves to reflect organisational and workforce requirements which develop in response to service user need.

1.4 This Subject Benchmark Statement reflects the complexity and rapidly changing nature of this context by including specific reference to the legislative, professional and institutional arrangements in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. It also acknowledges the European and international context of social work and the desirability of mutual recognition of social work qualifications across the UK and more widely.

Tuning and Degree profiles

http://tuningacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/A-Guide-to-Formulating-DPP_EN.pdf

The Tuning Africa project (Africa-EU, 2016) developed Degree programme profiles, with identified learning outcomes and blocks of competences that need to be achieved in order to obtain the Degree.



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Please note that the Degree Profile should:

- be readable in five minutes;
- not be longer than two pages;
- provide a coherent impression of the specific degree; and
- be succinct and to the point, yet provide detailed information and references where necessary.

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Title field of the Degree Profile

The title field contains basic information about the Degree.

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Please provide (in bold): he **full name of the qualification as written in the original language.** When this is not English, please provide an official **English translation** as mentioned in the Diploma Supplement in *italics*.

Please provide the **official name of the programme** offered by the institution, in the original language. Please provide also an official translation **in English (if applicable)** in *italics*.

Type of degree & Length	Please identify the type of degree, e.g. whether the degree is the result of a programme offered by a single institution or whether the degree is the result of a joint programme (joint degree or double / multiple degree). Please indicate between brackets the length of the degree programme in ECTS-credits, and/or - if applicable - national/institutional credits and/or years of study.
Institution(s)	Please give the official name of the awarding institution(s), and the country where it is based (If the name is not in Latin Alphabet, please provide a translit- eration or transcription. In addition, please provide also an official translation in English (if applicable) in italics
Accreditation Organisation(s)	Please identify the accreditation organisation(s) that pro- vides the accreditation of the degree programme or the degree awarding institution, and the country in which the accreditation organisation operates.
Period of reference	Please identify the year(s) for which the curriculum is validated/approved.
Cycle/Level	Please indicate the cycle/level of the qualification in rela- tion to the National Qualifications Framework (where available), the EQF for LLL and the QF for EHEA.



Short, learning outcomes-based descriptions of qualifications: Guidelines – Source: EQF project



Purpose and benefits

- The reader of a short description (learners, employers, teachers, parents etc.) should be able to grasp the content and level of learning required to attain the qualification, allowing them to judge its relevance for further learning and/or employment.
- At national level, short descriptions can be used for information and communication purposes, notably supporting qualifications frameworks and forming part of qualifications databases and registers.
- At European and international level, for example through Europass and the EQF, these short descriptions facilitate transparency and comparability of qualifications.

ACQF Guideline: Short descriptions of learning outcomes of qualifications (1)

- The aim of is to promote common principles and therefore a consistent structure and approach to develop short and synthetic descriptions of learning outcomes of qualifications for publication on qualifications databases and registers.
- Transparency of qualifications is necessary to reduce barriers to mobility for learning and work purposes and to support lifelong learning. Qualifications databases/registers make qualifications transparent to a wider public.
- Full descriptions of national qualifications are developed according to national criteria and priorities and may refer to numerous specific learning outcomes. Differences in the formulation of learning outcomes, for examples in terms of length, format, granularity, limits comparability of qualifications reduces the potential of digital tools for analysing, comparing or using information on qualifications.

ACQF Guideline: Short descriptions of learning outcomes of qualifications (2)

- To achieve comparability of qualifications, it is therefore key that learning outcomes of qualifications in national databases/registers are described in an easily understandable and comparable way.
- Short and synthetic descriptions of learning outcomes of qualifications have multiple benefits as they can be an entry point for individual learners or employers seeking information on particular qualifications. They can support better understanding of the content and profile of a qualification, going beyond just the title and the EQF/NQF level. They can be translated more easily compared to long descriptions of qualifications.
- Any actor responsible for defining and describing learning outcomes of qualifications can benefit from these guidelines when creating short descriptions of qualifications. Although their main focus is on full qualifications, the guidelines are also of relevance for parts or units of qualifications, or micro- credentials, as well as for short descriptions of learning outcomes of learning programmes.

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ACQF Use of short descriptions of learning outcomes

- The development of short descriptions facilitates transparency and comparability of qualifications from different sectors and countries.
- They also provide an opportunity to further **improve the quality and reach of existing tools for sharing information** on qualifications.
- Short descriptions of qualifications should allow national and international users and stakeholders (learners, employers, counsellors, parents, teachers, education and training providers, validation practitioners, etc) to quickly understand the content and complexity of learning.

ACQF Building blocks of the approach

• Block A: Formal aspects

- A.1 Lenght of the description (750-1500 characters without space)
- A.2 Format of the description (narrative summary + bullet points)

Block B: Content aspects

- B.1 Overall objectives and orientation of the qualification (in form of the narrative text)
- B.2 The main learning outcomes (in the form of bullet points) to capture orientation, content and complexity of the qualification developed covering the following aspects:
 - B.2.1 Breadth/scope of learning acquired
 - B.2.2 Depth/complexity of learning acquired
 - B.2.3 Context information

Block A: formal aspects A.1 Lenght A.2 Format

Block B: content aspects B.1 Objectives and orientation of qualification B.2 Main learning outcomes B.2.1 Breadth / scope of learning B.2.2 Depth / complexity of learning B.2.3 Context information

Formal aspects

A.1 Length

A.2 Format of the description

A.1 - Length

The description should stay in the range of 750 to 1500 characters (without space). This indicative length can provide sufficient space for capturing the essence of the qualification and it allows readers to quickly grasp its essential features. An indicative limit was set to ensure the description can be considered short.

A.2 – Format of the description

Describe the qualification using a combination of narrative and bullet points. The narrative should be used to present the overall objective and orientation of the qualification (aspect 3). Bullet points should be used to capture the specific learning outcomes (aspect 4)

Table 1. Structure and format of the short description (narrative and bullet points)

Narrative presenting the overall objectives and orientation of the qualification.	The holder of the qualification
Bullet points expressing learning outcomes	He/she is able to: 1) 2) 3)

Source: EQF and Europass project group on short descriptions of learning outcomes of qualifications

Block A



- 750 to 1500 characters (without space).
 - This <u>indicative</u> length provides sufficient space for capturing the essence of the qualification and it allows readers to quickly grasp its essential features.
- The following questions can guide this **process of shortening of a full description**:
 - > Agree on what to emphasize and prioritize in the short description;
 - > Focus on the core content of the qualification;
 - Pay attention to overlaps and redundancies in the text of the full description and merge/reorganise accordingly;

Block B

B1 - Overall objectives and orientation of the qualification in the form of a narrative

The description should start with <u>a concise introduction</u> in the form of a narrative expressing the overall objective and orientation of the qualification, including information on context (¹³). This should enable the reader to grasp the essence of the qualification and understand its role and position in relation to the labour market, education and training systems and/or society in general.

Table 2. Overall objective and orientation of the qualification

Narrative presenting the overall objective and orientation of the qualification.	The holder of the qualification
Bullet points expressing learning outcomes	He/she is able to: 1) 2) 3)

Block B.1



Scope of learning

Block B

Concept definitions

Breadth/scope of learning means to clarify the *scope* of the learning acquired with the qualification, and therefore delimit and point to the borderlines and boundaries of the achieved learning outcomes. This means to convey information on the types of knowledge acquired as well as to describe the skills and competences mastered by the holder of the qualification. The learning domains (also called horizontal dimension of qualification frameworks) outlined in EQF/NQF level descriptors are a starting point to reflect on the breadth of learning (¹⁵). See also annex III.

Block B.2.1

Verb – object context

Example: The holder of the qualifications can compare and evaluate educational policy initiatives of EU countries to inform evidence-based decision-making.

Example: The holder of the qualification can select and apply the most innovative restoration technique to preserve and protect historical structures

Example: The holder of the qualification can install and repair wooden constructions for different residential and industrial building

Comment: by carefully choosing the verbs ("compare and assess" "select and apply" "install and repair"), the object ("educational policy initiatives of EU countries" "innovative restoration technique" "wooden constructions") and by adding information on context ("to inform evidence-based decision-making" "to preserve and protect historical structures" "for different residential and industrial building); the knowledge, skills and competence acquired by the holder of the qualification – the breadth/scope of the learning – can emerge (knowledge on educational policy initiatives, techniques to conduct cross-country comparison and policy evaluation or restoration of historical structures; practical skills related to installing and repairing, etc).



Level of complexity

Block B

Depth/complexity of learning is about clarifying the complexity and sophistication of learning acquired. In fact, within the same learning domain (e.g., theroretical knowledge or practical skills) there can be varying degree of expertise achieved. The EQF/NQF level descriptors are a starting point to define the depth and complexity of learning (¹⁶).

Block B.2.2

Verb – object – qualifier context

Example: the holder of the qualification can autonomously select and apply the most suitable research tools for collecting empirical evidence in the field of marine biology.

Example: the holder of the qualification can collect empirical evidence under supervision contributing to ongoing studies in the field of marine biology.

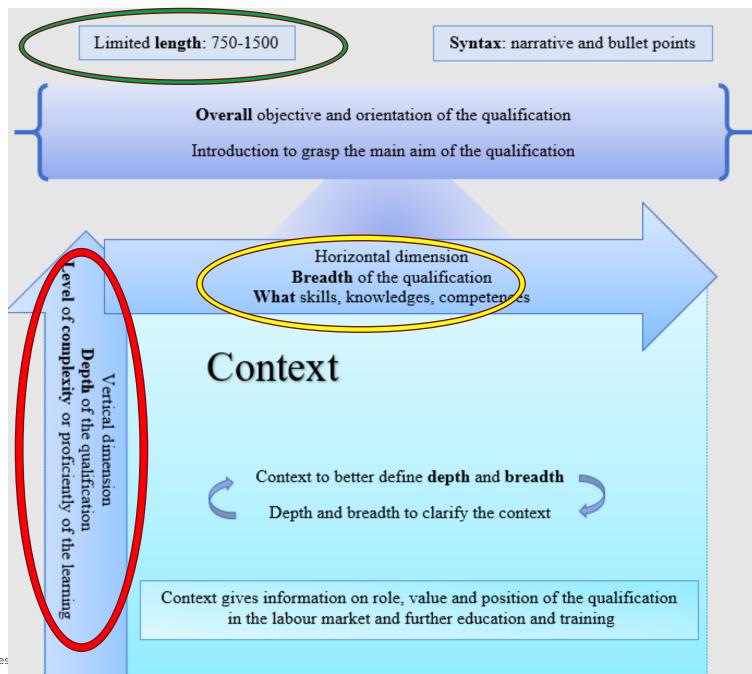
Comment: by carefully choosing the verbs ("select and apply" "collect"), the object ("research tool" "empirical evidence") and making use of qualifier "autonomously" and by adding information on context ("for collecting evidence" or "supporting studies in the field of marine biology") it can emerge the level of complexity of the learning acquired.

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Information on context completes the definition of breadth and depth of learning outcomes

Block B.2.3

Information on context: when writing the specific learning outcomes sentences in the form of bullet points, information on context serves to specify the learning outcomes acquired. To support this process these guidelines also provide recommendations on the syntactical structure of sentences expressing learning outcomes (see table 3). In addition to verbs and objects composing a basic sentence, additional information on context serve to provide further details, for example, on situations, methods and conditions. In fact, verbs or objects alone are not sufficient to capture the breadth and depth of learning outcomes. At the same time, information on context can help clarify the role and the position of the qualification in relation to the labour market, education and training and society in general. This last aspect should already emerge in the narrative presenting the overall objectives and orientation of the qualification (B1).



Overall objective and orientation of the qualification - B.1 In the form of narrative text Guiding questions: What can the qualification be used for in the labour market, in education and training and/or society in general? Which core knowledge, skills and competence acquired are held by the holder of the qualification? ≻ What is expected in terms of autonomy and responsibility? ≻ In the form of bullet points Description of the main learning outcomes to capture orientation, content, and level of the qualification - B.2 Length The three Format A2: aspects A.1: 750 Formal aspects should interact Context Narrative Breath/scope of learning . and not be B.2.3 1500 treated B.2.1 (horizontal dimension) Depth/complexity of learning Double function: separately of the characters text and Delimit, specify, and link knowledge, skills, **B.2.1 (vertical dimension)** or applied Better contextualise/specify the competences (starting point NQF/ EQF sentence's verb and object, rigidly description Show the level of complexity providing for instance information descriptors) on where the learning can take bullet points through a careful section of actions (without Reflect on the balance between, for place, situations, conditions and verbs and objects: provide expectations on autonomy -> This example, general, basic and technical information on context; use precise can enhance clarity on the knowledge, analytical, technical, practical depth/complexity of learning as well spaces) adjectives and adverbs sparingly skills and transversal skills and competences as the breadth/scope of learning. Offer insights into the qualification's role in the labour market, education Guiding questions: and training or society in general \rightarrow > What is the holder of the qualification expected to know and with what level of This aspect should be already proficiency? covered in the introductory What is the holder of the qualification expected to be able to do and with what level of narrative ≻ proficiency? What is expected from the holder of the qualification in terms of wider, transversal ≻ skills and competences? What is expected from the holder of the qualification – for example as regards ability to work autonomously and taking responsibility? Supporting documents: Annex with action verbs and qualifiers (adjectives and adverbs) Sevchelles, 18 April 2024 Learning outcomes

Basic structure of learning outcomes statements

Subject	Action verb	Object of the verb	Context
	(and adverb if relevant)	(and adjective if relevant)	(and adverb/adjective if relevant)
The learner	is expected to present	in writing the results of the risk analysis	allowing others to follow the process and replicate the results.
The learner	is expected to distinguish between	the environmental effects	of cooling gases used in refrigeration systems.
The learner	is expected to coordinate	activities of the executive staff	on construction sites with <i>limited</i> complexity
The learner	is expected to conduct	<i>advanced</i> financial projections	by using business planning tools and to support financial and business planning
	group and Cedefop (2022). <i>Defi</i>		rning outcomes: a European handbook -

Action verbs extracted from national qualifications and other material provided and analysed in the context of the EQF-EUROPASS project group on short learning outcomes descriptions (²²)

Broad/general action verbs							
use	perform	finish	define	take	satisfy		
work	set	consider	allow	act	take on		
carry out	keep	note	bring	do	deal with		
make	proceed	put	determine	take into account			
give	fill	act	possess	show			

Verbs

Precise action ver	bs				
apply	accept	construct	initiate	shape	correct
check	lead	resolve	organise	enforce	estimate
identify	configure	eliminate	acquire	serve	learn
prepare	adjust	consult	self-evaluate	calculate	pack
demonstrate	optimize	conclude	reproduce	replace	deliver
develop	collect	find	guide	summarize	observe
analyse	rebuild	initiate	dismount	establish	handle
produce	comply with	count	accompany	support	test
communicate	supervise	divide	realise	intervene	repair
participate	manufacture	direct	react	disassemble	report
process	meet	repeat	remedy	cooperate	sell
plan	receive	guide	anticipate	return	look up
implement	recognize	expose	mount	assure	conduct
install	formulate	program	employ	transfer	standardize
respect	complete	explain	limit	elaborate	structure
integrate	update	draft	stake out	justify	insert
maintain	document	promote	assist	negotiate	fulfil
describe	disseminate	reflect	refine	visualise	assess
monitor	measure	assess	design	compare	set up

ACQF Verbs (cont.)

manage	read	propose	compile	decide	connect
select	assemble	collaborate	calibrate	delegate	sketch
present	advise	respond	extract	follow up	improve
follow	build	adapt	write	examine	share
present	store	master	rehabilitate	detect	combine
ensure	coordinate	inform	look after	sell	specify
prevent	commission	solve	obtain	dismantle	exchange
create	evaluate	explore	administer	synthesise	indicate
process	organise	draw	synthesise	modify	verify
place	choose	adopt	take part	renovate	consolidate
provide	include	undertake	interpret	allocate	supply
take stock	validate	approve	relate	transform	execute
involve	mobilise	reorganise	protect	judge	conceptualise
lead	search	instruct	introduce	accomplish	critique
oversee	revise	run	research	diagnose	restore
experiment	validate				

ACQF Verbs (cont.)

	ith same object that can show increasing complexity $ ightarrow$
make reference to chapter Design and implement	Store and maintain
Implement and document	
-	Manage and process
Assure and document'	Identify and initiate
Install and configure	Identify and prevent
Install and check	Identify and monitor
Assemble and install	Identify and propose
Organise and check	Pack and deliver
Construct and check	Assemble and insert
Check and comply with	Prepare, identify and explain
Plan and organise	Plan, prepare and implement
Plan and sketch'	Coordinate, prepare and look after
Plan and implement	Monitor, plan and report
Measure and analyse	Develop, create and support
Analyse and manage	Develop, write and evaluate
"Analyse and compare"	Implement, integrate and check
Interpret and apply''	Analyse, remedy and maintain
Inform and advise"	Look up, analyse and assess
Advise and guide	Demonstrate, integrate and apply
Cooperate and communicate	Identify, select, analyse
Communicate and negotiate	Analyse, evaluate and improve
Prepare and conclude	Lead, supervise and respond
Prepare and compile	Coordinate, direct and adjust
Undertake and organise	Build, install, rebuild, maintain and rehabilitate
Produce and present	Mount, assemble, disassemble and dismount
Develop and adjust	

ACQF Verbs (cont.)

Ambiguous and precise verbs - Cedefop Handbook on learning outcomes $(^{21})$

Ambiguous		Precise	
Know	Grasp the significance of	Distinguish between	Write
Understand	Become familiar with	Differentiate	Recite
Enjoy	Believe	Assemble	Construct
Determine	Be aware of	Adjust	Contrast
Appreciate	Comprehend	Identify	Compare
11		Solve	List





Examples of qualifiers extracted from level descriptors of national qualifications frameworks of countries referenced to the EQF ²³.

Examples of b	Examples of broad/general qualifiers						
Certain	Key	Appropriate/appropriately					
Relevant	Particular/particularly	Suitable/suitably					
Very	Broad/Broadly	Successful/successfully					
Various	Proper/properly	Usual/usually					
Good	Effective/effectively	Important/importantly					
Required	Wide/widely						

ACQF Qualifiers (cont.)

Example of qualifiers (adverbs or adjectives) that can support in conveying levels of					
complexity					
Basic	Advanced	Complete/completed/completely			
Familiar	Intermediate	Complex/complicated			
Simple	Autonomous/autonomously	Innovative/innovation/innovatively			
Repetitive	Creative/creatively	Management/managerial			
Structured	Independent/independently	Original/originality			
Defined	Specialised/specialist	Substantial			
Routine	New/novel	Responsible/responsibly			
Elementary	Critical/critically	Strategic/strategically			
Assigned	Comprehensive	Unforeseeable/unforeseen			
Integrated	Non-routine	Conceptual/conceptually			
Non-specialised	Unpredictable	Predictable/predicably			
Limited	In-depth	Partially/partial/partly			
Everyday/daily/day-to-day	Predefined/predetermined	Sophisticated			

Examples

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Examples of short learning outcomesbased descriptions of qualifications

- The following "role examples" of short description aim to provide a **practical application of guidelines and to make it clear how the guidelines can be implemented**. They are built upon real national descriptions developed using the guidelines within the project group's context and have undergone collective adjustments and revisions by members of the project group to better align them with the guideline recommendations.
- It is important to acknowledge **that developing the perfect description is a challenging task**, as different countries may wish to emphasise different aspects and may need to find a balance with existing national criteria. Therefore, the following examples should be considered as part of an ongoing cooperative effort to develop and apply guidelines for learning outcomes descriptions aimed at improving transparency and comparability of qualifications. With experience, continuous collaboration and exchanges on the guideline's application across countries and sectors, additional examples will be added to further inform the process.

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Qualification: Clinical psychologist

Example 1

The clinical psychologist (EQF/NQF 7) independently develops and applies the theories, methods and techniques from scientific clinical psychology in the health promotion, screening, psychological diagnostics and evaluation of health problems, as well as in the prevention, guidance and treatment of persons with care or support needs. By doing so the health care users are supported from the start both by working on their development as well as optimising their functional independence and wellbeing. Holding the visa of clinical psychologist as determined in the Law on Mental Health Professions is a prerequisite to perform the profession.

The clinical psychologist is able to:

- draw up a psychological evaluation
- apply interventions to relieve suffering and to promote health and wellbeing of individuals, groups and organisations
- generate research and findings that contribute to the professional knowledge and/or evaluates the
 efficiency of diverse professional activities
- integrate research and clinical expertise in coordination with the care user and the context
- apply scientific insights and methods
- act according to the code of ethics
- develop and maintain a professional working relation with the care user
- practice the profession in a professional and societally responsible way
- develop and maintain own expertise
- reflect, carry out self-evaluation and self-care

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EQF 7

EQF 4

<u>Example 2</u>

Qualification: Information technology assistant
The qualification holder (EQF/NQF 4) is able to ensure the smooth running of IT systems. They can develop,
dapt and/or maintain these and look after users. He/she has practical knowledge from computer science,
electrical engineering and production engineering.
He/she works independently and/or as part of a team in companies that develop and offer information and
communication technology products and services or in public authorities and institutions.
This is a school based initial vocational training. Optionally, the higher education entrance qualification can
be acquired.
The qualification holder can
analyse, assess and optimise operational processes, workflows and framework conditions with regard to
the use of IT systems
 design work processes using technical and organisational aids
 develop and adapt application software for operational processes
analyse, plan, build, commission and network IT systems
analyse, build, connect to IT systems, programme and commission automation systems,
plan, create and maintain databases using appropriate programming languages and software development
tools
secure the energy supply for IT systems and optimise energy consumption
observe industry and legislative standards and regulations and use of technical rules and regulations
observe data security, data protection and copyrights
responsibly shape and reflect on his/her working environment and processes
apply standards and guidelines to ensure process and product quality
cooperate and communicate in teams
analyse customer requirements and advise customers also in English
obtain, prepare and present information and documents in English in relation to the activity

Qualification: Concrete work

The concrete profession (EQF/NQF 4) can plan formwork, reinforce and cast new building and construction structures, as well as maintaining existing buildings. The holder of the qualification is able to build homes, commercial buildings, hospitals, schools and dams. The qualification can be obtained following a four-year dual training in the training company and vocational school. Competence can be further expanded with tertiary vocational education at EQF 5.

The qualification's holder is able to

- work independently according to building information models, drawings, descriptions and prefabricated solutions
- assess the costs, time consumption and environmental impact of the work
- formwork constructions and building parts using traditional and system formwork
- reinforce constructions and building parts according to descriptions for covering, anchoring and splice
- give account for work processes using prefabricated and traditional methods
- cast different structural parts and floors and assess the consequences of different casting pressures
- sort and handle waste according to current regulations, reuse materials and reflect on the consequences
 of incorrect handling
- account for and use quality assurance systems, carry out work in line with current requirements for health, environment and safety and reflect on the consequences of not following the requirements
- assess risks in accordance with current regulations and carry out a safe job analysis.
- work according to regulations and agreements that regulate working conditions in the profession, and explain the duties and rights of the employer and the employee.
- reflect on the demands and expectations placed on an equal and inclusive professional community

EQF 4

Question 3

What are your views on this approach? What are the most relevant take aways for your work?

Please write in chat box. Thanks





Issues and solutions

Issues

"Avoid dumbing down": Too detailed and prescriptive statements can undermine and lead to a 'dumbing down' of the learning and assessment process

Be aware of contradictions and tension especially between schools of thought:

Behaviouristic tradition:

- Emphasise learning outcomes as measurable, result oriented, full-ended to prescribe and control learning
- Clearly observable and measurable

Constructivist approach

- emphasise learning outcomes to be process-oriented, open-ended to enable learning
- Limited measurability

Ways to address them

Learning outcomes, written as threshold statements, do not prevent learners to go beyond these thresholds/ minimum expectations

Learning outcomes need to defined and written in a way which allows for local adaptation and interpretation by teachers and learners

Learning outcomes should assist teachers in identifying and combining teaching methods. Learning outcomes orient a learning process, they should not restrict it

Finding the balance between prescriptive and descriptive learning outcomes is essential

Ensure learning outcomes are fit for purpose

Easing the application of level descriptors

Application of learning outcomes-based level descriptors can be challenging.

Understanding the role, concepts, vertical and horizontal logic of NQF level descriptors is fundamental, and should be a theme in every teacher training programme, in the curricula of pedagogical institutes and in relevant capacity development programmes promoted by ministries, NQF institutions, and curriculum development projects. Level descriptors are a fundamental link between the NQF and the eco-system of learning, teaching, and certification.

To ease use and application, level descriptors should:

- Be detailed enough to capture the complexities of an NQF/ RQF
- Be general enough to accommodate different parts of the qualifications systems
- Be suitable for all contexts (not too academic, theoretical, and wordy)
- Explain the logic of the domains, sub-domains, and levels preferably with an accompanying glossary
- Be consistently applied in countries
- Be made visible and accessible to users through training, capacity building, workshops, and information sessions
- Capture the balance between being prescriptive and being descriptive

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Examples from concrete qualifications

Qualifications from official online registers of qualifications Countries: Botswana, Cape Verde, Mozambique, South Africa

In qualifications and in qualifications databases / registers

Examples:

- Botswana
- Cape Verde
- Mozambique
- South Africa

Online Registers of National Qualifications

- Botswana: BQA: <u>Register of registered qualifications</u>
- Cape Verde: <u>UC-SNQ National Catalogue of</u> <u>Qualifications</u>
- Mozambique: <u>ANEP National Catalogue of</u> <u>Professional Qualifications</u>
- South Africa: <u>SAQA: Registration of Qualifications</u> and Part-Qualifications (4 searchable databases)

Level descriptors: example

- Linked to an NQF level
- What is expected of graduates / holders of a qualification at that level

Example: Cape Verde NQF, level 5

Domain: Responsibility and autonomy

- Manage and supervise in contexts of study and work susceptible to unpredictable change
- Revise and develop performance of self and others, both in quantitative and qualitative terms
- Work independently when decisions or initiatives at intermediate level are required
- Be able to organise the work for self and the team, according to the objectives and goals of the organisation and support others to effectively manage time

ACOF In practice: defining and writing learning outcomes – case: Cape Verde NQF (Accounting management, L5)

Source: Cape Verde level de	escriptors and National Qualifications Catalogue	Table 1			g the presentation of	learning
Level descriptors in <u>Cape Verde NQF, level 5.</u>	Qualification level 5: AGE001_5: Accounting management.		outcom	ies		
ACQF Inventory	Qualification registered in the National Qualifications Catalogue: <u>Cape Verde, NQF Level 5 AGE001_5</u>	written	considering the	e following elements		
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Source: Cedefop.

ACQF Ex.: Cape Verde, Accounting Management, L5

PERFIL PROFISSIONAL								
Código	AGE001_5	Dene	minação GESTÃO) CONTABILÍSTICA				
Nível	5	Fam	ia Profissional Administ	Administração e Gestão				
COMPETÊNCIA GERAL Realizar a gestão contabilística, fiscal, financeira e o controlo da tesc nas organizações e preparar processos administrativos para apresentad instituições públicas, manuseando aplicativos informativos específicos gestão de informação.								
		N.º	Deno	ominação	Código			
		1	Realizar a gestão contabilís	stica e fiscal.	UC195_5			
		2	Realizar a gestão financeira.		UC196_5			
••••••	ADES DE PETÊNCIA	3	Realizar a gestão e controlo da tesouraria.		UC197_5			
		4	Organizar processos adm às instituições públicas.	inistrativos para apresentação	UC198_4			
			Manusear aplicativos informáticos de escritório.					

É um profissional que executa o seu trabalho por conta própria ou por conta

Qualificação **AGE001_5** GESTÃO CONTABILÍSTICA



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Qualificação AGE001_5 GESTÃO CONTABILÍSTICA

PROGRAMA FORMATIVO DA QUALIFICAÇÃO PROFISSIONAL

Código	o AGE001_5		Denominação		GESTÃO CONTABILÍSTICA				
Nível	5		Fa	amília Profissional	Administração e Gestão				
Duração indicativa				1.360 Horas					
		N.º		Denominação					
		1		Realizar a gestão contabilística e fiscal.					
Unidades de competência		2		Realizar a gestão financeira.					
		3		Realizar a gestão e o	controlo da tesouraria.	UC197_5			
		4		Organizar processo instituições públicas.	os administrativos para apresentação às	UC198_4			
		5		Manusear aplicativos	informáticos de escritório.	UC199_3			

ACQF Example: Botswana, Diploma in Tourism Management, L6

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QUALIFICATION DEVEL	OPER	Imperial Sch	ool o	f Business and	Scier	nce (ISBS)		
TITLE	Diplom	a in Tourism N	lanag	gement		NCQF LEVEL	6	
FIELD	Service	s	S	UB-FIELD		Tourism Manageme	nt	
New qualification	Ø			Re	view	of existing qualification		
SUB-FRAMEWORK	Genera	al Education		TVET		Higher Education	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	
QUALIFICATION TYPE	Certific	Certificate		Diploma	Ø	Bachelor		
	Bachel	or Honours		Master		Doctor		
CREDIT VALUE								
RATIONALE AND PURP						360 Credits		
	OSE OF		САТІ	ON		360 Credits		
Rationale								
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ACQF Ex.: Mozambique, Accounting, L5

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1 Informação para o Registo da Qualificação

Titulo da Qualificação:		Certificado Vocacional de Nível V em Contabilidade								
Código Nacional:		Q ADG02500191								
Campo:	Administraçã	dministração e Gestão Subcampo: Contabilidade								
Nível do QNQP:	5	5 Créditos totais: 120								
Data do registo:	Data do revisão:									
Progressão:	privado, ass responsabili direcção ger	Os graduados com esta qualificação serão elegíveis para trabalhar no sector empresarial público e privado, assistindo o Chefe do Departamento de Administração e Finanças, podendo ainda assumir a responsabilidade pela liderança do departamento de contabilidade, numa pequena organização ou a direcção geral de uma micro empresa. Os técnicos com esta qualificação poderão progredir para o ensino superior.								
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MO HG025001	UC HG0250	01 Utilizar o Ing profissionais	glês para propósitos socia s	ais, pessoais e	2	20				
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MO HG025003	UC HG0250	03 Ler e respon	nder a materiais escritos		2	20				
MO HG025004	UC HG0250	04 Produzir ma	teriais escritos		2	20				
MO HG03501171	UC HG0350	1171 Resolver pro	oblemas de crescimento	ogarítmico.	2	20				
MO HG03502171	UC HG03502171 Resolver problemas de optimização usando limites e 2 20									
MO HG04501191	UC HG04501191 Participar num debate como orador principal e como interveniente 2 20									
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MO ADG025001191	UC ADG025001191	Operar com a contabilidade da Banca, Seguros e Instituições sem fins lucrativos	12	120	
MO ADG025007191	UC ADG025007191	Sistematizar a informação para apoio à tomada de decisão	12	120	
MO ADG025008191	UC ADG025008191	Avaliar alternativas rotineiras e não rotineiras numa empresa	6	60	
MO ADG025009191	UC ADG025009191	Aplicar regulamentação, procedimentos e técnica de auditoria externa	6	60	
MO ADG025005191	UC ADG025005191	Elaborar o orçamento e apurar os desvios orçamentais	8	80	
MO ADG025010191	UC ADG025010191	Utilizar instrumentos de controlo de gestão	4	40	
MO ADG014005191	UC ADG014005191	UC ADG014005191 Aplicar os procedimentos de Higiene e Segurança no Trabalho			
MO ADG025004191	UC ADG025004191	Analisar procedimentos de controlo interno e elaborar parecer de auditoria interna	4	40	
MO ADG025002191	UC ADG025002191	Realizar a análise económico financeira	8	80	
MO ADG025003191	UC ADG025003191	Realizar a análise de projecto de investimento	8	80	
MO ADG025006191	UC ADG025006191	Aplicar técnicas de angariação e avaliação de alternativas de financiamento	8	80	
MO ADG035001191	UC ADG035001191	Organizar e zelar por espaços e equipamentos de trabalho	2	20	
MO ADG025011191	UC ADG025011191	Aplicar os procedimentos de Ética do profissional de Contabilidade	2	20	
		Subtotal	84	840	
	Projec	to Integrado e Experiência de Trabalho			
MO ADG025012191	UC ADG025012191	Elaborar Projecto Integrado	4	40	
MO ADG025013191	UC ADG025013191	Levar a cabo uma experiência de trabalho	16	160	
		Sub-total	20	200	
		TOTAL	120	1200	

ACQF Ex.: South Africa, Advanced diploma logistics, L7



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REGISTERED QUALIFICATION:

Advanced Diploma in Logistics								
SAQA QUAL ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE							
101960	Advanced Diploma in Logistics							
ORIGINATOR								
University of Johannesburg								
PRIMARY OR DELEGATED QUALITY ASSURANCE FUNCTIONARY NQF SUB-FRAMEWORK								
CHE - Council on Higher Education	on		HEQSF - Higher Education Qualifications Sub-framework					
QUALIFICATION TYPE	FIELD		SUBFIELD					
Advanced Diploma	Field 11 - Services		Transport, Operations and Logistics					
ABET BAND	MINIMUM CREDITS	PRE-2009 NQF LEVEL	NQF LEVEL	QUAL CLASS				
Undefined	120	Not Applicable	NQF Level 07	Regular-Provider-ELOAC				
REGISTRATION STATUS		SAQA DECISION NUMBER	REGISTRATION START DATE	REGISTRATION END DATE				
Reregistered		SAQA 091/21	2021-07-01	2023-06-30				
LAST DATE FOR ENROLMENT	•	LAST DATE FOR ACHIEVEMENT						
2024-06-30		2027-06-30						

In all of the tables in this document, both the pre-2009 NQF Level and the NQF Level is shown. In the text (purpose statements, qualification rules, etc), any references to NQF Levels are to the pre-2009 levels unless specifically stated otherwise.

This qualification replaces:

Qual ID	Qualification Title	Pre-2009 NQF Level	NQF Level	Min Credits	Replacement Status
83908	Bachelor of Technology: Logistics	Level 7	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L7	120	

PURPOSE AND RATIONALE OF THE QUALIFICATION

Purpose:

The purpose of this qualification is to make provision for the development of intellectual knowledge and applied competence related to procurement, logistics processes and practices, project management, logistics research, global supply management and quantitative techniques.

The inclusion of research methodology and a research project module, as well as a practical module in which learners will be required to apply their acquired theoretical knowledge to current industry-related challenges. This qualification offers students the opportunity to balance theory, research and practical application in their learning experience.

The simulation programme provides a practical application in a logistics environment, including, but not limited to, the management of time, materials handling, in-bound and outbound logistics, staff deployment and morale, process design, cost effectiveness, customer service, cash/money flow, product-mix decisions, demand forecasting, quality assurance, procurement, and stock rotation. Teaching for this module is action-based, i.e. the module provides an environment in which learners, apply theoretical understanding, take actions and discover the consequences of the actions in order to develop an understanding of the objectives and business drivers of a logistics business. The simulation also focuses on group participation and interaction.

The learning outcomes of this qualification is aligned with requirements of the Level 7 Exit Level Outcomes since learners are required to apply theoretical knowledge to complex problems and to present such application in a weit structure and the complex defined in the learners are also expected to demonstrate the following: integrated knowledge

https://regqs.saqa.org.za/view Qualification.php?id=101960

Exit level outcomes

1. Plan and coordinate logistics processes and practices so that operational and strategic targets are met.

 Optimise supply chain processes through selecting and/or combining the best methods and practices in a globalised supply chain environment.

3. Identify and apply appropriate and applicable logistics-related quantitative techniques and methods relevant to specific logistics situation.

4. Identify and explain the key logistics related problems and solutions from a simulation model.

5. Execute logistics and distribution decisions within a supply chain.

6. Complete a research project related to logistics management.

For your further reading: ACQF level descriptors





RPL gives us wings

Inclusion, equity

Recognition, validation and certification of non-formal and informal learning, skills and compeences

(RPL, RVCC/RCA, VAE, VNFIL)

Learning outcomes are central for RPL



ACQF Make the invisible - visible: skills acquired by experience/informal, non-formal learning

Non-formal and informal learning are key parts of lifelong learning

People learn at any time, anywhere throughout their lives, not only in formal education and training systems and pathways, but also in non-formal and informal learning settings.

This learning can be made visible via RPL / VNFIL. Identification, documentation, assessment and certification of learning outcomes.

The growth of digital and online learning, access to digital skills assessment and digital credentials tools offer new potentialities that can benefit applicants, and the effectiveness of RPL / RVCC /RCA systems

ACQF What connection with NQF?



Qualification standards (outcomes) Assessment based on qualifications standards / outcomes/ <u>not</u> on schooling

Parity of value of certificates: obtained by formal training and by PRL

RPL

Quality assurance

Your views...write in chatbox



"Learning outcomes are the **GPS** in the eco-system of qualifications":

- Do you agree?
- Why?
- Comments?
- What is the main benefit of this understanding of learning outcomes?

Level descriptors



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Source: ACQF Guideline 2 and ACQF Training Module 2

Level descriptor

A statement describing learning achievement at a particular level of a Qualifications Framework that provides a broad indication of the types of learning outcomes and assessment criteria that are appropriate to a qualification at that level.

Level descriptors of NQFs and RQFs: Similarities

NQF

- Are at the heart of development of qualifications frameworks
- Are formulated as general learning outcomes statements and signal transparency
- Are suited to a particular purpose
- Are an agreed central reference point and multi-stakeholder platform for dialogue
- Based on logic along vertical and horizontal dimensions



RQF

- Based on learning outcomes
- Level descriptors are described as a hierarchy of levels of learning complexity, based on learning outcomes
- Support NQF development and promote learning outcomes based approaches in the regional block

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Level descriptors of NQFs and RQF: Differences

NQF level descriptors

More detailed and complex

- \checkmark capture the complexities of the national system
- ✓ describe the complexity of learning in qualifications/ qualification types and are often linked to features of existing qualifications.
- ✓ as a benchmark for levels of learning achievement recognised at national level they orient the allocation of a national qualification to an NQF level.
- ✓ The positioning of two or more qualifications on the same NQF level indicates that the qualifications are broadly comparable in terms of generic complexity at that level of the NQF, regardless of where or how the qualification was obtained.

RQF level descriptors

RQF level descriptors serve purposes complementary to those of NQF's:

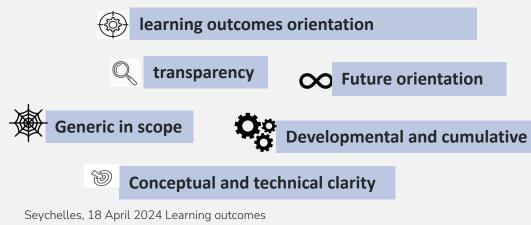
- ✓ a basis for referencing levels of NQFs or systems to the RQF
- orientation for countries/ regions in developing qualifications frameworks or systems
- ✓ orientation towards common minimum benchmarks for outcomes of learning on the regional block
- level descriptors signify the levels of learning complexity at regional level
- do not capture the same complexities that are evident in national level descriptors

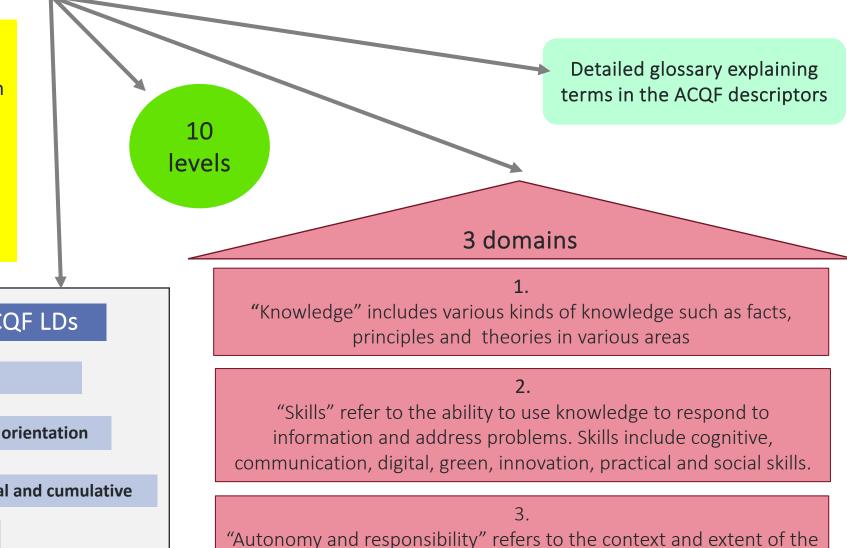
Overall design: ACQF level descriptors

The ACQF descriptors:

- are regional, generic, broad statements of learning outcomes complexity that can accommodate and value all forms of learning (formal, non-formal and informal)
- can be applied across all African Union countries and all education and training sectors

Underpinning principles of ACQF LDs





application of autonomy and responsibility

ACQF level descriptors: domains of learning - definition

		Domains of learning	
Level	Knowledge	Skills	Autonomy and responsibility
Definition of the	In the context of ACQF	In the context of ACQF "Skills"	In the context of ACQF
domains of	"Knowledge" includes	refer to the ability to use	"Autonomy and
learning	various kinds of knowledge such as facts, principles, and theories in various areas	knowledge to respond to information and address problems. Skills include cognitive, communication, digital, green, innovation, practical and social skills.	responsibility" refers to the context and extent of the application of autonomy and responsibility

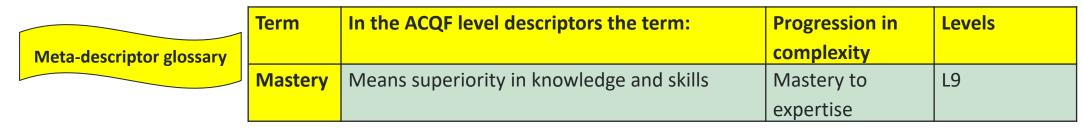
ACQF descriptors (horizontal logic and glossary) Example (simple, L1)

Level	Knowledge	Skills	Autonomy and Responsibility
<u>Level 1:</u> The learning outcomes	<mark>Simple</mark> knowledge,	Simple communication, cognitive and	Highly structured, repetitive contexts
related to formal, non-formal,	literacy, and numeracy	practical skills required to follow simple	under <u>close</u> supervision and guidance
and informal learning at this		instructions, and use simple, repetitive	taking <u>minimal</u> responsibility for self
level include:		solutions to address simple problems	
Level 2: The learning outcomes	<mark>Basic</mark> knowledge	Basic communication, cognitive and practical	Structured contexts under limited
related to formal, non-formal	incorporating	skills required to use <u>concrete</u> information,	supervision and guidance taking
and informal learning at this	comprehension and recall	ideas and <u>known</u> solutions to address	limited responsibility for self and
level include:	of factual and operational	straight-forward_problems	group outcomes
	knowledge in some areas		

	Term	In the ACQF level descriptors the term:	Progression in complexity	Levels
Meta-descriptor glossary	Simple	Means uncomplicated and easy to understand. It can be used without experience and is found at the lowest level of complexity	Simple to straightforward/ basic	L1

ACQF descriptors (horizontal logic and glossary) Example (mastery, L9)

Level	Knowledge	Skills	Autonomy and Responsibility	
<u>Level 9</u> : The learning	Mastery of a complex body of	Skills mastery required to demonstrate	Highly specialised contexts	
outcomes related to	knowledge <mark>at the forefront</mark> of	originality and new insights in research	demonstrating mastery in	
formal, non-formal and	a discipline/area	and/or innovation and formulate and test	autonomy and responsibility	
informal learning at this		theories to show mastery of highly		
level include:		complex, abstract problems		
<u>Level 10:</u> The learning	Substantial and original	Expert skills and techniques that	Emergent new contexts	
outcomes related to	knowledge contribution that	demonstrate innovation, interpretation	demonstrating expertise in	
formal, non-formal, and	extends the forefront of a	and creation of new ideas required to	management of new ideas	
informal learning at this	discipline/area and/or <u>at the</u>	critically evaluate, formulate, and test		
level include:	<u>interface</u> between	theories to address <u>emergent, new,</u> and		
	disciplines/areas	critical problems		



ACQF Level descriptors 1-5

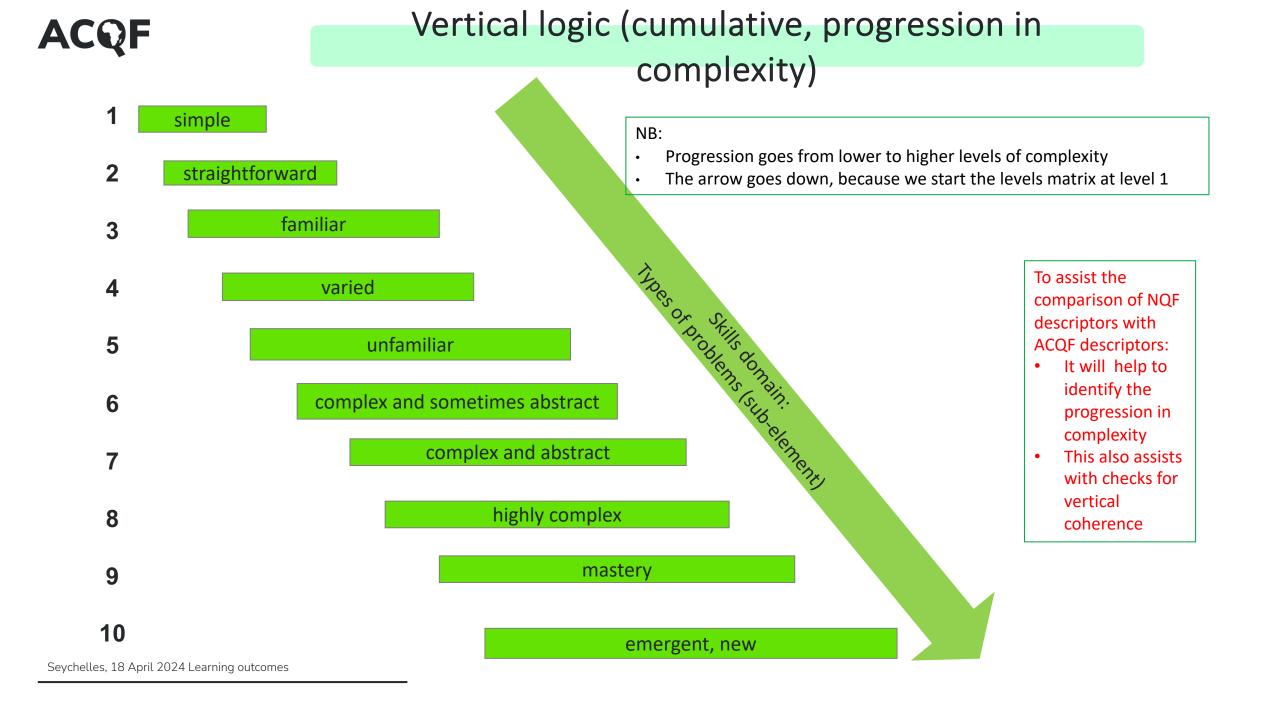
Level	Knowledge	Skills	Autonomy and Responsibility	
Level 1: The learning outcomes	<u>Simple</u> knowledge, literacy,	Simple communication, cognitive and practical	Highly structured, repetitive contexts under	
related to formal, non-formal, and	and numeracy	skills required to follow simple instructions,	close supervision and guidance taking minimal	
informal learning at this level		and use simple, <u>repetitive</u> solutions to address	responsibility for self	
include:		simple problems		
Level 2: The learning outcomes	<u>Basic</u> knowledge	Basic communication, cognitive and practical	<u>Structured</u> contexts under limited supervision	
related to formal, non-formal and	incorporating comprehension	skills required to use concrete information,	and guidance taking <u>limited</u> responsibility for	
informal learning at this level	and recall of factual and	ideas and <u>known</u> solutions to address <u>straight-</u>	self and group outcomes	
include:	operational knowledge in	<u>forward</u> problems		To assist the
	some areas			comparison of NQF
<u>Level 3:</u> The learning outcomes	Factual and operational	A <u>range</u> of communication, cognitive, practical	Predictable contexts under routine supervision	descriptors with
related to formal, non-formal, and	knowledge incorporating	and technical skills required to interpret and	and guidance, with <u>initiative</u> for self-	ACQF descriptors:
informal learning at this level	some theoretical aspects in	communicate ideas and detailed information,	responsibility and some responsibility for	It will help to
include:	some areas	and <u>select and use</u> known solutions to address	group outcomes	identify key
		familiar problems		words in each
<u>Level 4:</u> The learning outcomes	Mainly factual, operational or	Well-developed technical skills required to	Varied (predictable and unpredictable)	level
related to formal, non-formal and	technical knowledge	analyse information and new ideas, make	contexts with adaptability and initiative for	• This also assists
informal learning at this level	incorporating theoretical	informed judgements, communicate outcomes	self-direction under general guidance, taking	with checks for
include:	aspects in one or more areas	and apply varied solutions to varied (familiar	full responsibility for self, some planning and	horizontal
		and unfamiliar) problems	responsibility for group outcomes and initiative	coherence
			for responsibility for others	
<u>Level 5:</u> The learning outcomes	Mainly technical or	A range of well-developed technical skills, with	Unpredictable contexts with full autonomy	
related to formal, non-formal, and	theoretical knowledge with	some specialisation, required to analyse	and <u>full responsibility for self and group</u>	
informal learning at this level	<u>substantial depth</u> in a	information and new ideas, construct and	outcomes, and some responsibility for others	
include:	discipline/area	communicate a <u>coherent argument</u> , and apply		
		a range of solutions , often in combination, to		
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ACQF Level descriptors 6 -10

Level	Knowledge	Skills	Autonomy and Responsibility
Level 6: The learning outcomes	Highly technical or theoretical	Highly technical and <u>specialised</u> skills required to	Highly variable contexts with well-
related to formal, non-formal	knowledge, with specialisation in	collate, analyse, synthesise, and communicate a	developed autonomy and
and informal learning at this	a discipline/area	range of information and new ideas, and	responsibility for self and group
level include:		formulate or adapt different solutions to address	outcomes and responsibility for
		complex and sometimes abstract problems	resources and processes
<u>Level 7:</u> The learning outcomes	Advanced analytical and/or	Advanced, specialised skills required to	Complex and variable contexts
related to formal, non-formal	<u>specialised</u> knowledge of a	demonstrate advanced analysis and initiative for	with advanced autonomy and
and informal learning at this	discipline/area	new insights and ideas in research and/or	<u>responsibility</u>
level include:		innovation, and formulate advanced solutions to	
		address complex and abstract problems	
<u>Level 8:</u> The learning outcomes	Highly advanced, complex	Highly advanced, complex skills required to	Highly complex contexts with
related to formal, non-formal	knowledge of a discipline/area	demonstrate highly advanced analysis,	some specialisation demonstrating
and informal learning at this		communicate new insights and ideas in research	highly advanced autonomy and
level include:		and/or innovation, and formulate highly	responsibility
		advanced solutions to address highly complex	
		and abstract problems	
<u>Level 9</u> : The learning outcomes	<u>Mastery of a complex body of</u>	Skills mastery required to demonstrate originality	Highly specialised contexts
related to formal, non-formal	knowledge <u>at the forefront</u> of a	and new insights in research and/or innovation	demonstrating mastery in
and informal learning at this	discipline/area	and formulate and test theories to show mastery	autonomy and responsibility
level include:		of highly complex, abstract problems	
<u>Level 10:</u> The learning outcomes	Substantial and original	Expert skills and techniques that demonstrate	Emergent new contexts
related to formal, non-formal,	knowledge contribution that	innovation, interpretation and creation of new	demonstrating expertise in
and informal learning at this	extends the forefront of a	ideas required to critically evaluate, formulate,	management of new ideas
level include:	discipline/area and/or <u>at the</u>	and test theories to address <u>emergent</u> , new , and	
	<u>interface</u> between	critical problems	
	disciplines/areas		

To assist the comparison of NQF descriptors with ACQF descriptors:

- It will help to identify key words in each level
- This also assists with checks for horizontal coherence



ㅋ 구		Knowled	Knowledge domain		
The le inforr	Level	Type of Knowledge	Scope		
earnin mal le	Level 1	Simple knowledge, literacy and numeracy			
The learning outcomes informal learning at th	Level 2	Basic knowledge incorporating comprehension and recall of factual and operational knowledge	In some areas		
omes ru at thes	Level 3	Factual and operational knowledge incorporating some theoretical aspects	In some areas		
omes related to formal at these levels include:	Level 4	Mainly factual, operational or technical knowledge incorporating theoretical aspects	In one or more areas		
to formal, ls include:	Level 5	Mainly technical or theoretical knowledge with substantial depth	In a discipline/ area		
	Level 6	Highly technical or theoretical knowledge, with specialisation	In a discipline/ area		
non-formal	Level 7	Advanced analytical, and/ or specialised knowledge	Of a discipline/ area		
nal à	Level 8	Highly advanced, complex knowledge	Of a discipline/ area		
and	Level 9	Mastery of a complex body of knowledge	At the forefront of a discipline/ area		
	Level 10	Substantial and original knowledge contribution	That extends the forefront of a discipline/ area		
			and/ or at the interface between disciplines/ areas		

۲ Knowledge sub-elements Type of knowledge

Scope

Level Type of skills Level 1 Simple communication, cognitive and practical skills		Skills domain		
Level	Type of skills	Response to information	Addressing types of problems	
Level 1	Simple communication,	Follow simple instructions	Use simple repetitive solutions to address	
	cognitive and practical skills		simple problems	
Level 2	Basic communication,	Use concrete information and ideas	Use known solutions to address	
	cognitive, and practical skills		straightforward problems	
Level 3	A range of communication,	Interpret and communicate ideas and	Select and use known solutions to address	
	cognitive, practical and technical skills	detailed information	familiar problems	
Level 4	Well-developed technical skills	Analyse information and ideas, make	Apply varied solutions to address varied	
		informed judgements and communicate outcomes	(familiar and unfamiliar) problems	
Level 5	A range of well-developed	Analyse information and new ideas, and	Apply a range of solutions often in	
	technical skills with some	construct and communicate coherent	combination to address unfamiliar problems	
	specialisation	arguments		
Level 6	Highly technical and	Collate, analyse, synthesise, and	Formulate or adapt different solutions to	
	specialised skills	communicate a range of information	address complex and sometimes abstract	
		and new ideas	problems	
Level 7	Advanced skills	Demonstrate advanced analysis and	Formulate advanced solutions to address	
		initiative for new insights and ideas in	complex and abstract problems	
		research and/ or innovation		
Level 8	Highly advanced, complex skills	Demonstrate highly advanced analysis	Formulate highly advanced solutions to	
		and communicate new insights and	address highly complex and abstract	
		ideas in research and/or innovation	problems	
Level 9	Mastery	Demonstrate originality and new	Formulate and test theories to show master	
		insights in research and/or innovation	of highly complex, abstract problems	
Level 10	Expert skills and techniques	Demonstrate innovation, interpretation	Critically evaluate, formulate and test	
		and creation of emergent and new	theories to address emergent, new and	
		ideas	critical problems	

Skills sub-elements Addressing types of problems Response to information Type of skills

		Autonomy and responsibility domain		
<u> tevel</u>	Context	Autonomy	Responsibility	
Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 3 Level 4 Level 5 Level 6 Level 7 Level 8	Highly structured,	Close supervision and	Minimal responsibility for self	
	repetitive contexts	guidance		
Level 2	structured contexts	Limited supervision and	Limited responsibility for self and group outcomes	
		guidance		
Level 3	Predictable contexts	Routine supervision and	Initiative for self-responsibility and some	
		guidance and initiative for	responsibility for group outcomes	
		adaptability		
Level 4	Varied (predictable and	Adaptability and initiative for	Full self-responsibility, some planning and	
	unpredictable) contexts	self-direction under general	responsibility for group outcomes and initiative for	
		guidance	responsibility for others	
Level 5	Unpredictable contexts	Full autonomy	Full responsibility for self and group outcomes and	
			some responsibility for others	
Level 6	Highly variable contexts	Well-developed autonomy	Well-developed responsibility for self and group	
			outcomes; responsibility for resources and processe	
Level 7	Complex and variable	Advanced autonomy	Advanced	
	contexts			
Level 8	Highly complex contexts	Highly advanced autonomy	Highly advanced	
	with some specialisation			
Level 9	Highly specialised contexts	Mastery of autonomy	Mastery	
Level 10	Emergent, new contexts	Expertise	Expertise in management of new ideas	

Context Autonomy

Responsibility

Autonomy and responsibility sub-elements