

The Triple E Standard: a case of excellence in Europe

The partners of the EU-funded 'Triple E Project' developed a new quality standard for financial services and translated EU recommendations EQF, ECVET and EQAVET into business practice

On 24th September 2015 the partners involved in the transnational project 'Financial Services Triple E Qualifications' (Triple E project) gathered in Brussels at the premises of EBTN-The European Banking & Financial Services Training Association, Lead Partner, for the launch of the Triple E Standard.

Starting in October 2013, the partners of the Triple E Project, members of EBTN have aimed to strongly contribute to the development of better sector qualifications that will offer more mobility and lifelong learning opportunities for employees and employers in the European financial sector.

The project, co-funded by the European Commission, is referenced to the three EU lifelong learning instruments: the European Qualifications Framework (EQF), the system of European Credit points for Vocational Education and Training (ECVET) and the guidelines concerning European Quality Assurance for Vocational Education and Training (EQAVET).

During two years of intensive collaboration the project partners from Belgium, Germany, Greece, Italy, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and the United Kingdom developed the 'Triple E Standard', a quality standard for qualifications in the European financial industry, with a focus on the banking sector. Extended European consultations with a large group of key stakeholders were carried out to



consolidate the final result. The Triple E Standard specifies how a non-formal qualification should be designed and executed. It is not a certification tool for individuals, it is an accreditation recognition for institutions of the quality of qualifications they provide. The Triple E Standard aims to facilitate student's mobility and flexicurity in the labour market by providing an insight into the quality, the level and substance of accredited Triple E qualifications. It provides more transparency by facilitating a comparison of qualifications nationally and internationally.

The Triple E Standard is an important contribution to restore trust and confidence in the financial services sector by demonstrating that its employees are highly qualified. The Triple E Standard recognizes existing national good practices and the levels and institutional accreditations awarded by national competent authorities.

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