



RAINBOW ACROSS EUROPE

The RAINBOW project addresses the EWF qualification system, following its alignment with the European Qualifications Framework (EQF). It focusses on Quality Assurance at the European level for enhanced transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications, in accordance with the ERASMUS+ support for Policy Reform sub-programme.

The project faces the challenge of creating a fair basis of trust covering the whole EWF Qualifications by establishing a common alignment methodology between Welding International Qualifications to the EQF that serves as a model for both practical skills-based and highly specialised qualifications.

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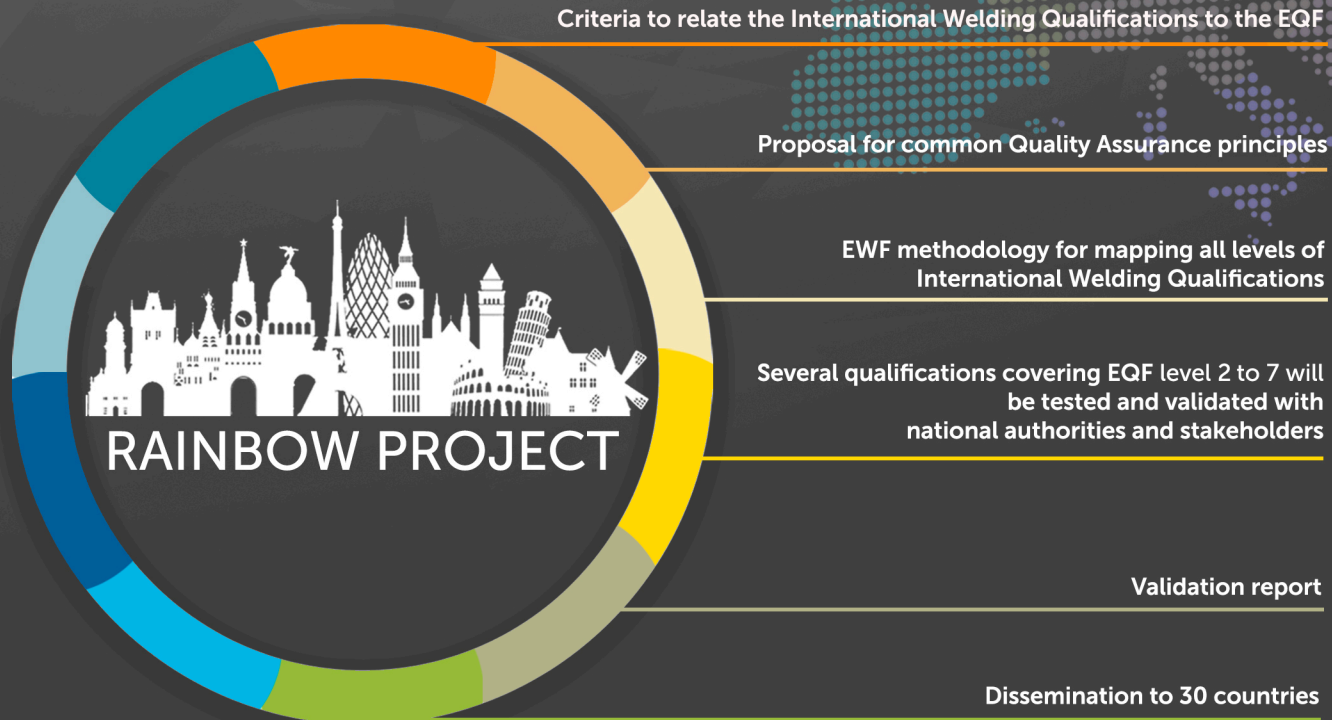
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RESULTS



OBJECTIVES

- Develop criteria relating the International Welding Qualifications to the EQF (from EQF Level 2 to 7);
- Relate international qualifications to EQF in the Welding sector by addressing all levels of the European Welding Qualifications:



- Establish a common methodology for the definition of learning outcomes (LOs) and standard procedures to align the Welding International Qualifications with the EQF
- Create a ground of trust regarding the European Welding Core Profiles and Qualifications (EW, EWP, EWS, EWT and EWE) in order to support recognition

EVENTS & INITIATIVES

PRESS RELEASE

Publication on *Welding and Cutting* magazine 15 (2016) No.5. "Pioneer Quality assurance benchmark for skills and qualifications recognition"



EFW to set a pioneer quality assurance benchmark for skills and qualifications recognition

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The Rainbow project aims at developing a methodology which will align the European Qualifications of EWF with the European Qualifications Framework (EQF). EWF has set a goal: through the Rainbow project, to align the Welding Qualification System to the European Qualifications Framework (EQF). This project comes on the heels of the success of its harmonisation qualification system for personnel involved in the welding, joining and related technologies, which has worldwide recognition, namely from the results can then be used for benchmarking with other areas, namely from the manufacturing sector, as an operational guidance document will be designed for the purpose, defining a path for other systems to follow.

The deep knowledge possessed by the EWF on EU policy tools is widely recognised and its training and qualification system has been showcased in several events of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP) and Directorate General for Education and Culture (DG EAC), as a best practice for the international harmonisation of qualification and certification. The project is supported by Action 3 of the Erasmus+ programme. Support for Policy Reform.

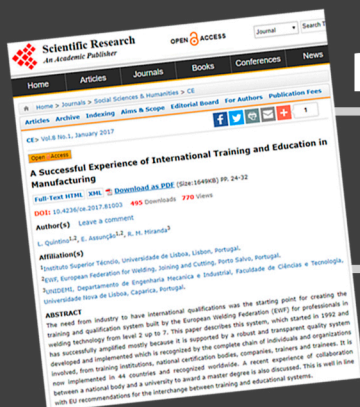
The EWF System addresses a qualification in high demand in Europe, where welding is considered one of the advanced manufacturing technologies for development of manufacturing industry. In the view of the stated goal of having the development of manufacturing industry in the EU, the stated goal of having this sector representing 20% of EU Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by 2020 (Europe 2020). A study from the German Welding Society (DVS) has identified that the total added value generated by European welding industry is around 66 billion Euros per year and that just over 1.2 million people work in welding and related technologies in the EU(26).

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Publication on the *Metal Working World* magazine "EWF to set a pioneer quality assurance benchmark for skills and qualifications recognition"

WORKSHOP

"Aligning International Qualifications with EU Tools and Policies"
On the 27th of January 2017, EWF hosted a meeting with a panel of international experts in Welding and EU Policies to discuss the latest vocational education and training (VET) developments and to reflect on future scenarios in relation to the European tools and their use in the welding sector.



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Publication about EWF International Training and Qualification System
"A successful experience of international training and education in manufacturing, by L. Quintino, E. Assunção, R. M. Miranda, in *Creative Journal*.
(Vol 8. No 1. January 2017)

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HIGHLIGHTS

LISBON - PORTUGAL

CONFERENCE ON SECTORAL INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

15th - 16th NOVEMBER, 2017



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The aim of the Conference is to present and validate a methodology for aligning International Sectoral Qualifications with EU policies/tools (EQF, Learning Outcomes, and ECVET).

The conference brings together representatives from the Manufacturing Industry, VET Providers, Universities, National Qualification Authorities, as well as decision makers at national and European levels.

With this event, we want to raise awareness about the work developed in the Quality assurance at European level for enhanced transparency and recognition of skills in International qualifications.

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