



Information about ENIC and NARIC centres

ENIC and NARIC centres – Who are we?

Established by the Council of Europe and UNESCO Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region (the Lisbon Recognition Convention), the ENIC and NARIC Networks are primarily concerned with ensuring that there is a fair and consistent approach to the recognition of qualifications. On that basis the networks operate in an international legal framework supporting the implementation of the Lisbon Recognition Convention as well as the European Union Directives on professional recognition and developing recognition policy and practices for the recognition of qualifications in the European Region.

What do we look like?

No two centres are the same and not all offer the same services or guidance. Each centre has a unique name that may or may not include 'ENIC' or 'NARIC'. Some have a public office, while others are a small department within another organisation or the Ministry of Higher Education.

What do we do?

- On a general level ENIC / NARIC centres focus on higher education, but some have also broadened their focus to all ranges of education including primary, VET and professional qualifications. Our stakeholders are also varied and include professional associations, VET stakeholders, education policy groups, etc.
- Centres are heavily involved in policy development; including in relation to higher education policy, immigration policy, internationalisation agendas, and mobility and the transparency of qualifications. They are often involved in the development of national qualification frameworks.



To contact the ENIC-NARIC Networks or their members, please check the contact details listed on: <http://www.enic-naric.net/>



Information about ENIC and NARIC centres and what they can do for you - Employers

You might work with an ENIC NARIC...

- As part of the process of application for potential employees internationally – to provide recognition of the individual's qualifications and information on their learning outcomes
- To understand potential new markets in other countries and the skills available for recruitment or development purposes
- To provide information on any regulatory requirements or recognition agreements for particular sectors within another country.

You might work with the ENIC-NARIC Network...

- To explore how the Networks work to facilitate the mobility of individuals
- To understand the impact of the different network wide projects and the instruments to support mobility and inform employers on individuals' qualifications, skills and competences
- NARIC centres are also able to provide access to other resources on recognition.

You might want to work with other networks...

- If you need information on professional recognition arrangements related to Directive 2005/36/EC, you may wish to contact your National Contact Point for professional recognition (some of which are situated alongside the NARIC centre in that country). A full list is available at: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/services/free-movement-professionals/index_en.htm
- If you want more general information on the use of the Europass CV, the Certificate Supplement to describe VET qualifications, the Diploma Supplement to describe HE qualifications, and the Europass Mobility to describe periods of training or work experience within Europe, please contact your National Europass Centre
- If you need information on the referencing of the National Qualification Frameworks to the EQF, please refer to your national contact point.

