



BELGIUM

30.500 km₂ 0,7% of total EU Area 11.4 million people * Eurostat





No minimum requirements for work, but frequently employees possess Sport-related awards at level 6 and 7.



EQF 3





LEVEL OF IMPLEMENTATION

5 university colleges have applied to the government to deliver an ELESA-based programme and are awaiting approval.

REGULATION:

While there is no regulation of outdoors work, there are strong regulations for outdoor safety.









The generally accepted minimum requirements in the sector are EQF level 4 and 6.

ROC Outdoor VET Project

NETHERLANDS

37.400 km2
0,8%of total EU Area
17.1 million people
* Eurostat

EG-OE





EQF 3



Currently one training is already based on the ELESA Learning Outcomes; others working towards it.

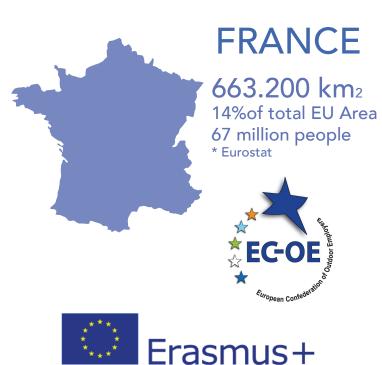
REGULATION:

No regulation nationally, but since a lot of education already existing, minimum requirements are already being used.



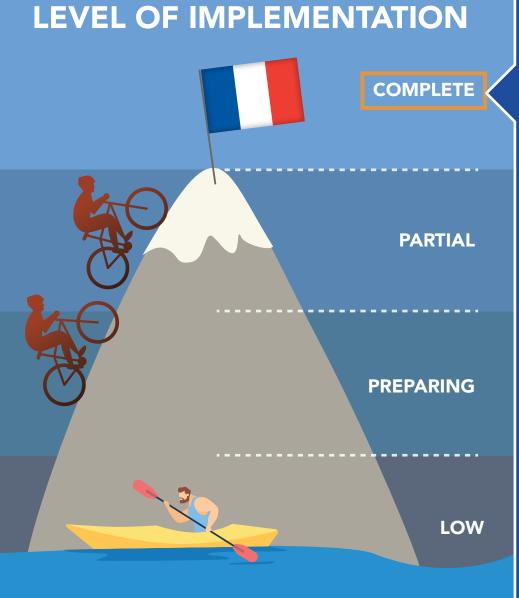






EQF L3 is used for "assistant animators" (staff at campsites, summer camps); L4 is the predominent level in use and L5 is used in newly created qualifications and in ELESA.





While there is one university offering the full ELESA programme and one private training provider is offering some modules, The sector does not generally ulitise ELESA in its training of professionals for work in the sector.

REGULATION:

For all commercial activities, both the practice of the profession and the training for the profession are regulated.













The curriculum of the training process has been challenged by the difference between the related EQF levels.

The sector is struggling with the duration of the time needed to complete the ELESA curriculum.





Existing certification of qualifications has been based on ELESA. However the whole training process needs adaptation to the needs of the market.

REGULATION:

Selected activities (e.g. mountain guiding, sea kayaking, skiing) are regulated, most others are not.









PORTUGAL

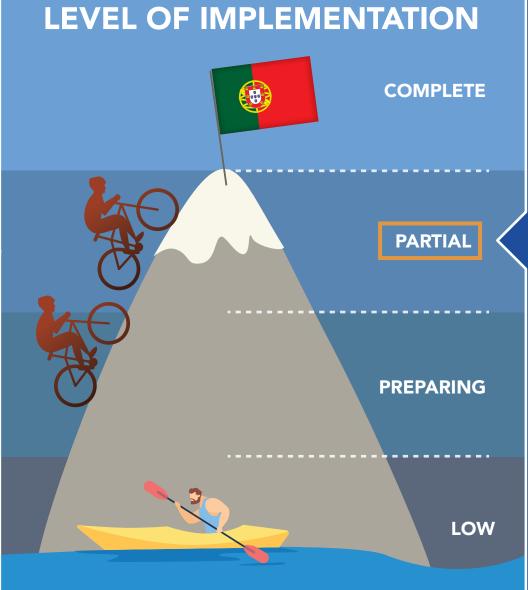
92.200 km₂ 2%of total EU Area 10.3 million people * Eurostat





The closest to match to the ELESA framework can be found in a vocational education college for Tourism activities. Training providers offer in several types of related training including 3 Training programmes in Nature and Adventure Tourism.





ELESA has been the foundation syllabus for the implementation of the existing curricula.

REGULATION:

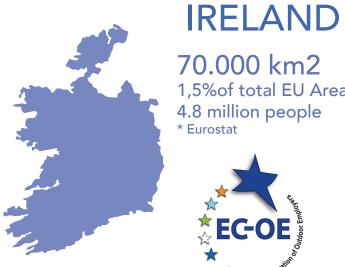
Activities aregnerally not regulated, with the exeption of surfing and diving.





Training providers delivering programmes as EQF Levels 3-6 but predominantly at level 4.



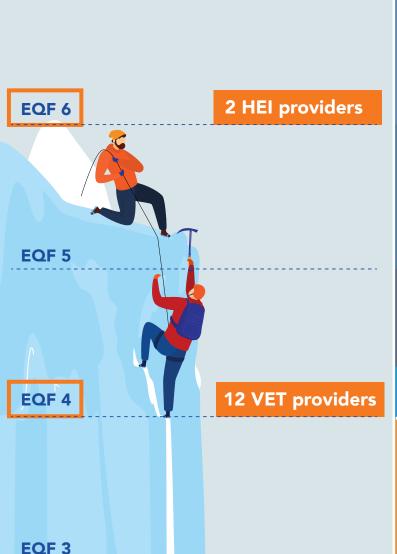


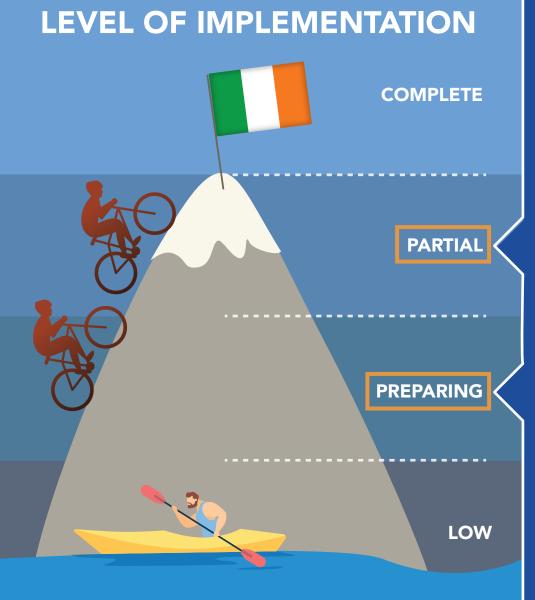
1,5% of total EU Area



Erasmus+







1 training provider utilising **ELESA for access to an EQF** L6 award as Recognition of **Prior Experiential Learning** (RPeL) since 2012.

1 training provider preparing for partial implementation in a EQF L5 award in 2024.

REGULATION:

No statutory or voluntary regulation in place for the sector. Qualifications and awards used are frequently sport-related or are on the NOF at EOF level 3 or 4.





HUNGARY

93.000 km₂ 2,1% of total EU Area 9.8 million people



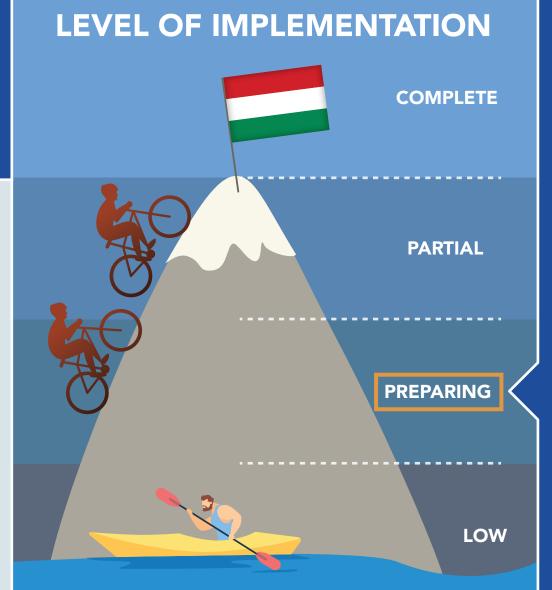




The minimum level is regulated according to the activity and the role.



EQF 3



ELESA is used as the basis of discussions to meet European standards in the long term.

REGULATION:

Certain commercially organised and guided outdoor activities are regulated (level 3).

Outdoor sports activities involving instruction are also regulated but at a higher level (level 4).

Sectoral Representative Body:

No specific Outdoor sectoral representative body acts as an umbrella organisation.



BULGARIA

111.000 km₂ 2,4%of total EU Area 7.1 million people * Eurostat





EQF 6 and 7 are related to the National Sports Academy bachelor programmes for tourism animators and water animators.





Translation of ELESA framework has been completed in 2019. The dissemination process of ELESA has been postponed due to COVID19 pandemic.

REGULATION:

Generally no regulation for the Outdoor Sector, with the exception of mountain guiding activities.

Sectoral Representative Body:

No specific sectoral representative organization.
The only one existing is the Mountain Guiding representative body.



SWITZERLAND

41.000 km2 8,7 million people

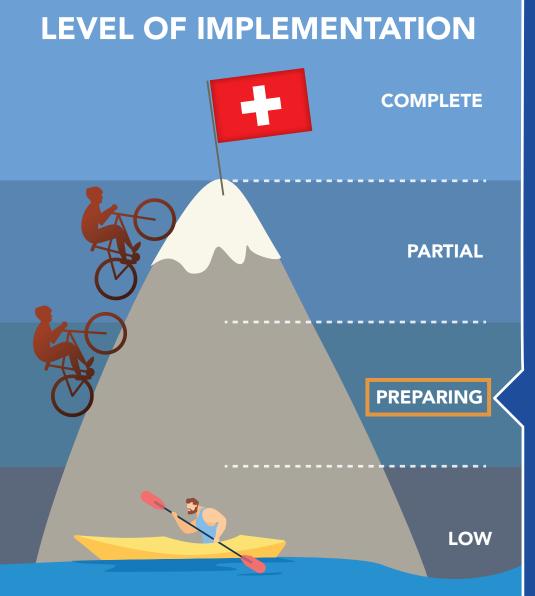




All federal diplomas concerning the outdoors are on level EQF 5; however most employees work with non-federal qualifications qualifications at EQF level 4.



EQF 3



In the process of creating a Federal Diploma titled Outdoor Guide, based on ELESA but adapted to Swiss requirements.

REGULATION:

Selected activities (e.g. mountain guiding, off-piste skiing, canyoning and bungy jumping) are strictly regulated, with lists of accepted qualifications. All other activities are governed by common ,duty of care' regulations.

