



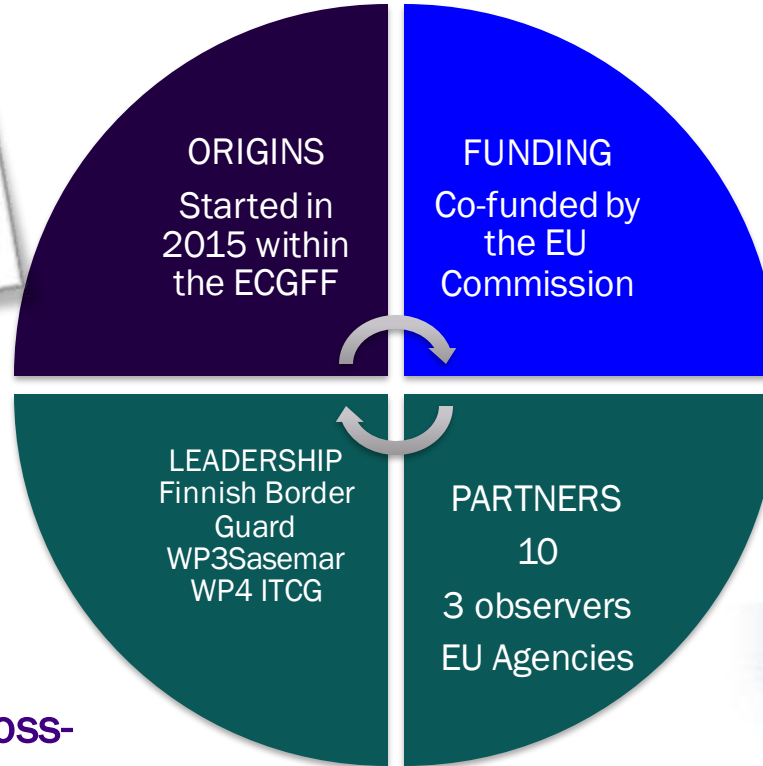
ECGFA-NET PROJECT

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DEVELOPMENT OF A SECTORAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK FOR COAST GUARD FUNCTIONS



EUROPEAN CGF ACADEMY NETWORK - PROJECT



- ◆ Voluntary initiative
- ◆ Bottom up approach
- ◆ Cross-sectoral and cross-function (10 CGFs)

EUROPEAN COAST GUARD FUNCTIONS

- 1 • Maritime safety, including VTS
- 2 • Maritime ship and port security
- 3 • Maritime customs activities
- 4 • Trafficking and smuggling and Law Enforcement
- 5 • Border Control
- 6 • Maritime monitoring and surveillance
- 7 • Maritime environmental protection and response
- 8 • Maritime search and rescue
- 9 • Ship casualty and maritime assistance service
- 10 • Maritime accident and disaster response
- 11 • Fisheries inspection and control

- Approx. 300 organisations in Europe performing these tasks and/or offering CGF training and education
- The project investigated 10 CGFs
- **Border Control: Frontex**



ECGFA-NET: THREE PILLARS FOR A COMMON GOAL



Agencia Tributaria

FI Border Guard	PT Navy
IT Coast Guard	UK Maritime and Coast Guard Agency
SP Sasemar	GE Federal Police
SP Customs	SP Guardia Civil
GR Coast Guard	PL Maritime Authority
PT National Republican Guard	FR Customs
PT National Maritime Authority	

◆ **European Coast Guard Functions Training Network** <http://ecgff-trainingportal.eu>

◆ **Exchange Programme**

◆ **Sectoral Qualifications Framework for Coast Guard Functions**



SQF FOR CGFS: PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

In brief...



PHASE I

Definitions of CGFs,
tasks, job competences
Sectoral analysis of needs
and study visits
Basic elements and key
recommendations

PHASE II

SQFWG, External expertise,
EU Agencies
Mapping qualifications
Identification of levels and
L.Os
Drafting of SQF for CGFs



PHASE III



SQF FOR CGFS: WHY DEVELOP IT?

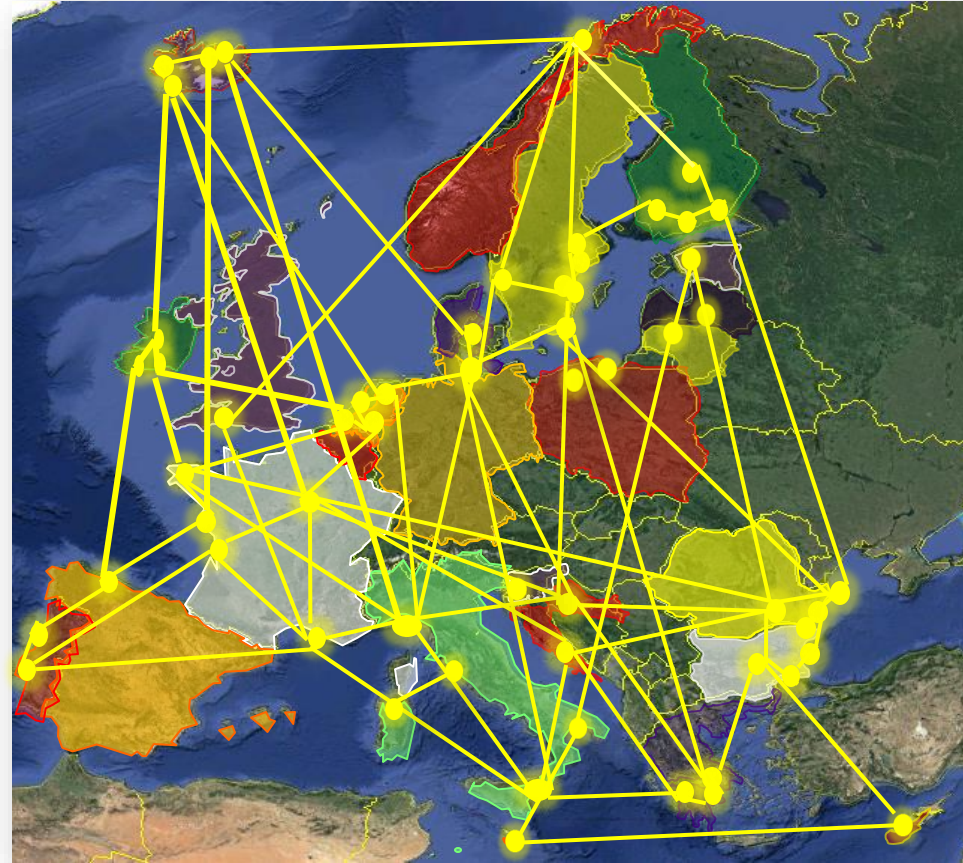
Education and training systems in the field of CGFs are different and reflect national needs and traditions



Possible difficulties to understand what personnel with a qualification issued by another Country know and is able to do in work context



SQF: Instrument for the development and classification of qualifications, which relates and compares qualifications using a hierarchy of levels of learning outcomes, usually of increasing complexity [ETF - 2011]



SQF FOR CGFS: GOALS AND ADDED VALUE

The SQF helps to...



Implement Bologna/Copenhagen principles and L.O. approach

Describe different qualifications in a common language that makes them easily comprehensible and comparable

Increase mobility and interoperability, cross border training, erasmus like programmes

Create synergic platform for joint training initiatives

Train personnel under a common framework while respecting national training systems and needs

Assist the development or updating of national occupational standards for Coast Guard



TRAINING: A TOOL FOR COOPERATION

Erasmus like Programme - Exchange of Personnel

Comparability of training systems and qualifications

Accreditation and Recognition of different certifications and qualifications

Joint training initiatives and cross border training

Interoperability

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SQF FOR CGFS: FOCUS ON PHASE III

Implementation
on voluntary basis

**Stakeholder
Consultation:**



Stakeholder
consultation
and revision

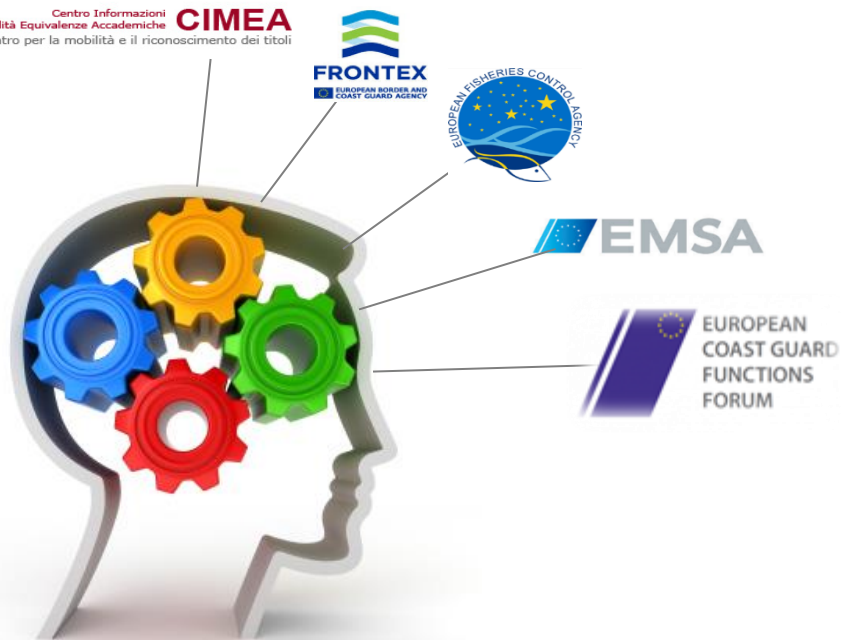
External
assessment
and
validation

Final
adoption



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- ✓ External Expertise needed
- ✓ Support of the EU Agencies
- ✓ SQF for Border Guard as useful example
- ✓ SQF Working Group in charge of writing Learning Outcomes
- ✓ Support of the Affiliated Partners in the WP4 activities
- ✓ Involvement of ECGFF Members



PROJECT MEETINGS
SQF WORKING GROUP MEETINGS
COORDINATION ITCG – EXTERNAL EXPERT



SQF FOR CGF: ARCHITECTURE

Mapping different qualifications

- This activity was introductory to define the number of levels

Identification of number of levels

(Operator, Supervisor, Expert/Coordinator, Manager)

- Four level descriptors were identified
- Each expert defined the necessary **levels** for each task of the assigned function

Drafting of learning outcomes

(knowledge, skills, competences)

- **detailed tables for each task**, in the framework of the Coast Guard Function assigned to each of them. It is the technical tool that fully describes the Sectoral Qualification Framework, and it needs to be exhaustive and complete;
- **a summary table for the assigned Function**, to give the overview of the learning outcomes identified for each task.



SQF FOR CGFS: STRUCTURE AND CONTENTS



<http://www.educatio.it/GUARDIA-COSTIERA/>



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ECGFA-NET III PROJECT

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