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Establishment of the Israeli National Qualifications Framework (NQF) as a mechanism to fostering the development of Israeli human capital



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The Italian experience on NQF and its legal framework



Italian Education and training system: structure

- Pre-primary school (age from 3 to 5), non-compulsory, lasting 3 years
- First cycle of education, divided into Primary School (5 years) and Lower Secondary school (3 years)
- Second cycle of education, includes Upper Secondary school (5 years) and Vocational Education and Training (3 or 4 years)
- Higher education, which is provided by University institutions, Higher Education Institutions for Fine Arts Music and Dance (AFAM)





Italian Education and training system

Higher Education

5 years

Scuola secondaria di 2° grado Upper Secondary Education

3 years

Scuola secondaria di 1° grado Lower Secondary Education

5 years

Scuola primaria Primary Education









Training system

- Higher Technical Education and Training
- Post-VET, post-upper secondary and post-higher education initial vocational training
- Apprenticeship
- Adult education
- Continuous training
- Private training









Governance of the system

- The <u>State</u> has exclusive competence for the definition of general provisions in the field of education
- The responsibility of the education system falls under the scope of actions of the Ministry of Education, the University and Research (MIUR) that operates at central level, while Regional and Provincial Education Offices operate at the local level. The Ministry of Labour and Social Policies defines and guarantees the essential levels of performance of vocational training
- Regions have exclusive competence in the field of vocational training, often operating through the decentralization of functions and tasks to the Provinces. In the field of vocational training, Regions define the training provision in cooperation with social partners









Coordination

• The **Permanent Conference** for the relations among the State, the Regions and the Autonomous Provinces of Trento and Bolzano is the "privileged forum" for the political negotiation between central Administrations and regional autonomies.

• The unanimous **Agreement** represents the instrument through which Government, Regions and Autonomous Provinces coordinate their competencies and shared activities in the name of fair cooperation.









Adult education

It is the set of pathways or education and training activities for the professional upgrading or functional literacy of people in adulthood and is aimed at the acquisition and/or development of competencies, also of cultural and social nature, related to their personal and professional profile.

Qualifications

- Compulsory education certificate
- Upper secondary education diploma technical schools, professional schools and artistic lyceum
- Italian language proficiency certificate: literacy and Italian language learning pathways for adult foreigners









Validation of non formal and informal education

- Confirmation that the learning outcomes (knowledge, skills, autonomy and responsibilities) gained in formal, non formal and informal contexts are accepted on the basis of fixed criteria and standard
- The validation can be in a certification or recognition of credits









Validation of non formal and informal education in Italy: needs

- Increase levels and employability of individuals
- Centralize the request of competence
- Reinforce efficiency and coordination in the education, training and labour offer
- Increasing productivity and competitivity for enterprises









History of the Italian NQF

Law n. 341, 19 November 1990

Reform of the university system

Decree n. 509, 3 November 1999

Regulation regarding the teaching autonomy of Universities

- 2005 the Italian Ministry of Higher Education entrusted CIMEA to develop the first prototype of the National Framework
- 2010 Publication of the Italian Qualifications Framework (QTI) for Higher Education







Italian Qualifications Framework for Higher Education

University Institutions

Higher Education Institutions for Fine Arts, Music and Dance - AFAM

Laurea

Laurea magistrale/specialistica

Dottorato di ricerca

1st cycle

2nd cycle

3rd cycle

Diploma accademico di primo livello

Diploma accademico di secondo livello

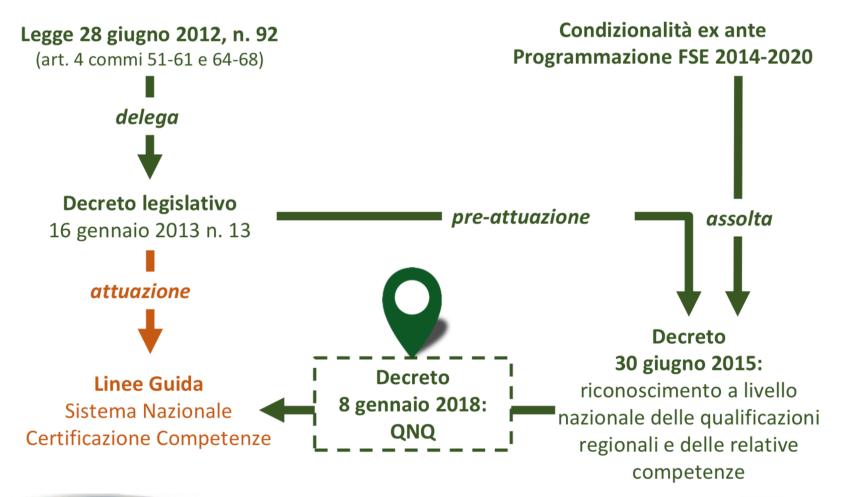
Diploma accademico di formazione alla ricerca







Italian NQF: legal framework







Italian NQF: characteristics

- Based on EQF descriptors
- 8 levels and 3 dimensions
- Learning outcomes based
- Learning descriptors







Referencing framework of Italian NQs

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Italian NQF: next challenges

- Guidelines for certification of competences
- Updating of the Referencing report
- Wide dissemination
- Participation in European thematic working groups









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