



*Workshop on the International
Recognition
of Degrees and Diplomas in Croatia*

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Recognition Instruments

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Topics



- ECTS
- Diploma Supplement
- Europass

European Credit Transfer System, ECTS

Objectives

- **Mobility**
transfer and accumulation system, measuring learning achievements
- **Transparency**
access to information on foreign curricula
- **Academic recognition**
common procedures for academic recognition

European Credit Transfer System

Key Elements

- **Credit point system**
- **Information package/course catalogue**
- **Learning agreement**
- **Transcript of record**
- **Grading**

European Credit Transfer System

Credit Point System

- **60 credits = 1 academic year**
- **Credits are allocated to course units to describe the student workload required to complete them**
- **Credits reflect the quantity of work**
- **Credits are a relative measure**

Diploma Supplement

Definition

- Objective description of studies accompanying a diploma, including essential information on the nature, level and function of the programme

Diploma Supplement

Purpose

- **To improve transparency of qualifications, in light of increasing diversification of study programmes**
- **To facilitate fair recognition**
- **To contribute to further development of good practice in credential evaluation**
- **To aid the mobility of citizens**

Diploma Supplement

Content

- **Identifying the holder of the qualification**
- **Identifying the qualification and the institution**
- **Level of the qualification**
- **Contents and results**
- **Function of the qualification**
- **Additional information**
- **Certification of the supplement**
- **Information on the higher education system**

Europass

Objective

- **Tool to facilitate academic and professional mobility and lifelong learning in an enlarged Europe**
- **Combines several existing tools for the transparency of diplomas, certificates and competences into one framework**
- **Facilitates communication and presentation of qualifications and skills**

Europass

Content

Five documents:

- **Europass CV**
- **Europass Mobility**
- **Europass Diploma Supplement**
- **Europass Certificate Supplement**
- **Europass Language Portfolio**