



*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**