

Setting the context on automatic recognition: The 2022 Monitoring Report on the implementation of Automatic Recognition

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Monitoring the implementation of Automatic Recognition

- Rome Communiqué 2020:
 - Ensure AR of academic qualifications and periods of study(.) make legislative changes to guarantee AR at system level for qualifications delivered in EHEA countries, where quality assurance operates in compliance with the ESG and where a fully operation NQF has been established



Implementation of automatic recognition: Have any measures been implemented to establish automatic recognition?

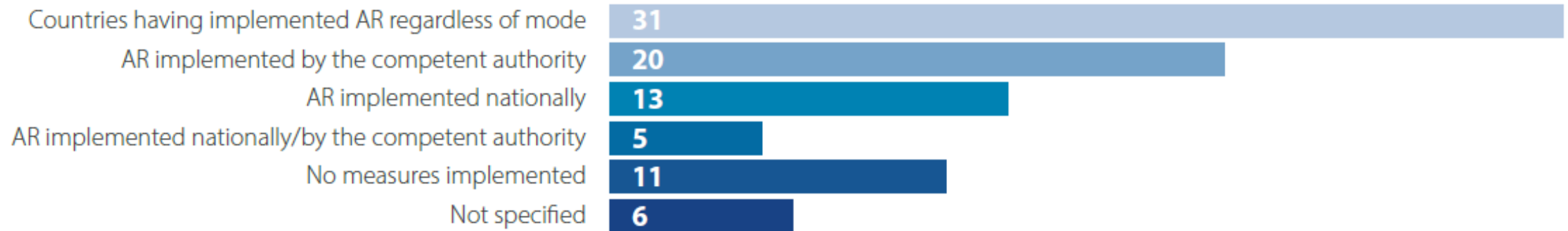
- Definition of AR adopted by the 2015 Bologna Ministerial conference: *“Automatic recognition of a degree leads to the automatic right of an applicant holding a qualification of a certain level to be considered for entry to a programme of further study in the next level in any other EHEA-country [access]”*
- *All 53 countries responded to the monitoring question*

Modes of implementation

1. Legal bilateral and multilateral agreements
2. A legally binding unilateral list of degrees
3. Non-legal binding bilateral and multilateral agreements
4. De facto automatic recognition



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Conclusions and recommendations

- Progress of implementing AR since 2015, but rather slow and somewhat scattered
- Implementation of AR does not necessarily cover all EHEA qualifications – may be restricted to agreements on AR or de facto AR of a group of countries
- Countries should examine the possibility to expand the area for which AR is granted
- The remaining 11 countries which have not implemented AR should examine the possibilities of implementing AR using one or a mixture of the different modes of implementation



Conclusions and recommendations

- Countries and ENIC-Centres should ensure that AR is implemented nationally. AR applies to all recognition authorities
- Countries should disseminate information on AR to all national recognition authorities including the distinction between access and admission
- Recommendation to the LRCC Bureau to draft a subsidiary text on automatic recognition



