

# The Rise and Recognition of Micro-credentials

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## Evaluating and recognizing micro-credentials

- Recognizing small learning experiences in line with LRC

### Practitioner's guide for recognition of e-learning

Introducing a step-by-step approach towards academic recognition of stand-alone e-learning

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## **E-Valuate** **recognition method**

7 criteria for evaluating  
“stand-alone e-  
learning”.

1. Quality
2. Level
3. Learning outcomes
4. Workload
5. Verification
6. Testing
7. Identification

## E-Valuate recognition method

### Traffic light model

*How robust is a criterion?*

Figure i: Traffic light model<sup>10</sup>

Level of robustness	Quality	Authenticity	Level	Learning outcomes	Workload	Testing	ID
0							
1							
2							
3							

Practitioner's  
Guide, p. 14.

## Stacking Credits and the Future of the Qualification (STACQ project 2020-2022)

### Activities:

- Publication: the Rise and Recognition of Micro-credentials
- STACQ Round Table Work Conference
- Online recognition tool: the Micro-Evaluator

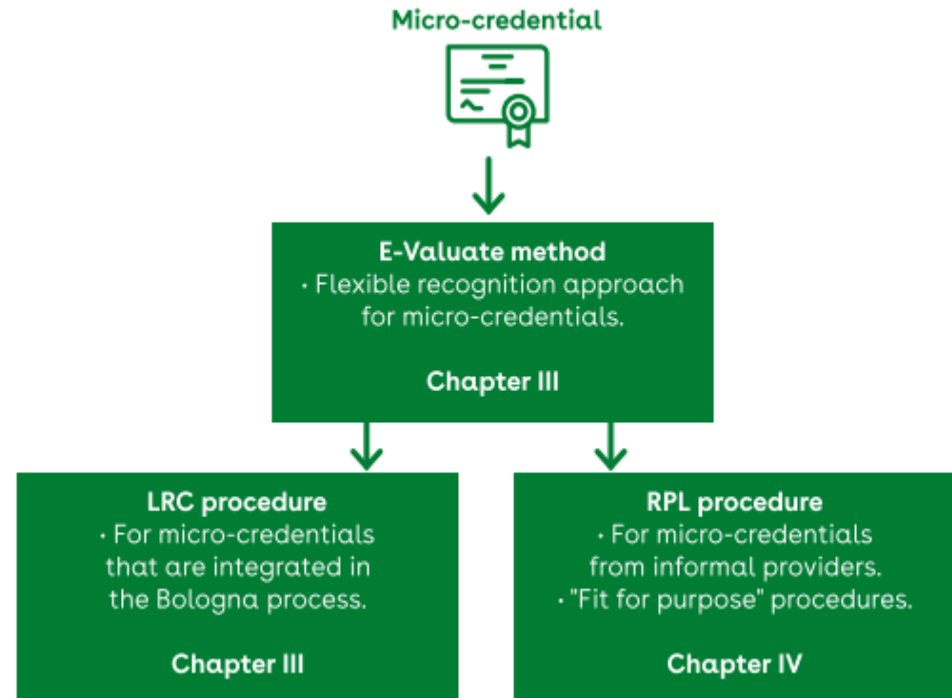
## STACQ publication

- Context and policy developments.
- Practical response to the question of recognition.
- Stackability



## *A two-track approach for recognition*


1. A procedure in line with the LRC
2. RPL procedure



## Online tool



The screenshot shows a blue interface for 'the Micro-evaluator'. At the top right, there are logos for 'nuffic' and 'Erasmus+'. Below these is a progress bar that is mostly white with a small grey segment on the left. The main heading 'Welcome to "the Micro-evaluator"' is in large white text. Below it, a subtitle reads 'A tool for evaluating micro-credentials'. A paragraph of text explains the tool's purpose: 'You're an admission officer, credential evaluator, or maybe you're just curious about the recognition of micro-credentials. This tool will support effective recognition procedures for micro-credentials, in line with the Lisbon Recognition Convention. ①'. At the bottom center, there is a dark blue button with the text 'Next >>'.



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Quality



Verification (online)



Level



Learning Outcomes



Workload



Testing

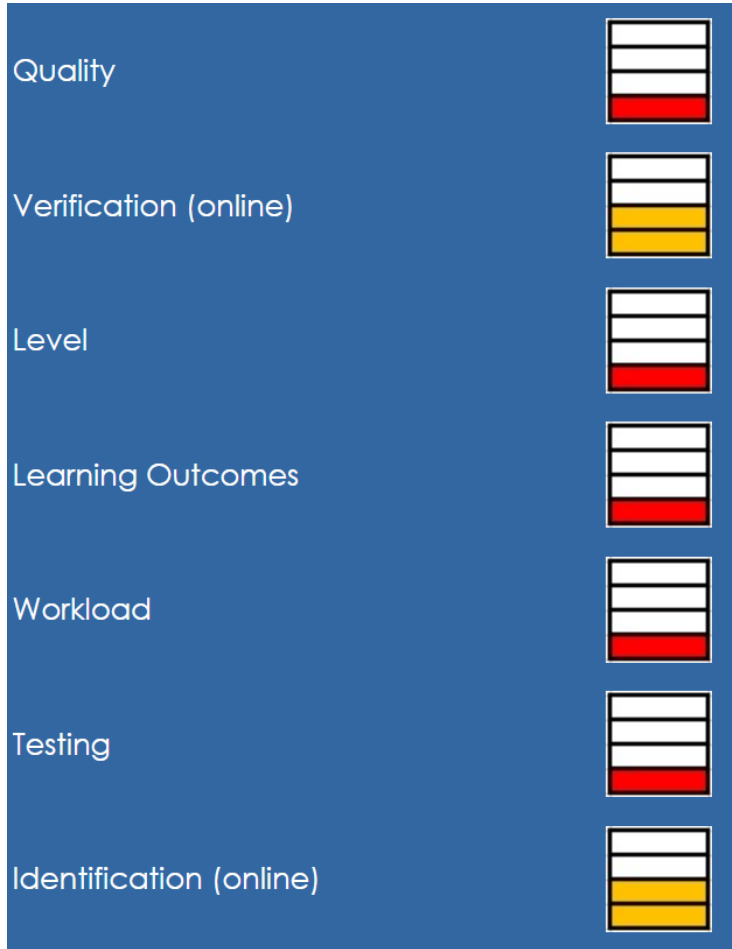


Identification (online)



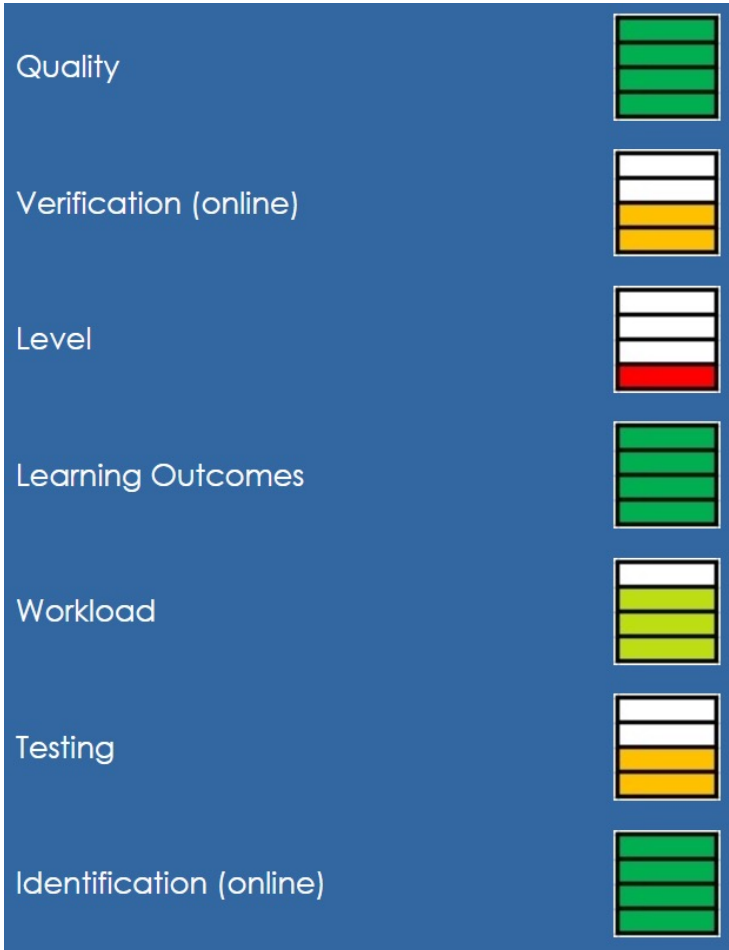
## Completely green?

- Recognition is possible in line with the LRC.



## (Mostly) red?

- Recognition in line with LRC most likely not possible.



## Mix of colours?

- Can you prioritize certain criteria?
- Can you accept that other criteria or not/partially met?

## Mixed results in the “micro-evaluator”

- Recognition is dependent on the context.
- Flexible recognition approach.
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

# Relevant links

- [The Rise and Recognition of Micro-credentials: Stacking Modules and the Future of the Qualification](#)
- [The Micro-Evaluator](#)
- [Practitioner's guide for recognition of e-learning](#)

# Thank you for your attention!

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