MOLDOVAN PERSPECTIVE ON DIGITALIZATION: VERIFICATION OF AUTHENTICITY OF QUALIFICATIONS

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Higher education system in the Rep. of Moldova

24 higher education institutions:

16 public universities, 8 private universities

20 universities concentrated in Chisinau (the capital), 4 regional universities (one in the North, 3 in the South)

- ➤ Universities provide <u>level 6, 7, 8 EQF</u>, cycle I, II, III QF-EHEA study programmes (colleges provide level 4, 5 EQF programmes/not part of the higher education system)
- 46 doctoral schools
- 63000 students (bachelor, master and doctoral programmes)
- Part of EHEA since 2005 (signatory of Bergen Communique)



Steps undertaken for internationalization and recognition of qualifications since 2014 (approval of the new Education Code)

- Establishment of the National Agency for Quality Assurance in Education and Research (2015, Methodology explicitly developed on the ESGs)
- Approval of Government Decision on the approval of Moldovan Qualifications
 Framework (no 1016/2017, compliant to the EQF)
- Approval of Government Decision on the establishment of the National Qualifications Register (no1199/2018)
- Delegation of recognition of periods of studies and of qualifications obtained abroad by Moldovan citizens and/or foreign citizens to higher education institutions



Approval of Higher Education Diploma models and Diploma supplement

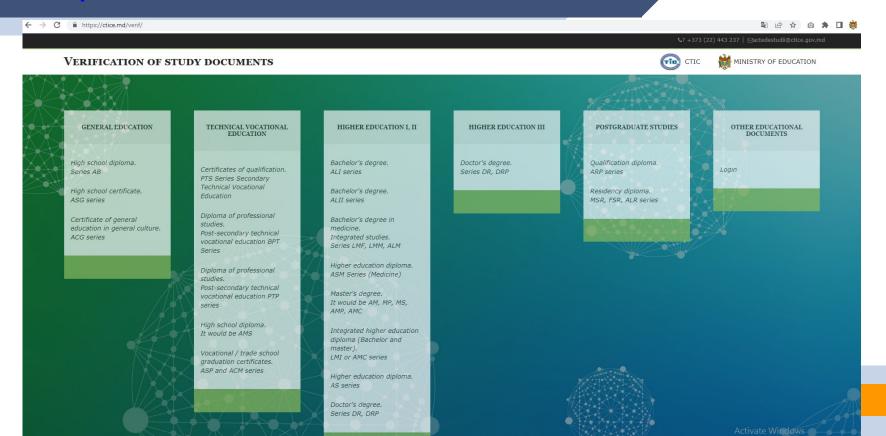
- **HE diplomas** (Ministry Order 2020, according to Paris recommendations)
- 1. Diploma of Bachelor Degree (180/240 ECTS)
- Diploma of Masters Degree (90/120 ECTS; MS, MP)
- 3. Diploma of Integrated Higher Education (300/360ECTS)

HE diploma supplement (Approved by Ministry Order 2020, revised according to Paris recommendations)

- issued free of charge
- issued both in English and Romanian

Verification of qualifications on the national website:

https://ctice.md/verif/



Next steps in digitalization

- Digitalization of university archives (for documents issued before 2008)
- Digitalization of Diploma Supplement
- Establishment of a Higher Education Management System (HEMIS: enrollment, track, degree, etc)
- Establishment of an e-admission system for state funded slots in public higher education