

# OOTS | PQD stream

Evidence Mapping for PQD related requirements

Follow-up meeting

# Outline

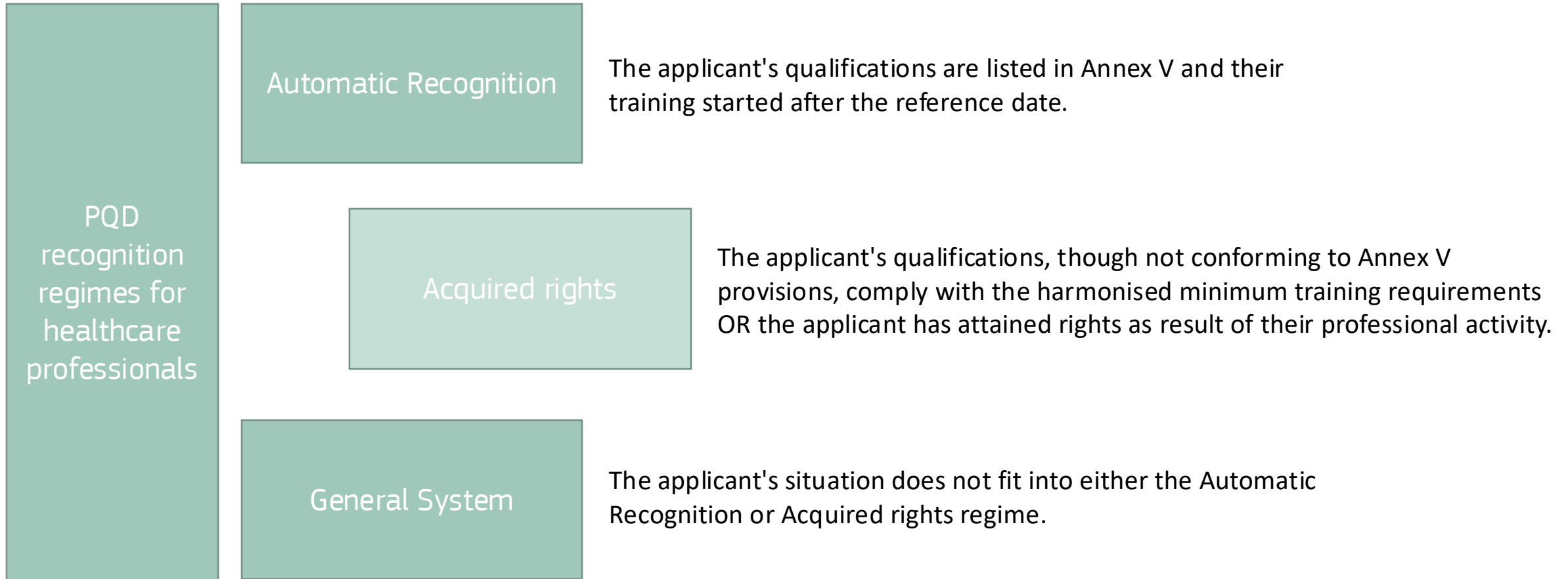
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# Objective

*Define the information to be added to the Common Services to complete the exchange of evidence through OOTS for the recognition of healthcare professions in the context of PQD*

- Evidence Requesters define all the applicable procedural requirements including
  - Name of the requirement
  - Description of the requirement
  - List of information an evidence must contain
- Evidence Providers define the evidence in their Member State to meet the requirements
  - Name of the evidence type
  - Name of the evidence provider

# Scope: healthcare professionals recognition regimes



# Initial approach

- Starting points
  - Member State's inputs (submitted requirements & feedback)
  - Directive 2005/36/EC
    - Annex VII lists documents and certificates that may be requested by the competent authorities that decide on the application to pursue a regulated profession
- Use of Annex VII proof categories as reference for structuring & carrying out the comparative analysis of MSs inputs and reconcile requirements and their respective minimum information

# Mapping of Annex VII documents to proof categories

#	Document description	Proof category
1(a)	Proof of the <u>nationality</u> of the person concerned.	Nationality
1(b)	Copies of the <u>attestations of professional competence</u> or of the <u>evidence of formal qualifications</u> giving access to the profession in question, and an <u>attestation of the professional experience</u> of the person concerned where applicable.  The competent authorities of the host Member State may invite the applicant to provide <u>information concerning his training</u> to the extent necessary in order to determine the existence of potential substantial differences with the required national training, as laid down in Article 14.	<del>Professional competence</del>
		Formal qualifications
		Professional experience
		Training information
<del>1(c)</del>	<del>For the cases referred to in Article 16, a certificate concerning the <u>nature and duration of the activity</u> issued by the competent authority or body in the home Member State or the Member State from which the foreign national comes.</del>	<del>Professional activity nature and duration</del> Annex IV professions
1(d)	Proof that they are of <u>good character or repute</u> or that they <u>have not been declared bankrupt</u> or <u>suspends or prohibits the pursuit</u> of that profession in the event of serious professional misconduct or a <u>criminal offence</u> .	Good character/repute
		Absence of bankruptcy declaration
		Right to practice the profession
		Absence of criminal record
1(e)	Where a host MS requires of its own nationals wishing to take up a regulated profession, a document relating to the <u>physical or mental health</u> of the applicant, that MS shall accept as sufficient evidence thereof the presentation of the document required in the home MS. Where the home MS does not issue such a document, the host MS shall accept a certificate issued by a competent authority in that State.	Physical or mental health
1(f)	Where a host Member State requires its own nationals wishing to take up a regulated profession to furnish: - proof of the applicant's financial standing, - proof that the applicant is insured against the financial risks arising from their professional liability in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in the host Member State regarding the terms and extent of cover shall accept as sufficient evidence an attestation to that effect issued by the banks and insurance undertakings of another MS.	Financial standing
		<del>Liability insurance</del> Non OOTS
2	To <u>facilitate the application of Title III, Chapter III</u> , of this Directive, Member States may prescribe that, <u>in addition to evidence of formal qualifications</u> , the person who satisfies the conditions of training required must provide a certificate from the competent authorities of his home Member State stating that this evidence of formal qualifications is that covered by this Directive.	Conformance to the Directive's minimum training conditions

# Revised approach


- Motivation
  - referencing Annex VII alone proved insufficient to fully lift ambiguities in terms of the scope & purpose of the requirements
- Updates
  - updated framework for requirements definition that contextualises further the requirements, including, as applicable, references to specific articles of the Directive
  - updated requirement template for capturing the additional contextual information

# Updated framework for PQD workstream





# Revised template for requirements

Field	Definition
<b>Name</b>	The name of the requirement
<b>Description</b>	A description of the scope and purpose of the requirements.
<b>Minimum information</b>	The minimum information that evidence must contain in order to prove the requirement.
 <b>Context (procedure &amp; reference framework)</b>	Recognition regime & pertinent Annex VII or Article reference, for example: "Acquired rights: Article 23.1", "General system: Annex VII 1(b)".

# Status of analysis

- Current findings per recognition regime:
  - overview of requirements across MSs
  - streamlined requirement definitions based on the initial MSs inputs
  - gray area requirements

# Automatic Recognition regime

# Streamlined Requirements: Automatic Recognition

PQD reference	Requirement	Status	FI	SE	ES	EE	IT	DE
Annex VII: 1(a)	Proof of nationality	OOTS	x	x	x			
	Proof of citizenship	OOTS	x	x	x			
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of tertiary higher education (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	x	x			
	Proof of initial vocational education & training (EQF 2-4)	-	x	-	-			
	Proof of tertiary vocation education & training (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	-	-			
Annex VII: 1(d)	Proof of absence of suspension or prohibition of practice	Draft	x	x	x			
	Proof of absence of criminal record	OOTS	-		x			
Annex VII: 2	Proof of conformance to EU harmonised minimum training requirements	Draft	x	x	x			
Other	Proof of change of name	OOTS	x	-	x			

## **Annex VII 1(a) – Proofs of Nationality**

# Proof of nationality

	OOTS requirement - ID 83
<b>Name</b>	Proof of nationality
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence regarding the nationality of the person (evidence subject).
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information about the person (evidence subject)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ given name</li><li>○ family name</li><li>○ date of birth</li><li>○ place of birth</li></ul></li><li>• Information on the person's nationality:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ nationality</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Context</b>	Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(a)

# Proof of citizenship

	OOTS requirement - ID 80
<b>Name</b>	Proof of citizenship
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence regarding the citizenship(s) of the person (evidence subject).
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information about the person (evidence subject)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ given name</li><li>○ family name</li><li>○ date of birth</li><li>○ place of birth</li></ul></li><li>• Information about each of the person's citizenships:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ citizenship</li><li>○ citizenship issue date</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Context</b>	Automatic Recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(a)

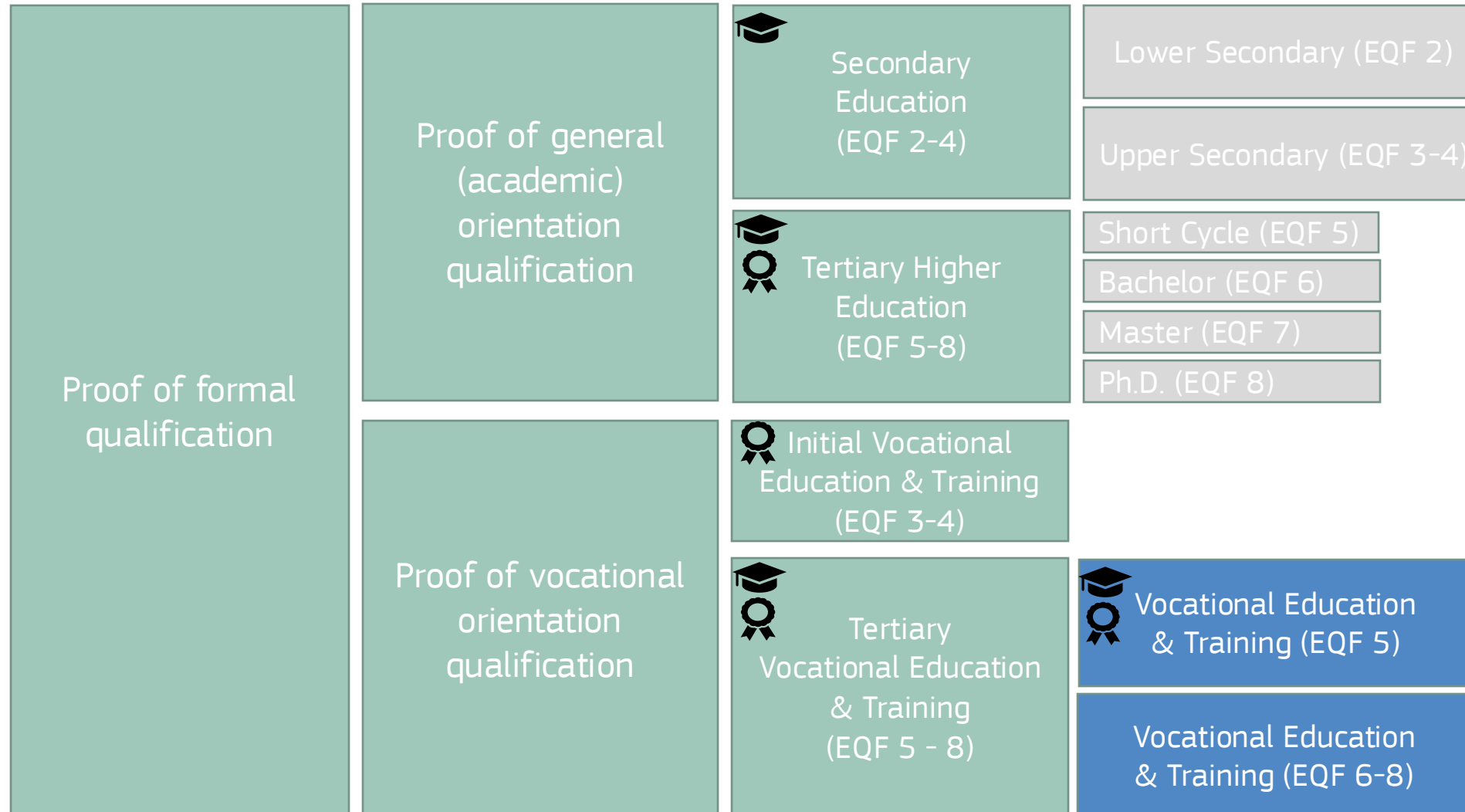
# User journey considerations

- Different requirements apply depending on the applicant's situation
  - EU country nationals: Proof of nationality
  - Non-EU country nationals: Proof of citizenship
    - other proofs that provide evidence that the applicant can benefit from EU rights could be used, but for the moment only proof of citizenship was included in the submitted MSs inputs
- To enhance user experience, the procedure portals could prompt users to indicate which is their situation so that the list of requirements the user is presented with contains only the one applicable to their situation
  - This would be in line with the YourEurope and EPC paradigms where applicants are prompted to indicate profession, purpose (establishment vs temporary practice), and whether they can benefit from automatic recognition



## **Annex VII 1(b) – Proofs of formal qualifications**

# Formal qualification proofs state of play:



# Proof of tertiary higher education qualification

	OOTS requirement - ID 1	Proposed Revision
<b>Name</b>	Proof of tertiary education diploma/certificate/degree	Proof of tertiary higher education qualification
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence proving that the person (evidence subject) has completed tertiary education studies (i.e. EQF levels 6/7/8).	Request for evidence proving that the person (evidence subject) has completed general orientation tertiary education studies (i.e., EQF levels 5-8).
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the person (evidence subject) who is the holder of the tertiary education degree <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the person's tertiary education degree <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of the degree (name of qualification, name of qualification study field)</li> <li>name of awarding tertiary education institution</li> <li>date of award</li> <li>country of award</li> <li>overall classification of the qualification (e.g., summa cum laude, gut, sobresaliente, λίαν καλώς, etc.)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Suggested revisions:</p> <p>a) "name of the degree" -&gt;split into "title of qualification" (mandatory) &amp; "thematic area/study field" (optional, to cater for non-structured evidence)</p> <p>b) make "overall classification of qualification" optional</p> <p>c) add "EQF level" as optional</p>
<b>Context</b>	Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(b)	

# Proof of initial vocational education & training (EQF 3-4)

	OOTS requirement	Proposed requirement
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of initial vocational education & training qualification
<b>Description</b>	-	Request for evidence proving that the person (evidence subject) has completed initial vocational education & training studies (EQF 3-4).
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the person (evidence subject) who is the holder of the vocational education/training qualification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the person's vocational education/training qualification that entitles admission to tertiary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of vocational education/training qualification</li> <li>date of award of vocational education/training qualification</li> <li>name of awarding body</li> <li>country of awarding body</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>		Automatic recognition/acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(b)

# Proof of tertiary vocational education & training (EQF 5-8)

	OOTS requirement - ID 24	Proposed revision
<b>Name</b>	Proof of vocational education/training certificate that entitles admission to tertiary education	Proof of vocational education & training (EQF 5-8) <a href="#">OR (EQF 5)</a> , if we opt for higher granularity
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence proving that the person (evidence subject) has completed vocational education (EQF levels 4/5) studies that give access to tertiary education (i.e. to EQF levels 6/7/8).	Request for evidence proving that the person (evidence subject) has completed vocational education & training that give access to tertiary education (i.e., EQF 5-8).
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the person (evidence subject) who is the holder of the vocational education/training qualification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the person's vocational education/training qualification that entitles admission to tertiary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of vocational education/training qualification</li> <li>date of award of vocational education/training qualification</li> <li>name of awarding vocational education/training institution</li> <li>country of awarding vocational education/training institution</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Replace: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"name of awarding vocational education/training institution" with "name of awarding body"</li> <li>"country of awarding vocational education/training institution" with "country of awarding body"</li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>	Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(b)	

## **Annex VII 1(d): Proofs of absence of suspension/prohibition to practice the profession**

# Proof of absence of suspension/prohibition of practice

	OOTS req.	Proposed requirement (based on ES's & SE's submissions)
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of absence of suspension or prohibition of practice (Proof of right to practice the profession)
<b>Description</b>	-	In accordance with Annex VII 1(d) of the PQ Directive, request for evidence proving that the evidence subject (natural person) has the right to practice the profession, i.e., holds a license to practice the profession in the MS of origin and that this license is neither revoked nor suspended. The requested evidence may be issued by a public administration of professional association.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• given name</li> <li>• family name</li> <li>• date of birth</li> <li>• confirmation of absence of suspension or prohibition to practice the profession</li> <li>• date of registration (i.e., date when the evidence subject obtained the right to practice the profession in the MS of origin)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>	-	Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(d)

# Proof of absence of criminal record

	OOTS requirement – ID 340
<b>Name</b>	Proof of absence of criminal record
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence proving that the criminal record of the evidence subject (natural person) is empty at the time of the evidence request.
<b>Minimum information</b>	Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• family name</li><li>• given name</li><li>• date of birth</li><li>• place of birth</li><li>• confirmation of absence of criminal record</li></ul>
<b>Context</b>	Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(d)



## **Annex VII 2: Proofs of conformance to harmonised minimum training requirements**

# Proof of conformance to EU harmonised minimum training requirements

	OOTS req.	Proposed requirement (based on ES's & SE's submissions)
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of conformance to EU harmonised minimum training conditions
<b>Description</b>	-	Proof that the evidence subject's (natural person) formal qualification is listed in Annex V of Directive 2005/36/EC and the training received meets the harmonised minimum requirements as laid down in the respective to the profession article as provisioned in Article 21 of the Directive 2005/36/EC. (Specifically: Doctor: point 5.1.1 and Article 24; Nurse: point 5.2.2 and Article 31; Dentist: point 5.3.2 and Article 34; Midwife: point 5.5.2 and Article 40-41; Pharmacist: point 5.6.2 and Article 44; Specialised doctor: point 5.1.3 and Article 25 and 28; Specialised dentist: point 5.3.3 and Article 35)
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> <li>date of birth#</li> <li>confirmation that the formal qualification of the evidence is listed in Annex V and complies with the minimum training requirements laid out in the Directive 2005/36/CE's Title III, Chapter III article that corresponds to the evidence subject's profession</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>		Automatic recognition: Annex VII 2

## Other proofs

# Proof of change of family name

	OOTS requirement – ID 54
<b>Name</b>	Proof of change of family name
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence related to the change of the family name of the person (evidence subject).
<b>Minimum information</b>	Information about the person's (evidence subject) change of family name: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• given name</li><li>• family name</li><li>• date of birth</li><li>• previous family name</li><li>• date of name change</li></ul>
<b>Context</b>	Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system

## **Automatic recognition regime: Gray area requirements**

# Proof of health specialist

	OOTS req.	ES
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of health specialist
<b>Description</b>	-	There are tertiary diplomas that provide general competences, so the applicant could need a specific course or grade for specialization on specific health matters.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about the issuing authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• name of issuing authority</li> <li>• country of issuing authority</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• given name</li> <li>• family name</li> <li>• date of birth</li> <li>• place of birth</li> <li>• name of the health specialization course or grade</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>		<b>Automatic recognition/Acquired rights/General system: Annex VII 1(b)?</b>

**To clarify with ES:** I) confirm the recognition regimes & ii) what prevents considering this covered by the available formal qualification proofs

## Acquired rights regime

# Streamlined requirements: Acquired rights

PQD reference	Requirement	Status	FI	SE	ES	EE	IT	DE
Annex VII: 1(a)	Proof of nationality	OOTS	x	x	x			
	Proof of citizenship	OOTS	x	x	x			
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of tertiary higher education (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	x	x			
	Proof of initial vocational education & training (EQF 2-4)	-	x	-	-			
	Proof of tertiary vocation education & training (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	-	-			
Annex VII: 1(d)	Proof of absence of suspension or prohibition of practice	Draft	x	x	x			
	Proof of absence of criminal record	OOTS	-	-	x			
Other	Proof of change of name	OOTS	x	-	x			
Article 23.1	Proof of acquired rights (Art. 23.1)	Draft	x	x	x			
Article 23.6	Proof of acquired rights (Art. 23.6)	Draft	x	x	x			



## Article 23: Proofs of acquired rights

# Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.1)

	OOTS requirement	Proposed requirement (based on SE's submission)
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.1)
<b>Description</b>	-	Proof that the user has effectively and lawfully been engaged in the activities of the above-named profession for at least three consecutive years during the five years preceding the award of this certificate, thereby satisfying the requirements as laid down in Article 23.1 of Directive 2005/36/EC.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information about the evidence subject (natural person):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ given name</li><li>○ family name</li><li>○ date of birth</li></ul></li><li>• Confirmation that the evidence subject has been effectively and lawfully engaged in the profession in accordance with the provisions of Article 23.1</li></ul>
<b>Context</b>		Acquired rights: Article 23(1)

# Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.6)

	OOTS requirement	Proposed requirement (based on SE's submission)
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.6)
<b>Description</b>	-	Proof that user's qualification is equivalent to the qualification listed in Annex V 5.1.X. and hence fulfils the criteria in art 23.6 in directive 2005/36/EC. For applicants who hold an education after the reference date but where the title has been changed.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ given name</li> <li>○ family name</li> <li>○ date of birth</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Confirmation in accordance with Art. 23.6 that the qualification of the evidence subject meets the minimum training criteria and is treated in the same way as those listed in Annex V</li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>		Acquired rights: Article 23(6)

## Acquired rights regime – Gray area requirements

# Proof of formal qualifications giving access to a health profession not fully compliant with the Directive 2005/36/CE

	OOTS req.	ES
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of formal qualifications giving access to a health profession not fully compliant with the Directive 2005/36/CE
<b>Description</b>	-	When the diploma on health matters is not fully compliant with the education requirements set by chapter III of title III of the Directive 2005/36/CE.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about the issuing authority (name and country)</li> <li>• Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Given name</li> <li>• Family name</li> <li>• Date of birth</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Confirmation of access to the health profession not fully compliant with the Directive 2005/36/CE</li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>		<b>Acquired rights: which article?</b>

**To clarify with ES:** confirm the recognition regime(s) and the reference PQD article

## General system regime

# General System

PQD reference	Requirement	Status	FI	SE	ES	EE	IT	DE
Annex VII: 1(a)	Proof of nationality	OOTS	x	x	x			
	Proof of citizenship	OOTS	x	x	x			
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of tertiary higher education (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	x	x			
	Proof of initial vocational education & training (EQF 2-4)	-	x	-	-			
	Proof of tertiary vocation education & training (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	-	-			
Annex VII: 1(d)	Proof of absence of suspension or prohibition of practice	Draft	x	x	x			
	Proof of absence of criminal record	OOTS	-		x			
Other	Proof of change of name	OOTS	x	-	x			
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of tertiary education transcript	OOTS	x	-	-			
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of diploma supplement	OOTS	-	-	x			
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of vocational education transcript	Draft	x	-	-			

## **Annex VII 1(b): Proofs of training information**



# Proof of tertiary education courses & grades (transcript) [completed/in progress]

	OOTS requirement - ID 3	Minor Revision
<b>Name</b>	Proof of tertiary education courses & grades [completed/in progress]	
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence regarding the transcript (courses taken; grades obtained; etc.) of tertiary education studies (EQF levels 6/7/8). The transcript may refer to completed or on-going studies of the person (evidence subject).	Replace "EQF levels 6/7/8" with "EQF levels 5-8"
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the person (evidence subject) who has completed/is attending tertiary education studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the detailed record (transcript) of the person's completed/underway tertiary education studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of study programme that the person is pursuing/has completed</li> <li>name of tertiary education institution to which the person is pursuing/has completed the study programme</li> <li>for each course (unit) attended as part of the referenced study programme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of course</li> <li>grade obtained</li> <li>ECTS credits obtained</li> <li>dates of attendance (start/end date)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Context</b>	General system: Annex VII 1(b)	

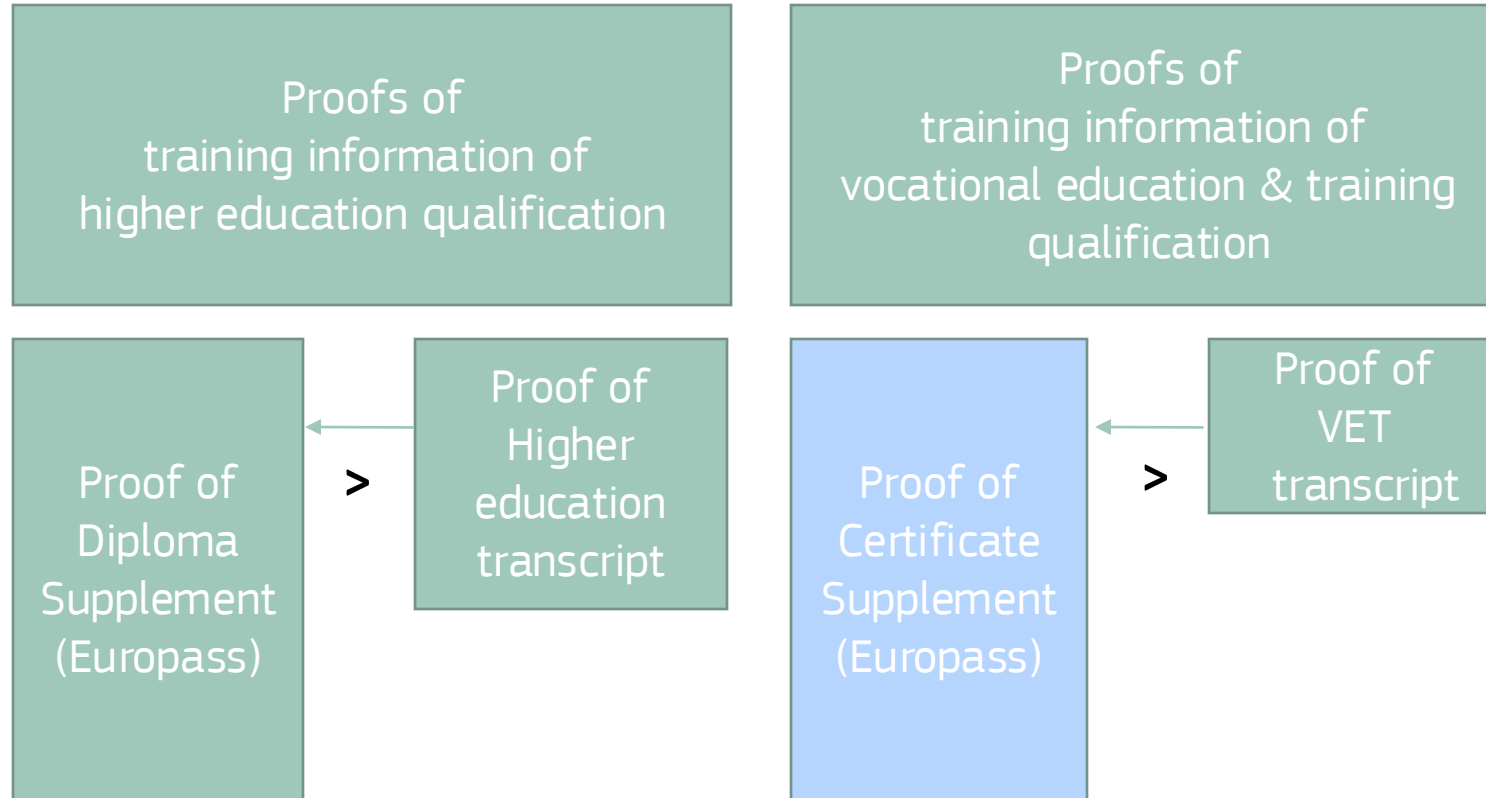
# Proof of tertiary education diploma supplement

	OOTS requirement - ID 312
<b>Name</b>	Proof of tertiary education courses & grades [completed/in progress]Proof of tertiary education diploma supplement (EU DS template)
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence based on the diploma supplement tool that was jointly developed by the Council of Europe, the European Commission and UNESCO and the updated version of which was adopted by the Lisbon Recognition Convention Committee in 2007 ( <a href="https://education.ec.europa.eu/education-levels/higher-education/inclusive-and-connected-higher-education/diploma-supplement">https://education.ec.europa.eu/education-levels/higher-education/inclusive-and-connected-higher-education/diploma-supplement</a> ).
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the person (evidence subject) who is the holder of the qualification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>family name (section 1.1)</li> <li>given name (section 1.2)</li> <li>date of birth (section 1.3)</li> <li>student identification number/code; if applicable (section 1.4)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information identifying the qualification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of the qualification and (if applicable) title conferred (section 2.1)</li> <li>main field(s) of study (section 2.2)</li> <li>name and status of awarding institution (section 2.3)</li> <li>name and status of institution administering the studies if different from awarding institution (section 2.4)</li> <li>language(s) of instruction (section 2.5)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the level and duration of studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>...</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>(for the complete list, please refer to the Airtable/CommonServices/Wiki)</p>
<b>Context</b>	General system: Annex VII 1(b)

# Proof of vocational education courses & grades (transcript) [completed/in progress]

	Queued requirement - ID 24	Revised requirement
<b>Name</b>	Proof of vocational education courses & grades [completed/in progress]	Same
<b>Description</b>	Request for evidence regarding the transcript (e.g. courses taken; grades obtained; etc.) of vocational education/training studies that give access to tertiary education (ISCED 2011 level 6/7/8). The transcript may refer to completed or on-going studies.	Request for evidence regarding the transcript (i.e., courses taken; grades obtained; etc.) of vocational education & training studies. The transcript may refer to completed or on-going studies.
<b>Minimum information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the person (evidence subject) who is the holder of a vocational education qualification or is currently attending vocational education/training studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the completed/underway vocational education/training studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of vocational education/training institution where the courses were attended</li> <li>for each Course attended as part of the completed/underway vocational education/training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of the course</li> <li>grade obtained</li> </ul> </li> <li>dates of attendance (the date the student stated studying and/or finished studying this course)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Same
<b>Context</b>	General system: Annex VII 1(b)	

# Overview of proofs of applicant's training



## General system regime: Gray area requirements

# Proof of professional experience

	OOTS req.	ES
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of professional experience
<b>Description</b>		The competent authority (Public Administration or professional association) should certify that the subject has practiced the health profession during a year in full time dedication or equivalent when dedication was not full time, during the last 10 years in the member state where the proof is issued. In cases of recognition of qualification in other member state, the practice should last 3 years during the last 5 years.
<b>Minimum Information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the issuing authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name of issuing authority</li> <li>country of issuing authority</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>given name</li> <li>family name</li> <li>date of birth</li> <li>place of birth</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the professional practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>profession denomination</li> <li>practice duration (number of years)</li> <li>period of professional practice in the last years (start year, end year)</li> <li>dedication time (full time / part time / mix )</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>		<b>General system: Annex VII 1(b)?</b>

**To clarify with ES:** confirm recognition regime(s) and reference PQD article/Annex VII proof

# Proof of professional qualifications recognition in other Member State

	OOTS requirement	ES
<b>Name</b>	-	Proof of professional qualifications recognition in other Member State
<b>Description</b>	-	?
<b>Minimum information</b>	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about the issuing authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• name</li> <li>• country</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• given name</li> <li>• family name</li> <li>• date of birth</li> <li>• place of birth</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Information about the recognition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member State</li> <li>• competent authority of the recognition</li> <li>• year of the recognition</li> <li>• professional qualifications recognised</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Context</b>	<b>General system: article?</b>	

**To clarify with ES:** i) confirm recognition regime & reference PQD article, ii) provide the missing "description" text

## Summary & Next Steps



# Requirements overview across recognition regimes

PQD reference	Requirement	Status	Automatic Recognition	Acquired Rights	General System
Annex VII: 1(a)	Proof of nationality	OOTS	x	x	x
	Proof of citizenship	OOTS	x	x	x
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of tertiary higher education (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	x	x
	Proof of initial vocational education & training (EQF 2-4)	Draft	x	x	x
	Proof of tertiary vocation education & training (EQF 5-8)	OOTS*	x	x	x
Annex VII: 1(d)	Proof of absence of suspension or prohibition of practice	Draft	x	x	x
	Proof of absence of criminal record	OOTS	x	x	x
Annex VII: 2	Proof of conformance to EU harmonised minimum training requirements	Draft	x	-	-
Other	Proof of change of family name	OOTS	x	x	x
Art. 23(1)	Proof of acquired rights (Art. 23.1)	Draft	-	x	-
Art. 23(6)	Proof of acquired rights (Art. 23.6)	Draft	-	x	-
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of diploma supplement	OOTS	-	-	x
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of tertiary education transcript	OOTS	-	-	x
Annex VII: 1(b)	Proof of vocational education transcript	Queued	-	-	x

# Next steps: 1 - Consultation with PQD stream MSs

- Have we missed any requirements that your authority needs in relation to the recognition of PQ of healthcare professionals?
  - If yes, please indicate so using the template of slide 9
- Regarding the minimum information of the listed requirements:
  - Evidence Requester perspective: Are there any redundant or missing data?
  - Evidence Provider perspective: Are there any data that you cannot provide?

# Next steps: 1 - Consultation with PQD stream MSs

- Are there any requirements for which splitting/specialisation (i.e., replacing by more specific ones) or, conversely, merging/generalisation (i.e., replacing by a broader one) is needed to better capture the information needs of your authorities?
  - e.g., Use of two separate requirements to prove license/registration to practice and to prove absence of suspension/prohibition to practice VERSUS use of a single, composite, requirement to prove both registration & absence of suspension/prohibition?
  - If yes, please explain what motivated your choice: e.g., need for two separate requirements (A, B) vs a composite (AB) one to promote separation of concerns because there are situations where the applicant needs to provide only the A-specific or B-specific set of evidence data, and not their union
- Any other comments on how to further improve the definitions of the requirements
  - e.g., suggestions for rewording to improve a requirement's name and description

# Next steps: 2 – Validation & Evidence Mapping

Present and validate the PQ evidence mapping framework at sub-group level

Add the corresponding data to the Common Services

- EC to add the validated requirements
- MSs to add the respective evidence type(s) and their corresponding evidence provider(s)

## Next steps: 3 – Extend to other professions

- Analyse & collaboratively agree on priority professional qualifications
- Do any of the requirements defined for healthcare professionals apply to the selected professions in their current form?
  - If yes, proceed to evidence mapping;
  - If no, use template of slide 9 to indicate the missing requirements

# User journey & experience notes

- We follow a per regime analysis to facilitate the review and discussions, but given that inherently the requirements that apply to an applicant depend on their specific situation, integrating this distinction in the user journey can improve user experience:
  - for example, at the time of application, the applicant could be asked to indicate whether they can benefit from automatic recognition (as in the current EPC implementation, the YourEurope portal where applicants are to find information on the necessary documents, etc.)
  - another example: "Proof of nationality" applies for EU country nationals, otherwise proof of long-term residency status with the right to work in the EU needs to be proven, e.g., using "Proof of citizenship" [or other proofs, such as "Proof of refugee status", not currently considered in the analysis as no MS has submitted this requirement]

## **Annex: initial MS submissions that have been reworked or dropped**

# Proof of lifelong learning

	OOTS/EM requirement	FI
Name	-	Proof of lifelong learning
Description	-	not provided
Minimum information	-	not provided

**Decision:** Given that Annex VII (1b) mentions "evidence of formal qualifications giving access to the profession in question", and that lifelong learning qualifications aren't assessed in order to determine access to the profession, this can be dropped.



# Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.1)

	OOTS requirement	EE	ES	FI	SE
<b>Name</b>	-				Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.1)
<b>Description</b>	-				Proof that the user has effectively and lawfully been engaged in the activities of the above-named profession for at least three consecutive years during the five years preceding the award of this certificate, thereby satisfying the requirements as laid down in Article 23.1 of Directive 2005/36/EC.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Given name</li> <li>• Family name</li> <li>• Date of Birth</li> <li>• Profession</li> <li>• Date of registration (when the user became qualified for profession)</li> <li>• Date of issue (when the evidence was issued)</li> <li>• Name of authority</li> </ul>

- **Action SE:** Is the date of registration relevant? Also, the name of the issuing authority & the issuance date of the evidence are both part of the evidence metadata during OOTS exchange

# Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.6)

	OOTS requirement	EE	ES	FI	SE
<b>Name</b>	-				Proof of acquired rights (art. 23.6)
<b>Description</b>	-				Proof that user's qualification is equivalent to the qualification listed in Annex V 5.1.X. and hence fulfils the criteria in art 23.6 in directive 2005/36/EG. For applicants who hold an education after the reference date but where the title has been changed.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Given name</li> <li>• Family name</li> <li>• Date of Birth</li> <li>• Profession</li> <li>• Date of registration (when the user became qualified for profession)</li> <li>• Date of issue (when the evidence was issued)</li> <li>• Name of authority</li> </ul>

- **Action SE:** Is the data of registration relevant? Also, the name of the issuing authority and the issuance date of the evidence is part of the evidence metadata during OOTS exchange

# Proof of good standing

	OOTS req.	EE	ES	FI	SE
<b>Name</b>	-		Proof of good standing		Proof of good standing
<b>Description</b>	-		According to the Annex VII (d) of the Directive. It could be issued by a public administration or professional association.		Qualification of Healthcare Professional that proves that user holds a license as a (profession) in MS, registration status and users' license to practice is neither revoked nor limited in MS.
<b>Minimum information</b>	-		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the issuing authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name</li> <li>country</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Given name</li> <li>Family name</li> <li>Date of birth</li> <li>Place of birth</li> </ul> </li> <li>Confirmation of the good standing</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name of authority</li> <li>Given name</li> <li>Family name</li> <li>Date of Birth</li> <li>Profession</li> <li>Date of registration (date when user became qualified for profession)</li> <li>Date of issue (date when evidence was issued)</li> </ul>

# Proof of formal qualifications giving access to a health profession according to Annex V

	OOTS req,	EE	ES	FI	SE
<b>Name</b>	-		Proof of formal qualifications giving access to a health profession according to the Annex V of the Directive 2005/36/CE		Certificate of conformity for health care professions (doctor, nurse, dentist, midwife, pharmacist, specialised doctor, specialised dentist)
<b>Description</b>	-		-		Proof that user holds a diploma for profession in accordance with Annex V, point 5 of Directive 2005/36/EC and the training received meets the requirements as laid down in Articles of Directive 2005/36/EC. (Doctor: point 5.1.1 and Article 24; Nurse: point 5.2.2 and Article 31; Dentist: point 5.3.2 and Article 34; Midwife: point 5.5.2 and Article 40-41; Pharmacist: point 5.6.2 and Article 44; Specialised doctor: point 5.1.3 and Article 25 and 28; Specialised dentist: point 5.3.3 and Article 35)
<b>Minimum information</b>	-		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about the issuing authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>name</li> <li>country</li> </ul> </li> <li>Information about the evidence subject (natural person): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Given name</li> <li>Family name</li> <li>Date of birth</li> <li>Place of birth</li> </ul> </li> <li>Confirmation of access to the health profession according to Annex V of the Directive 2005/36/CE</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name of authority</li> <li>Given name</li> <li>Family name</li> <li>Date of Birth</li> <li>Profession</li> <li>Specialist title/s (for specialised doctors and dentist)</li> <li>Reference to article in directive 2005/35/EC</li> <li>Date of registration (date when user became qualified for profession)</li> <li>Date of issue (date when evidence was issued)</li> </ul>