

Professional mobility in European Union: Do you want to play?

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Some previous knowledge...

- Four Fundamental freedoms (art. 26 Treaty of Functioning of European Union –TFEU-): Free movement of good, capital, services and labour
- Mobility of business (freedom of establishment) (arts. 49-55 TFEU)
- Mobility of professionals (freedom to provide services (arts. 56-62 TFEU)

A little bit more...

- Directive 2006/123/EC of 12 December 2006 on services in the internal market (The “Services Directive”)
- The aim: create an **open single market in services** within the EU while at the same time **ensuring the quality of services** provided to consumers in the Union
- But how?

Some clues

- Erasmus Programmes (international mobility and academic recognition while studying)
 - a) Erasmus Study
 - b) Erasmus Practice
- Professional Recognition (once you have obtained your diplomas or qualifications)

Professional Recognition

- Art. 53 of TFEU
- Governed in EU through by Directive 2005/36/EC, (amended by Directive 2013/55/EC).
- Aim: To provide a modern EU system of recognition of **professional experience** and promotes **automatic recognition** of professional experience across the EU.

Promoting automatic recognition

- Based upon the principle of **mutual recognition** (if you say it's true then it's true –or almost- for me too)
- 7 Professions are directly recognized –the so called **automaticity principle-**

Recognition of professional experience: the European Professional Card

- Craft, commercial or industrial activities (automaticity principle)
- Listed in the “International Standard Industrial Classification” (1958)

Other situations: There is no coincidence in professional qualifications

- Professional qualifications that don't exist in the country of destination
- Mutual recognition principle: capability approach (knowledge, experience, etc)
- European Qualifications Framework (EQF)
- Partial recognition that must be requested before the national authority

Third Countries Nationals (TCN)

- 1. European citizens that have obtained their diplomas or professional experience in TC
- 2. TCN that have obtained their diplomas or professional experience in European countries
- 3. TCN that have obtained their diplomas or professional experience in TC

Some help in order to answer the quiz...

- https://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/services/free-movement-professionals_en

The QUIZ!!

- What are the 7 professions under the “automaticity principle”?
- Where can you find your own national authority for requesting the recognition in professions that have no coincidence in the country of destination?
- What are the professions falling under specific legislation?
- If you were a refugee, how could you request the professional recognition –having into account that you don't have any document with you-?