



A modern service platform for citizens

**We are working on
#NewEuropa pass**



SERVICES



INFORMATION



TOOLS

Background

- In 1998, the European Commission & Cedefop set up the **European forum on transparency of vocational qualifications** to bring together social partners and national training authorities around the issue of transparency.
 - A European CV
 - Certificate Supplements to vocational qualifications
- In 2002 the Copenhagen Declaration called for one single framework of the existing tools.
- In 2004 a Europass Decision
 - National Europass Centres established
 - Promotion and development of Europass tools
- In 2018 a New Europass Decision → Time to move on!

The New Europass Decision in two nutshell

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- The Decision establishes a **European framework** to support the transparency and understanding of skills and qualifications acquired in formal, non-formal and informal settings, including through practical experiences, mobility and volunteering
- Europass consists of **web-based tools** and relevant available **information**, including information supporting the **European dimension of guidance**
- Tools and information are provided through an **online platform** and supported by national services

The New Europass Decision in two nutshell

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- Europass is intended to help users to better **communicate and present** skills and qualifications and **to compare** qualifications.
- Europass is targeted at:
 1. individual end-users, such as learners, job seekers, workers and volunteers, and
 2. relevant stakeholders, such as education and training providers, guidance practitioners, employers, public employment services, social partners, youth work providers, youth organisations and policy makers, social partners and national training authorities around the issue of transparency.

Mission

Europass will offer open, accessible, multi-lingual web-based tools that support documentation and communication of information on skills and qualifications. Europass will also offer information to enhance the use of the web-based tools and support career management and lifelong learning choices.

16 Guiding Principles

1. **Continuity:** replacing of several existing European portals.
2. **Cooperation:** Europass will be developed and implemented through pro-active cooperation
3. **Communication and outreach:** Europass will be implemented through a strategic communication approach
4. **Efficiency:** using latest technology in data sharing to enhance existing practices and minimise administrative burdens
5. **Free-of-charge:** all tools and information will be made available free-of-charge to all users
6. **Inclusion and Accessibility:** all individuals (including people with disabilities, elderly and other disadvantaged groups) regardless of their level of digital can use Europass.
7. **Interoperability:** ensuring interoperability with other services
8. **Life-long learning:** Europass supports communication of skills and qualifications acquired throughout formal, non-formal and informal learning in all settings, by all ages, and for all purposes
9. **Multilingual:** Europass web-based tools shall be delivered in the official languages
10. **National services:** the role and expertise of the relevant national services will be considered at all stages
11. **Protection of personal data:** ensuring individuals have direct ownership and control over their own data.
12. **Quality:** the quality of all content and functions will be ensured, including testing and other quality checks
13. **Relevance:** the Europass framework will be updated, as necessary, in line with user needs, technological advancements, changes in labour markets and education
14. **Subsidiarity and proportionality:** Europass will focus on value adding activities that cannot be sufficiently achieved by Member States but can be better achieved on Union level.
15. **Transparency:** The Commission will provide transparent information to Member States and stakeholders on the implementation of Europass. The Europass platform itself aims to provide end users and stakeholders with transparent, reliable and useful information.
16. **User-focus:** The Europass framework will be user-friendly and all development and updates will focus on user needs.

Role of the networks

- The three networks (Europass, Euroguidance, EQF-NCPs) engage into the development of the new Europass;
- Cooperation nationally and internationally, support to development, making and maintaining of the new Europass, communication and promotion, networking and contacts, (digital) tools supporting guidance and internationalization.
 - Europass Centres – Europass supplements, communication&promotion
 - Euroguidance – in particular the European dimension of guidance, targeting guidance practitioners
 - National Coordination Points for the EQF (NCP)

Building the #NewEuropass

- Europass Advisory Group, networks (Europass, Euroguidance, NCPs), expert workshops.
- For each module of the new Europass, the development process can be described in five main phases: **analysis, design, development, test&release, maintenance.**
- Three expert workshops: digitally signed credentials, ePortfolio, interoperability
- **Launch in January 2020.**

So – what's up next?

- Engage with with us: propose cooperation, share ideas, give feedback
- Follow us on Twitter twitter.com/EuropassEurope
- All three networks welcome your feedback!

Thank you!

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