

## Information for graduate students of Alma Mater Europaea - a job abroad

Dear graduates!

The labour market in the European Union is a subject to the rules and acts, which allow procedures for the recognition of educational and professional qualifications of workers between Member States of the Union and facilitate the free passage and employment within the EU.

It is good to know some of the following concepts:

## 1. Recognition of the Diploma document

The Diploma document verifies our *educational qualifications*. Modes of recognition of diplomas in the EU Member States are different, but in most of those cases the ENIC/NARIC centers are responsible, that are either stand-alone, either within the Ministries of the Member States. See <a href="http://www.enic-naric.net/">http://www.enic-naric.net/</a>

There are two purposes of the recognition of educational qualifications: for access to further education and for the purpose of employment.

Usually this is the first step that needs to be done, if we want to implement the degree from AMEU abroad. Example – decision on recognition of the degree in management study in Croatia.

## 2. Recognition of professional qualifications in EU

Diploma sometimes is not enough for a certain job. In many sectors, it is necessary to do an internship and professional exam. In this case, we obtain the extra, so-called professional qualification. Specifically designed for entry into the health-care institution, in most cases it is necessary to do an internship in a medical institution, and then in addition the State expert examination, which has a general and professional part, depends on the profile of the expert.

Possibilities to obtain a professional qualification in a foreign country are many; there are specifics that are bound to a certain State of the EU. One of the options is to obtain a professional qualification in the country where you graduated, that's in Slovenia, and then submit an application for the recognition of professional qualifications to the competent national body abroad (e.g. in Medical Chamber, etc.).

The other option is to recognize your Diploma for the purposes of employment abroad. For details of the acquisition of professional qualifications according to this mode, please refer to the appropriate body in the country where you want to work.



Recognition of professional qualifications between the Member States is governed by EU Directive No. 2005/36/EC (link: <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/SL/TXT/?uri=URISERV%3Ac11065">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/SL/TXT/?uri=URISERV%3Ac11065</a>) and 2013/55/EU (link: <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/SL/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32013L0055">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/SL/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32013L0055</a>).

Additional information about the topic can be found also here: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/services/free-movement-professionals/qualifications-recognition/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/services/free-movement-professionals/qualifications-recognition/index\_en.htm</a>

For assistance in these procedures one may also contact the SOLVIT network of services, which assist in the enforcement of the rights of EU citizens. SOLVIT centers are established in all EU Member States; with their mutual communication, such matters are resolved quickly. See <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/solvit/">http://ec.europa.eu/solvit/</a>

With this information we hope to offer you at least a little help in finding the desired job in an EU country.

Yours Alma Mater Europaea

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