



Students learning about EU

Turkey and EU common values:
Reflection on the education system

Education for Converging on Common Values

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EU common values: Young people as trendsetters for tomorrow?

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Friendship	Democracy	Religion
Freedom	Environmental awareness	Self-fulfillment
Tolerance	Respect	Family
Tradition	Equality	...

Definition:

- Values = common, personal, cultural...
- Reflect a sense of right and wrong, influence beliefs, attitudes, behaviour...
- Orientation in thinking and acting
- Are there EU values? What are EU values?
- EU Constitution (Lisbon Treaty): human dignity, liberty, democracy, equality, rule of law, human rights, pluralism, non-discrimination, tolerance, justice, solidarity...

Definition:

- Emergence of European values:
 - Ancient Greece, French Revolution etc.
 - From wars and divisions to shared/
common values: From European
Economic Community (1957) of 6 to 28
country members of European Union

Definition:

- Psychological concept: Not necessarily something we all have as EU citizens or Europeans...
- It does not mean that people who agree on common set of values have the same idea about what it means...
- European values – never alone, always together with personal, social, national...
- European values = collective values, concept of something desirable for Europe shared by a group (Europeans)

Evidence:

www.atlasofeuropeanvalues.eu

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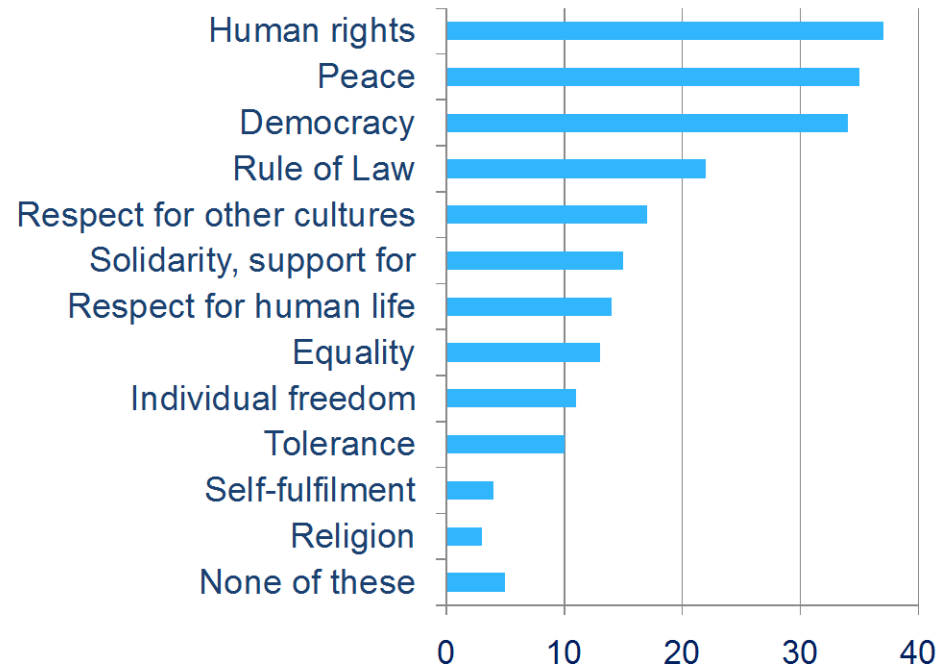
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Which three of the following values, best represent the EU?
(Max. 3. answers) EB 69, Spring 2008



Relevance: Do we need a common set of values in EU?

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“United in diversity”

1. United by a common set of values

Democracy = “rule of the people”

Support for the political community depends on a “sense of political community”, a “we-feeling”

→ supported by a common set of basic values.

2. Diversity of values

In Europe we have different cultural, personal, national, regional etc. values. This diversity should be preserved.



Education: EU policies and tools

CoE Four main purposes of education
(Conference of European Ministers of
Education, Helsinki, 2013):

Preparation for :

1. Sustainable employment
2. Life as active citizen in democratic society
(national, EU)
3. Personal development
4. Development of advanced knowledge base
through teaching, learning and research



Education: Holistic approach

Development of a Whole Person:

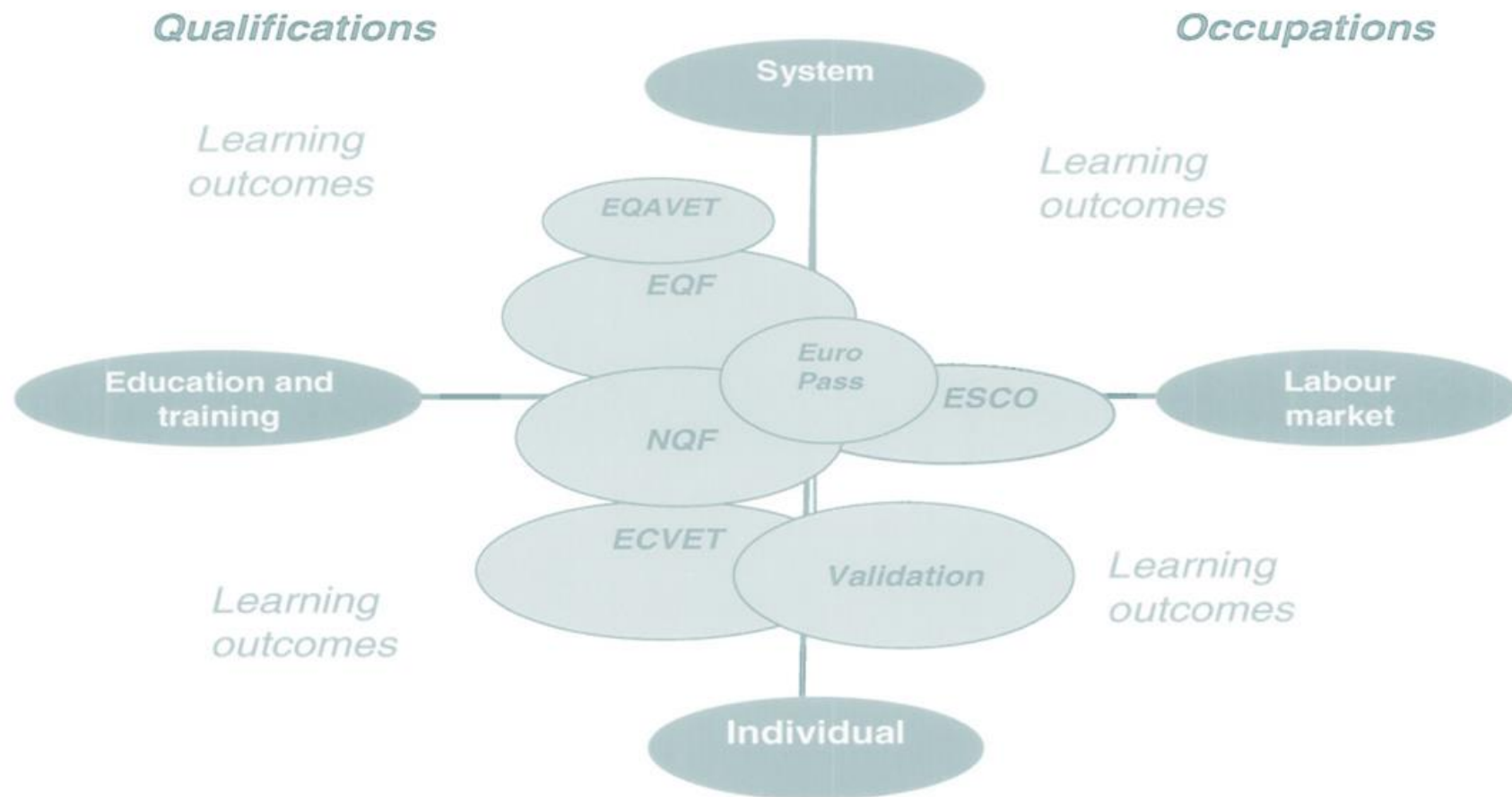
- New role of an education system and a teacher
- Intellectual, personal and moral development; development of national and EU citizenship
- New education paradigm: Student centered learning; based on key competencies and learning outcomes

Education: EU initiatives

- Key Competences for LLL
- QF-EHEA
- EQF
- LLL
- EQAVET, ECVET, ECTS
- ESCO
- “*New Skills for New Jobs*”
- “*EU Skills Panorama*”
- RPL
- Modernised PhDs – innovations

QFs: NQF, EQF & QF-EHEA – often as implementation tools

Education: EU tools



Education: target setting (EU 2020)

- Providing high-quality learning for all students
- Reducing early school leaving
- Raising tertiary education attainment
- Raising employment rates of recent graduates
- Increasing early childhood education
- Increasing adult participation in LLL
- Improving support for teachers, school management, teacher trainers/ educators, policy makers etc.
- Increasing mobility between countries: TEMPUS, ERASMUS +

Education: European Reference Framework of Key Competencies for LLL

1. Communication in the mother tongue
2. Communication in foreign languages
3. Mathematical competence (science and technology)
4. Digital competence
5. Learning to learn
6. Social and civic competencies
7. Sense of initiative and entrepreneurship
8. Cultural awareness and expression

Education: European Qualification Framework for LLL

Adopted in 2008 by EU Parliament: “a translation device” or major reform tool?

- Challenges: Ageing population; globalisation and quick technological changes; demand for new knowledge and new skills (EU 2020)...How to adjust to the changes?

Readable, transparent, reliable qualifications:
Encouraging mobility, facilitating LLL, quality assurance

Requires better coordination (and cooperation) of all activities and stakeholders

Education: European Qualification Framework for LLL

What is EQF for LLL?

- 8 reference levels describing what learner knows, understands and is able to do - expressed in LO, in domains of knowledge, skills and competencies
- Applies to all types of education, training and qualifications (validation of non-formal, informal)
- Focus on labour market and continued education needs and other needs of society and individuals.

Education: Mobility between countries

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In which way should learning mobility programs support a common set of values in Europe?

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Learning mobility programs should create a learning environment for exchange and understanding about:

1. ... a common set of basic values in Europe as democracy, human rights, equality, freedom, rule of law
→ citizenship education or learning for democracy
2. ... diversity of values in Europe as cultural values, regional values, personal values, national values etc.
→ intercultural education

Education: Sometimes, a journey is also our goal...



Discussion and questions



Thank you very much for

your kind attention!