

The MC GREEN project aims applies the internationally recognised ISO 17024 standard to ensure quality assurance in micro-credentials within European vocational education. Based on an analysis of ISO requirements and current VET practices, two innovative micro-credential programmes in the green economy will be tested.

Comparison: ISO17024 and micro credentials

There are a number of obligatory and similar requirements between ISO17024 and European microcredentials that allow an easy application:

- Name of certificate holder
- Title of micro credential/certification programme
- Learning outcomes (knowledge, skills and competences)
- Name of the certificate issuer / awarding body
- Notional workload required etc.

Within the quality assurance approach of ISO17024 there are NO optional elements in a certificate/certification programme. The concept of micro credentials allows optional elements such as information about needed prerequisites, integration and stackability options and other additional information.

Regarding the quality assurance procedure itself, ISO17024 requires a number of mandatory elements/information such as:

- Documented Management System
- Impartiality and Conflict of Interest Control
- Competence of Personnel
- Regular Monitoring and Auditing
- Management Review etc.

Microcredentials do not contradict with these requirements since they allow for optional additional information.



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