

# EUROPEAN QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK AS A PRECONDITION FOR THE EFFECTIVENESS OF JOINT EU LABOUR MARKET

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## PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE

8.30 – 9.00	<i>Registration of the participants</i> <b>MORNING SESSION</b>
9.00 – 9.15	<b>Opening of the conference. Welcome speech to the participants</b>  Speaker : G. Steponavičius, Minister of Education and Science the Republic of Lithuania
9.15 – 10.00	<b>European Qualifications Framework – priority of EU LLL strategy, approach of European Commission</b>  <i>Speaker: Gordon Clark Director of Education and Training : Lifelong learning contribution to the Lisbon process</i>
10.00 – 10.45	<b>Role of Lithuanian National Qualification Framework in the development of labour market</b>  <i>Speaker: Dr. T. Jovaisa, Manager of the Project „Creation of the National Qualification System“</i>
10.45 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.00 – 11.30	<b>National Occupational Standards - main element in the National Qualification system</b>  <i>Speaker: Dr. D. Andriusaitiene, Vilnius Gediminas Technical University</i>
11.30 – 12.00	<b>Costs of implementation of National Qualification system for the employers and training organizations. Possibilities to use EU Structural Assistance</b>

12.00 – 12.30	<p><i>Speaker: representative from the National Agency of EU Structural Assistance</i></p> <p><b>Implementation of international projects for the development of occupational standards within the Sectors:</b></p> <p><b>- Trade sector</b></p> <p><i>Speaker – Rob van Wezel, Manager of the Project, KH International, Netherlands</i></p>
12.30 - 13.00	<p><b>- Metal sector</b></p> <p><i>Speaker – V. Tutlys, Manager of the Project, Vytautas Magnus University</i></p> <p><b>Questions and Discussions</b></p>
13.00 – 14.00	<p><i>Lunch break</i></p> <p><b>AFTERNOON SESSION</b></p>
14.00 – 14.30	<p><b>Qualification Framework in the UK. Experience of implementation and lessons learned</b></p> <p><i>Speaker: Prof. J. Winteretton</i></p>
14.30 – 15.00	<p><b>Impact of National Qualification Framework for the preparation of high skilled specialists</b></p> <p><i>Speaker: Dr. A. Poviliunas, Vilnius University, Head of Department of Sociology</i></p>
15.00 – 15.30	<p><b>Trends of recognition of qualifications within EU: new possibilities for the employers and employees</b></p> <p><i>Speaker: Dr. O. Gurskiene, Academy of Competences Research</i></p>
15.30 - 16.00	<p><b>Impact of National qualifications framework and professional standards on the establishment of main directions for the regulations of studies.</b></p> <p><i>Speaker: Prof. L. Sajiene, Vytautas Magnus University</i></p>
16.00-17.00	<p><b>Discussions: How to ensure correspondence of employees' qualifications to the needs of labour market?</b></p> <p><i>Participants of the discussion: Employers and Employees associations, Research and Training institutions, representatives of enterprises</i></p>
17.00	<p><b>CLOSURE OF THE CONFERENCE</b></p>