



ECEC - European Council of Engineers Chambers

⇒ The umbrella organisation of European Engineers Chambers

⇒ Representing the professional interest of Chartered
Engineers on European level

⇒ Members are national chambers or other legally established bodies representing authorized Chartered Engineers

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⇒ 17 Chambers

⇒ with over 300.000 highly qualified European Chartered
Engineers as their members

⇒ closely works with civil society organisations and other
organisations representing the engineering profession

⇒ ECEC joined forces with European Council of Civil
Engineers (ECCE) on the Common Training Framework for
Civil Engineers

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Common Training Framework - CTF

A "common training framework" is a defined as a common set of minimum knowledge, skills, and competences necessary for the pursuit of a specific profession.

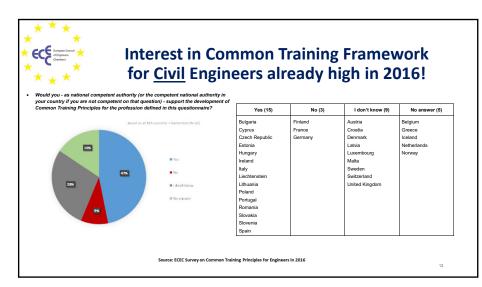
The CTF is regulated by Article 49a of Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications.

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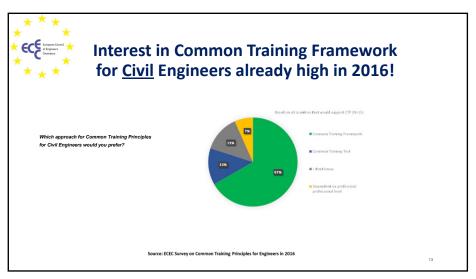
Why (only) Civil Engineers?

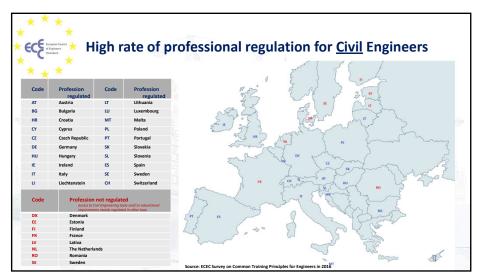
- ⇒ Definition of a set of knowledge, skills, and competences as well as the fulfilment of the legal requirements for the implementation of a CTF (regulation in at least one third of the Member States etc.) is concrete and focused on **one specific profession**.
- ⇒ The ECEC Survey in 2016 clearly showed that the profession of Civil Engineers is regulated in a broad majority of European countries and fulfills the requirements for the implementation of a CTF most clearly and that competent authorities are more interested in the implementation of a CTF for Civil Engineers
 - ➡ Future opportunity: With Civil Engineers as pioneer for the Common Training Framework for – based on this model and the good experiences – it'll be easier to create an agreement for other engineering professions that fulfil the requirements for the implementation of a Common Training Framework.



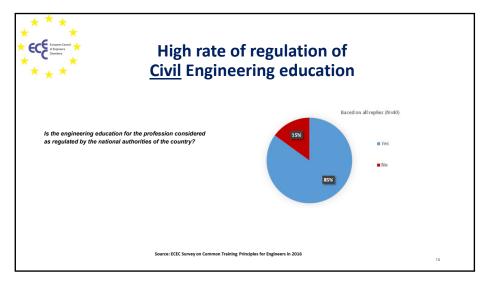
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Most important benefits of a CTF for Civil Engineers

CTF is an agreed common European understanding about the minimum standard of (Civil) Engineering education. This enhances safety and transparency for clients, consumers, and the public and can stop deregulatory discussions.

CTF will enhance professional mobility in the building sector

CTF can help to tackle the issue of labor shortages

CTF can serve as an adequate basis for the negotiation of Mutual Recognition Agreements with Third Countries

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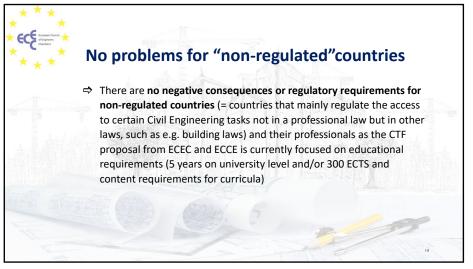


Easy Implementation

There are no negative consequences for professionals not fulfilling the CTF as they remain in the current system

It does not require changes in national training programmes as the CTF content requirements in the ECEC / ECCE proposal are based on current European Civil Engineering Curricula

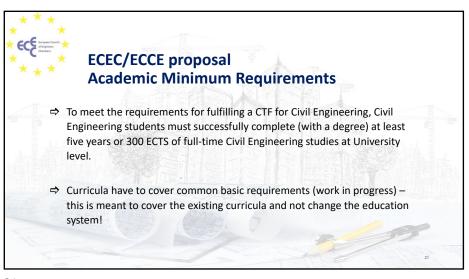
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ECEC/ECCE Proposal

Description of content requirements

Work in Progress in coordination with European Technical Universities

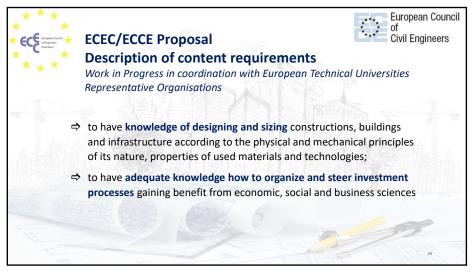
Representative Organisations

to have the ability to shape the urban, the rural space and the

environment with buildings and infrastructure satisfying technical
requirements, the proper level of safety and friendly for use by people and
societies in the modern world;

to have knowledge of the history of civil engineering since the result of
their work is to create a material layer of human culture

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to have adequate knowledge to comply with users' requirements of

buildings, infrastructure and the environment imposed by cost factors and

building regulations;

to have adequate knowledge of building and infrastructure industry,

organizations, regulations and procedure integrating their job into over-all

planning.

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From 2016 to 2025...

⇒ 2016 ECEC contracted from the EC (DG GROW) to conduct a survey on the regulatory situation of engineering professions in all EEA countries and Switzerland and to look into the development of proposals for "Common Training Principles for Engineers".

⇒ During the project phase stakeholders from professional organisations and ministries from all over Europe were taking part in a big survey and two on-site workshops

⇒ The survey report about the regulatory situation was the basis for the first discussions on the possible contents of a CTF for Engineers.

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From 2026 to 2025...

- ⇒ Since 2016 the ECEC/ECCE proposal on a CTF for (Civil) Engineers was amended several times based on the negotiations within the stakeholder organisations and with the European Commission
- ⇒ Next step towards a CTF for Civil Engineers: Bringing the ECEC/ECCE proposal forward to discuss with the competent expert group for professional recognition on member state level to decide about further steps
 - ⇒ The in-depth survey report from 2016 is still a very good basis to get an overlook about the regulatory situation of Civil Engineers in Europe!!



From 2026 to 2025...

- ⇒ Getting in contact with their national coordinators and discussing with them the necessity of the implementation of a CTF for Civil Engineers is currently a crucial task for the national Engineering Chambers of Engineers
- Once the coordinators agree on starting the process towards the implementation of a CTF for Civil Engineers, they can build der work on existing data:
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