



EFN Policy Statement

Synergy EU Directive 36, Bologna and European Qualifications Framework

Nursing is both an art and a science. It is both an academic and a practice based discipline. EFN, ENSA, ESNO and ICN take jointly a keen interest in the co-ordinated development of the education of nurses within the EU to meet modern needs and to facilitate the mobility of nurses to guarantee quality of care and patient safety.

To take this work to the next stage requires enthusiasm, commitment and support from all key stakeholders. EFN, ENSA, ESNO and ICN therefore reiterate their request for:

- Widening stakeholder engagement;
- More detailed validation work on the synergies between the Directive 36, the Bologna process and the European Qualification Framework in order to make sure practitioners are fit for practice;
- A European Accreditation mechanism to peer review learning outcomes and institutions, public and private;
- Grounding the fundamental principles of CPD as a commitment to patient safety and quality of care in the European Union legislation;
- The Commission to facilitate cooperation, collaboration and financial support to implement change.

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