Recognition of Foreign Qualifications in Viet Nam

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National education system in Viet Nam

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(The education law – 2005 MoET–article 4)
Recognition of Foreign degrees/diplomas in Viet Nam granted to Vietnamese shall be recognized according to regulations by the Minister of MOET.

Minister of MOET shall be responsible for signing agreements with other countries and international organization on the equivalence or mutual recognition of degrees/diplomas.

(The education law – 2005 MoET–article 110)
Application Process

• Foreign Degree/ Diploma holders need to apply for an Equivalent Certificate at GDETA (General Department for Education Testing and Accreditation) – MOET

• No fee charge for application (expected the fee charge next year)
• Application should include:

• 1. Certified photocopy of the qualification in its original language.

• 2. An official translation of the qualification into Vietnamese.

• 3. Certified photocopy of transcript list of subjects.

• 4. An official translation of transcript into Vietnamese.

• 5. Passports or certificates of the embassy
Issues & Challenges

- More than 300 joint – training programs. Some are not accredited and not well-qualified as the original programs.

- Some countries have not got Qualification Agencies or lists of approved Institutions.
Credit units and Quality Assurance system differ from country to country causing difficulties for verifying the holders’ qualifications.

Hardly contact with foreign Institutions to check holders’ learning duration.

Distance education: hard to manage and verify.
Progress in Ratifying the Revised APReC

- A conference on foreign qualifications will be held among Institutions in Viet Nam
- Setting up the National Information Centers
- Organizing trips to Philippines or Australia in order to learn and exchange experience
- Carrying out the agreement and translating the APReC.
The feasibility of a Global Convention

- Viet Nam government strongly supports for the feasibility of a Global Convention.
  - Fostering and Developing the Higher Education Quality Assurance.
  - On going signing agreements with other countries and international organizations.
  - Setting up standard Accredited Agencies and National Information Centers.
Thank you for your attention