



Stakeholders' survey results

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1. Methodology overview



OVERVIEW OF THE METHODOLOGY USED AND KEY FIGURES

Target: 379 stakeholders, representing 6* out of the 7 services (EURES, ESCO, EU Skills Panorama, EUROPASS, ENIC-NARIC,

Learning Opportunities and Qualifications, Youth Portal)

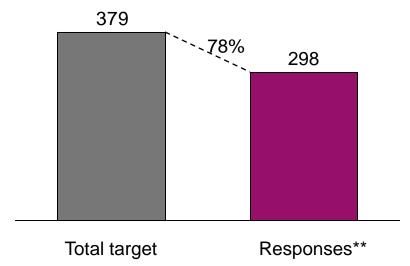
Tool used: Survey monkey

Time frame: The survey was launched on July 28th of 2015 and ran until September 8th of 2015

Total number of respondents: 298

Language: English

Number of questions addressed: 19



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2. Main conclusions



Profile of the respondents

- **High participation**. 298 of the total targeted stakeholders have answered the questionnaire representing a participation rate of 78%.
- Representative sample. Our targeted stakeholders are users of many platforms, so we have been able to collect insights from every platform.

	Number of survey's respondents that are "users" of the platforms
EURES	189
ESCO	149
EU Skills Panorama	126
EUROPASS	208
ENIC-NARIC	158
Learning Opportunities and Qualifications	152
Youth Portal	164

• **Diversity of users**. The 56% replied to the answers on behalf of an organisation and the rest in their personal capacity.

55,5%

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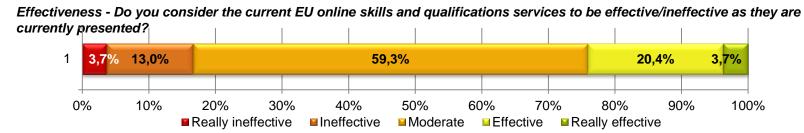
44,5%

2. Main conclusions



General conclusions regarding the current EU online skills and qualifications framework

Moderate satisfaction with the current EU online skills and qualifications framework (7 platforms).



- Contents are perceived as useful. Overall, the usefulness of the provided content is satisfactory with all the platforms.
- **High perception of added value.** In general, all the 7 platforms receive fairly good results about their added value to users, considering the agreement rates of more than 68%.
- Moderate satisfaction regarding the update of the contents. The update of the content of the 7
 platforms is mostly moderated.
- There is room for improvement to clarify the purpose/objectives and services of each platform.
- Need to improve the integration among the platforms analysed. In general, one of the points for improvement that generated a bigger consensus is the need of a better integration among platforms.

2. Main conclusions



Main conclusions by the analised platforms

- Platforms with a positive evaluation: Europass and Eures
- Platforms with a moderate evaluation: Youth Portal, Learning Opportunities and Qualifications and ENIC-NARIC
- Platforms with room for improvement: ESCO and EU Skills Panorama
- High level of synergies detected among plaforms:
 - EURES that is seen the most complementary with the other services, especially with EUROPASS;
 - Europass and Youth Portal
 - ESCO and EU Skills Panorama
 - ENIC-NARIC and Learning Opportunities and Qualifications

		The original platform has synergies with						
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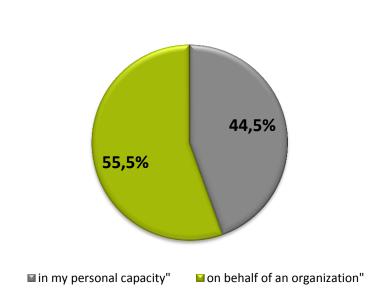




Individual results of each question (1/19)

Q1

Complete the following statement: "I am replying the survey...



Description

- 44,5% of participants are replying the survey in their personal capacity;
- 55,5% of them are acting on behalf of an organization.

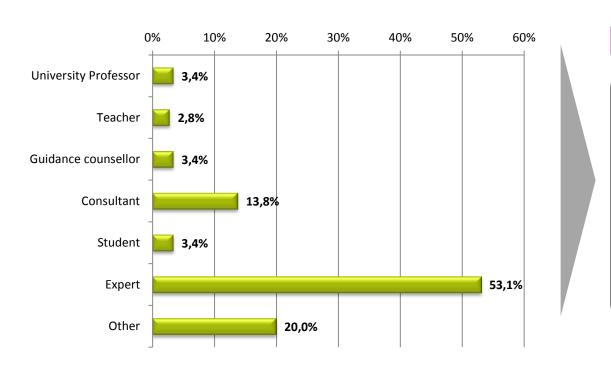
The majority of participants in the survey are replying to the answers on behalf of an organization



Individual results of each question (2/19)

Q2

If you are responding in your personal capacity, please specify your profession:



Description*

- 53,1% of the respondents classify as experts, being followed by 13,8% of participants responding as consultants;
- Among the 20% who have replied "Other" a vast majority are representing: "Public servants", "Advisors" and "Program Managers".

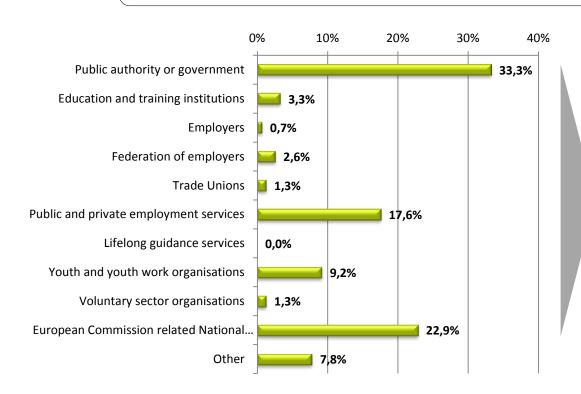
Of the participants replying to the survey in their personal capacity a large majority classifies as experts



Individual results of each question (3/19)

Q3

If you are replying on behalf of an organization, please specify the area:



Description*

- The leading area of organizations is, with 33,3% "Public authority or government" followed by 22,9% of organizations being "European Commission related National Networks/Centers";
- Among the 7,8% who have replied "Other" we can find diverse responses, ranging from "Private enterprise" to "Youth information center".

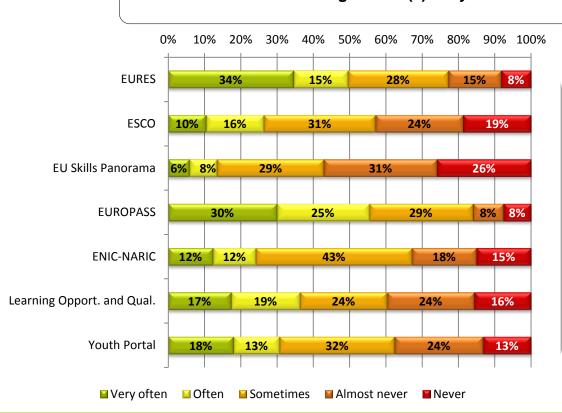
The two leading areas of organizations participating in the survey are "Public authority or government" & "European Commission related National Networks/Centers" (representing more than 50%)



Individual results of each question (4/19)

Q4

In which of the following service(s) are you involved in and how often do you interact?



Description

- The service most frequently used and known is EUROPASS with 55% of participants interacting with it "Very Often" or "Often";
- EURES reports at least 77% of participants using it at least "Sometimes";
- EU Skills Panorama seems to be the service in which least participants are involved in. A large number of 26% of participants report that they "Never" use the service.

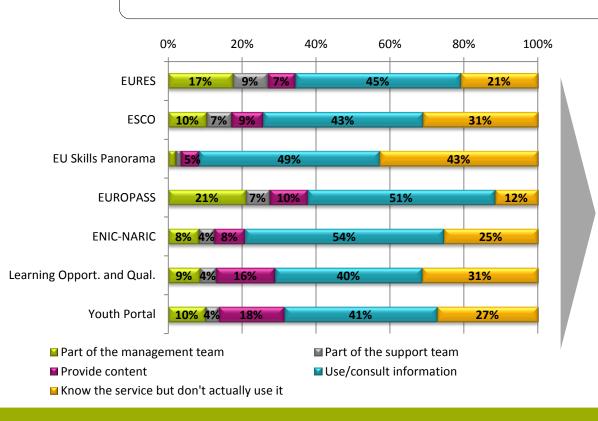
While EUROPASS and EURES are reported to be used rather frequently, EU Skills Panorama and ESCO are the services having least participants involved



Individual results of each question (5/19)

Q5

Which of the following statements best describe your role within the services?



Description

- It becomes evident at first glance that in every service the dominant role is "Use/consult information", ranging from 40% to even 54% in the case of ENIC-NARIC;
- EUROPASS records 20% of roles having been "Part of the management team";
- All other services record large percentages of participants responding that they "Know the service, but don't actually use it" (up to 43% in the case of EU Skills Panorama).

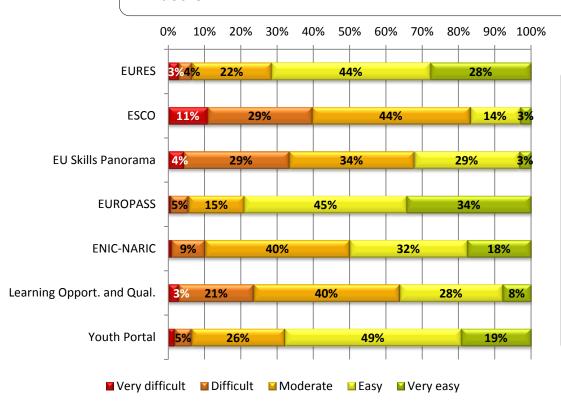
The majority role in all the services is "Use/consult information", which is particularly true for EUROPASS, EURES and ENIC-NARIC



Individual results of each question (6/19)

Q6

Objectives - Do you think that the purpose of each platform is clearly defined and understandable for its users?



Description

- EUROPASS is the most "Easy" or "Very easy" to understand service, with 79% of participants, followed by EURES with 72%;
- The service most difficult to understand is ESCO followed by EU Skills Panorama, with 40% and, respectively 33% of participants finding them "Very difficult" or "Difficult" to understand for their users;
- Youth Portal is seen as "Easy" to understand by almost half (49%) of the participants.

EUROPASS and **EURES** seem to be the platforms that have the clearest purposes

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Individual results of each question (7/19)

Q7

Objectives: How you would describe, in your own words, the main objectives of the services? Please share your view at least for the service(s) you know best.

EURES

ESCO

EU SKILLS PANORAMA

EUROPASS

ENIC-NARIC

Learning Opportunities and Qualifications

Youth Portal

Top statements

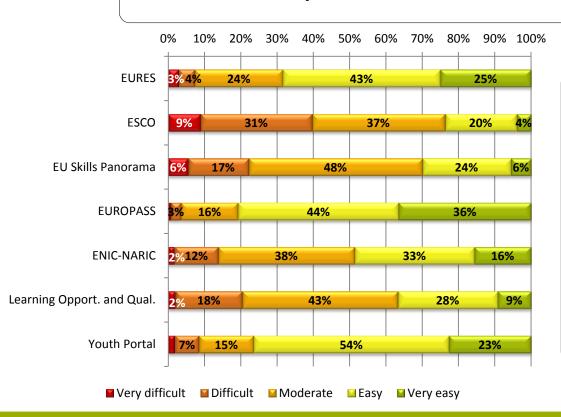
- · Employment finding service/job search engine;
- EU Job Mobility facilitator;
- Information provider on EU labour market.
- Classification, identification and categorisation of skills, competences, qualifications and occupations;
- · Job matching service.
- Data, information and intelligence on trends for skills and jobs across Europe.
- CV tool/ Electronic CV service. Online standardised European CV template, in different languages;
- Service to facilitate recognition of academic and professional qualifications.
- Information repository about EQF.
- Service to provide opportunities and general information for youth.



Individual results of each question (8/19)

Q8

Services - How easy or difficult it is to understand and access the services/tools provided?



Description

- The service with the most satisfying result is again EUROPASS having 80% of participants responding that it is "Easy" or "Very easy" to understand and access the service:
- As far as Youth Portal is concerned, the picture obtained is rather similar to EUROPASS (77% "Easy" or "Very easy");
- ESCO 77% record that they find ease of usage of the service from "Moderate" to "Very difficult".

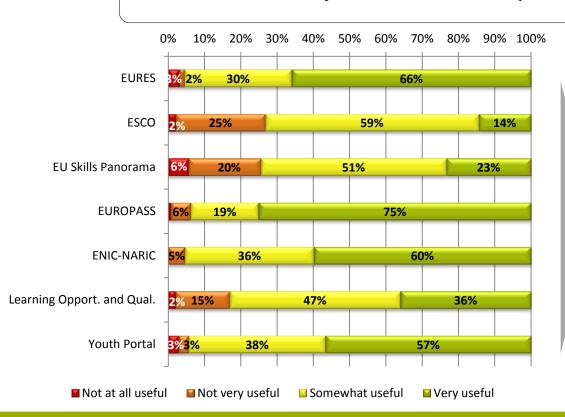
Overall, the results for the ease to understand and access the services is moderately satisfying with the exception of ESCO which participants largely find "Difficult" to understand and access



Individual results of each question (9/19)

Q9

Content - How would you describe the content provided?



Description

- Being asked about the usefulness of the content the participants responded largely positively;
- ESCO and EU Skills Panorama are rated as the least useful, with 27% and respectively 26% considering the contents are "Not at all useful" or "Not very useful":
- EUROPASS leads this ranking with 75% of participant considering its content "Very useful".

Overall, the usefulness of the provided content is satisfactorily with all services reaching from 63% to 96% of positive responses

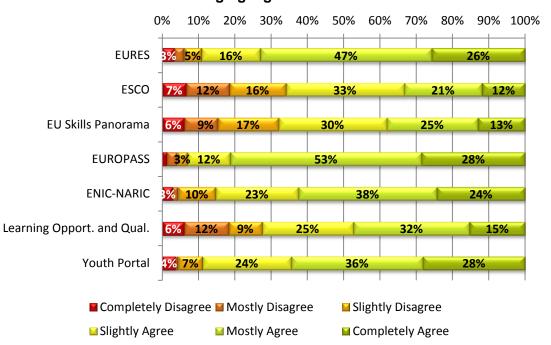


Individual results of each question (10/19)

Q10

Added value - Do you agree with the following statement: "are the services bringing high added value to their users"?

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Description

- Overall, the results obtained are very satisfactory for all the 7 services;
- The strongest results for this question are received by EUROPASS, Youth Portal and EURES with agreement rates of over 88%;
- The three programs with less value added are: ESCO, EU Skills Panorama and Learning Opportunities and Qualifications.

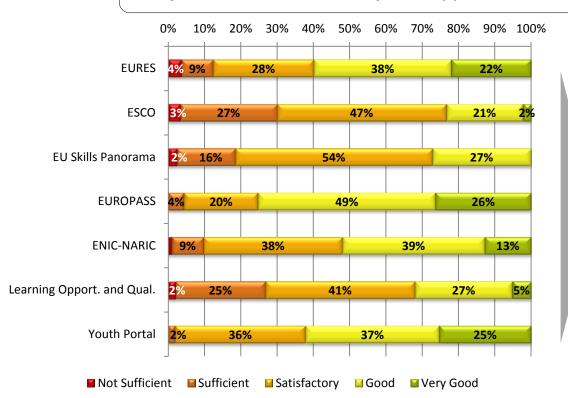
Overall, all 7 services receive fairly good results from participants about their added value to users, considering the agreement rates of more than 66%



Individual results of each question (11/19)

Q11

Update of the content - Out of 5 (with 1 being the lowest score and 5 the highest), how would you rate the update of the content of the platform(s)?



Description

- The service receiving the best results is EUROPASS with 75% of participants rating it with at least "Good":
- ESCO and Learning Opportunities and Qualifications have some potential to improve with ratings of 30% and 27% respectively of "Sufficient" or less.

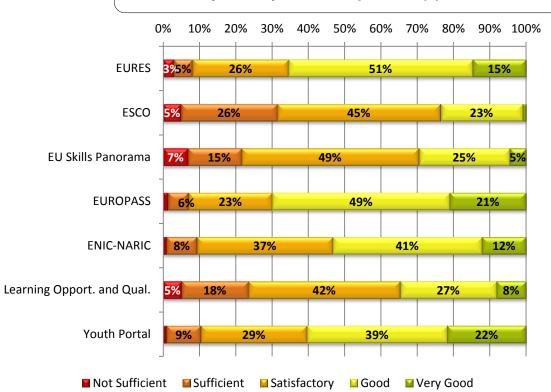
The update of the content of the 7 platforms is mostly rated positively with some room for improvement for ESCO and Learning Opportunities and Qualifications



Individual results of each question (12/19)

Q12

Usability and layout- Out of 5 (with 1 being the lowest score and 5 the highest), how would you rate the usability and layout of the platform(s)?



Description

- As far as usability and layout of the platforms are concerned the picture obtained is moderately positive;
- While negative responses ("Not Sufficient" or "Sufficient") are pretty low for all the services (except ESCO with 26% of "Sufficient");
- It is observable that EUROPASS and EURES received the most positive ratings, with both having more than 66% of at least a "Good"-rating.

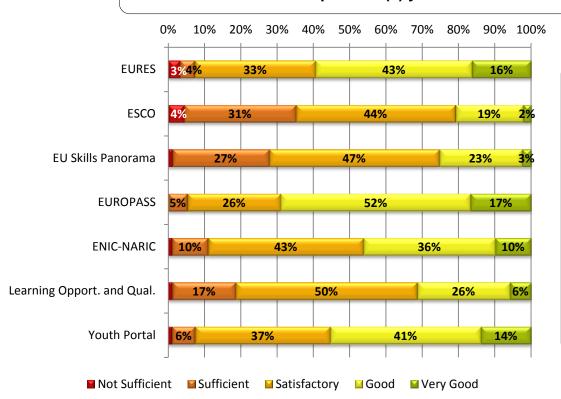
In terms of usability and layout the platforms are rated moderately well with once again EUROPASS and EURES receiving the most positive results



Individual results of each question (13/19)

Q13

Customization - Out of 5 (with 1 being the lowest score and 5 the highest), how would you rate the degree of customization of the platform(s) you are involved with?



Description

- Having been asked about the degree of customization of the services the participants responded positively for most services, especially EUROPASS and EURES;
- ESCO, however, receives a 35% of negative responses and only 21% of positive ones indicating some room for improvement.

The results for the degree of customization of the services is very similar to the one of previous questions showing an overall positive image with some room for improvement for ESCO and EU Skills Panorama

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3. Results of the survey

Individual results of each question (14/19)



Improvements - Could you please indicate the aspects/tools/services that can be improved for those platforms you are involved with and in which way?

EURES

ESCO

EU SKILLS PANORAMA

EUROPASS

ENIC-NARIC

Learning Opportunities and Qualifications

Youth Portal

Top statements

- Additional functionalities;
- Clean & more information:
- Integration with other platforms.
- Clearer classification & understandable information;
- · Integration with other platforms;
- More functionalities.
- Better forecast;
- · Better & up to date information;
- Integration with other platforms.
- · Additional functionalities;
- Better and up to date information;
- Integration with other platforms.
- Clearer information;
- Integration with other platforms;
- Language.
- · Integration with other platforms;
- Language;
- Layout.
- · Better information focus;
- · Functionalities;
- · Integration with other platforms.



Individual results of each question (15/19)



Strengths - Could you please indicate the main strengths of these platforms?

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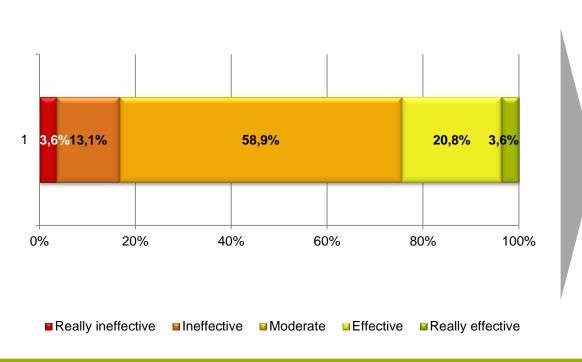
- Clear purpose;
- · Direct contact with employers;
- Informational value.
- Clarity/Structure;
- Common European standard;
- Connecting work with education.
- Analytical value;
- Value of the provided information;
- Layout.
- · Easy to access and use;
- · Well known;
- Close to citizens.
- · World wide network;
- · Useful;
- · Good and reliable information.
- · Big potential;
- · The level of details on each qualification;
- Structured EU qualification levels.
- · Targeted content (target oriented service not tool or.);
- · Easy to access, user friendly/modern/comprehensive/flexible;
- · Practical and useful for its target.



Individual results of each question (16/19)

Q16

Effectiveness - Do you consider the current EU online skills and qualifications services to be effective/ineffective as they are currently presented?



Description

- Being asked about the effectiveness of the current overall EU online skills and qualifications services panorama, the survey shows the majority of respondents were "Moderate" (58,9%);
- 24,4% have rated the current environment of services as somewhat effective, compared to 16,7% that regard the services as ineffective.

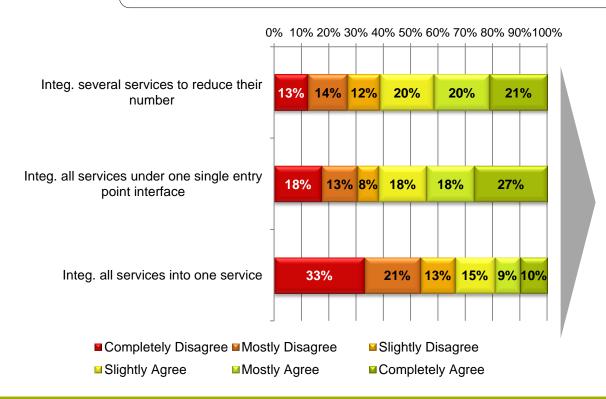
The survey shows a moderate satisfaction of users with the EU online skills and qualifications services (83,3% positive results)



Individual results of each question (17/19)

Q17

Integration - What could be done to make the EU online skills and qualifications environment more integrated?



Description

- The idea of integrating all services under one single entry point interface integrate several services to reduce their number is being "Slightly agreed" on by a majority 63%:
- The idea of integrating all services into one single service is being seen least effective as shown by a large number of 67% at least "Slightly disagreeing" with the statement;
- Finally, the idea of integrating several services to reduce their number is being at least "Slightly agreed" on by 61% of participants.

The two ideas that participants of the survey at least slightly agree on are to integrate all services under one single entry point interface and to integrate several services to reduce their number

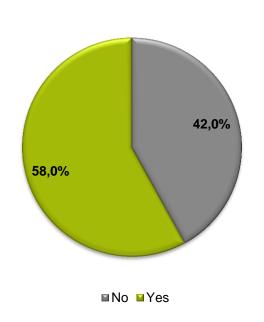




Individual results of each question (18/19)

Q18

Integration risk - Do you foresee any risk due to the sites integration?



Description

- Being asked about potential integration risks a majority of 58% answered with "Yes", foreseeing potential risks of integration for the several services:
- The potential risks mentioned are very diverse ranging from "Data compatibility" to "information overload" (a deeper analysis is pending to be done).

A majority of 59,9% of participants foresees potential risks when integrating the different services



Individual results of each question (15/15)

Q19

Synergies - Among which of the services do you see complementarity?

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Description

- In this sense it can be seen that it is EURES that is seen the most complementary with the other services, especially with EUROPASS:
- ENIC-NARIC shows the highest synergy percentage (59%) with Learning
 Opportunities and Qualifications and vice versa (57%). The same is true for ESCO and EU Skills Panorama.

The survey has identified various subjective synergies between the services, of which EUROPASS and EURES have the highest agreement rates among the participants

