

Vocational Qualifications Authority and National Qualifications System

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Presentation Plan

- Overview of Vocational Qualifications Authority
- National Qualifications System
 - ✓ National Occupational Standards (NOS)
 - ✓ National Qualifications (NQ)
 - ✓ Testing and Certification
 - ✓ POLLSTER NOS-NQ

Objective and Establishment

- Vocational Qualifications Authority (VQA) was founded with Law No. 5544 and dated 21 September 2006 with the objective of establishing and operating the National Qualifications System of Turkey in line with EU.
- Established as the affiliated organization of the Ministry of Labor and Social Security, VQA has a status as a legal entity, administrative and financial autonomy and a private budget.



Main Duties

- Establishing the National Qualifications Framework,
 - Developing National Occupational Standards and National Qualifications,
 - Establishing and operating the testing-assessment and certification system,
- are amongst the main duties of VQA.

National Occupational Standard (NOS)

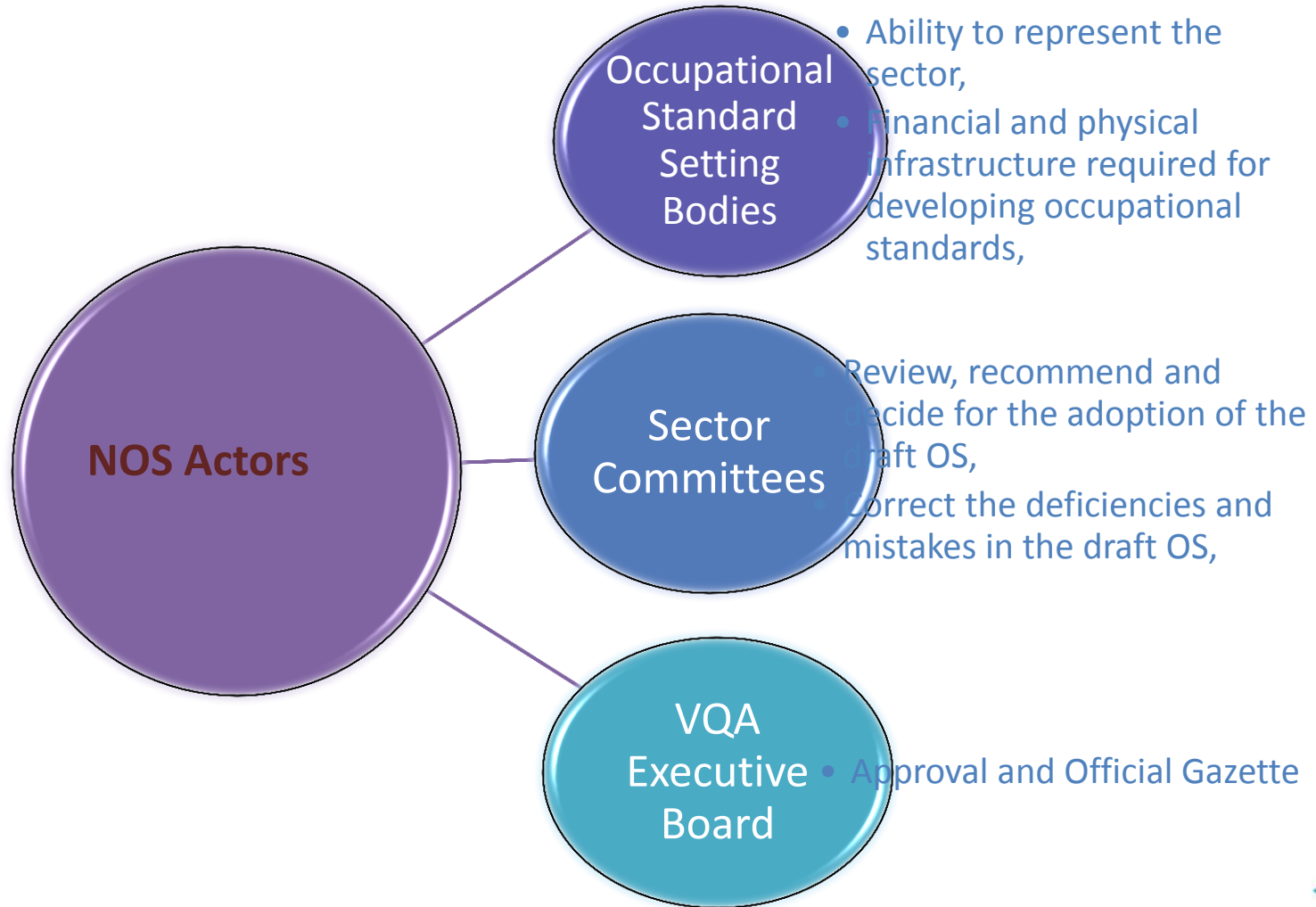


Minimum norms indicating the necessary knowledge, skills, attitude and behaviors which must be possessed for the successful performance of an occupation.

National Occupational Standard (NOS)

- Document agreed by the business and education world and providing input to vocational education.
- NOS drafts are prepared through a participatory approach by VQA-assigned actors of the business world who are capable of representing their sectors and have competence.

NOS Actors



NOS Development Process

Development of the draft Occupational Standard and submission to the opinion of relevant parties and the public

Submission of the draft OS to VQA Sector Committee and its review

VQA Executive Board's approval of the draft standard verified by VQA Sector Committee

Publication of the Occupational Standard in the Official Gazette and adoption as National Occupational Standard (NOS)

What is National Qualification?

National Qualifications are the *technical documents*:

- Based on national or international standards,
- Used for *learning and evaluation* purposes,
- Prescribing the *knowledge, skills and competence* which must be possessed by an individual and,

NQ Actors

- Formal and non-formal education institutions
- Authorized certification bodies
- Institutions/Organizations performing personnel certification and applying to the Authority for authorization
- Bodies which have prepared National Occupational Standards /Vocational Organizations



NQ Preparation and Approval Process

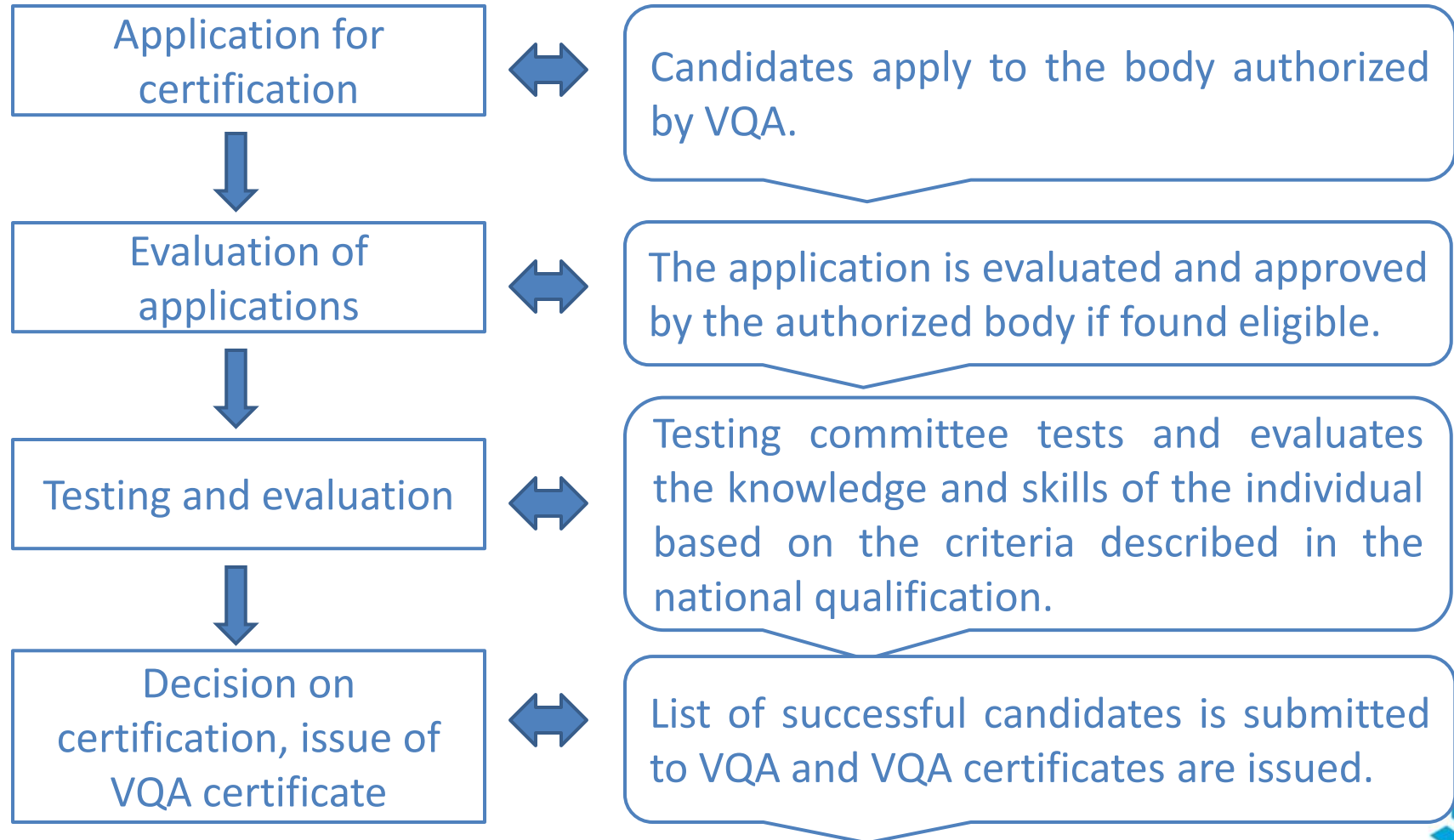


Authorized Certification Bodies

Authorized Certification Bodies are required:

- To have a system established in line with the conditions of the standard TS EN ISO/IEC 17024,
- To be accredited by TÜRKAK or the accreditation bodies which signed multilateral recognition agreements with the European co-operation for Accreditation (EA),
- To be deemed as fulfilling the necessary conditions as a result of the review, supervision and assessment by VQA.

Certification of Individuals



POLLSTER - National Occupational Standard

- Prepared by Türkiye İstatistik Kurumu (coordinator) Türk İstatistik Derneği (TİD) and Türkiye Araştırmacılar Derneği (TÜAD)
- Started at 06 August 2012
- Public Opinion- 21 November 2012 (has been sent to 24 establishment)
- Sector Committee Meeting- 27-28 March 2013
- VOQ Board Approval- 02 May 2013
- Official Gazette- 29 May 2013



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- Started at 27 June 2013
- Public Opinion- 11 October 2013 (has been sent to 24 establishment)
- Sector Committee Meeting- 20 February 2014
- VOQ Board Approval- 19 March 2014

POLLSTER-Certification

- Sakarya Üniversitesi Sürekli Eğitim Uygulama ve Araştırma Merkezi (SAÜSEM)-Awarding Body
- 243 Qualification Certificate has been given.

THANK YOU...

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