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*“Let’s join our strengths together!”*

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## Why European Certifications?

- Problem addressed by industry
  - Participation certificates locally
  - Every Training issuing a different cert.
  - Different Regions/Countries different topics





## Solution?

- Europe wide acceptance of single schema
- Industry know what they need
- Training institution know what they train for
- Europe wide exams
- Single certificate for all countries





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# The ECQA in Europe 2010:





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# The **ECQA** in Europe 2021:





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## The **ECQA** reg. assoc. success story:

- **40+** current Members

and

- Members from **23+** different european countries  
(and worldwide more to come)

and

- **30+** current job professions  
(and several in progress)
  
- ECQA GmbH founded with Assoc Members 2015





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## ESCO

European Skills/Competences, qualifications and Occupations

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### ESCO Skill-Occupation Matrix Tables: linking occupation and skill groups

A new look into how ESCO skill groups can be connected to aggregated levels of occupations

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OCCUPATIONS

- > 0 - Armed forces occupations
- > 1 - Managers
- > 2 - Professionals
- > 3 - Technicians and associate prof...
- > 4 - Clerical support workers
- > 5 - Service and sales workers
- > 6 - Skilled agricultural, forestry and...
- ▼ 7 - Craft and related trades workers
  - ▼ 71 - Building and related trades ...
    - > 711 - Building frame and rela...
    - ▼ 712 - Building finishers and r...
      - > 7121 - Roofers
      - ▼ 7122 - Floor layers and ti...
        - 7122.1 - carpet fitter

## hardwood floor layer

English (en)

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Code  
7122.2

Description

Hardwood floor layers install floors made of solid wood. They prepare the surface, cut parquet or board elements to size, and lay them in a predetermined pattern, straight and flush.

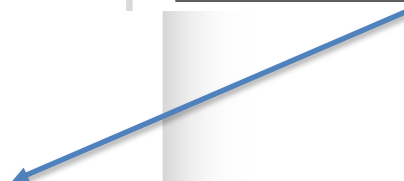
Alternative label

- wood floor layer
- parquet floor installer
- installer of hardwood floors
- timber floor layer
- hardwood floor installer

- ▼ [7 - Craft and related trades workers](#)
- ▼ [71 - Building and related trades workers, excluding electricians](#)
- ▼ [712 - Building finishers and related trades workers](#)
- ▼ [7122 - Floor layers and tile setters](#)
  - hardwood floor layer

Essential skills and competences

- [clean wood surface](#)
- [create floor plan template](#)
- [create smooth wood surface](#)
- [fill nail holes in wood planks](#)
- [follow health and safety procedures in construction](#)
- [identify wood warp](#)
- [inspect construction supplies](#)
- [install wood elements in structures](#)

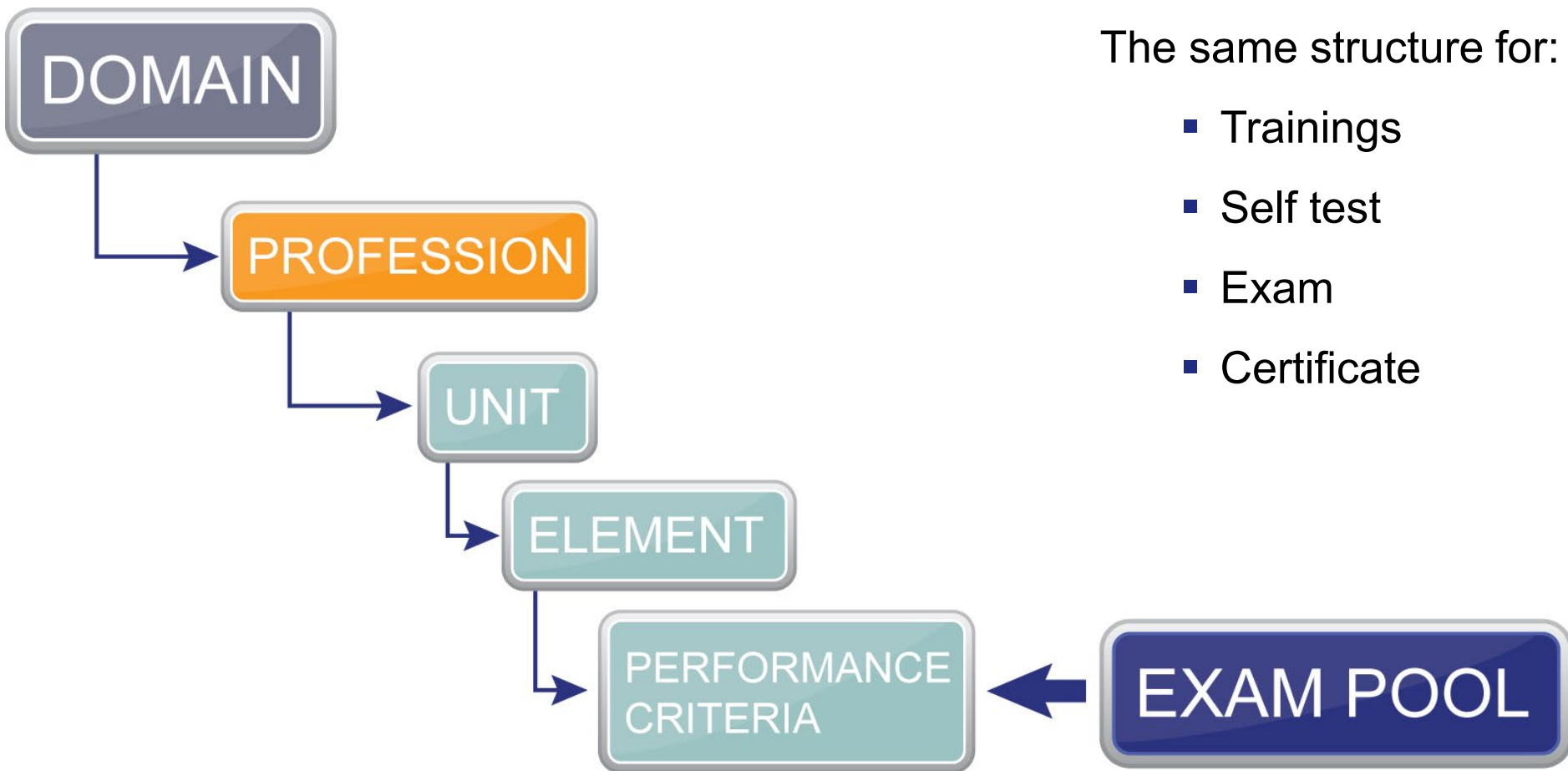






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# Modularity in **ECQA** Certified Professions



The same structure for:

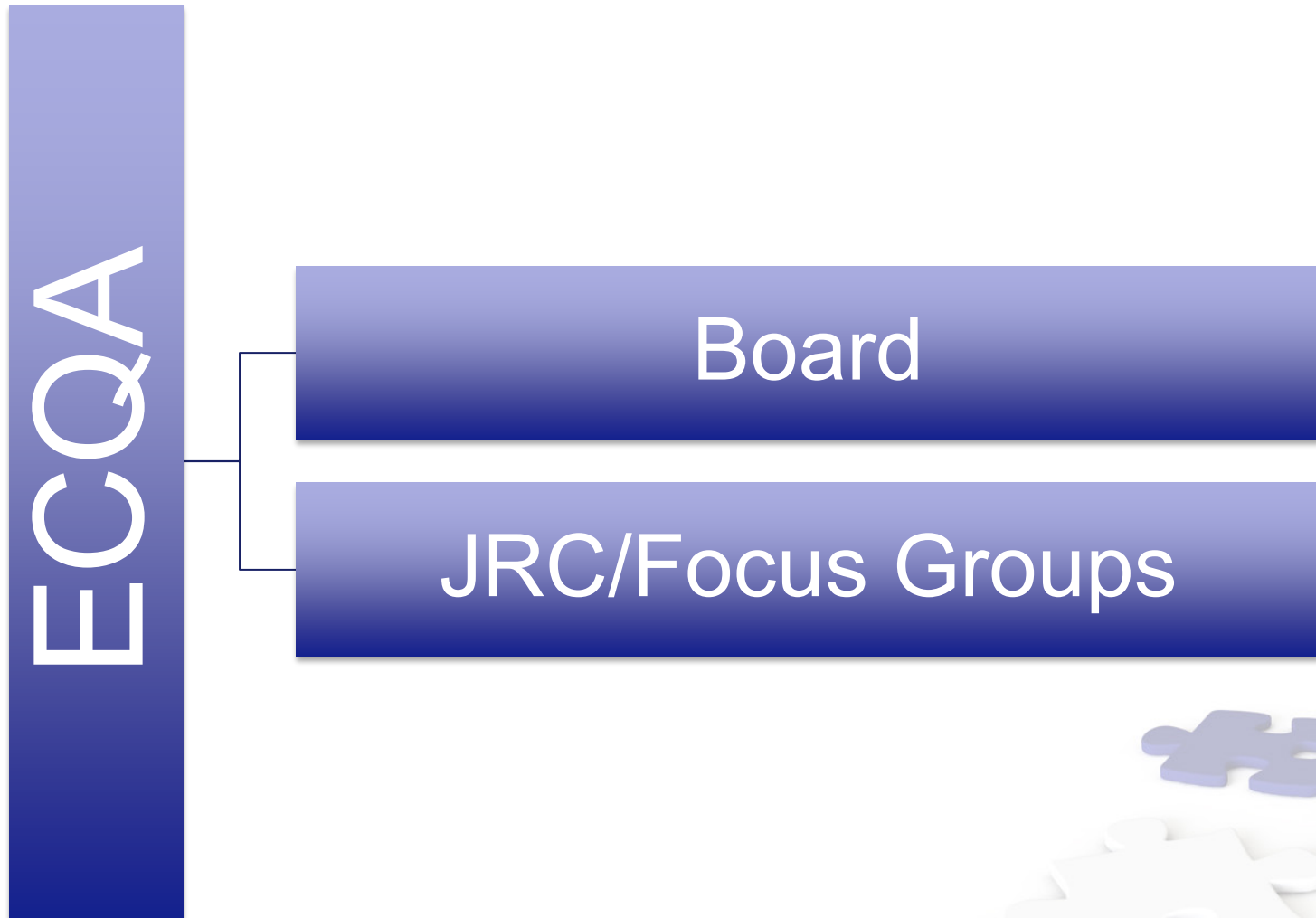
- Trainings
- Self test
- Exam
- Certificate

**Consistent with EQF**

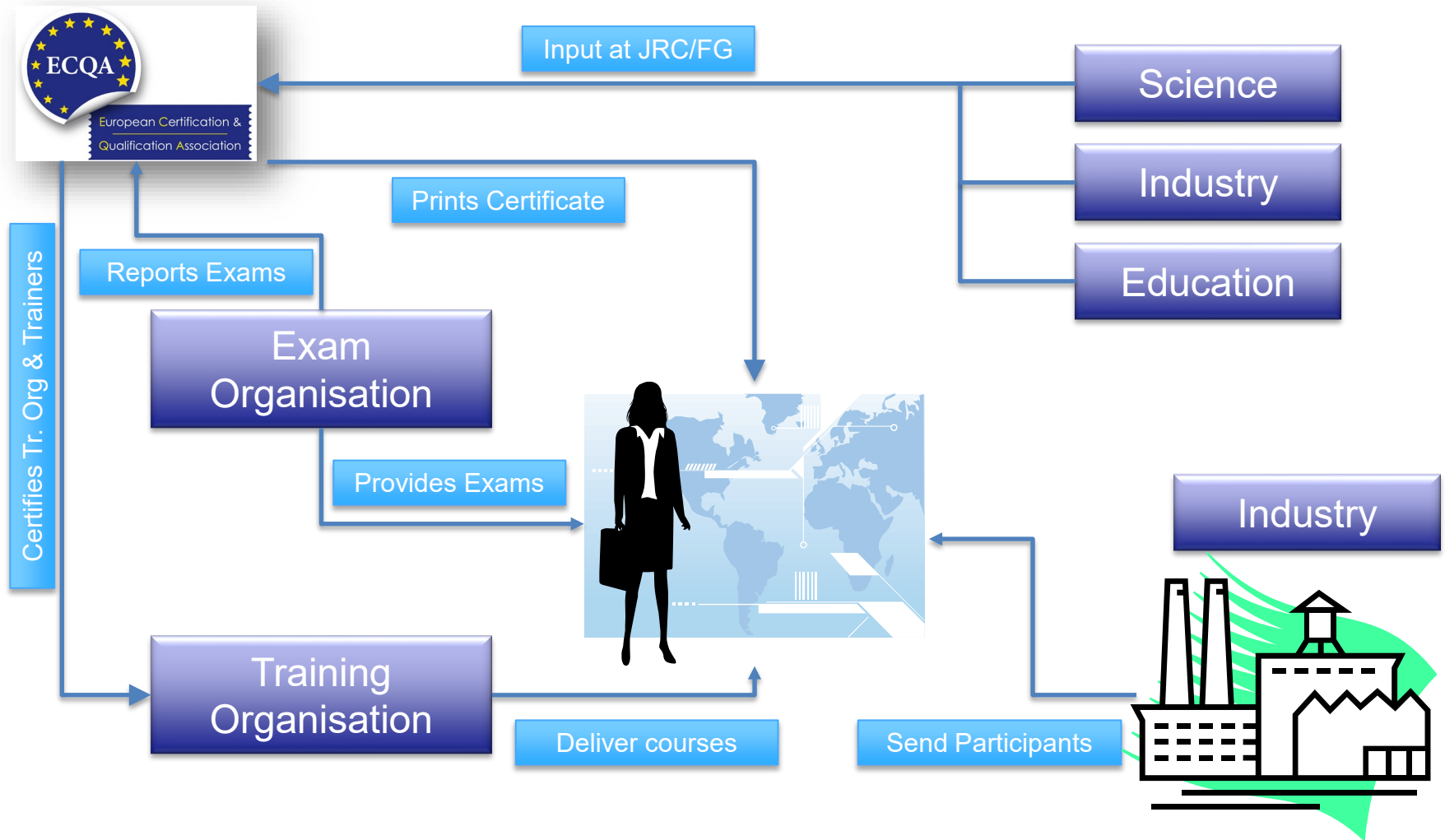


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# ECQA Committees

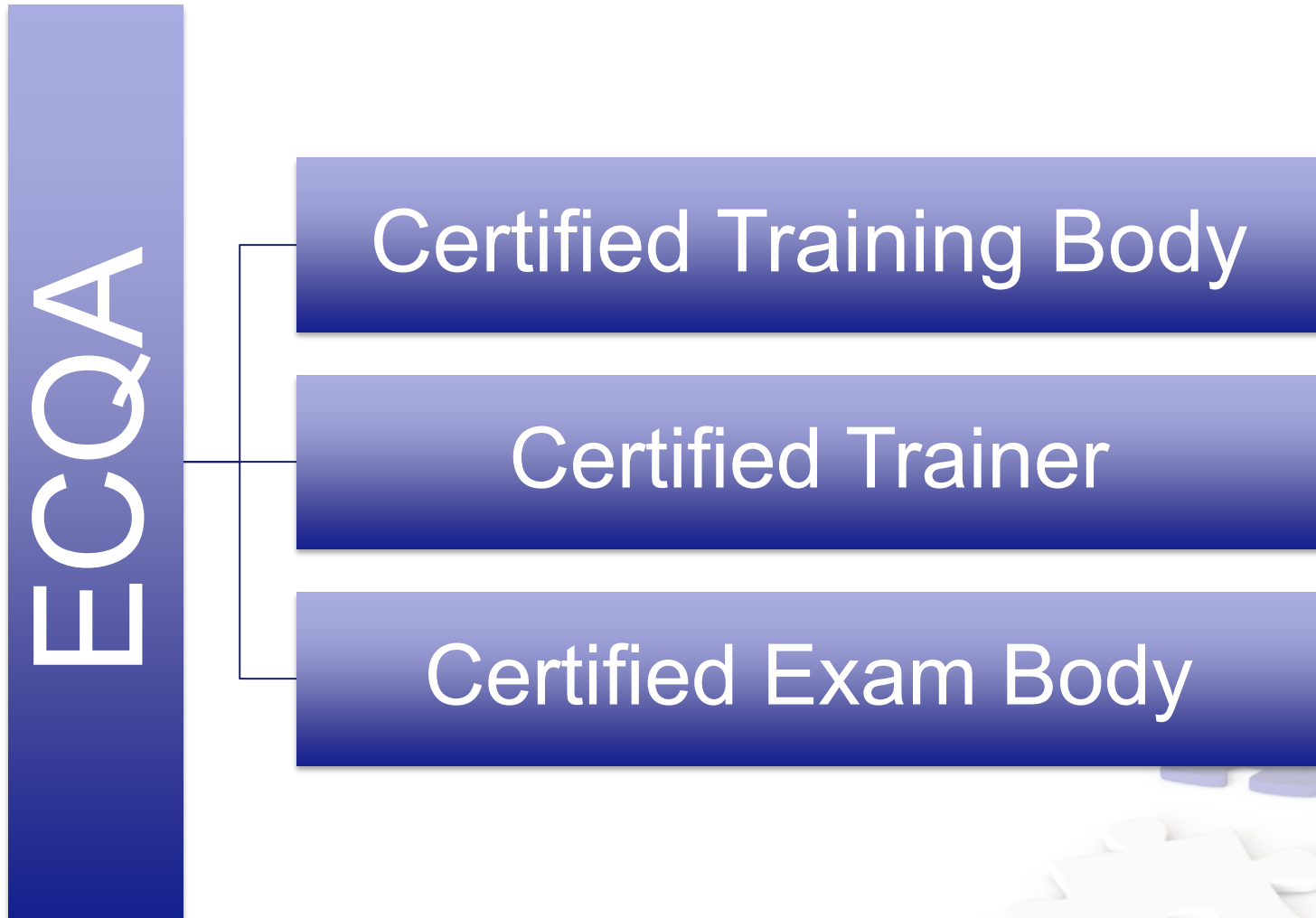


# Stakeholders and Key Relationships in Certification Process





# ECQA – Ways of working with ECQA





## ECQA in a Nutshell

- European (international) certifications for job roles and microcertification
- Industry and Higher Education driven
- Regularly updated Skills Card by experts
- Community with different Focus groups working on news and updates and needs of fields
- Actively involved in very different EU Projects





## ECQA GmbH – Current and past projects

- **Steps2Scale** (Erasmus+ - EU steps up to scale up management)
- **H2020 – pro Heritage** (Protect traditional built heritage skills)
- **Increas** (EAC – Pilot project for cultural and creative industries)
- **LTA** (Erasmus+ - Quality training in real time subtitling across EU and EU languages)
- **Impact** (Erasmus+ - Inclusive Methods based on the perception of accessibility and compliance testing)
- **Train2Validate** (Erasmus+ - Professional training for easy-to-read facilitators and validators)
- **Smartsea** (Erasmus+ - Surveying & maritime internet of things education)
- **Terratec** (Erasmus+ - Masters course on smart agriculture technologies)
- **Skills4city** (Erasmus+ - Smart skills for smarter cities)
- **CHAISE** (Blueprint – Blockchain)



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## ECQA GmbH – iNTACS™ Certification body

- Official certification body for iNTACS™
- Non-automotive assessor certification (15504, ISO 20000 or Test SPICE)
- Accrediting iNTACS™ Training organisations (non-automotive)
- [iNTACS™](#)



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