

Agenda

Issuing Digital Micro-Credentials By Using European Standards and Services



September 12, 2023 | 14:00-15:30 CET

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- 14:00** **Introduction to the theme**
- 14:10** **Presentations and Panel Discussions moderated by
Airina Volungevičienė, EDEN Digital Learning
Europe, Vytautas Magnus University**
- 1. The European Learning Model (ELM) and its Application From a Policy Angle.** Koen Nomden, Team Leader for “Transparency and Recognition of Skills and Qualifications”, within the Unit on Skills and Qualifications of the European Commission (DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion).
 - 2. The Power and Potential of Digital Micro-Credentials.** Anthony Camilleri, Policy Consultant, Project Manager and Quality & Standardisation Expert, Knowledge Innovation Centre (KIC) / NTT DATA
 - 3. Why and How to Build European Digital Micro-Credentials for Learning.** Ildiko Mazar, European Digital Credentials for Learning, Project Management and Implementation Support, NTT DATA
 - 4. Issuing Digital and Micro-Credentials From VLE and Europass. Digital Competent Teacher Solutions For Learning Design. SMART Research Project Experiment as Best Practice Example.** Elena Trepulė, Estela Daukšienė, Vytautas Magnus University.
- 15:10** **Interaction with the Audience**
- 15:25** **Conclusions**



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Context: **The aim of the event is to** introduce the European Digital Credentials for Learning Infrastructure and how to use it to issue digital Micro-Credentials that are compliant with Annex 1 of the Council Recommendation on a European approach to micro-credentials for lifelong learning and employability. Starting from the policy context from which the European Learning Model (ELM) was born, then explaining and demonstrating how education providers can use this EU standard and the EDC tools, participants can learn not only how to issue digital micro-credentials to anyone, at any stage of their lifelong learning journeys, but also what preconditions their institutions need to meet to make credential issuance smooth, efficient and beneficial.

Join us with your experience and know-how to contribute to a report with main guidelines.



The event will take place in the **Knowledge Building** channel on the MS Teams platform of the European Digital Education Hub.

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Speaker
Koen Nomden


Unit on Skills and
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Commission

Koen Nomden is currently Team Leader for “Transparency and Recognition of Skills and Qualifications”, within the Unit on Skills and Qualifications of the European Commission (DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion). Before that he was a policy officer in charge of the validation of non-formal and informal learning and career guidance within the same unit. Other positions he held within the European Commission were that of Erasmus Mundus Programme Manager and of policy officer in charge of setting up a European Executive Agency in charge of implementing programmes in education, training, culture and media. Before joining the Commission in 2003 Koen worked at the University of Antwerp (researcher) and at the European Institute of Public Administration in Maastricht (the Netherlands). Koen studied public policy and administration at the University of Twente (NL) and holds a master in European Studies from the College of Europe.



Speaker
Anthony Camilleri

Knowledge Innovation Centre



Anthony Camilleri has dedicated over 15 years to the field of digital education policy and implementation, working extensively with a range of international organisations. As a founder and senior partner at the Knowledge Innovation Centre, he works to leverage knowledge-based methodologies to drive innovation in education. There he coordinates teams working on educational interoperability, digital learning innovation, quality assurance in education and inclusion. He is renowned for his role as a key architect of the European Digital Credential Infrastructure and the European Learning Model, which are instrumental in harmonizing educational standards and qualifications across the continent. He has also researched and consulted on the implementation of digital credentialing systems and qualifications databases in various regions, including Europe, North Africa, and Central & South-East Asia. His belief in the potential of education to realise human potential is not just a professional stance, but a personal philosophy that underpins all his work.



Speaker
Ildiko Mazar

NTT Data

Ildiko Mazar has 25 years of professional practice in the field of open education and e-learning. Ildiko has observed and engaged in policy dialogues, professional academic collaborations, and practice exchange, actively contributing to the modernisation of European Higher Education and education technology in general. Utilising her experience, expertise and transversal skills, she contributed to the conception, management and successful implementation of 50+ edtech projects. For the past 5 years she has been focusing mostly on the development and uptake of innovative solutions in the fields of competence development and (micro-)credentialing. Since 2019 she has been supporting the European Commission in deploying the European Learning Model and European Digital Credentials for Learning.



Speaker
Estela Daukšienė

Vytautas Magnus University

Estela Daukšienė is a Deputy Director at VMU ISI. She is responsible for teacher consultations on online and blended studies. She has worked as a specialist, administrator, project manager and researcher at various educational institutions, as the head of Administration of Lithuanian Association of Distance and e-Learning (LieDM Association); in 2016-2021 was the President of Lithuanian Association of Distance and e-Learning (LieDM Association). She is currently the Head of the Board of Lithianian Association of Distance and e-Learning (LieDM Association).



Speaker
Elena Trepulé


EDEN Digital Learning Europe

Elena Trepulé appointed by EDEN DLE Management Board as a Secretary General in May, 2022. Elena Trepulé is an associate professor at Education Academy, Vytautas Magnus university (LT), an active participant and researcher of multiple international research (Lithuanian Research Council) and applied research projects and networks across Europe as well as EDEN in the topics of open online learning, technology enhanced learning and adult education. Since 2005 she has been working as an independent expert for the European Education Executive Agency, Eurydice, European Network of Adult Education (Ecorys Ltd.), Lithuanian Education Exchanges Support Foundation (national agency) and Youth International Cooperation Agency (national agency). Since 2015 Elena has been a regional ambassador of EPAL portal for adult educators, 2015 – 2022 – a regional representative of Lithuanian Association of Adult Education (member of EAEA) in Kaunas.



Speaker
Airina Volungevičienė

EDEN Digital Learning Europe



Airina Volungevičienė has been working among leading researchers, methodology specialists and policy makers in the area of distance learning development in Lithuania since 1998. Having graduated her first master degree at Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania), she spent 11 years working at Kaunas University of Technology as distance learning methodology specialists and researcher. She coordinated numerous international projects in the area of distance education, worked on national study and strategy for distance learning network development in Lithuania, promoted methodological activities in Lithuanian Distance and eLearning (LieDM) network.

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