

ANNEX II – TABLE OF EQUIVALENCES OF TEACHING LEVELS/YEAR GROUPS

Year	European School		National schools																
			Italy				Ireland			Spain			France <small>XVI</small>				Portugal		
1 ⁱⁱ	1st	Primary	1a	Scuola Elementare (Primary)			1st	Primary	1°	Educación primaria	Cours préparatoire	CYCLE DES APPRENTISSAGES FONDAMENTAUX	1°	Ensino Básico	1° ciclo	1	Comprehensive school <i>Perustoulu Grundläggande utbildung</i>	1	
2	2nd		2a				2nd		2°		Cours élémentaire 1ère année		2°		2	2			
3	3rd		3a				3rd		3°		Cours élémentaire 2ème année		3°		3	3			
4	4th		4a				4th		4°		Cours moyen 1ère année	CYCLE DE CONSOLIDATION	4°		4	4			
5	5th		5a				5th		5°		Cours moyen 2ème année		5°		5	5			
6	1st	Secondary	I	Scuola Media (Lower Secondary)			6th		6°		6ème		6°		6	6			
7	2nd		II				1st	Junior Certificate	1°	Educación secundaria obligatoria	5ème	CYCLE DES APPROFONDISSEMENTS	7°	Ensino Secundário	2° ciclo	5		5	
8	3rd		III				2nd		2°		4ème		8°		7	7			
9	4th		IV	Ginnasio	1 st	Liceo Scientifico	3rd		3°		3ème		9°		8	8			
10	5th		V		2 nd		4th Transition		4°		Seconde		10°		9	9			
11	6th	Secondary	I	Liceo Classico	3 rd		5th	Senior Certificate	1°	Bachillerato	Première		11°	Ensino Secundário	3° ciclo	7		7	
12	7th		II		4 th		6th		2°		Terminale		12°		8	8			
			III		5 th										9	9			
																10/1	10/1	1	Upper Sec. <i>Lukiokoulutus Gymnasie-utbildning</i>
																11/2	11/2	2	Upper Secondary <i>Gymnasium</i>
																12/3	12/3	3	Upper Secondary <i>Gymnasium</i>

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	European School		National schools														Latvia	
			Czech Republic				Cyprus			Estonia			Hungary					
1 ⁱⁱⁱ	1st	Primary	1	Základní vzdělávání 1. stupeň základní školy / BASIC SCHOOL (primary)		1 st	Primary	1 ^{iv}	Põhikool	1.	Gümnaasium	1.	Általános iskola (Primary school)	1 ^v	Obligātā pamatlīdzība (Compulsory Basic Education)			
2	2 nd		2			2 nd		2		2.		2.		2				
3	3 rd		3			3 rd		3		3.		3.		3				
4	4 th		4			4 th		4		4.		4.		4				
5	5 th		5			5 th		5		5.		5.		5				
6	1 st	Secondary	6	Základní vzdělávání 2. stupeň základní školy / BASIC SCHOOL (lower secondary)		1	Lower Secondary (Gymnasium)	7		6		6.		6				
7	2 nd		7			2		8		7		7.		7				
8	3 rd		8			3		9		8		8. Certific.		8				
9	4 th		9			4		9		9		9		9				
10	5 th		1	Střední vzdělávání / UPPER –SECONDARY		5		10		10.		10.		10				
11	6 th		2			6		11		11.		11.		11				
12	7 th		3			7		12		12.		12.		12				
			4			8												

	European School		National schools														Slovenia			
			Lithuania				Malta ^{XV}			Poland			Slovak Republic		Osnovna šola (Primary)					
1 ^{vi}	1st	Primary	1 st ^{vii}	Pradinė mokykla (primary)		Yr 2	PRIMARY	1	Szkoła podstawowa (primary)		1	Lower Secondary	1	Upper Secondary	1	Gimnazija				
2	2nd		2nd			Yr 3		2			2		2		2					
3	3rd		3rd			Yr 4		3			3		3		3					
4	4th		4th			Yr 5		4			4		4		4					
5	5th		5th			Yr 6		5			5		5		5					
6	1 st	Secondary	6th	Pagrindinė mokykla (Lower secondary)		Form I		6	Technikum (secondary)		6		6		6					
7	2nd		7th			Form II		7			7		7		7					
8	3rd		8th			Form III		8			8		8		8					
9	4 th		9th			Form IV		1			9		9		9					
10	5 th		10th			Form V		2			1		1		1					
11	6 th	11th	11th	Vidurinė mokykla (Upper secondary)		1st Yr		3	Liceum ogólnokształcące (secondary)		2		2		2					
12	7 th		12th			2nd Yr		4			3		3		3					
						5		4			4		4		4					

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	European School	National schools									
		Romania					Bulgaria			Croatia	
1 ^{viii}	1st	Primary	1st	Compulsory education (Învățământ obligatoriu)	Primary education	Primary school (Învățământ primar)	1st	Primary	1st ^x	Osnovna škola (Primary education)	
2	2nd		2nd				2nd		2nd		
3	3rd		3rd				3rd		3rd		
4	4th		4th				4th		4th		
5	5th		5th				5th		5th		
6	1st	Secondary	6th		Lower secondary Education (Învățământ secundar inferior)	Gymnasium (Gimnaziu)	6th	Lower secondary	6th		
7	2nd		7th				7th		7th		
8	3rd		8th				8th		8th		
9	4th		9th				9th		1st		
10	5th		10th		Upper secondary education (Învățământ secundar superior)	High school -lower cycle- (liceu – ciclul inferior)	10th	Upper -secondary	2nd	Gimnazija -opća, jezična, klasična, prirodoslovno- matematička, prirodoslovna (Secondary education)	
11	6th		11th				11th		3rd		
12	7th		12th				12th		4th		
			13th								

ⁱ First year starts at age of 6

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^{iv} **Estonia:** The legislation stipulates 7 as the age at which children must start compulsory schooling

^v **Latvia:** The legislation stipulates that part of nursery is compulsory education, 7 is the age at which children must start compulsory basic education.

^{vi} First year starts at the age of 6

^{vii} **Lithuania:** The legislation stipulates 7 as the age at which children must start compulsory schooling. The legislation provides for starting compulsory schooling at the age of 6. The usual practice, however, is for children to start primary school at 7 years of age.

^{viii} First year starts at age of 6

^{IX} **Romania:** High school is including also technical education.

The legislation stipulates 6 as the age of at which children start compulsory education, with the possibility for the parents to postpone the beginning of 1st grade with one year. The last 2 years of compulsory education (grades 9 and 10) can be followed either in high school (lower cycle of high school) or in arts and trades school (vocational education). Graduates of arts and trades schools can continue their studies in a completion year at the end of which they have the right to enter the upper cycle of high school. At the end of high school, the graduates of both paths (4 years direct path or 5 years progressive path) may participate in the baccalaureate exam.

^X **Croatia:** The legislation stipulates 6,5 as age at which children must start compulsory primary education. Prior to this they have 1 year of compulsory pre-school education. The legislation provides for starting compulsory education at age of 6. The usual practice is for children to start primary education at 6,5 and 7 years of age.

^{XI} **Germany:** Please note in Germany two versions of the Gymnasium exist: the G8 and the G9 model. At the G8-Gymnasium the 'Mittelstufe' or 'Sekundarstufe 1' is deprived of one year (10) compared to the G9-Gymnasium. Students at the G8-Gymnasium have a total of 12 school years, whereas students at the G9-Gymnasium have a total of 13 school years. The states have the liberty to decide which model to run.

^{XII} **Ireland:** Education is compulsory for children in Ireland from the age of 6. In Ireland, the primary cycle is preceded by two years in the infant cycle with pupils being enrolled in the first year of the infant cycle in the September after they turn 5. The majority of children will complete the two years in the infant cycle before beginning the primary cycle. In effect, this means that children will usually be turning 7 in their first year of primary. It is very important that children are placed in classes that are age appropriate.

^{XIII} **Denmark:** Education is compulsory from August of the year in which the child reaches the age of six. In Denmark, education is compulsory for 10 years.

^{XIV} **Greece:** Compulsory pre-school education in Greece is a two- year period, starting at the age of 4 years.

^{XV} **Malta:** Education is compulsory from the age of 5 (Primary yr 1) to the age of 16.

^{XVI} **France:** Decree No. 2013-682 of July 24, 2013 of the Education Code redefines the educational cycles in primary and middle schools, and Article 1 rewrites Section 4 of Chapter I of Title I of Book III of Part II (regulatory section) of the Education Code: Art. D. 311-10.