

Educational and Vocational Guidance Practitioners Act

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Any reference in this Act to “the Minister” or “the Ministry” not accompanied by express mention of or reference to a specific field of responsibility shall be understood as being a reference to the **Minister of Education, Science and Culture** or to the **Ministry of Education, Science and Culture** as responsible for the implementation of this Act.

■ **Article 1** *The professional title of ‘educational and vocational guidance practitioner’*

The right to use the professional title of ‘educational and vocational guidance practitioner’ and to work in that capacity shall be limited to those who have been granted a licence to do so by the [Minister]⁽¹⁾ pursuant to Article 2.

A licence as referred to in the first paragraph shall be granted to any applicant having completed an educational and vocational guidance training programme from a higher education institution accredited by [the Minister]⁽¹⁾ pursuant to Act No 63/2006.

⁽¹⁾Act No 126/2011, Article 506.

■ **Article 2** *Evaluation committee*

In the case of doubt as to whether an applicant for a licence to use the professional title of ‘educational and vocational guidance practitioner’ meets the requirements of this Act, the application shall be referred to an evaluation committee appointed by the [Minister]⁽¹⁾ for a four-year term.

The evaluation committee shall be composed of three members: one representing the Association of Educational and Vocational Guidance Practitioners, one nominated by the Rectors’ Conference of Higher Education Institutions, and one appointed without nomination, who shall serve as Chair. An equal number of alternates shall be appointed in the same manner.

The committee’s mode of operation shall be further stipulated in a Regulation.

⁽¹⁾Act No 126/2011, Article 506.

■ **Article 3** *Qualifications earned in a country within the EEA or in an EFTA Member State*

[The [Minister]⁽¹⁾ shall confirm the right to use the professional title of ‘educational and vocational guidance practitioner’ in response to an application by a citizen of a country within the European Economic Area, or of the Faroe Islands, if the applicant submits a certificate of recognised qualifications issued by a country within the economic area, or by the Faroe Islands, in accordance with the provisions of Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications.]⁽²⁾

In response to an application from a citizen of a State party to the convention establishing the European Free Trade Association, the Minister shall confirm the right to use the professional title of ‘educational and vocational guidance practitioner’ subject to the same