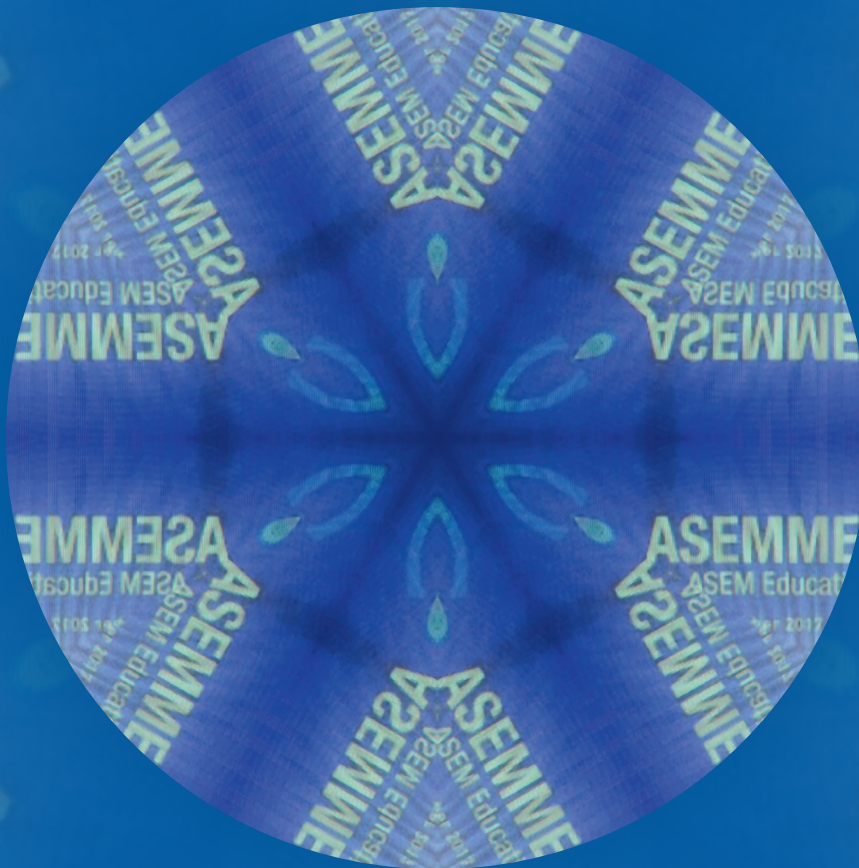


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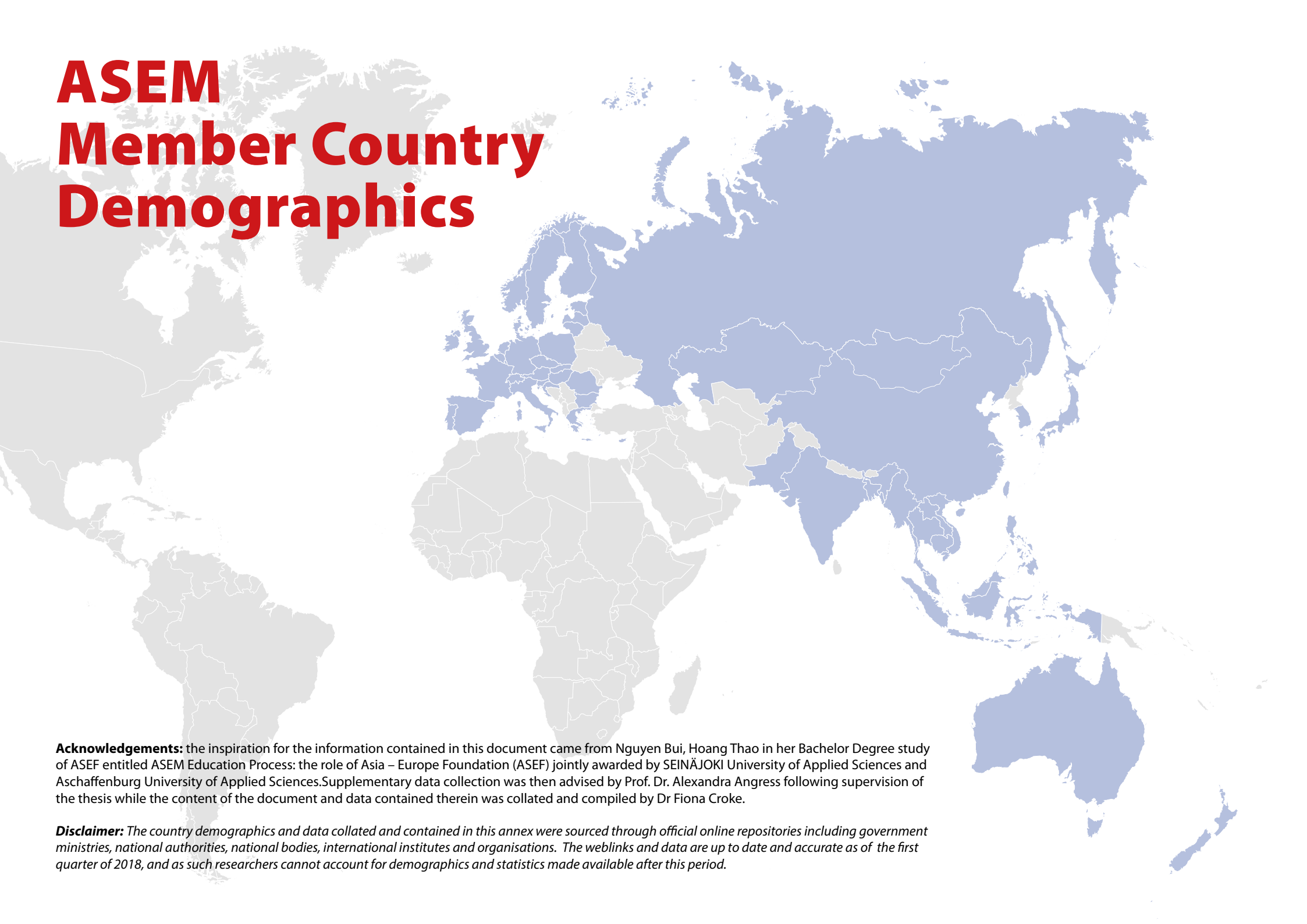
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2008 – 2018



ASEM Member Country Demographics

A world map with a light gray background. Countries are outlined in white. ASEM member countries are highlighted in blue, including most of Europe, Australia, and New Zealand. Non-member countries are highlighted in orange, including Turkey, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Mongolia, China, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Philippines, and Brunei.

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Australia				
Population (2015)				23,800
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				54,814
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	23.4	Agricultural products		7.3
EU	19.3	Manufactures		75.7
USA	11.5	Fuels Mining		12.5
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	31.6	Agricultural products		19.1
Japan	13.9	Manufactures		13.7
EU	7.5	Fuels Mining		57.3
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				36.2
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				43.7
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				1,602,152
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				257,200 (2014)
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				12,026
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	3,814,	Germany	634
	New Zealand	2,461	Canada	444
	UK	1,942	France	366
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				294,438
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	97,387	Viet Nam	13,147
	India	36,892	Nepal	11,816
	Malaysia	14,967	Indonesia	10,168
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Each full-time study year must be completed with 48 credits (which equate to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 144 to 192 credits (3 - 4 years, AQF level 7) and a Masters Degree would require 48 to 96 credits (1 - 2 years, AQF level 9).			
Key Websites				
Education System	https://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/english/australian-education/education-system			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	https://www.education.gov.au			
Ministry responsible for VET	http://www.ivet.com.au			
National Qualification Authority	https://www.asqa.gov.au			
National Qualifications Framework	https://www.asqa.gov.au			

Austria				
Population (2015)				161,201 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				1,290
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	69.5	Agricultural products		10.2
China	5.9	Manufactures		76.9
Switzerland	5.8	Fuels Mining		11.9
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	67.5	Agricultural products		9.7
USA	6.6	Manufactures		84.5
Switzerland	5.8	Fuels Mining		5.2
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				53.1
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				31.4
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				20,011 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				522,405
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				17,141
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Germany	9,574	USA	830
	UK	1,777	Netherlands	473
	Switzerland	1,349	France	426
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				67,691
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Germany	27,150	Bosnia/Herzegovina	2,355
	Italy	8,064	Hungary	1,950
	Turkey	2,536	Serbia	1,879
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 120 to 180 credits (2 to 3 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	https://www.bmb.gv.at/enfr/min.html			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (Bundesministerium für Bildung, Wissenschaft und Forschung) [https://www.bmb.gv.at/enfr/min.html]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (Bundesministerium für Bildung, Wissenschaft und Forschung)			
National Qualification Authority	The Austrian NCP was set up as an organizational entity at OeAD. [http://www.oead.at/nqr]			
National Qualifications Framework	Austrian EQF referencing report. [http://ec.europa.eu/eqf/documentation_en.htm]			

Bangladesh				
Population (2015)				161,201 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				1,290
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	21.5	Agricultural products		26.8
India	12.2	Manufactures		63.3
Singapore	9.2	Fuels Mining		5.4
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	54.5	Agricultural products		5.6
USA	19.3	Manufactures		92.8
Canada	3.3	Fuels Mining		0.6
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				Data not available
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				Data not available
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				324,854 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				15,388,625
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				33,139
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Malaysia	6,534	Australia	4,419
	USA	5,441	Germany	2,008
	UK	4,868	Canada	1,614
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				Data Not Available
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data not available			
Credit Point System	The education system in Bangladesh is often described in terms of a grading system based on a number of units: each unit is worth 4 credits.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	A 4-year bachelor degree programme typically requires 144 credits (32 units) and typically take 3 to 5 years to complete. Masters Degree programmes usually require 32 credits (8 units) and typically take 1 year to complete.			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education [http://www.moedu.gov.bd]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education [http://www.moedu.gov.bd]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education [http://www.moedu.gov.bd]			
National Qualification Authority	The National Skills Development Council (NSDC) [http://www.nsd.gov.bd/en/home/] and Technical Education Board (BTEB) [http://www.bteb.gov.bd]			
National Qualifications Framework	The National Technical and Vocational Qualifications Framework (NTVQF)			

Belgium				
Population (2015)			11,288 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			43,135	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	63.4	Agricultural products	10.5	
USA	8.1	Manufactures	73.2	
China	4.3	Fuels Mining	16.0	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	72.3	Agricultural products	11.1	
USA	5.8	Manufactures	75.9	
India	2.3	Fuels Mining	11.1	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			37.6	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			37.5	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			66,118 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			672,663	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			13,244	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	2,882	Germany	1,194
	Netherlands	2,677	USA	872
	France	2,226	Lux	445
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			56,453	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	France	18,115	France	18,115
	Netherland	3,601	Netherland	3,601
	Lux	1,933	Lux	1,933
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities and to track of credit transfers for incoming students.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying ECTS a full study year consists of 60 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires 180 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree requires 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Training [http://www.onderwijs.vlaanderen.be]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Training [http://www.onderwijs.vlaanderen.be]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Training [http://www.onderwijs.vlaanderen.be]			
National Qualification Authority	Dutch and French-speaking communities: Government of Flanders and Agentschap voor Kwaliteitszorg in Onderwijs en Vorming (Agency for QA in Ed and Training) (AKOV) [http://www.ond.vlaanderen.be/wegwijs/AKOV]. French-speaking Belgium community, Walloon region COCOF [www.spfb.brussels] German speaking community Ministerium der Deutschsprachigen Gemeinschaft (Ministry of the German-speaking community) [http://www.dglive.be]			
National Qualifications Framework	Flemish Qualifications Framework (FQF) French-speaking qualifications framework for lifelong learning (Cadre francophone des certifications pour l'apprentissage tout au long de la vie) (CFC). German-speaking qualifications framework (Qualifikationsrahmen Deutschsprachiger Gemeinschaft) (QDG)			

Brunei Darussalam				
Population (2015)			418 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			32,916	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
Malaysia	21.1	Agricultural products	19.8	
Singapore	14.0	Manufactures	70.5	
EU	12.5	Fuels Mining	9.6	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
Japan	36.3	Agricultural products	0.1	
Korea Republic	15.6	Manufactures	6.3	
India	9.1	Fuels Mining	89.6	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data not available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data not available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			4,858 (2016)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			35,228	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			3,488	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	1,932	Egypt	124
	Malaysia	548	Saudi Arabia	87
	Australia	477	USA	67
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			529	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Malaysia	129	Bangladesh	26
	Indonesia	59	Thailand	26
	Pakistan	27	Sri Lanka	23
Credit Point System	The education system in Brunei Darussalam is aligned to the Brunei Darussalam Qualifications Framework (BDQF) and the Brunei Darussalam National Accreditation Council who have endorsed the establishment of eight (8) levels cross-sectorial BDQF to clearly define the standards of different qualifications, to ensure their quality and to indicate the articulation ladders between the different levels of qualification. A Bachelors Degree is typically awarded at level 6 of the BDQF framework while a Masters Degree is typically awarded at level 7. In Brunei universities 40 hours of notional student learning time is valued as one credit.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the Brunei Darussalam National Accreditation Council accreditation system the completion of a Bachelors Degree requires earning 120 credits (typically 4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 45 credits (typically 12 months)			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.gov.bn/SitePages/Homepage.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.gov.bn/SitePages/Homepage.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.gov.bn/SitePages/Homepage.aspx]			
National Qualification Authority	Brunei Darussalam National Accreditation Council (BDNAC) [http://www.moe.gov.bn/bdnac]			
National Qualifications Framework	Brunei Darussalam Qualifications Framework (BDQF).			

Bulgaria				
Population (2015)				7,177 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				7,422
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	66.1	Agricultural products		11.1
Russian Federation	8.9	Manufactures		63.0
Turkey	6.2	Fuels Mining		24.3
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	66.8	Agricultural products		11.1
Turkey	8.0	Manufactures		63.0
Serbia	1.9	Fuels Mining		24.3
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				Data Not Available
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				Data Not Available
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				1,643 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				377,299
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				24,960
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	6,341	Austria	1,494
	Germany	6,293	France	1,400
	Netherlands	1,846	Denmark	1,269
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				11,844
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Turkey	3,310	Ukraine	531
	Greece	2,964	Germany	507
	TFYR Macedonia	540	UK	459
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) corresponding to EQF level 6 and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 year) and corresponds to EQF level 7			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education Youth and Science [http://www.mon.bg]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Science [Website corrupt]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education Youth and Science [http://www.mon.bg]			
National Qualification Authority	The International and European Cooperation Directorate in the Ministry of Education, Youth and Science [http://www.mon.bg]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Bulgarian National Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning (BQF)			

Cambodia				
Population (2015)			15,518 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			1,157	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	36.8	Agricultural products	7.3	
Thailand	15.4	Manufactures	60.8	
Viet Nam	11.4	Fuels Mining	1.7	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	39.9	Agricultural products	4.9	
USA	21.3	Manufactures	66.1	
Japan	8.2	Fuels Mining	0.1	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			52,239 (2014)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			1,660,756	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			5,275	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Thailand	1,182	USA	527
	Australia	784	Viet Nam	381
	France	611	Saudi Arabia	357
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			Data Not Available	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data Not Available			
Credit Point System	Higher Education Institutions define their own credit point system with regulations characterised by very disparate organisational mechanisms. The Accreditation Committee of Cambodia established in 2003 as the national independent higher education quality and assessment body is supervised of the Council of Ministers. The Cambodian National Qualifications Framework has 8 levels.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	A Bachelors Degree is awarded at level 6 of the framework and requires 120 credits. A Masters Degree awarded at Level 7 requires 45 credits. A university degree typically takes four to seven years depending on the course and the establishment.			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport [http://www.moeys.gov.kh/en/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport [http://www.moeys.gov.kh/en/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Mainstream TVET is conducted by the Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training [https://www.mlvt.gov.kh/index.php?lang=en] Non-formal technical and vocational training is The Ministry of Education Youth and Sport [http://www.moeys.gov.kh/en/]			
National Qualification Authority	The Accreditation Committee of Cambodia and the Secretariat of the National Supreme Council of Education [http://www.edu.gov.qa/En/Pages/Home.aspx]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Cambodian National Qualifications Framework			

China				
Population (2015)				1,397,029 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				7,995
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	13.1	Agricultural products	9.5	
Korea Republic	10.0	Manufactures	64.4	
Japan	9.2	Fuels Mining	21.3	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
USA	18.3	Agricultural products	3.1	
EU	16.1	Manufactures	94.3	
HK China	13.8	Fuels Mining	2.4	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				14.80
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				9.70
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				1,218,146 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				99,943,813
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				801,187
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	291,063	Japan	85,226
	Australia	97,387	Canada	42,011
	UK	86,204	Rep Korea	34,513
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				123,127
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data Not Available			
Credit Point System	There is no uniform credit system, most Higher Education Institutions define their own credit point system/regulations.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	A Bachelors Degree typically takes 4 to 5 years and a Masters Degree typically takes 2-3 years.			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education of the Peoples Republic of China [http://en.moe.gov.cn]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education of the Peoples Republic of China [http://en.moe.gov.cn]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education of the Peoples Republic of China [http://en.moe.gov.cn]			
National Qualification Authority	Hong Kong SAR China: Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ) [https://www.hkcaavq.edu.hk/en/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Hong Kong SAR China: The Hong Kong Qualifications Framework (HKQF)			

Croatia					
Population (2015)				4,236 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				12,385	
Import Merchandise					
Country	%	Product		%	
EU	77.2	Agricultural products		14.5	
China	3.0	Manufactures		67.9	
Bosnia Herzegovina	2.9	Fuels Mining		17.5	
Export Merchandise					
Country	%	Product		%	
EU	66.3	Agricultural products		18.9	
Bosnia Herzegovina	9.2	Manufactures		65.8	
Serbia	4.8	Fuels Mining		13.9	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				11,000 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				234,636	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				8,770	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Bosnia/Herzegovina	3,197	Slovenia	769	
	Italy	965	USA	532	
	Austria	891	Serbia	489	
Number of Higher Education Students hosted					
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted		Data Not Available			
Credit Point System		Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure		Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) corresponding to EQF level 6 and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 year) and corresponds to EQF level 7.			
Key Websites					
Education System		The Ministry of Science Education and Sports [https://mzo.hr/en]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education		The Ministry of Science Education and Sports [https://mzo.hr/en]			
Ministry responsible for VET		Ministry of Science, Education and Sports supported by the Agency for VET and Adult Education (ASOO) [https://mzo.hr/en]			
National Qualification Authority		Ministry of Science, Education and Sports section for development of higher education [http://www.kvalifikacije.hr/hko-hr]			
National Qualifications Framework		The Croatian Qualifications Framework (CROQF)			

Cyprus				
Population (2015)				1,161(thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				24,569
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	73.3	Agricultural products		20.5
China	4.1	Manufactures		56.0
Israel	3.9	Fuels Mining		23.0
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	39.0	Agricultural products		18.4
Libya	7.5	Manufactures		53.5
Israel	6.0	Fuels Mining		27.8
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				Data Not Available
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				Data Not Available
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				347 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				61,839
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				15,617
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Germany	531	France	211
	USA	409	Czech Rep	195
	Bulgaria	386	Hungary	188
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				6,526
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Greece	2,966	Greece	2,966
	Bangladesh	617	Bangladesh	617
	Nigeria	484	Nigeria	484
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) corresponding to EQF level 6 and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 year) and corresponds to EQF level 7			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://www.moec.gov.cy/en/index.html]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://www.moec.gov.cy/en/index.html]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://www.moec.gov.cy/en/index.html]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://www.cyqf.gov.cy/index.php/en/diagram]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Cyprus Qualifications Framework (CQF)			

Czech Republic				
Population (2015)				10,604 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				18,541
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	67.3	Agricultural products	7.4	
China	12.7	Manufactures	82.3	
Rep Korea	2.5	Fuels Mining	10.0	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	83.7	Agricultural products	6.3	
USA	2.2	Manufactures	88.4	
Russian Fed	1.9	Fuels Mining	4.6	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				70.5
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				23
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				65, 424 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				61,839
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				12,336
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Slovakia	5,045	USA	706
	Germany	1,431	France	623
	UK	1,310	Poland	594
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				41,715
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Slovakia	22,922	Kazakhstan	1,446
	Russian Fed	5,305	Viet Nam	886
	Ukraine	2,333	Belarus	643
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) corresponding to EQF level 6 and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 year) and corresponds to EQF level 7			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education Youth and Sports [http://www.msmt.cz]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education Youth and Sports [http://www.msmt.cz]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports is responsible for IVET and CVET [http://www.msmt.cz/ministry]			
National Qualification Authority	The National Institute for Education [http://www.nuov.cz]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Czech Republic has yet to decide whether to develop a comprehensive NQF however there are two sectoral frameworks an eight-level framework for VET qualifications and the qualification framework for higher education which is in line with the Bologna framework. A register of all approved qualification and assessment standards is available at [http://www.narodni-kvali-kace.cz/]			

Denmark				
Population (2015)			5,689 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			45,241	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	71.2	Agricultural products		17.3
China	7.6	Manufactures		73.6
Norway	4.2	Fuels Mining		8.0
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	56.3	Agricultural products		22.2
Norway	6.2	Manufactures		68.5
USA	4.9	Fuels Mining		7.4
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				42.6
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				38.2
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				1,338 (2012)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				378,992
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				5,062
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	1,357	Sweden	281
	USA	926	Norway	276
	Germany	484	Netherlands	258
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				32,264
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Norway	3,450	Sweden	2,160
	Germany	3,415	Lithuania	1,575
	Romania	2,449	Bulgaria	1,269
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 120 to 180 credits (2 to 3 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education [http://eng.uvm.dk]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education [http://eng.uvm.dk]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education [http://eng.uvm.dk]			
National Qualification Authority	The Danish Agency for Higher Education [http://ufm.dk/en/the-minister-and-the-ministry/organisation/danish-agency-for-higher-education/about-the-agency]			
National Qualifications Framework	Danish Qualifications Framework (DK NQF) [http://ufm.dk/en/education-and-institutions/recognition-and-transparency/transparency-tools/qualifications-frameworks]			

Estonia				
Population (2015)				1,315 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				18,233
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	66.7	Agricultural products		13.6
China	8.0	Manufactures		73.4
Russian Fed	7.3	Fuels Mining		1.8
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	69.2	Agricultural products		16.9
Russian Fed	9.3	Manufactures		71.3
Norway	3.8	Fuels Mining		10.8
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				50.1
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				38.8
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				10,248 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				79,387
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				4,420
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	1,171	Germany	451
	Finland	599	Russian Fed	412
	Denmark	494	Netherlands	268
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				2,859
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Finland	1,294	Georgia	110
	Russian Fed	230	Latvia	101
	Turkey	112	Ukraine	93
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 180 (3 years) and a Masters Degree requires 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.hm.ee/en]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.hm.ee/en]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.hm.ee/en]			
National Qualification Authority	The Estonian Qualification Authority [http://www.kutsekoda.ee]			
National Qualifications Framework	Estonian Qualifications Framework (EstQF) [http://bit.ly/1Vp0zCF]			

Finland				
Population (2015)				5,482 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				45,241
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	60.3	Agricultural products		11.0
Russian Fed	10.9	Manufactures		68.1
China	7.3	Fuels Mining		19.3
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	57.1	Agricultural products		10.5
USA	6.7	Manufactures		76.0
Russian Fed	5.8	Fuels Mining		11.9
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				44.3
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				43.6
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				46,000 (all VET 2016)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				346,522
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				9,305
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Sweden	1,906	Germany	816
	UK	1,875	USA	594
	Estonia	1,294	Netherlands	452
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				23,142
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Russian Federation	2,799	Nepal	1,137
	China	1,929	India	756
	Viet Nam	1,600	Pakistan	703
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a <i>Licence</i> - Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 120 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://minedu.fi/en]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://minedu.fi/en]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://minedu.fi/en]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education and Culture [http://minedu.fi/en] The Finnish National Board of Education acts as national coordination point [http://www.oph.fi]			
National Qualifications Framework	[http://www.oph.fi/qualificationsframework]			

France				
Population (2015)				64,457 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				40,041
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	57.8	Agricultural products		10.7
China	9.1	Manufactures		75.6
USA	7.1	Fuels Mining		12.8
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	59.7	Agricultural products		13.6
USA	7.4	Manufactures		79.3
China	3.6	Fuels Mining		5.3
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				43.5
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				34.6
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				33,167 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				3,709,990
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				80,635
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Belgium	18,115	Switzerland	9,280
	UK	11,228	Germany	6,955
	Canada	10,842	USA	6,528
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				235,123
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	25,388	Tunisia	8,955
	Morocco	25,223	Senegal	7,439
	Algeria	16,558	Italy	6,729
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a <i>Licence</i> - Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 120 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry for National Education [http://www.education.gouv.fr] Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation [http://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry for National Education [http://www.education.gouv.fr] Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation [http://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Minister of Labour, Employment, Vocational Training and Social Dialogue is responsible for continuing vocational training is the responsibility (CVET) [http://travail-emploi.gouv.fr]			
National Qualification Authority	National Committee on Vocational Qualifications (CNCP) [http://www.cncp.gouv.fr]			
National Qualifications Framework	French National Qualifications Framework [http://www.cncp.gouv.fr]			

Germany				
Population (2015)			81,708 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			43,673	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	57.6	Agricultural products	9.9	
China	9.9	Manufactures	75.0	
USA	6.2	Fuels Mining	13.4	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	58.0	Agricultural products	6.5	
USA	0.8	Manufactures	86.5	
China	6.4	Fuels Mining	4.9	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			58.2	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			28.3	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			764,460 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			4,362,053	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			116,342	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Austria	27,150	Switzerland	11,742
	Netherlands	23,579	USA	7,137
	UK	13,846	France	6,615
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			228,756	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	23,616	Austria	9,574
	Russian Fed	9,953	France	6,955
	India	9896	Cameron	6,301
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Federal Ministry for Education and Research [https://www.bmbf.de/en/index.html]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Federal Ministry for Education and Research [https://www.bmbf.de/en/index.html]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Federal Ministry for Education and Research [https://www.bmbf.de/en/the-german-vocational-training-system-2129.html]			
National Qualification Authority	The Federal Government/Länder National Co-Ordination Points [http://www.cncp.gouv.fr]			
National Qualifications Framework	German Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning (Deutsche Quali kationsrahmen für lebenslanges Lernen) (DQR) [http://www.dqr.de/content/2445.php]			

Greece				
Population (2015)				11,218 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				19,171
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	53.5	Agricultural products		15.2
China	6.7	Manufactures		54.9
Russian Fed	6.6	Fuels Mining		29.4
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	55.7	Agricultural products		22.8
Turkey	5.4	Manufactures		37.0
USA	4.4	Fuels Mining		38.2
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				41.4
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				30.2
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				31% (2014)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				594,905
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				37,387
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	10,653	Bulgaria	2,964
	Italy	2,984	Germany	2,822
	Cyprus	2,966	Netherlands	2,292
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				27,600
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data Not Available			
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 240 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs [http://www.minedu.gov.gr]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs [http://www.minedu.gov.gr]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs and the Ministry of Labour are responsible for VET [http://www.minedu.gov.gr]			
National Qualification Authority	National Organisation for the Certification of Qualifications & Vocational Guidance (EOPPEP) [http://www.nqf.gov.gr/ΑρχικήΣελίδα/tabid/36/Default.aspx]			
National Qualifications Framework	Hellenic Qualifications Framework (HQF) [http://www.eoppep.gr/index.php/en/qualifications-certification-en]			

Hungary				
Population (2015)			9,784 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			13,076	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	78.0	Agricultural products		7.0
China	5.3	Manufactures		82.3
USA	2.9	Fuels Mining		10.6
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	79.4	Agricultural products		9.3
USA	3.4	Manufactures		86.8
China	2.2	Fuels Mining		3.7
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			59.6	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			23.7	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			75,144	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			605,025	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			10,416	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Austria	1,950	Denmark	1,051
	Germany	1,742	USA	708
	UK	1,461	Netherlands	648
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			21,707	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Germany	2,808	Germany	2,808
	Slovakia	1,893	Slovakia	1,893
	Romania	1,534	Romania	1,534
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of National Resources [http://www.nefmi.gov.hu/english/ministry]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of National Resources [http://www.nefmi.gov.hu/english/ministry]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry for the National Economy [http://www.kormany.hu/en/ministry-for-national-economy]			
National Qualification Authority	Intergovernmental task force made up of ministries responsible for each sector of education delegate a member to the EQF advisory group which acts as the national coordination point. [http://www.nefmi.gov.hu/english/ministry] and [http://www.kormany.hu/en/ministry-for-national-economy]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Hungarian Qualifications Framework (HQF)			

India				
Population (2015)				1,309,054 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				1,645
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	17.0	Agricultural products		China
EU	11.3	Manufactures		EU
USA	5.7	Fuels Mining		USA
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	17.6	Agricultural products		13.2
USA	16.1	Manufactures		68.4
UAE	11.5	Fuels Mining		15.7
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				18.1
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				10.6
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				425,333
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				119,469,982
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				255,030
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	112,714	New Zealand	15,087
	Australia	36,892	Canada	13,626
	UK	19,604	UAE	11,697
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				41,993
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Nepal	8,553	Nigeria	1,948
	Afghanistan	3,723	Malaysia	1,920
	Bhutan	2,473	Sri Lanka	1,612
Credit Point System	In line with advancements in global education the Government of India recently implemented a Choice-Based Credit System (CBCS). CBCS was designed and adapted using the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) with the ambition to define curriculum into smaller measurable units or modules which can be combined towards qualifying for a Certificate, Diploma or Degree. Described as a ‘cafeteria approach’ to learning, the learner is at the centre of all academic transactions and their qualification can be attained in one institution or across multiple institutes. A study year or course is awarded between 36 to 40 Credit Points. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is the national body responsible for assessing and accrediting institutes of higher education			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 120 to 150 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree program requires 100 to 120 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry for Human Resource Development [http://mhrd.gov.in]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry for Human Resource Development [http://mhrd.gov.in]			
Ministry responsible for VET	At the Federal level, the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) is responsible for national education policy and governance which includes the Bureau for Technical Education [http://mhrd.gov.in]			

National Qualification Authority	<p>The National Skill Development Agency (NSDA) is an autonomous body created to co-ordinate and harmonize skills development activities in the country, and is now part of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) [http://www.skilldevelopment.gov.in]. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is an autonomous body established by the University Grants Commission (UGC) of India to assess and accredit institutions of higher education in the country [http://www.naac.gov.in]. The National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC) facilitate operationalisation of the framework [http://www.skilldevelopment.gov.in/nsqf.html]</p>
National Qualifications Framework	<p>Choice-Based Credit System (CBCS)</p>

Indonesia				
Population (2015)				258,162 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				3,503
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	22.7	Agricultural products	12.9	
Singapore	10.7	Manufactures	65.1	
Japan	9.6	Fuels Mining	20.9	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	11.6	Agricultural products	26.5	
USA	11.2	Manufactures	44.1	
Japan	11.1	Fuels Mining	28.6	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				25.9
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				9.8
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				3,175,407 (2015/16)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				21,059,620
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				41,919
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Australia	10,168	Japan	2,387
	USA	8,922	Egypt	2,262
	Malaysia	5,700	UK	2,164
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				Data Not Available
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data Not Available			
Credit Point System	Each full-time study year must be completed with 36 credit points (which equate to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 144 to 160 credits (4+ years) and a Master Degree would require 36 to 72 credits (2+ years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry for Education and Culture [https://kemdikbud.go.id]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry for Education and Culture [https://kemdikbud.go.id]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC) and The Ministry of Manpower and Transmigration [https://www.kemdikbud.go.id]			
National Qualification Authority	Two ministries are responsible for the development of the IQF Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC) [https://kemdikbud.go.id] and The Ministry of Manpower and Transmigration [http://naker.go.id]			
National Qualifications Framework	Indonesian Qualifications Framework (IQF)			

Ireland				
Population (2015)			4,700 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			59,631	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	60.0	Agricultural products	12.9	
USA	16.5	Manufactures	77.7	
China	5.9	Fuels Mining	9.5	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	50.7	Agricultural products	10.9	
USA	25.8	Manufactures	87.0	
Switzerland	5.4	Fuels Mining	2.1	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			37	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			42.8	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			256,192	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			15,628	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	11,448	Germany	429
	USA	988	Netherlands	362
	France	456	Australia	283
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			15,815	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	1,670	USA	1,253
	UK	1,579	Saudi Arabia	1,071
	Malaysia	1,468	Canada	1,070
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Skills [https://www.education.ie/en/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Skills [https://www.education.ie/en/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Skills [https://www.education.ie/en/]			
National Qualification Authority	Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) [http://www.qqi.ie/Pages/Home.aspx]			
National Qualifications Framework	National Qualification Framework (NQF) [https://www.qqi.ie]			

Italy				
Population (2015)			59,504 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			31,999	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	60.5	Agricultural products		13.1
China	7.5	Manufactures		68.0
USA	3.8	Fuels Mining		17.4
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	55.8	Agricultural products		9.3
USA	8.9	Manufactures		83.2
Switzerland	4.6	Fuels Mining		5.5
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				42.4
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				17.7
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				1,703 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				2,922,547
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				56,712
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Italy	9,499	Germany	5,657
	Austria	8,064	Switzerland	4,826
	France	6,729	Spain	4,752
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				90,419
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	12,581	Iran, Islamic Rep	3,495
	Albania	11,460	Greece	2,984
	Romania	7,630	Cameroon	2,753
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 120 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) [http://www.miur.gov.it]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) [http://www.miur.gov.it]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) [http://www.miur.gov.it]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Labour and Social Policies [http://www.lavoro.gov.it/Pagine/default.aspx] The Institute for the Development of Vocational Training for Workers (ISFOL) [http://www.isfol.it]			
National Qualifications Framework	Quadro dei Titoli Italiano dell'Istruzione Superiore (Italian Qualifications Framework for Higher Education) [http://www.quadrodeititoli.it]			

Japan				
Population (2015)			127,975 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			37,191	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	25.8	Agricultural products	11.3	
EU	12.4	Manufactures	57.1	
USA	11.4	Fuels Mining	29.4	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
USA	20.2	Agricultural products	1.6	
China	17.6	Manufactures	87.2	
EU	11.4	Fuels Mining	4.3	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			50.5	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			13,609 (2014)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			6,095,805	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			30,179	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	15,075	Australia	1,672
	UK	3,089	France	1,540
	Germany	1,756	Canada	1,419
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			132,685	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	85,226	Nepal	3,132
	Korea Rep of	14,958	Indonesia	2,387
	Viet Nam	6,071	Thailand	2,256
Credit Point System	Each full-time study year must be completed with 31 credit points (which equate to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree requires 124 credits (4+ years) and a Masters Degree requires 30 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology [http://www.mext.go.jp/en/index.htm]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology [http://www.mext.go.jp/en/index.htm]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology [http://www.mext.go.jp/en/index.htm]			
National Qualification Authority	The National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education (NIAD-QE) is responsible for accrediting qualifications. NIAD-QE conducts certified evaluation and accreditation (CEA) of universities, junior colleges, colleges of technology, and professional graduate schools based on their own standards for evaluation and accreditation five years. TVET CEA only applies to colleges of technology. Specialised training colleges, miscellaneous schools, polytechnic centers, and affiliated professional schools are not covered [http://www.niad.ac.jp/english/]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Cabinet Office of Japan (CAO) set up a technical task force in 2011 to develop the Japanese version of NVQ (based on the UK's NQF) by 2020. The prototype Japanese version of NVQ (JQF), called "Kyaria Dani Seido," is inspired by the European Qualification Framework (EQF).			

Kazakhstan				
Population (2015)			17,750 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			10,170	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
Russian Fed	36.3	Agricultural products	10.2	
EU	22.6	Manufactures	85.5	
China	14.6	Fuels Mining	4.1	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	50.3	Agricultural products	5.4	
China	11.5	Manufactures	11.0	
Russian Fed	9.5	Fuels Mining	75.1	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			196,236 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			1,347,779	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			77,965	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Russian Fed	59,295	Turkey	1,799
	Kyrgyzstan	4,828	UK	1,596
	USA	2,006	Czech Rep	1,446
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			12,533	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Uzbekistan	3,607	Kyrgyzstan	1,101
	India	1,716	Russian Fed	1,097
	China	1,154	Turkmenistan	998
Credit Point System	The Government of Kazakhstan adopted a new Law on Education in 2007 which began the process of integrating the Kazakh higher education system with the Bologna Process. By 2011 universities in Kazakhstan had begun to transfer Kazakh credits into European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the new grading system. The 2007 Law on Education stipulates that the duration of a Bachelor Degree programme is determined by the State Compulsory Standard of higher education and must be no less than 4 years while a Masters Degree must be no less than 1 year			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 240 credits (4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 120 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Science [http://edu.gov.kz/ru/index.php]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Science [http://edu.gov.kz/ru/index.php]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Science [http://edu.gov.kz/ru/index.php]			
National Qualification Authority	The Ministry of Education and Science and the Ministry of Health and Social Development adopted the NQF in 2012. The Ministry of Education and Science [http://edu.gov.kz/ru/index.php] and the now Ministry and the now Ministry of Labour and Social Protection [https://www.enbek.gov.kz/kk] are responsible for implementation of the framework.			

National Qualifications Framework

Kazakhstan is a member of the Bologna Process in higher education since 2011 and as such is bound to implement the Qualifications Framework for the European Higher Education Area. Work is ongoing to bring occupational standards in line with the framework. The National Occupations Classifier (NOC) was developed by the Workforce Development Center within the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection and is coordinated with local executive bodies of regions, Almaty and Astana, with 21 state agencies, 38 employers' associations, the Federation of Trade Unions of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the National Chamber of Entrepreneurs, and 20 different organisations. The NOC will be implemented from January 2018.

Republic of Korea				
Population (2015)			25,244 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			27,484	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	21.4	Agricultural products	7.6	
EU	12.8	Manufactures	61.6	
Japan	11.7	Fuels Mining	30.4	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	25.1	Agricultural products	2.1	
USA	13.5	Manufactures	89.4	
EU	9.5	Fuels Mining	8.3	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Agricultural products	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Manufactures	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			Data Not Available	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			770,092	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			108,047	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	63,952	UK	4,752
	Japan	14,958	Canada	4,685
	Australia	6,234	Germany	4,078
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			54,540	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	34,513	USA	1,355
	Vietnam	2,548	Japan	1,286
	Mongolia	2,129	Indonesia	841
Credit Point System	Most Higher Education Institutes have adopted the USA credit point system. Each full-time study year must be completed with 3 credit points (equates to 5 European ECTS).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 130 to 180 credit (4 to 6 years) and a Masters Degree 24 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education [http://english.moe.go.kr]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education [http://english.moe.go.kr]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Employment and Labour (MOEL) [http://www.moel.go.kr/english/main.jsp]			
National Qualification Authority	The KQF was initiated in 2003 by the Ministry of Education (MOE) in consultation with the Ministry of Employment and Labour (MOEL) and the Ministry of Trade and Industry. More recently the focus has shifted to the development of an articulation system between the traditional higher education system and the vocational training and qualifications systems: the Korean Skills Standards (KSS) system which was developed and operated by MOE and the National Occupation System (NOS) which was developed and operated by MOEL. Ministry of Education [http://english.moe.go.kr] and Ministry of Employment and Labour (MOEL) [http://www.moel.go.kr/english/main.jsp]			
National Qualifications Framework	[http://www.unescobkk.org/fileadmin/user_upload/apeid/NQF/Korea.pdf]			

Lao PR				
Population (2015)			6,664 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			1,811	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
Data Not Available		Data Not Available		
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
Data Not Available		Data Not Available		
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			13,110 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			770,092	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			3,460	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Viet Nam	1,772	Japan	203
	Thailand	793	France	69
	Australia	207	Korea Rep	69
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			315	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Viet Nam	167	Cambodia	17
	China	91	Japan	10
	Korea Rep	28	Turkey	<5
Credit Point System	There is currently no overall national qualifications framework that relates all levels of education, training and qualifications and identifies the pathways between them. A development of a NQF is in the initial stages with the most recent draft proposing an 8 level structure.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	At the present time, there are a wide range of formal, non-formal and informal curricula, certificates and diplomas available from many institutions and organisations. There is no reliable method of assessing the value of any given certificate. Bachelor Degree program duration is 5 to 7 years depending on the nature of the program and Masters Degree Program duration is a minimum of 2 years			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES) [http://www.moe.gov.la]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES) [http://www.moe.gov.la]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES) [http://www.moe.gov.la]			
National Qualification Authority	Education Quality Assurance Center, MoES and Department of Technical Vocational Education, MOES [http://www.moe.gov.la]			
National Qualifications Framework	Overview available from World Bank Lao PDR Report on Standards and Qualifications (2015)			

Latvia				
Population (2015)			1,993 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			14,460	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	79.8	Agricultural products	30.7	
Russian Fed	7.7	Manufactures	61.0	
China	3.3	Fuels Mining	8.3	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	73.8	Agricultural products	30.7	
Russian Fed	7.6	Manufactures	61.0	
Norway	2.3	Fuels Mining	8.3	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			55.3	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			33.4	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			4, 477 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			133,758	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			6,120	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	1,839	Russian Fed	622
	Denmark	870	Netherlands	560
	Germany	639	USA	271
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			5,255	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Germany	841	Sweden	260
	Uzbekistan	625	Kazakhstan	257
	Russian Fed	509	Belarus	200
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education and Science [http://www.izm.gov.lv/en/education]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education and Science [http://www.izm.gov.lv/en/education]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education and Science [http://www.izm.gov.lv/en/education]			
National Qualification Authority	The Ministry of Education and Science is responsible for developing and implementing the LQF [http://www.izm.gov.lv/en/education]. The Academic Information Centre is responsible for referencing qualifications to the framework [Academic Information Centre]			
National Qualifications Framework	Latvian Qualifications Framework (LQF) [http://www.nki-latvija.lv/en]			

Lithuania				
Population (2015)			2,932 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			15,254	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	70.5	Agricultural products	15.7	
Russian Fed	14.4	Manufactures	61.8	
China	2.9	Fuels Mining	22.0	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	60.7	Agricultural products	21.5	
Russian Fed	13.5	Manufactures	60.0	
USA	5.2	Fuels Mining	17.7	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			52.8	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			39.7	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			19,903 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			216,527	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			11,951	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	4,867	Netherlands	853
	Denmark	1,575	Germany	849
	Poland	957	Russian Fed	355
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			4,975	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Belarus	1,312	India	174
	Nigeria	188	Spain	154
	Russian Fed	182	UK	148
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 210 credits (3 to 3.5 years) and a Masters Degree requires 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education and Science [https://www.smm.lt/en]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education and Science [https://www.smm.lt/en]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education and Science. The Ministry of Economy participates in creating and implementing human resources development policy, VET policy, and organises research on future skill needs and disseminates its results for career counselling purposes.			
National Qualification Authority	MoES is responsible for development of LTQF. The Qualifications and VET Development Centre (QVETDC) is responsible for promotion and implementation of LTQF [http://www.kpmc.lt/index_en.html]			
National Qualifications Framework	Lithuanian Qualifications Framework (LTQF)			

Luxembourg				
Population (2015)			567 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			107,623	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	74.7	Agricultural products		12.1
USA	6.6	Manufactures		73.9
Japan	2.6	Fuels Mining		12.8
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	80.0	Agricultural products		9.3
USA	3.2	Manufactures		84.5
Switzerland	2.0	Fuels Mining		4.2
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			36	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			42.9	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			702 (2014)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			34,114	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			9,981	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Germany	3,585	UK	1,068
	Belgium	1,933	Austria	872
	France	1,343	Switzerland	537
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			2,976	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	France	885	Italy	90
	Germany	487	Romania	71
	Belgium	445	China	57
Credit Point System	Qualification Framework of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits and a Masters Degree requires 60 to 120 credits			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of National Education Childhood and Youth [http://www.men.public.lu/home/index.html] and Ministry of Higher Education and Research [http://www.mesr.public.lu]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of National Education Childhood and Youth [http://www.men.public.lu/home/index.html] and Ministry of Higher Education and Research [http://www.mesr.public.lu]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of National Education Childhood and Youth [http://www.men.public.lu/home/index.html] and Ministry of Higher Education and Research [http://www.mesr.public.lu]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of National Education Childhood and Youth [http://www.men.public.lu/home/index.html] and Ministry of Higher Education and Research [http://www.mesr.public.lu]			
National Qualifications Framework	Luxembourg Qualifications Framework (CLQ)			

Malaysia				
Population (2015)			30,723 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			9,948	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	20.4	Agricultural products		10.5
Singapore	10.4	Manufactures		69.4
EU	9.9	Fuels Mining		18.1
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
Singapore	14.6	Agricultural products		12.7
China	12.5	Manufactures		66.5
USA	10.2	Fuels Mining		20.4
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			7,624 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			3,135,630	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			64,480	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	15,583	Egypt	5,067
	Australia	14,967	Jordan	3,071
	USA	7,858	Russian Fed	2,459
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			60,244	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Bangladesh	6,534	Nigeria	4,943
	Indonesia	5,700	Iran, Islamic Rep	3,293
	China	4,956	Yemen	2,731
Credit Point System	Each full-time study year must be completed with 34 credit points (which equate to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree requires 120 credits (3 to 5 years) and a Masters Degree requires 60 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education [https://www.moe.gov.my/index.php/en/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education [https://www.moe.gov.my/index.php/en/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education [https://www.moe.gov.my/index.php/en/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) [http://mohe.gov.my/en/] with the Ministry of Human Resources (MHR) are the regulatory authorities. The Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) is responsible for management and implementation of the framework [http://www.mqa.gov.my/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Malaysian Qualifications Framework (MQF) http://www.mqa.gov.my/portalmqav3/red/en/mqf.cfm			

Malta				
Population (2015)			428 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			25,196	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	49.7	Agricultural products	11.1	
Cayman Islands	10.2	Manufactures	65.8	
Canada	9.0	Fuels Mining	23.0	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	30.9	Agricultural products	10.5	
USA	20.3	Manufactures	74.6	
Egypt	8.3	Fuels Mining	13.9	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			3,081 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			27,869	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			1,246	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	974	Ireland	28
	USA	30	Italy	28
	Germany	30	Hungary	23
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			821	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	UK	185	Italy	41
	Kuwait	86	Russian Fed	34
	Bulgaria	43	Germany	33
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education [https://education.gov.mt/en/Pages/educ.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education [https://education.gov.mt/en/Pages/educ.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education and Employment [https://education.gov.mt/en/Pages/educ.aspx and http://dier.gov.mt/en/Pages/home.aspx]			
National Qualification Authority	National Commission for Further and Higher Education (NCFHE) [http://www.ncfhe.org.mt]			
National Qualifications Framework	Malta Qualifications Framework (MQF) [http://ncfhe.gov.mt/en/Pages/MQF.aspx]			

Mongolia				
Population (2015)			2,977 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			3,922	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	35.8	Agricultural products		12.8
Russian Fed	26.9	Manufactures		63.0
EU	9.8	Fuels Mining		23.5
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	83.5	Agricultural products		7.5
EU	8.6	Manufactures		80.2
Switzerland	2.3	Fuels Mining		3.2
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			7,283 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			261,846	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			9,635	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Korea Rep of	2,129	Japan	1,047
	USA	1,519	Turkey	912
	Russian Fed	1,284	Kazakhstan	523
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			1,245	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	561	Turkey	63
	Russian Fed	254	Lao PDR	42
	Korea Rep	176	Viet Nam	23
Credit Point System	The National Qualifications Framework is a relatively new concept for Mongolia. Currently, there is no NQF nor are there sectoral QFs, although discussions have been had regarding development of a TVET QF. The Ministry of Labor is eager to continue this initiative however there are many issues to solve before such a system can be put in place			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Tertiary education offers four levels of qualifications: Diploma level 90 credit hours, Bachelor Degree 120 credits, Master's Degree 150 credits and Doctoral Degree 210 credits			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education Culture and Science [http://zasag.mn/en/m/mes]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education Culture and Science [http://zasag.mn/en/m/mes]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education Culture and Science and Mongolian Ministry of Labour [http://zasag.mn/en/m/mes]			
National Qualification Authority	The Ministry of Education Culture and Science [http://zasag.mn/en/m/mes]. The Mongolian Agency for Standardization and Metrology (MASM) is the government agency responsible for registering and maintaining standards [http://www.en.masm.gov.mn].			
National Qualifications Framework	Overview available from World Bank Mongolia Report on Standards and Qualifications (2015)			

Myanmar				
Population (2015)			52,404 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			1,231	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	34.4	Agricultural products		4.9
Singapore	14.5	Manufactures		75.1
Thailand	12.7	Fuels Mining		12.3
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
China	40.8	Agricultural products		26.5
Thailand	19.2	Manufactures		29.5
India	8.9	Fuels Mining		43.8
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			Data Not Available	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			4,783,966	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			7,450	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Thailand	1,620	Australia	775
	USA	1,209	Russian Fed	511
	Japan	1,193	Malaysia	404
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			Data Not Available	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted			Data Not Available	
Credit Point System			Myanmar started developing their MNQF in 2013. The National Education Law of 2014 planned for NQF to cover all sectors (Basic Education through to TVET and Higher Ed). The proposed framework will be 8 levels. Strategic Objectives for 2025 include the establishment of a National Institute for Higher Education Development (NIHED) to improve governance and the establishment of a Higher Education Quality Assurance Agency. As yet there is no accrediting agency for the Higher Education sector.	
Bachelor-Masters Structure			Completing a Bachelors Degree takes 3 to 5 years. Master degrees take 1 to 3 years	
Key Websites				
Education System			Ministry for Education [http://www.moe.gov.mm/en/]	
Ministry responsible for Higher Education			Ministry for Education [http://www.moe.gov.mm/en/]	
Ministry responsible for VET			Ministry for Education [http://dtve.moe-st.gov.mm]	
National Qualification Authority			Data Not Available	
National Qualifications Framework			Data Not Available	

Netherlands				
Population (2015)				16,938 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				47,271
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	52.9	Agricultural products		13.3
China	9.0	Manufactures		66.5
USA	8.5	Fuels Mining		19.8
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	71.9	Agricultural products		16.8
USA	4.2	Manufactures		66.2
China	2.0	Fuels Mining		16.4
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				41.1
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				36
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				567 (2014)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				1,016,406
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				15,097
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Belgium	3,601	Germany	1,184
	UK	3,326	France	568
	USA	1,844	Denmark	421
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				86,189
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Germany	23,579	Italy	2,401
	China	4,804	Greece	2,292
	Belgium	2,677	UK	2,060
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education Culture and Science [https://www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-education-culture-and-science]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education Culture and Science [https://www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-education-culture-and-science]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education Culture and Science [https://www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-education-culture-and-science] and Ministry of Economic Affairs [https://www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-economic-affairs-and-climate-policy]			
National Qualification Authority	CINOP Knowledge Centre for Recognition of Prior Learning [http://www.ncpnlqf.nl]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Netherlands Qualifications Framework (NLQF) [http://nlqf.nl/English]			

New Zealand				
Population (2015)			4,615 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			39,739	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	20.0	Agricultural products	12.3	
EU	18.0	Manufactures	74.4	
Australia	12.6	Fuels Mining	11.8	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	19.5	Agricultural products	68.6	
Australia	17.1	Manufactures	21.9	
USA	10.9	Fuels Mining	4.8	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			40.3	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			36.3	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			47,648 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			321,780	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			5,397	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Australia	2,423	Canada	153
	USA	1,448	Germany	138
	UK	513	Japan	81
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			53,854	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	16,626	USA	2,484
	India	15,017	Malaysia	1,640
	Australia	2,556	Philippines	1,495
Credit Point System	<p>The New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF) was established under section 248 of the Education Act 1989. It was first developed as a single unified framework on 1 July 2010 under the former section 253 (1) (c) of the Act and was fully introduced into the Act in the August 2011 legislative amendment (the new section 248). The New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) administers the NZQF, which is the definitive source for accurate information about all quality assured qualifications, covering senior secondary school and tertiary education qualifications, and including all qualifications open to international students. All qualifications on the NZQF have a credit value as the main grading system. One credit is equivalent to ten notional learning hours. A typical learner can usually complete 120 credits of learning in a year.</p>			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	<p>Completing a Bachelor's Degree requires earning a minimum of 360 credits from levels 5 to 7. Some Bachelor's Degrees, notably in professional fields such as engineering, the health sciences and law, encompass additional credits and may require a longer period of study. For example, an eight-semester (four-year) degree would normally be equivalent to 480 credits. Of the credits required for a Bachelor Degree, a minimum of 72 credits must be at level 7 or higher. A Bachelor Honours Degree may be either a 480-credit degree, or a discrete 120-credit degree following a Bachelor Degree. A Master's Degree is at least 240 credits (2 years) with a minimum of 40 credits at level 9</p>			

Key Websites	
Education System	Ministry of Education [https://www.education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/]
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education [https://www.education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/]
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education [https://www.education.govt.nz/further-education/]
National Qualification Authority	The New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) [http://www.nzqa.govt.nz]
National Qualifications Framework	The New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF) [http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/studying-in-new-zealand/understand-nz-quals/nzqf/]

Norway				
Population (2015)			5,200 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			80,349	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	62.5	Agricultural products	10.9	
China	11.1	Manufactures	78.9	
USA	6.5	Fuels Mining	9.4	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	78.2	Agricultural products	10.2	
USA	4.2	Manufactures	21.6	
China	2.6	Fuels Mining	64.6	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			39.2	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			43	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			6,839 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			349,731	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			18,546	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	5,206	Poland	1,569
	Denmark	3,450	Hungary	945
	USA	2,382	Australia	853
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			9,522	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Sweden	776	Germany	479
	China	685	Nepal	457
	Russian Fed	550	Iran, Islamic Rep	376
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.regjeringen.no/en/dep/kd/id586/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.regjeringen.no/en/dep/kd/id586/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.regjeringen.no/en/dep/kd/id586/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education and Research [https://www.regjeringen.no/en/dep/kd/id586/]. Coordination of the Norwegian National Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning (Nasjonalt kvalifikasjonsrammeverk for livslang læring) (NKR) is the responsibility of the Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education (NOKUT). [https://www.nokut.no/en]			
National Qualifications Framework	[http://www.nokut.no/Documents/NOKUT/Artikkelbibliotek/Norsk_utdanning/NKR/The_referencing_report.pdf]			

Pakistan				
Population (2015)			189,381 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			1,401	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	29.1	Agricultural products	16.2	
UAE	13.2	Manufactures	56.5	
EU	10.2	Fuels Mining	26.5	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	33.7	Agricultural products	21.0	
USA	16.7	Manufactures	75.7	
China	7.7	Fuels Mining	2.7	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			13,876 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			18,852,631	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			47,164	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Australia	8,200	UAE	4,276
	UK	6,645	Saudi Arabia	4,159
	USA	5,241	Germany	2,713
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			Data Not Available	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data Not Available			
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Pakistan. One credit is the equivalent of 10 hours of learning.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying a modified version of ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 68 to 72 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires 124 to 140 credits (2 years), Bachelor (Hons) Degree is 3 years, a Professional Bachelors Degree is 4 years. A Masters Degree requires 30 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry for Federal Education and Professional Training [http://www.moent.gov.pk/default.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry for Federal Education and Professional Training [http://www.moent.gov.pk/default.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry for Federal Education and Professional Training [http://www.moent.gov.pk/default.aspx]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry for Federal Education and Professional Training [http://www.moent.gov.pk/default.aspx]. Pakistan is developing its NQF incrementally in phases: the development and implementation of a Pakistan National Vocational Qualifications Framework (NVQF) for TVET is a National Skills Strategy reform priority and is currently being implemented. The National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTTC) works with provincial Technical and Vocational Training Authorities (TEVTAs) to develop and implement the NQF [www.navttc.org]			
National Qualifications Framework	The National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTTC) [www.navttc.org].			

Philippines				
Population (2015)			101,716 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			2,878	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	18.5	Agricultural products	12.4	
Japan	11.9	Manufactures	73.9	
USA	8.9	Fuels Mining	13.6	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
Japan	20.7	Agricultural products	8.7	
USA	15.4	Manufactures	84.1	
EU	12.1	Fuels Mining	6.4	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			Data Not Available	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			9,966,614	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			14,696	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Australia	4,432	UK	698
	USA	3,037	Saudi Arabia	693
	New Zealand	1,105	Italy	561
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			Data Not Available	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted			Data Not Available	
Credit Point System			CHED, TESDA and the Department of Education are currently developing a national qualifications framework known as The PHL Qualifications Framework. The framework will comprise 8 levels: L1, L2, L3, L4 and L5 for Basic education and TESD L6, L7 and L8 for Higher education. The Philippines is involved in the development of the ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework (AQRF) which is the equivalent of EQF.	
Bachelor-Masters Structure			Most bachelor's programmes are of 4-year duration, although some (such as technology- based programmes) can take 5 years. Programme scope is expressed in units. Depending on the specialisation, a bachelor's programme can vary from around 150-210 units. Of these units, by default a considerable number (around 40-50% of the curriculum) is devoted to general education subjects, sport and the national service training program. Programmes do not generally include a thesis but depending on the specialisation might include practical classes and a work placement. Master's programmes normally take 2 years and include at least 30 credits. Students can choose between thesis and non-thesis programmes (the latter attracts a larger number of credits).	
Key Websites				
Education System			Department of Education [http://www.deped.gov.ph]	
Ministry responsible for Higher Education			Department of Education [http://www.deped.gov.ph]	
Ministry responsible for VET			The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) is responsible for managing and supervising the	

	TVET system in the Philippines [http://www.tesda.gov.ph]
National Qualification Authority	Department of Education [http://www.deped.gov.ph]. The National Coordinating Council (NCC) is an umbrella organisation chaired by the Secretary of the Department of Education (DepEd) comprising the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA); the Commission on Higher Education (CHED); the Department of Labour and Employment (DOLE); and the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC)
National Qualifications Framework	The PHL Qualifications Framework [http://www.deped.gov.ph]

Poland				
Population (2015)			38,265 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			13,069	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	59.6	Agricultural products	10.3	
China	12.4	Manufactures	78.0	
Russian Fed	6.1	Fuels Mining	10.9	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	78.9	Agricultural products	14.2	
Russian Fed	2.9	Manufactures	78.7	
USA	2.4	Fuels Mining	6.9	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			62.6	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			28.7	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			273,169 (2014)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			2,587,832	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			24,051	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Germany	5,508	Italy	1,322
	UK	5,184	USA	1,318
	France	1,813	Denmark	1,261
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			34,664	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Ukraine	14,756	Sweden	1,242
	Belarus	3,704	Spain	1,046
	Norway	1,569	Lithuania	957
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Science and Higher Education [http://www.nauka.gov.pl/en/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Science and Higher Education [http://www.nauka.gov.pl/en/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry for Labour and Social Policy [https://www.mpips.gov.pl/en/]			
National Qualification Authority	The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA) was established in 2017 as the national coordination body [http://www.buwiwm.edu.pl/eng/index.htm]			
National Qualifications Framework	[http://www.buwiwm.edu.pl/eng/index.htm]			

Portugal				
Population (2015)			10,418 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			20,393	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	77.7	Agricultural products	16.9	
China	3.0	Manufactures	67.1	
Russian Fed	1.9	Fuels Mining	16.0	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	74.7	Agricultural products	14.9	
USA	4.9	Manufactures	74.8	
Angola	3.0	Fuels Mining	9.9	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			23.1	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			23.8	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			12,179 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			545,473	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			12,267	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	2,521	USA	887
	Spain	1,776	Brazil	806
	France	1,659	Germany	595
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			16,888	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Brazil	5,438	Spain	823
	Angola	2,364	Mozambique	596
	Cabo Verde	1,899	Italy	435
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry for Science, Technology and Higher Education [https://www.portugal.gov.pt/pt/gc21/area-de-governo/ciencia-tecnologia-e-ensino-superior]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry for Science, Technology and Higher Education [https://www.portugal.gov.pt/pt/gc21/area-de-governo/ciencia-tecnologia-e-ensino-superior]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The central government has overall responsibility for vocational education and training. The Ministry of Labour through the Institute for Employment and Vocational Training (IEFP), is responsible for apprenticeship programmes [https://www.portugal.gov.pt/pt/gc21/governo/composicao]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry for Science, Technology and Higher Education [https://www.portugal.gov.pt/pt/gc21/area-de-governo/ciencia-tecnologia-e-ensino-superior]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry for Science, Technology and Higher Education [https://www.portugal.gov.pt/pt/gc21/area-de-governo/ciencia-tecnologia-e-ensino-superior]			

Romania				
Population (2015)				19,877 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				9,467
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	77.1	Agricultural products		10.9
China	5.1	Manufactures		79.7
Turkey	3.8	Fuels Mining		9.1
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	75.0	Agricultural products		12.7
Turkey	3.2	Manufactures		79.6
Russian Fed	1.7	Fuels Mining		7.1
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				Data Not Available
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				Data Not Available
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				105,557 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				1,017,758
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				33,408
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Italy	7,630	Germany	2,471
	UK	6,505	Denmark	2,449
	France	3,506	Spain	2,152
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				23,073
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Rep of Moldova	6,861	Tunisia	1,233
	Israel	2,050	Italy	1,192
	France	1,727	Greece	1,090
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, universities in the EU and EEA countries use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) as the main grading system in universities, as well as a way to keep track of credit transfers for students coming from these countries			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree requires 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry for National Education [http://beta.edu.ro]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry for National Education [http://beta.edu.ro]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry for National Education [http://beta.edu.ro]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry for National Education [http://beta.edu.ro]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry for National Education [http://beta.edu.ro]			

Russia Federation				
Population (2015)			143,888 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			10,946	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	38.2	Agricultural products	14.7	
China	20.9	Manufactures	75.5	
USA	6.1	Fuels Mining	3.9	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	45.8	Agricultural products	8.0	
China	9.8	Manufactures	22.3	
Belarus	4.9	Fuels Mining	67.4	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			39.3	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			56.6	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			51,749 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			8,200,126	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			56,328	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Germany	9,953	UK	3,933
	Czech Republic	5,305	France	3,599
	USA	5,203	Finland	2,799
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			226,431	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Kazakhstan	59,295	Turkmenistan	16,332
	Ukraine	21,817	Uzbekistan	16,162
	Belarus	18,804	Azerbaijan	14,083
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Science [http://government.ru/en/department/33/events/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Science [http://government.ru/en/department/33/events/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Science [http://government.ru/en/department/33/events/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education and Science [http://government.ru/en/department/33/events/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry of Education and Science [http://government.ru/en/department/33/events/]			

Singapore				
Population (2015)			5,535 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			54,296	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	14.3	Agricultural products	4.6	
EU	13.6	Manufactures	69.4	
Malaysia	11.4	Fuels Mining	23.5	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	13.0	Agricultural products	3.3	
HK China	12.6	Manufactures	75.8	
Malaysia	10.6	Fuels Mining	13.7	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			28,442	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			24,135	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Australia	8,759	Malaysia	960
	UK	6,774	Canada	399
	USA	4,678	New Zealand	351
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			Data Not Available	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Data Not Available			
Credit Point System	There is no uniform credit system, most Higher Education Institutions define their own credit point system/regulations.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	The credits required to complete Bachelor and Masters Degrees are defined and regulated by each Higher Education Institute			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education [https://www.moe.gov.sg]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education [https://www.moe.gov.sg]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education [https://www.moe.gov.sg]			
National Qualification Authority	There is no uniform credit system, most Higher Education Institutions define their own credit point system/regulations.			
National Qualifications Framework	There is no uniform credit system, most Higher Education Institutions define their own credit point system/regulations.			

Slovakia				
Population (2015)				5,439 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				17,079
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	58.3	Agricultural products		6.8
China	8.4	Manufactures		10.8
Korea Rep	6.0	Fuels Mining		82.2
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	85.1	Agricultural products		6.8
USA	2.4	Manufactures		82.2
Russian Fed	2.0	Fuels Mining		10.8
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				69.8
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				22
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				15,326
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				360,784
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				31,472
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Czech Republic	22,922	Austria	1,127
	Hungary	1,893	Germany	931
	UK	1,393	Denmark	778
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				10,876
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Czech Rep	5,045	Germany	536
	Greece	874	Ukraine	514
	Norway	537	Serbia	510
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree would require 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 3 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport [https://www.minedu.sk/about-the-ministry/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport [https://www.minedu.sk/about-the-ministry/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport [https://www.minedu.sk/about-the-ministry/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport [https://www.minedu.sk/about-the-ministry/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport [https://www.minedu.sk/about-the-ministry/]			

Slovenia				
Population (2015)				2,075 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				22,045
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	70.8	Agricultural products		11.5
China	6.5	Manufactures		73.0
USA	2.5	Fuels Mining		15.5
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	76.6	Agricultural products		8.1
Serbia	3.5	Manufactures		82.6
Russian Fed	3.3	Fuels Mining		0.2
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				8.1
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				82.6
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				47,513 (2015/2016)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				109,280
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				2,709
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	Austria	561	USA	212
	Germany	401	Italy	208
	UK	357	Netherlands	179
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				2,489
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Croatia	769	Serbia	245
	TFYR Macedonia	500	Italy	172
	Bosnia/Herzegovina	273	Montenegro	58
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits. Completing a Bachelors Degree requires 180 to 240 credits (3 to 4 years) and a Masters Degree 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport [http://www.mizs.gov.si/en/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport [http://www.mizs.gov.si/en/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport [http://www.mizs.gov.si/en/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport [http://www.mizs.gov.si/en/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport [http://www.mizs.gov.si/en/]			

Spain				
Population (2015)				46,398 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				27,331
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	56.4	Agricultural products		12.5
China	8.7	Manufactures		70.0
USA	4.8	Fuels Mining		16.7
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	65.5	Agricultural products		17.4
USA	4.5	Manufactures		70.9
Morocco	2.7	Fuels Mining		9.8
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				22.6
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				35.7
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				27,985 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				2,190,165
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				33,225
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	6,531	France	4,638
	Germany	5,138	Netherlands	1,531
	USA	4,864	Poland	1,046
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				56,361
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Colombia	5,754	Ecuador	3,439
	Italy	4,752	Morocco	3,071
	Peru	3,490	France	2,801
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 240 to 300 credits (4 to 5 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport [http://www.mecd.gob.es/portada-mecd/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport [http://www.mecd.gob.es/portada-mecd/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport (initial VET) [http://www.mecd.gob.es/portada-mecd/] and The Ministry of Employment and Social Security for employment related VET and CVET [http://www.empleo.gob.es/en/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport [http://www.mecd.gob.es/portada-mecd/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport [http://www.mecd.gob.es/portada-mecd/]			

Sweden				
Population (2015)				9,764 (thousands)
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)				53,422
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	71.7	Agricultural products		12.4
Norway	8.2	Manufactures		75.0
China	4.6	Fuels Mining		12.6
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product		%
EU	57.9	Agricultural products		10.4
Norway	10.1	Manufactures		77.2
USA	7.0	Fuels Mining		10.6
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)				41.6
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education				41.1
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				22,468 (2015)
Students Enrolled in Higher Education				687,884
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students				17,478
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	4,294	Poland	1,242
	UK	3,204	Norway	776
	Denmark	2,160	Australia	679
Number of Higher Education Students hosted				26,672
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	2,337	India	1,354
	Finland	1,906	Iran, Islamic Rep	1,303
	Germany	1,804	Pakistan	788
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 120 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Research [http://www.government.se/government-of-sweden/ministry-of-education-and-research/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Research [http://www.government.se/government-of-sweden/ministry-of-education-and-research/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Research [http://www.government.se/government-of-sweden/ministry-of-education-and-research/]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education and Research [http://www.government.se/government-of-sweden/ministry-of-education-and-research/]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry of Education and Research [http://www.government.se/government-of-sweden/ministry-of-education-and-research/]			

Switzerland				
Population (2015)			8,320 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			82,301	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	56.0	Agricultural products	5.0	
USA	8.9	Manufactures	61.5	
UAE	6.2	Fuels Mining	5.4	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	48.4	Agricultural products	3.2	
USA	12.1	Manufactures	68.5	
China	9.0	Fuels Mining	2.6	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			46.2	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			41.2	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			13,625 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			510,558	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			12,385	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	UK	3,075	France	1,145
	Germany	2,501	Austria	846
	USA	1,263	Italy	781
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			50,591	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Germany	11,742	China	1,388
	France	9,280	Austria	1,349
	Italy	4,826	Russian Fed	1,011
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 180 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 90 to 120 credits (1.5 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER) [https://www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/departments/departement-of-economic-affairs-education-research-eaer.html]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER) [https://www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/departments/departement-of-economic-affairs-education-research-eaer.html]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER) [https://www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/departments/departement-of-economic-affairs-education-research-eaer.html]			
National Qualification Authority	The Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER)			
National Qualifications Framework	The Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (EAER)			

Thailand				
Population (2015)			68,658 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			5,873	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	20.3	Agricultural products	7.9	
Japan	15.4	Manufactures	69.6	
EU	8.9	Fuels Mining	18.5	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
USA	11.2	Agricultural products	17.0	
China	11.1	Manufactures	74.6	
EU	10.3	Fuels Mining	5.0	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			32.67	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			57.20	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)				
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			4,575,455	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			28,339	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	7,052	Japan	2,256
	UK	6,246	Egypt	1,958
	Australia	4,751	Malaysia	1,361
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			12,274	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	4,544	Lao PDR	793
	Myanmar	4,544	Viet Nam	748
	Cambodia	1,182	USA	416
Credit Point System	Each full-time study year must be completed with 30 credit points (which equate to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 120 to 180 credit points (4 to 6 years) and a Masters Degree requires a minimum 45 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	The Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.go.th/moe/th/home/]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	The Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.go.th/moe/th/home/]			
Ministry responsible for VET	The Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.go.th/moe/th/home/]			
National Qualification Authority	The Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.go.th/moe/th/home/]			
National Qualifications Framework	The Ministry of Education [http://www.moe.go.th/moe/th/home/]			

United Kingdom				
Population (2015)			65,397 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			43,501	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	51.9	Agricultural products	11.3	
China	9.4	Manufactures	73.6	
USA	9.0	Fuels Mining	10.6	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
EU	47.0	Agricultural products	7.0	
USA	15.0	Manufactures	72.3	
Switzerland	4.8	Fuels Mining	10.5	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			34.8	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			46	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			331,880 (apprenticeships only)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			4,166,196	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			31,078	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	9,601	Germany	1,798
	France	2,110	Australia	1,592
	Netherlands	2,060	Ireland	1,579
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			428,724	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	China	86,204	Malaysia	15,583
	India	19,604	USA	14,950
	Nigeria	17,973	HK China	14,693
Credit Point System	Aligned to the Bologna Process, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is widely accepted and implemented as the grading system in universities in Russia.			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Applying the ECTS, a full study year normally consists of 60 credits, so completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 360 credits (3 years) and a Masters Degree would require 60 to 90 credits (1 to 2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Department for Education [https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Department for Education [https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education]			
Ministry responsible for VET	There is a complex institutional framework in the UK VET sector with the Department for Education (DfE) having policy-making responsibilities in England; the Department of Education (DE) and the Department for the Economy are responsible for Northern Ireland, the Welsh Government's Department for Education and Public Services and Department for Economy, Skills and Infrastructure are responsible for Wales and the Department of Learning and the Department of Lifelong Learning of the Scottish Government are responsible for Scotland.			
National Qualification Authority	Department for Education [https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education]			
National Qualifications Framework				

Vietnam				
Population (2015)			93,572 (thousands)	
GDP per capita WTO Figures (2016)			2,103	
Import Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
China	29.8	Agricultural products	11.2	
Korea Rep	16.6	Manufactures	75.0	
Japan	8.6	Fuels Mining	8.0	
Export Merchandise				
Country	%	Product	%	
USA	20.7	Agricultural products	15.2	
EU	19.0	Manufactures	81.4	
China	10.2	Fuels Mining	3.4	
% Adults (age 25 to 34) attaining Upper Secondary and Post-Secondary Education (Non-Tertiary)			Data Not Available	
% Adults (age 25 – 34) attaining Tertiary Level Education			Data Not Available	
Number of Trainees enrolled in Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) Vocational Education and Training (VET)			349,651 (2015)	
Students Enrolled in Higher Education			8,554,144	
Number of Outbound Higher Education Students			63,703	
Top 6 destinations for outgoing Higher Education student mobility	USA	19,336	France	5,284
	Australia	13,147	UK	4,236
	Japan	6,071	Korea, Rep	2,548
Number of Higher Education Students hosted			2,874	
Top 6 Countries of Origin for Higher Education student mobility hosted	Lao PDR	1,772	Korea, Rep	276
	Cambodia	381	Mongolia	33
	China	281	France	32
Credit Point System	Since 2007, all universities were required to implement a credit point system: 1 credit point is awarded to 15 classroom hours. Each full-time study year must be completed with a minimum of 30 credit (which equate to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)).			
Bachelor-Masters Structure	Completing a Bachelors Degree would require earning 120 to 220 credits (4 to 6 years) and a Masters Degree would require 30 to 55 credits (2 years).			
Key Websites				
Education System	Ministry of Education and Training [https://moet.gov.vn/Pages/home.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for Higher Education	Ministry of Education and Training [https://moet.gov.vn/Pages/home.aspx]			
Ministry responsible for VET	Ministry of Education and Training [https://moet.gov.vn/Pages/home.aspx]			
National Qualification Authority	Ministry of Education and Training [https://moet.gov.vn/Pages/home.aspx]			
National Qualifications Framework	Ministry of Education and Training [https://moet.gov.vn/Pages/home.aspx]			