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### 1. Introduction

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is to involve the partners of the ValChild project and validation stakeholders, such as local/regional/national qualification agencies and training entities, in:

- the endorsement of VALCHILD validation outcomes,
- an intention to use and/or further develop the VALCHILD line of reasoning in the context of own activities.

The MoU is an elaboration of a model for the professional competences of the childminder'. This model

- contains an overview of the competences required by a childminder;
- can vary from country to country, depending depending on the NQF and the organsiation of the professional group;
- Should provide confidence in the essential work of childminders.

The model should provide insight into the validation process of informal and non-formal learning outcomes for childminders.

The participating organisations and institutes respect each other's similar and/or complementary competencies in the field of childminding and/or assessment, validation, recognition of competencies.

The MoU also expresses a mutual trust between the organisations and institutes who have undersigned the MoU which also signals to other organisations the values and usability of Validation of Prior Learning (VPL) for others working in the childminding sector. The Results of the project are:

- A qualification profile for childminding
- A validation process addressing childminders competences, using the in ValChild developed approach within the framework of the national and European laws and regulations.
- Validation tools, as described in the ValChild Handbook.







## 3. Aims of the Memorandum of Understanding

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) forms the framework for demonstrating the feasibility of validation for childminding competences It promotes:

- The visibility and recognition of the professional competences of the childminders both to employers and to trainers. ValChild, as a European advocate, can then support the model and the interests of the sector and the employees;
- It promotes the establishment of mutual trust and strengthen the cooperation between the partners. In the Memorandum of Understanding the organisations mutually accept their respective criteria and procedures for quality assurance, assessment, validation and recognition of knowledge, skills, and Utilise the valchild results
- of the ValChild results for striving towards a more coherence of the validation and accreditation of competences in the field of childminding. In Europe and at a national level;
- The use of the successfully tested ValChild model, procedure and instruments, for strengthening existing or the development of new systems for the validation of prior learning validation of prior learning in childminding.
- to support the mobility of Childminders.







### 4. Outcomes of the ValChild project

The before mentioned outcomes of the ValChild project are:

- 1. Procedures of Validation of Prior Learning existing in partners' countries
- 2. Qualification profile of a childminder (EQF-level 3) (See Annex A.)
- 3. The VALCHILD procedure of VPL 5 steps
- 4. Tools for Validation of Prior Learning
- 5. Practical examination framework and processes
- 6. Profile of the validation practitioner

These are described in the following documents:

VALCHILD assessment and validation toolbox (in EN, EL, NL, FR, PT)

VALCHILD recommendations and certification scheme (in EN, EL, NL, FR, PT)

# 5. Organisational and administrative issues

### a. Participating Stakeholders

The participating stakeholders gave a written side note asking for stakeholders' consent to include their institutions' titles/names.

#### b. Finances:

Participation in the VALCHILD Memorandum of Understanding is free and participation in sustainability actions will be based on the human and material resources of the signatory parties

### c. Termination of the VALCHILD Memorandum of Understanding

The signatories of the VALCHILD Memorandum of Understanding joint declaration of agreement can communicate the early termination of their membership at any time.

### d. Listing institutions' contact info:

The signatories consent that their institutions' contact info may be published in the MoU recepients list.









### e. Administrative contact for this Memorandum of Understanding:

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# 6. Organisations who consented to the MoU

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