

ANNEXE II – TABLEAU D'ÉQUIVALENCE DES NIVEAUX D'ENSEIGNEMENT/GROUPES D'ANNÉES

Year	European School		National schools																
			United Kingdom				Belgium	Denmark	Germany ^{XI}		Greece		Luxembourg		Netherlands		Austria		
			England, Wales Northern Ireland ^{XII}		Scotland	Folkeskole			Grundschule		Primary		Enseignement fondamental		Basisonderwijs		Volkschule Grundschule		
1 ^I	1st	Primary	year 2	Primary	2	Primaria	1ère	Folkeskole	1.	Grundschule	1st	Primary	Cycle 2	Enseignement fondamental	Groep 3	Basisonderwijs	1.	Volkschule	Grundschule
2	2nd		year 3		3		2ème		2.		2nd		Groep 4		2.				
3	3rd		year 4		4		3ème		3.		3rd		Groep 5		3.				
4	4th		year 5		5		4ème		4.		4th		Groep 6		4.				
5	5th		year 6		6		5ème		5.		5th		Groep 7		5.				
6	1st		Secondary		year 7		Secondary		7		Secondaire		6ème		Gymnasie-skole / hf		Sekundarstufe I		
7	2nd	year 8		1	1ère	7.		1st	6e	2.									
8	3rd	year 9		2	2ème	8.		2nd	5e	3.									
9	4th	year 10		3	3ème	9.		3rd	4e	4.									
10	5th	year 11		4	4ème	10.		1st	3e	1.									
11	6th	year 12		5	5ème	1.		Upper Secondary	2e	2.									
12	7th	year 13		6	6ème	2.			3rd	1re		3.							
																4.			

Year	European School		National schools																
			Italy				Ireland		Spain		France			Portugal		Finland		Sweden	
1 ^{II}	1st	Primary	1a	Scuola Elementare (Primary)			1st	Primary	1°	Cours préparatoire			1°	Ensino Básico	1° ciclo	1	Comprehensive school <i>Peruskoulu</i> <i>Grundläggande utbildning</i>	1	Comprehensive school <i>Grundskola</i>
2	2nd		2a				2nd		2°				2°			2		2	
3	3rd		3a				3rd		3°				3°			3		3	
4	4th		4a				4th		4°				4°			4		4	
5	5th		5a				5th		5°				5°			5		5	
6	1st	Secondary	I	Scuola Media (Lower Secondary)			6th	Junior Certificate	6°	Cours Moyen 1ère année			Enseignement secondaire	1er cycle	6°	Comprehensive school <i>Peruskoulu</i> <i>Grundläggande utbildning</i>	6	Comprehensive school <i>Grundskola</i>	
7	2nd		II				1st		1°						7°		7		7
8	3rd		III				2nd		2°						8°		8		8
9	4th		IV	Ginnasio	1st	Liceo Scientifico	3rd	Senior Certificate	3°	Cours Moyen 2ème année			Enseignement secondaire	2ème cycle	9°	Upper Sec. <i>Lukokoulu</i> <i>Gymnasie-utbildning</i>	9	Upper Secondary <i>Gymnasium</i>	
10	5th		V				4th Transition		4°						10°		10/1		10/1
11	6th		I	Liceo Classico	2nd	Liceo Scientifico	5th	Senior Certificate	5°	Seconde			Enseignement secondaire	2ème cycle	11°	Upper Sec. <i>Lukokoulu</i> <i>Gymnasie-utbildning</i>	11/2	Upper Secondary <i>Gymnasium</i>	
12	7th		II				6th		6°						12°		12/3		12/3
			III	Liceo Classico	Liceo Scientifico		Senior Certificate	2°	Terminale			Enseignement secondaire	2ème cycle	12°	Upper Sec. <i>Lukokoulu</i> <i>Gymnasie-utbildning</i>	3	Upper Secondary <i>Gymnasium</i>		

		European School		National schools																								
				Czech Republic				Cyprus		Estonia			Hungary				Latvia											
1 ^{III}	1 st	Primary	1	Základní vzdělávání 1. stupeň základní školy / BASIC SCHOOL (primary)			1 st	Primary	1 ^{IV}	Põhikool	I aste	1.	Általános iskola (Primary school)	Ált. isk. (Pr. sch.)	Ált. isk. (Primary sch.)	1 ^V	Pirmā posma pamatizglītība (First stage basic education)											
2	2 nd		2				2 nd		2			2.				2												
3	3 rd		3				3 rd		3			3.				3												
4	4 th		4				4 th		4			4.				4												
5	5 th		5				5 th		5			5.				5												
6	1 st	Secondary	6	Základní vzdělávání 2. stupeň základní školy / BASIC SCHOOL (lower secondary)			6	Lower Secondary (Gymnasium)	6		III aste	6.		Középiskola (Sec.sch.)	Középiskola (Secondary school)	Középiskola (Secondary school)			6	8. Certific.	6	Pamatizglītība (Compulsory basic education)						
7	2 nd		7				1 st		7			7.							7		7							
8	3 rd		8				2 nd		8			8.							8		8							
9	4 th		9				3 rd		9			9.							9		9							
10	5 th		10				1 st		Upper Secondary			10							Gimnaasium		10.		(II.)	10	Középiskola (Sec.sch.)	Középiskola (Secondary school)	Középiskola (Secondary school)	10
11	6 th		11				2 nd		(Lyseum or Technical school)			11	11.				(III.)	11			Vidusskola (Secondary education)							
12	7 th		12				3 rd					12	12.				(IV.)	12					Gimnāzija (Gymnasium)					
			4																									

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

	European School	National schools											
		Romania				Bulgaria		Croatia					
1 ^{VIII}	1st	Primary	1st	Compulsory education (învățământ obligatoriu)	Primary education	Primary school (Învățământ primar)		1st	Primary	1st ^X	Osnovna škola (Primary education)		
2	2nd		2nd					2nd					
3	3rd		3rd					3rd					
4	4th		4th					4th					
5	5th		5th					5th					
6	1st	Secondary	6th	Lower secondary Education (Învățământ secundar inferior)	Gymnasium (Gimnaziu)		6th	Lower secondary	6th				
7	2nd		7th				7th						
8	3rd		8th				8th						
9	4th		9th				High school -lower cycle- (liceu – ciclul inferior)		Vocational education – Arts and Trades School (învățământ profesional - Școala de arte și meserii)	9th	Upper -secondary	1st	
10	5th		10th							10th		2nd	
11	6th		11th				Upper secondary education (Învățământ secundar superior)		High school -upper cycle- (liceu – ciclul superior) ^{ix}	Vocational – education Completion year (învățământ profesional - An de completare)	11th	Gimnazija -opća, jezična, klasična, prirodoslovno- matematička, prirodoslovna (Secondary education)	3rd
12	7th		12th								Technical education - High school -upper cycle- (liceu – ciclul superior)		12th
		13th											

I First year starts at age of 6

II First year starts at the age of 6

III First year starts at the age of 6

IV **Estonia:** The legislation stipulates 7 as the age at which children must start compulsory schooling

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

VI First year starts at the age of 6

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

VIII First year starts at age of 6

IX High school is including also technical education.

Romania: The legislation stipulates 6 as the age of at which children start compulsory education, with the possibility for the parents to postpone the beginning of 1st grade with one year.

The last 2 years of compulsory education (grades 9 and 10) can be followed either in high school (lower cycle of high school) or in arts and trades school (vocational education). Graduates of arts and trades schools can continue their studies in a completion year at the end of which they have the right to enter the upper cycle of high school. At the end of high school, the graduates of both paths (4 years direct path or 5 years progressive path) may participate in the baccalaureate exam.

X **Croatia:** The legislation stipulates 7 as age at which children must start compulsory education (primary education). The legislation provides for starting compulsory education at age of 6.

The usual practice is for children to start primary education at 7 years of age.

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

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