

# ROMANIA MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION THE "VASILE GOLDIS" WESTERN UNIVERSITY of ARAD

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#### **Procedure**

on the automatic recognition, by the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University Arad, of the teaching degrees from the academic education awarded in higher education institutions accredited abroad

#### CHAPTER I-General Provisions

Art.1. This procedure is issued according to the following legal regulations:

- Law no. 1/2011 Law on national education, updated, Art. 216 par. (2) lett. f);
- Law no. 200 of May 25, 2004 on the recognition of the diplomas and professional qualifications for the regulated professions in Romania;
- Law No. 53/2003 of January 24, 2003 \*\*\* Republished Code of Labor
- Government Decision No. 457 of May 4, 2011on the approval of the Framework Methodology of competition for the occupancy of the vacant teaching and research positions in higher education;
- The Disposition of the minister for national education and research no. 5.825/2016 on the approval of the list of prestigious universities from other States, changed by the Disposition No. 3858/2017 of May 4, 2017;
- The Disposition of the minister for national education and scientific research No. 3482/2016 of March 24, 2016 on the approval of the Regulation for organization and functioning of the National Council for Certification of Academic Titles, Diplomas, and Certificates, with subsequent amendments
- The disposition of the minister of the national education and scientific research No. 5922 of December 6, 2016 on the approval of the Methodology on the automatic recognition by the higher education institutions, of the teaching degrees from the academic education awarded by accredited higher education institutions from abroad, published in the Official Gazette no. 1007 of December 15, 2016,
- **Art 2.** (1) This procedure sets out the way the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University of Arad carries out the automatic recognition of the teaching degrees in the academic higher education, degrees awarded by accredited higher education institutions from abroad.
- (2) This procedure observes the principle of lawfulness, academic autonomy, transparency, liability, of the applicable ethical and deontological norms.
- **Art. 3.** According to Art. 825 of the Law on National Education no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments, the teaching degrees in the academic education are:
- a) assistant:
- b) lecturer/ senior lecturer;
- c) associate professor;
- d) professor

- **Art. 4.** The automatic recognition of the teaching degrees awarded abroad may occur in the event of participation in a competition for teaching positions vacancies or in of other teaching activities carried out at the "Vasile Goldis" Western University of Arad.
- **Art. 5.** The automatic recognition of the teaching degree awarded abroad is carried out before the competition for teaching position vacancy at the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University of Arad takes place if the applicant wished to participate in the competition procedure.;
- **Art. 6.** The teaching position occupancy at the "Vasile Goldis," Western University of Arad is performed according to the applicable law and the own methodologies

#### **CHAPTER** - Eligibility Requirements

- **Art. 7.** The provisions of this procedure apply to the Romanian citizens, to the citizens from the European Union, the European Economic Area Member States, to citizens from the Swiss Confederation and to third countries citizens.
- **Art. 8.** There are eligible for automatic recognition of the teaching degrees in higher education, the degrees awarded by higher education institutions accredited abroad:
- a. accredited higher education institutions from Member States of the European Union, European Economic Area, from the Swiss Confederation
- b. prestigious universities from other states included in the List of Prestigious Universities from other States, approved by decision of the Minister for National Education and Scientific Research and regularly updated
- c. accredited higher education institutions which are subject to an international convention of mutual recognition, concluded at inter-governmental or inter-academic levels.
- **Art.9.** Where applicable, the "Vasile Goldis," Western University of Arad asks the National Center for Diplomas Recognition and Equivalence (hereinafter named CNRED) and National Council for Certification of the Academic Titles, Diplomas and Certificates opinions.

## CHAPTER III The Procedure of Automatic Recognition of the teaching degrees awarded by accredited higher education institutions from abroad

- **Art 10.** (1) The applicant submits the file for automatic recognition of the teaching degree awarded by higher education institutions, accredited abroad, at the Service for Human Resources Prognosis, Planning, Development Strategies, with the following documents:
  - a. Application for Recognition, according to the model Appendix 1;
  - b. Identity document copy and the proof of name change– (in certified copy) for the Romanian citizens and in copy and legalized translation for foreign citizens;
  - c. Doctor diploma and/ or the Habilitation Certificate, translated legalized copies,
    - authenticated with the Hague Apostil for the States which are part of the Convention on the Hague Apostil;
    - over-legalized or accompanied by the certificate of authenticity issued by the competent authorities from the country of origin for the states which are not part of the Convention on the Hague Apostil.
    - The exempt from apostil or over-legalization is allowed according to the law, an international treaty which Romania is part of or by mutuality.

- d. The proof of the teaching degree, issued by the institution of higher education abroad, in translated and legalized copy. The proof is to be as a certificate and will comprise at least the following elements:
  - Person's name and surname
  - The held teaching degree and the date of confirmation of this degree
- e. CV and list of publications & scientific contributions;
- f. The proof of paying the fee for processing the file;
- (2) The files that do not comprise all above requested documents are not to be accepted. If there are any doubts on the above presented documents, UVVG may ask for clarifications to the competent authority or holder.
  - (3) For the files review, a processing fee set by the Board of Director is to be paid.
  - **Art.11.** After review by the employees of the Service for Prognosis, Planning, Human Resources Development Strategies, the file is registered at the University Register. After registration, the file is sent to the legal compartment and, afterwards, to the commission for the evaluation of the recognition files;
  - **Art.12.** The fulfillment of the lawfulness requirements for automatic recognition of the teaching degree is certified by the opinion issued by the Legal Compartment, based on the checking of the documents from the file. The opinion is informed to the applicant in maximum 48 hours since its issuing.
  - **Art.13.** For the automatic recognition of the teaching degrees at the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University of Arad, an evaluation commission of the file for recognition of the teaching degrees is to be established, appointed by Rector's decision.
  - **Art.14.** After reviewing the file, the Evaluation Commission proposes to the University management a solution on the request for recognition of the teaching degree in 30 days since the application has been registered. The deadline may be extended in justified cases, the applicant being informed in writing on the extension of the deadline.
  - **Art.15.** If the file is endorsed, the University Rector is to issue a decision for automatic recognition of the teaching degree at the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University of Arad;
  - **Art.16.** If the file is not endorsed, the University Rector is to issue a decision for non-recognition of the teaching degree at the "Vasile Goldis," Western University of Arad.
  - **Art.17.** In order to solve the eventual appeals on the procedure for automatic recognition of the teaching degrees, a **commission for solving the appeals** is to be appointed by Rector's decision.
  - **Art.18.** The appellants have the right to submit appeals within 3 (three) working days since the result of the evaluation commission was communicated.
  - **Art.19.** The commission for solving the appeals is to review and communicate the result of the appeal in 5 (five) days since the end of the deadline for appeals submission.

#### **CHAPTER M** — Final Provisions

**Art.20.** According to this procedure, the recognition of the teaching degree by the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University of Arad is valid and enforceable only at the level of the "Vasile Goldiş" Western University of Arad.

**Art.21.** The recognition of the teaching degree by CNRED is valid and enforceable on the entire Romanian territory.

This procedure was endorsed accordingly by the University Board of Directors on June 30, 2017 and approved by University Senate on June 30, 2017.

Rector,
Prof. Coralia Adina COTORACI, MD PhD

President of the Senate, Assoc. prof. Sorin Aristide BASCHIR, MD

> Endorsed by the Legal Compartment, Legal advisor Marta GHILEA

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Rector, Prof. Coralia Adina COTORACI, MD PhD	Vice-rector,
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#### DISPOSITION No. 5922/2016 of December 6, 2016

on the approval of the Methodology on the automatic recognition by the higher education institutions, of the teaching degrees from the academic education awarded by accredited higher education institutions from abroad

ISSUED BY: MINISTRY OF THE NATIONAL EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PUBLISHED IN: THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE NO. 1007 of December 15, 2016

According to the provisions of the art. 166 lett. a) and b) and of art. 216 par. (2) lett. f) of the Law on national education no. 1/2011, with subsequent amendments,

Considering the provisions of the Law no. 200/2004 on the recognition of diplomas and qualifications for the professions regulated in Romania, with subsequent amendments,

According to the provisions of the Government Decision no. 681/2011 on the approval of the Code for doctoral academic studies, with subsequent amendments,

Considering the provisions of the Disposition of the minister for education, research, youth and sport no. 3.158/2012 on the approval of the List of prestigious universities from other states, with subsequent amendments,

According to the Disposition of the minister for national education and scientific research no. 3.482/2016 on the approval of the Regulations for organization and functioning of the National Council for Certification of Academic Titles, Diplomas, and Certificates, with subsequent amendments,

Based on the provisions of the Government Decision no. 44/2016 on the organization and functioning of the Ministry for National Education and Scientific Research, with subsequent amendments,

#### The minister for national education and scientific research issue this disposition.

#### ART. 1

The Methodology on the automatic recognition by the higher education institutions, of the teaching degrees from the academic education awarded by accredited higher education institutions from abroad, stipulated in the appendix which is part of this disposition, is approved.

ART. 2

Upon the entry into force of this disposition, there is cancelled the Disposition of the minister for education, research, youth and sport no. 3240/2010 on regulating the recognition of the teaching degrees in the academic education, awarded by an accredited higher education institution from a Member State of the European Union, European Economic Area and Swiss Confederation, published in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I no. 127 of February 24, 2010.

ART. 3

The National Center for Diplomas Recognition and Equivalence, the General Directorate for Higher Education, the National Council for Certification of the Academic Titles, Diplomas and Certificates and the higher education institutions shall enforce the provisions of this disposition.

ART. 4

This disposition is published in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I.

The Minister of National Education and Scientific Research, **Mircea Dumitru** 

Bucharest, December 6, 2016. No. 5.922.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

on the automatic recognition by the higher education institutions, of the teaching degrees from the academic education awarded by accredited higher education institutions from abroad

#### ART. I

- (1) The teaching degrees in higher education awarded by accredited higher education institutions from Member States of the European Union, of the European Economic Area, of the Swiss Confederation and of prestigious universities from other States comprised in the List of prestigious universities from other states, approved by disposition of the minister for national education and scientific research and regularly updated, are automatically recognized by the institutions of higher education of Romania.
- (2) The teaching degrees, awarded by other accredited higher education institutions than those mentioned at par. (1), are recognized only according to an international convention of mutual recognition, concluded between governments or universities.
- (3) The provisions of this disposition apply to the Romanian citizens, to the citizens from Member States of the European Union, of the European Economic Area, of the Swiss Confederation and to citizens from third countries.
- (4) The occupancy of a teaching position in the Romanian higher education system is carried out according to the applicable law.

#### ART. 2

Where applicable, the higher education institutions consult the National Center for Diplomas Recognition and Equivalence (hereinafter called CNRED) and the National Council for Certification of the Academic Titles, Diplomas and Certificates.

#### ART. 3

- (1) The file for degrees recognition comprises the following documents:
- a) Application for recognition;
- b) Identity document copy and proof of name change copy and legalized translation (where applicable);
- c) The Doctor Diploma, if the act of studies is awarded in Romania or in one of the accredited higher education institutions mentioned at art. 1 par. (1), respectively the certificate of recognition issued by CNRED, if the act of studies is awarded by other accredited higher education institutions from abroad;
  - d) The proof of the teaching degree, issued by the institutions stipulated at art. 1par. (1) and (2).
- (2) The higher education institutions may ask for documents, according to the criteria set by own procedures.
- (3) The higher education institutions set by their procedures how the documents mentioned at par. (1) lett. c) and d) are to be submitted (copy or legalized copy, certified and/ or legalized translation). ART. 4

The deadline for solving the recognition file, and also the procedure of appeal are set by the higher education institutions in their procedures.

#### ART. 5

- (1) The recognition of the teaching degree by a higher education institution, according to its own procedure, is valid and legally binding at the level of the respective higher education institution.
- (2) The recognition of the teaching degree by CNRED is valid and legally binding on the entire Romanian territory.

#### ART. 6

- (1) The higher education institutions issue their own procedures in 60 days since the entry into force of this disposition.
- (2) By the own procedures mentioned at par. (1), the accredited higher education institutions, the units and institutions of public and private law that are comprised, according to the legal norms, in the national research-development system, set a structure to evaluate the file of recognition stipulated at art. 4 and issue a solution for the application for recognition.
  - (3) The decision of recognition or non-recognition is issued after the review carried out by the

structure mentioned at par. (2), by the management of the accredited higher education institutions, of the units and institutions of public and private law comprised, according to the legal norms, in the national research-development system.