



AUN perspective on Micro-credential

IN THE CONTEXT OF AUN MEMBER UNIVERSITIES

Current Situation in ASEAN Region

- ▶ AUN defines MC as the “hot stuff”
- ▶ Almost all ASEAN countries already have a regulation and undertaking MC and integrating in NQF



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Current Situation in ASEAN Region

- ▶ In 2022 the initiative has been started
 - ▶ Regional Coop, Quality Assurance, and Recognition
- ▶ MC tool to enhance inclusiveness, reach education, personalised learning
- ▶ to shape future collaborations among AUN Member Universities and enhance the quality and relevance of education in the region. Collaboration, innovation, and inclusivity were highlighted as key factors for creating a transformative impact on the educational landscape of ASEAN. (the 38th AUN Meeting – July 2023)

Challenge of Arranging MC

- ▶ ASEAN University Network (AUN) has been working as the gateway to ASEAN's higher education sector, where current and new initiatives are always being translated into many types of collaborative crossborder activities and projects.
- ▶ One of the most critical issues related to micro-credentials is their recognition for further study or employment by government authorities, higher education institutions and employers. Without recognition they cannot be integrated into national and international learning ecosystems.
- ▶ ASEAN Economic Community in 2025

Quality Assurance on Micro-credential

- ▶ In the past, short-term courses and other small learning programmes were less regulated in terms of QA and were not part of national and international learning ecosystems.
- ▶ QA is about course content, pedagogy and modalities of delivery, as well as the requirements for accrediting course providers and should apply to both macro- and micro-credential programmes. The concept of 'fit for purpose' also needs to be addressed for micro-credentials.
 - ▶ Job seeker; sustainable development of communities and societies.
- ▶ It is clear that small learning units have long been part of higher education provision. What is new with micro-credentials is the idea that they should be integrated into learning ecosystems to ensure quality delivery and recognition and avoid learning fragmentation.

Credentials

Trusted
Provider?

Quality
Assurance
Standard

Verifiable

Recommendation for digital credential recognition



1

Pursue alignment with global standards for Mobility and Credentialling

2

Implement a technology roadmap for credential recognition:

- Credit transfer
- Secure digital certificates

3

Use Inter-institutional agreements for short-term

4

Establish a credential recognition center of excellence

