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Digital tools that support qualification system stakeholders: the Flemish Qualification Database

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On the agenda today

Context and background of the NQF

- *Education and training in Flanders*
- *Flemish Qualifications Framework (principles, types of qualifications, procedures,…)*

Monitoring of the NQF system

- *Qualification database, backoffice and frontoffice*
- *Monitoring*

Questions and answers

EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN FLANDERS

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Flemish landscape of education and training

Belgium

- Constitutional freedom of education for individuals and for educational organisations

Regions in Belgium

- Responsible for education and training

Flemish parliament and government

- Definition of educational goals in education and training

Flemish landscape of education and training

- ± 80% of providers is publicly financed

EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN FLANDERS

Need for reforms

Formal secondary education

- Need for qualifications described in terms of learning outcomes

Vocational education and training (VET)

- Need for qualification standards adapted to labour market needs

Life long learning (LLL)

- Need for alignment between all types of education and training providers (formal education, adult education, higher education, training providers outside formal education)

Validation of non-formal and informal learning (VNFIL)

- Need for uniform qualifications framework

EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN FLANDERS

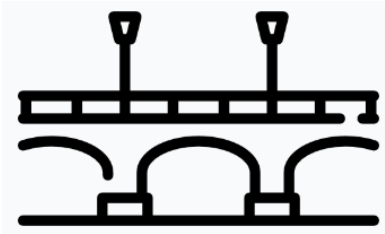
AHOVOKS

Set up

- Established in 2009
- Independent agency within the Ministry of Education and Training

Mission

Promoting quality assurance in general education, vocational education and training and the validation and recognition of non-formal and informal learning.



- Bridge between policy and practice
- Bridge between education and labour market

FLEMISH QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

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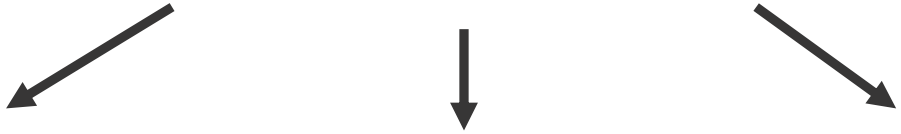
EQF and NQF

European Qualifications Framework	Flemish Qualifications Framework
2004 Development of the EQF	
2005 A consultation among Member States about the EQF	**2005** A consultation among Flemish stakeholders about the EQF and NQF
2008 Recommendation of the European Parliament and the Council on the establishment of the EQF	
	2009 Flemish Parliament Act on NQF
	2011 Amendments Flemish Act / Approved link between EQF and NQF
	2013 Implementation decisions

FLEMISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

Shared interest

Transparency
Interchangeability
Mobility



Labour market	Education and training	Individuals
- Immediate employability - Trust in qualifications delivered by all providers - Reference framework for competency-management	- Rationalisation - Revaluation of labour market oriented education	- Logical and flexible learning progams - Guidance in choosing studies and professions - Validation of non-formal and informal learning

FLEMISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

Structure and definitions

FQF
8
7
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	Knowledge / Skills	*Context / Autonomy / Responsibility*
Level 5	➢ expanding the information in a specific area with concrete and abstract data, or completing it with missing data; using conceptual frameworks; being aware of the scope of subject-specific knowledge ➢ applying integrated cognitive and motorical skills ➢ transferring knowledge and applying procedures flexibly and inventively for the performance of tasks for the strategic solution of concrete and abstract problems	➢ acting in a range of new, complex contexts ➢ functioning autonomously with initiative ➢ taking responsibility for the achievement of personal outcomes and the stimulation of collective results

FLEMISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

Two types of qualifications

Professional Qualifications

- With which a profession can be exercised
- Can be acquired through vocational education and vocational training outside formal education

Educational Qualifications

- With which further studies in secondary or higher education can be undertaken or a profession can be exercised
- Can only be acquired through formal education

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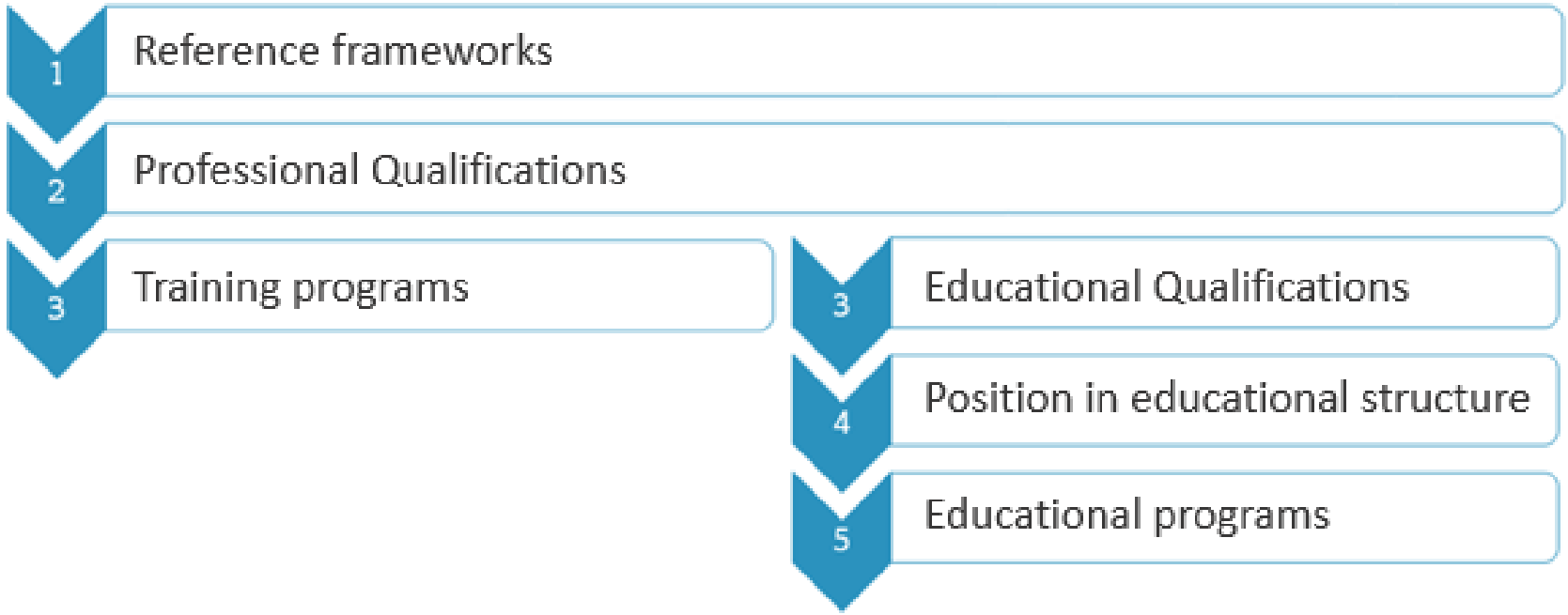
Procedure



PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

FLEMISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

Professional qualification - procedure

Drawing up a professional qualification
representatives of the labour market, AHOVOKS as process facilitator

Validation of a professional qualification
social partners, PES, agency entrepreneurial training

Assignment of a level to professional qualification
Social partners, education and training providers

Approval of a professional qualification
Flemish Government

Communication
AHOVOKS

A professional qualification file comprises five parts:

1. Global information (title, definition, sectors and stakeholders)
2. Description of the competence based on the descriptor elements
3. Labour market relevance based on factual data
4. Coordination with another/other (potential) professional qualifications
5. Updates with an indication of the durability of the professional qualification

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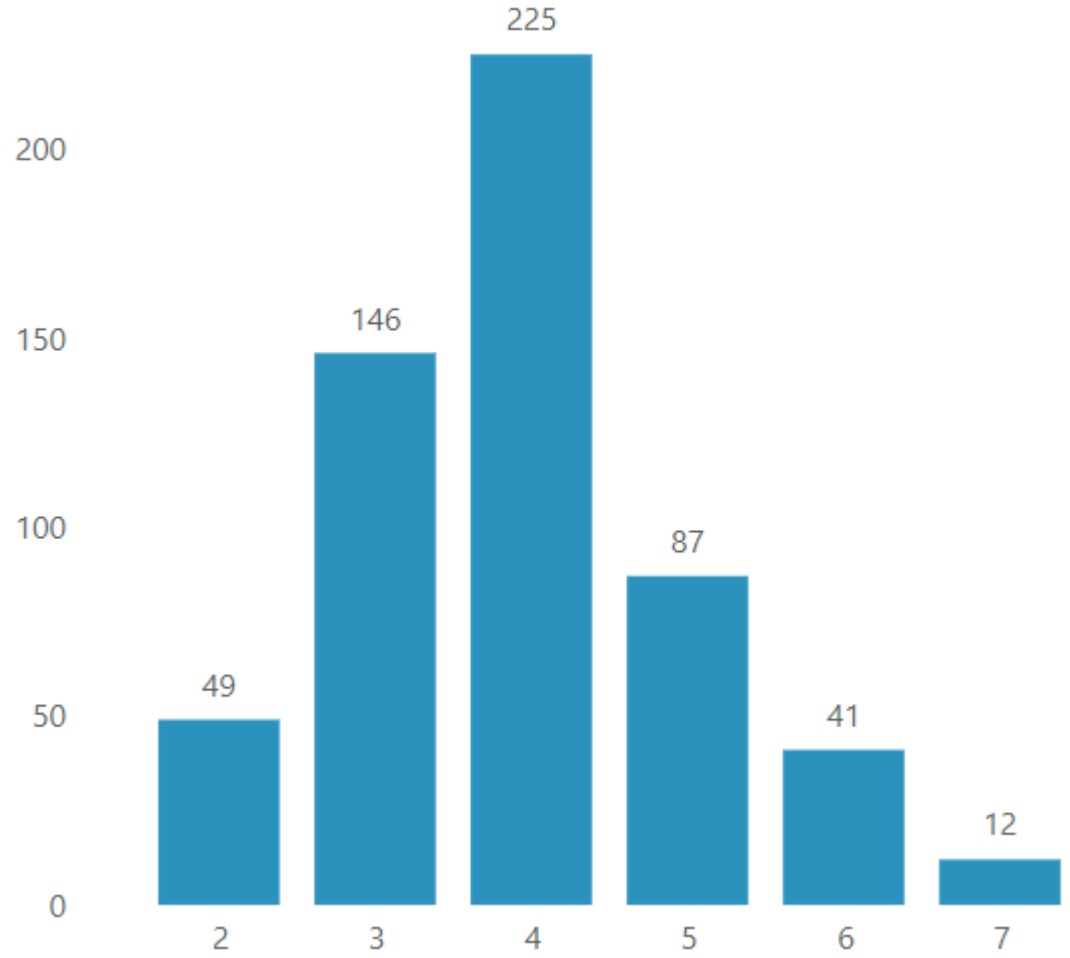
Professional Qualifications - State of play



560 professional qualifications

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

FLEMISH QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

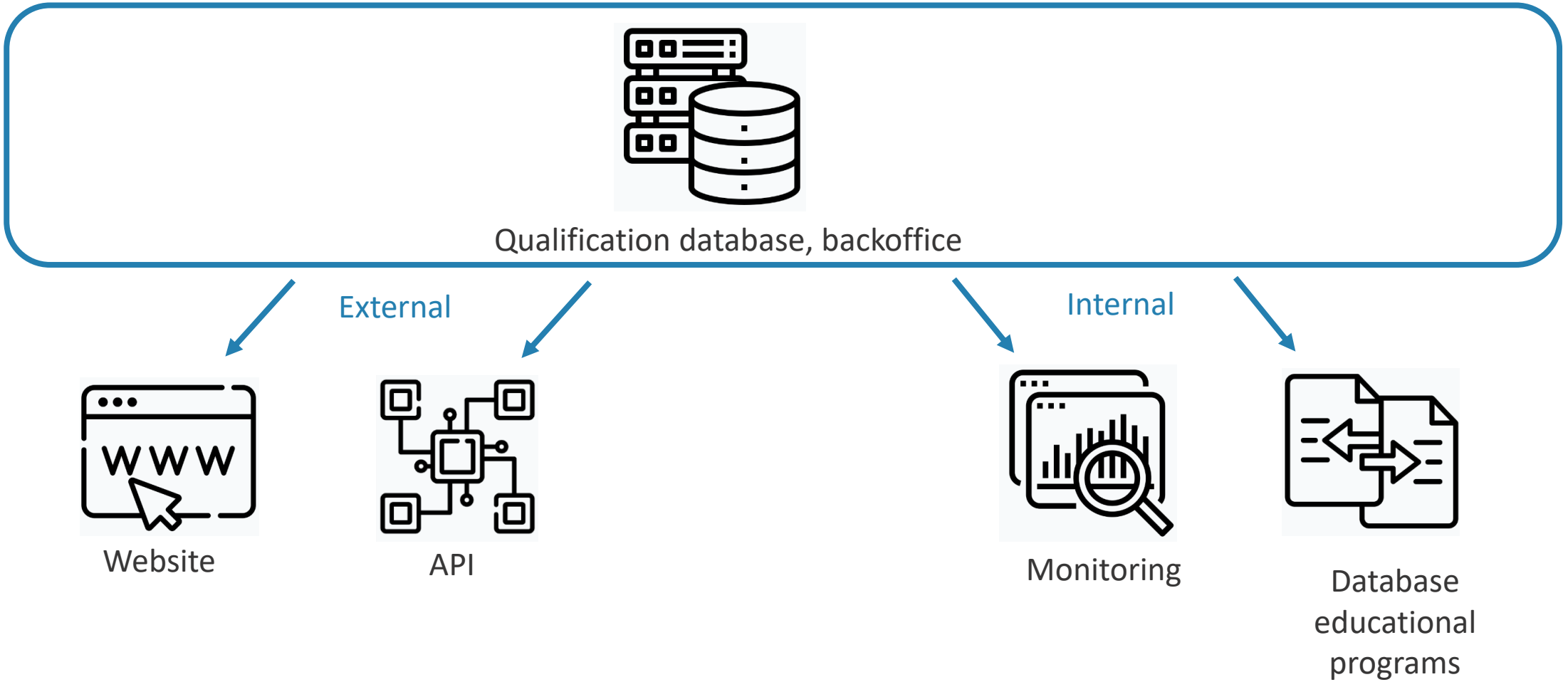
Educational qualification – different tracks

Educational qualifications level 1-4	Educational qualifications level 5	Educational qualifications level 6-8
- Secondary education - Special needs education - Adult education	- Associate degree	- Bachelor - Master - Doctor

QUALIFICATION DATABASE

FLEMISH QUALIFICATION DATABASE

Overview



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Backoffice

Overzicht BK Dossiers

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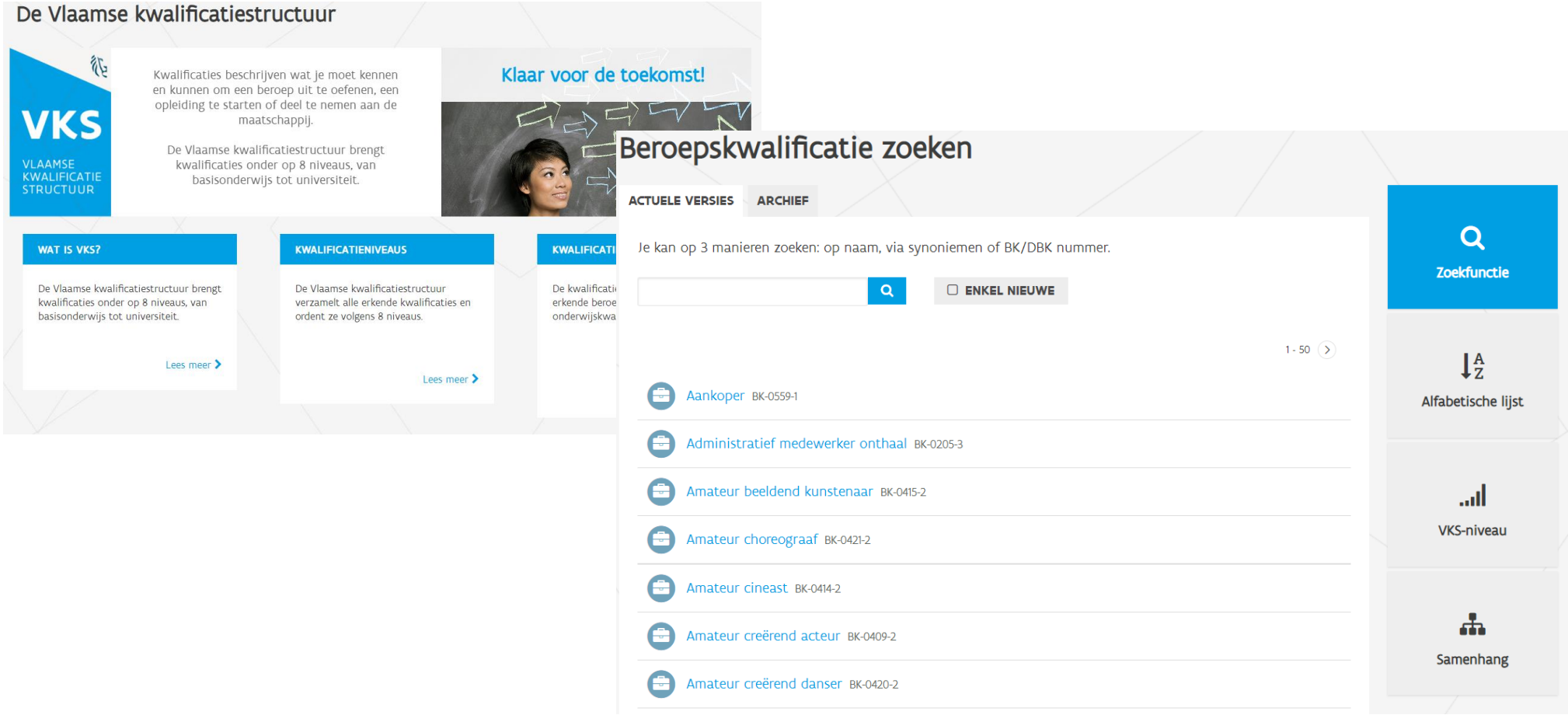

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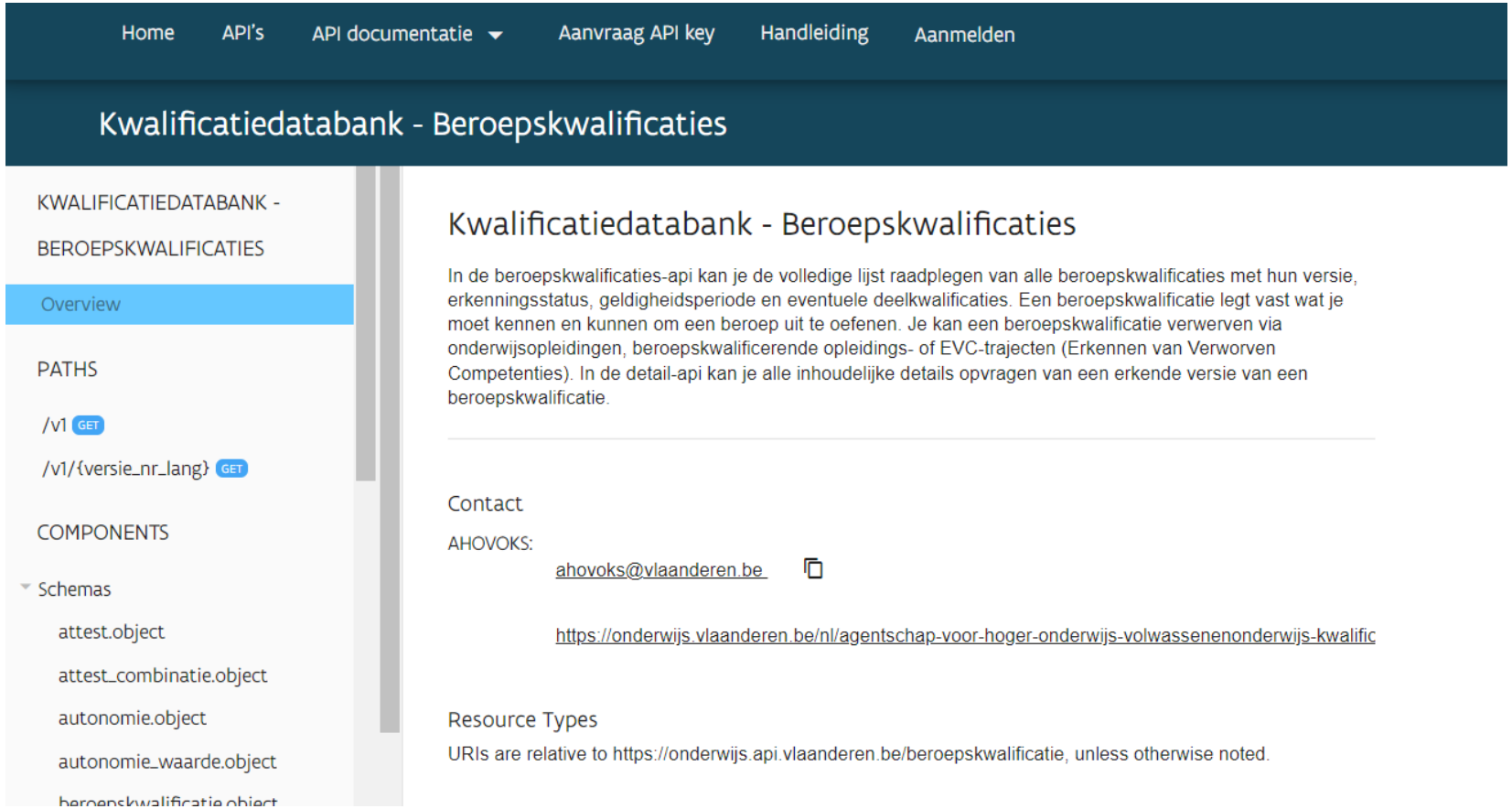

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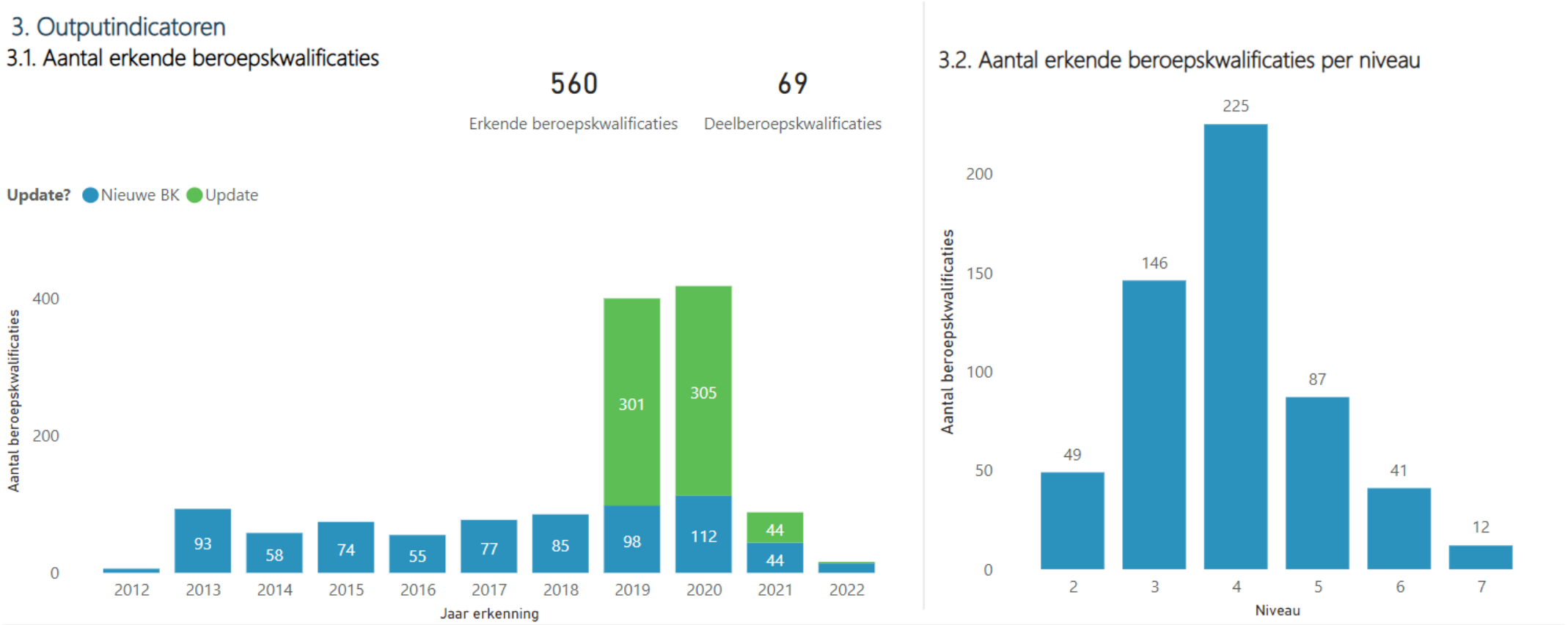
Monitoring



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Database educational programs