

Enhancement of Recognition Mechanism for QF Accredited Programmes as Qualified CPD Activities for Insurance Industry

Presented by:

Qualifications Framework Secretariat
29 June 2016 at Meeting of Working Group on Transition to IIA



Part I: Qualifications Framework (QF) & Insurance Industry

Part II: Recognition Mechanism on QF & CPD and Proposal for Enhancement



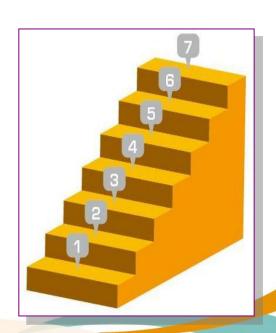
QF Objectives

- Policy initiative of Education Bureau
- Official launch in 2008
- Objectives:
 - ✓ to provide a platform to support lifelong learning, with a view to enhancing the capability and competitiveness of HK workforce

"on look of

QF Platform

- 7-level hierarchy to order qualifications from Level 1 (lowest) to Level 7(highest)
- Characteristics of qualifications under QF:
 - ✓ Quality assured
 - ✓ QF level
 - ✓ QF credit
 - ✓ Standardised award titles



QF in Education and Industry

1. QF in education

development of infrastructure to support lifelong learning

2. QF in industry

➤ <u>20</u> Industry Training Advisory Committees (ITACs), covering <u>53%</u> of local workforce

20 ITACs



Printing & Publishing

Watch & Clock

CM YK **Chinese Catering**



Property

Management

t Electrical & Mechanical Services

Human Resource Management





Automotive





Information & Communications
Technology

Security Services



Employers



Employees

Professional Bodies



Jewellery



Fashion

Elderly Care Service



ITAC



Beauty and Hairdressing

Manufacturing
Technology
(Tooling, Metals
& Plastics)









Logistics

Banking

Insurance





Insurance ITAC

- > Set up in 2011
- > 23 members representing employers, trade associations, unions, professional bodies and regulatory organisations



QF and **CPD Recognition Mechanism (1)**



➤ Launch in 2014 by Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI) upon suggestion of Insurance ITAC

Training providers:

- > Accredited insurance and insurance-related programmes recognised as qualified CPD
- These programmes to be exempted from annual CPD assessment during the validity period





醫寒學構取可的醫寒,具備的基本特色分別是诱過醫案 行名業推行醫寒學構。目前,教育局已在20個行業及界

QF and CPD Recognition Mechanism (2)



Insurance intermediaries

- > 3 QF credits recognised as 10 CPD hours
- > One QF credit = 10 notional learning hours
- ➤ Including all modes of learning (eg. attendance in class, self-study, on-line learning, practical learning, assessment, etc)
- One QF credit with no less than3 contact hours of learning



Proposal for Enhancement of Recognition Mechanism



Purpose

➤ To enhance the competency standards of insurance practitioners through continuing quality education and training riding on QF platform

Characteristics

- A more flexible structure providing better choices of QF CPD programs
- ➤ A gradual approach in 3 stages

Stage	CPD requirement	Timeframe for Implementation
1	For fulfillment of CPD requirement every year, <u>1 QF</u> credit should be obtained through completion of QF accredited CPD programmes plus at least <u>7 CPD hours</u> (Generally speaking, 1 QF credit will involve no less than 3 contact hours of learning.)	Two years after the establishment of IIA
2	For fulfillment of CPD requirement every year, <u>2 QF</u> <u>credit</u> should be obtained through completion of QF accredited CPD programmes plus at least <u>4 CPD hours</u> . (Generally speaking, 2 QF credit will involve no less than 6 contact hours of learning.)	Four years after the establishment of IIA
3	For fulfillment of CPD requirement every year, <u>3 QF</u> <u>credit</u> should be obtained through completion of QF accredited CPD programmes plus at least <u>6 CPD hours</u> . (Generally speaking, 3 QF credit will involve no less than 9 contact hours of learning.)	Seven years after the establishment of IIA





QF & Quality Learning

- > Robust quality assurance mechanism
- ➤ All QF-recognised programs have to be accredited by Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications
- Outcome-based programmes with assessments to ascertain the achievement of learning outcomes by learners



