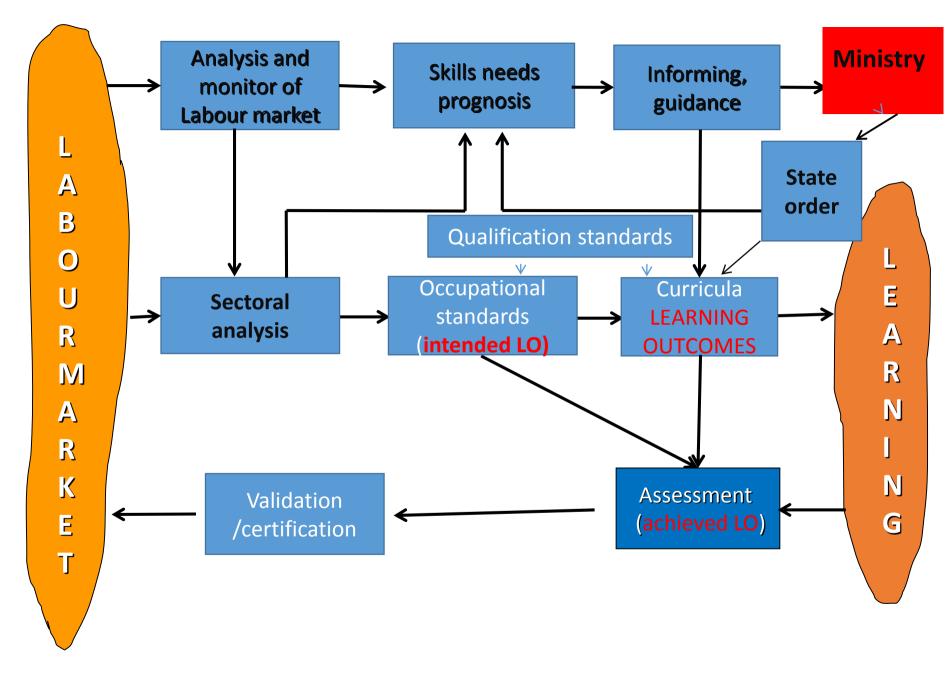
### Learning outcomes and RPL

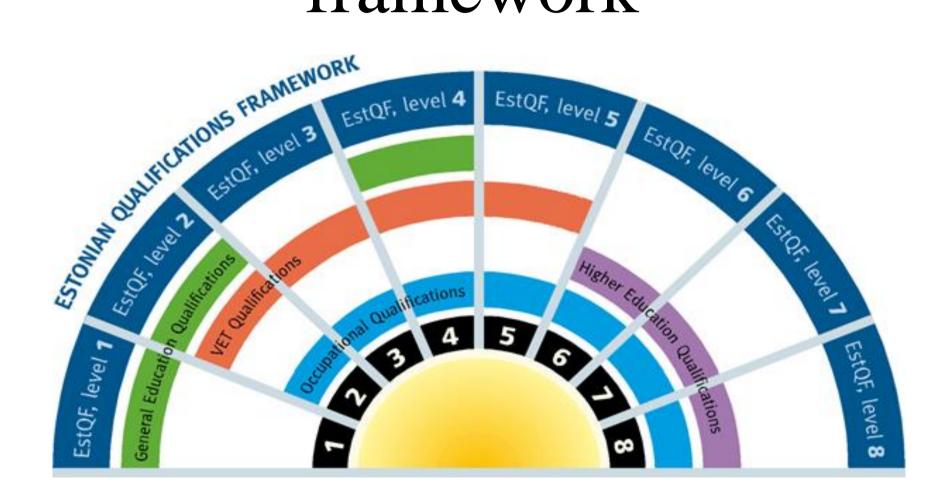


#### Estonia in facts

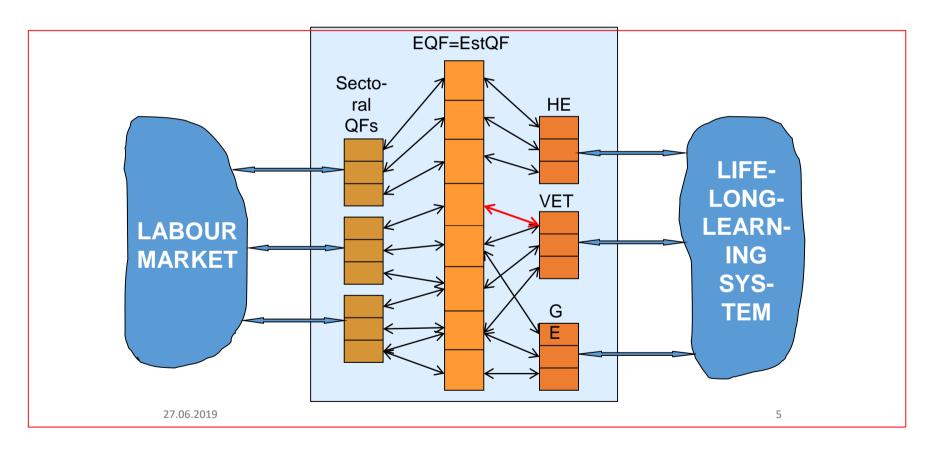
- 1.3 million habitants but larger than Denmark and the Netherlands
- Over 2200 Islands, 1000 lakes and 7000 rivers
- World's largest collection of national folk songs (over 133,000)
- World's least religious country only 14% of the population
- One of the highest adult literacy rates in the world (99,8 %)
- Everything can be done online except for marriage (divorce could be done online) and selling your house (but You can buy a car online)
- 99% of doctors' prescriptions are digital



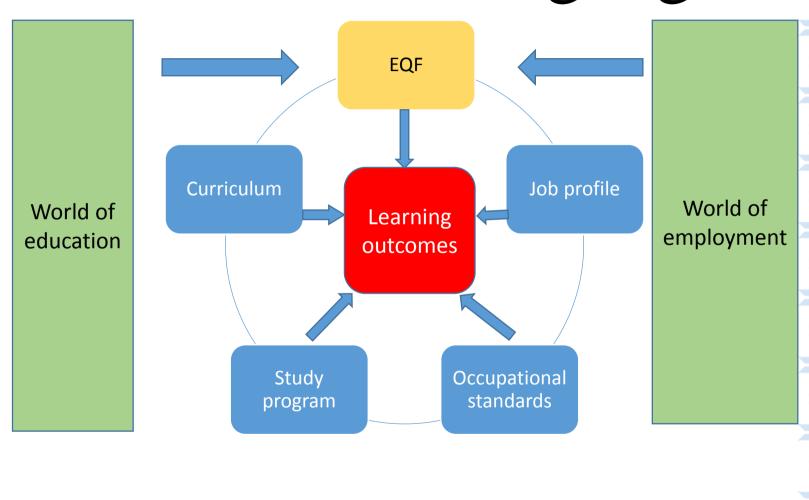
# Estonian qualification framework



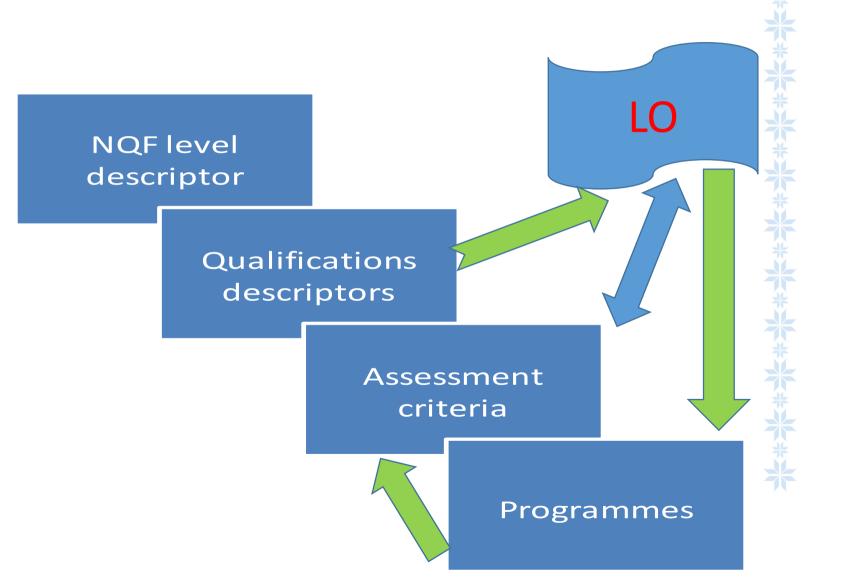
#### **Estonian Qualifications Framework**



## LO as common language



### Development towards using LO



## **Education - RPL may applied** for

General principles for taking account of previous study results and professional experience are:

#### RPL may be applied

- for compliance with the conditions for admission established by the educational institution;
- for transfer of previously acquired CP upon completion of a curriculum;
- for calculation/recognition of previous study results (formal, non-formal and informaal) and professional experience as credit points
- awarding profession

# Occupational standards and LO

Competence = Learning outcomes in the labour market context

548 competence based occupational standards at NQF levels 2-8)

96 902 valid professional certificates (~14 % of labour force have employer's organisations' issued professional certificates)

RPL is used while awarding work-based certificates (approximately 2/3) of all professional certificates

### **Educational standards and RPI**

General trend of development – **towards learning outcomes based standards**:

- Higher education standard (2008)
- Vocational education standard (2009) national curricula for VET
- GE national curricula for Basic education and Upper secondary education - since 2017

## Writing learning outcomes

Common principles in writing (Solo and Bloom taxonomies)

#### The basic structure of learning outcomes statements

learner

action verb to signal the level of learning expected the object and scope of learning, notably by identifying relevant learning domains

the occupational and/or social context in which the qualification is relevant

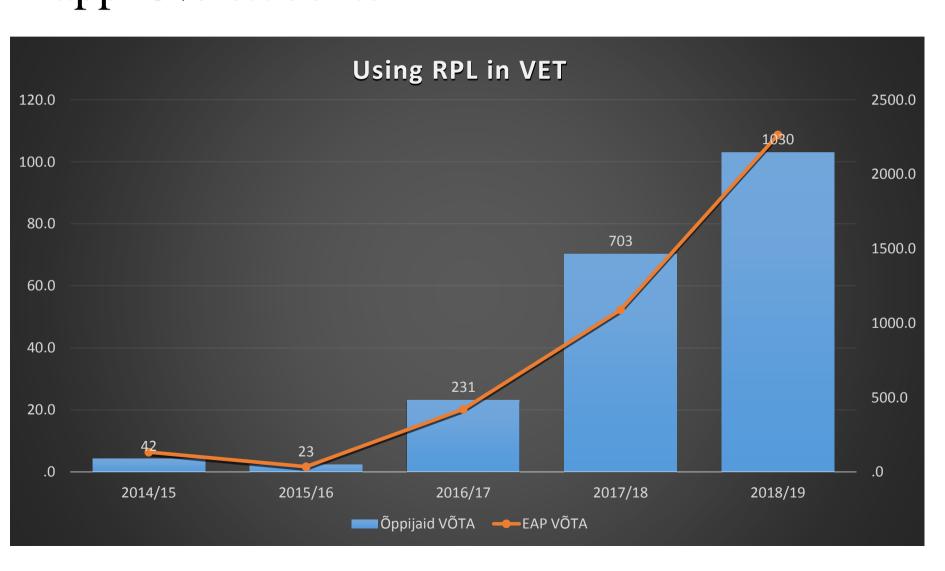
Assessment (criteria) - dialogue between intended and actual outcomes – assessment criteria added to the LO

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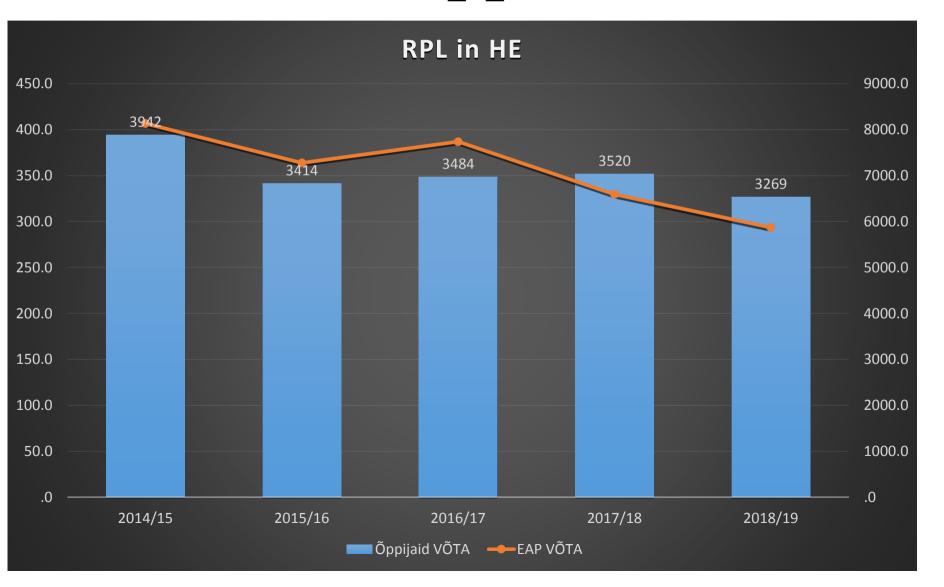
Behaviouristic versus constructivist thinking
Behavioristic approach - LO as result oriented, fullended, <u>clearly observable and (objectively)</u>
measurable (world of work?)

The constructivist approach – learning outcomes as process-oriented and open-ended, limiting measurability (world of education?)

# Using RPL in VET appr 5% students



## RPL in HE-appr 7-8%



#### Successes

- Legislation!
- RPL would be impossible without LO approach
- Common language in writing LO
- Available relevant Teacher/trainer training
- Overarching providers engagements in RPL
- Available statistics/analysis about RPL use
- Engagement of all educational /professional levels

(GE, IVET, CVET, HE, AE, profession system)

Digital focus in lifelong learning

Digital Skills

Empowering Learning Modern Infrastructure

#### Centrally Managed Information Systems in the Field of the Ministry of Education and Research

EIS – Electronic Assessment Bank

ÖIS – Study Information System: joint system for HEIs (used by ca 50%) EKIS – Estonian School Management System

EHIS – Estonian

Education
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SAIS – Admission Information System (for universities and vocational schools) State register of occupational qualifications

ETIS – Estonian Research Portal

Making ICT work for us not the opposite!

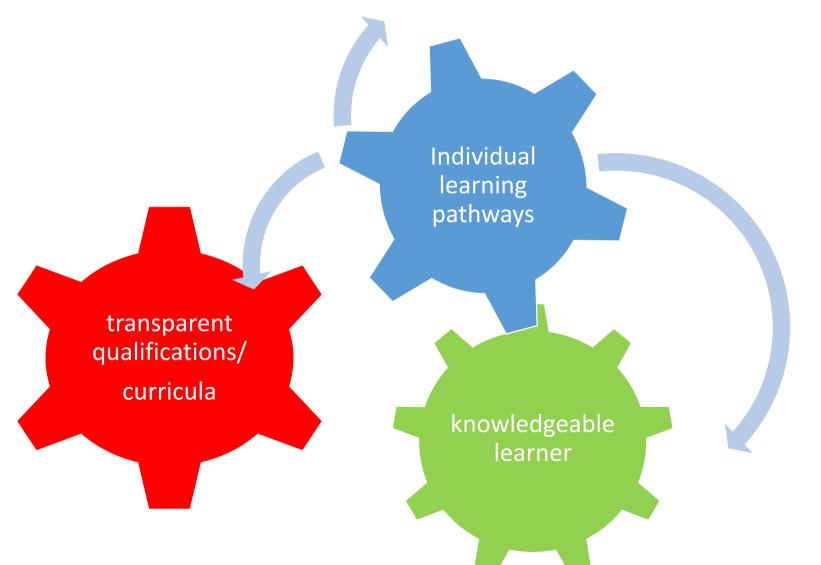
#### Lessons learnt

- RPL is not possible without LO!
- Trust for the quality of education and RPL assessment procedures takes time and proof!
- Time! Understanding the concept, recognition the practice takes a long time and needs external support
- Continuos information and promotion needed
- User-fiendly environments!
- Support to assessor, teachers, applicants

### Challenges

- Do LO potentially undermine the development of high quality education and learning (differentiation of achievement? pedagogical art? individual approach?)
- How knowledgeable is learner? Do learners and students see outcome-descriptions as meaningful and can relate to them
- What does employer looking for? Comteneces /skills or diploma?
- Does employers understand and acknowledge LO?
- Transparency and comparability (PIAAC results)
- Adult learning mass of providers /balance between generaloccupational competences /
- How to proper use IT and frameworks DicComp2, language

# LLL strategy of education 2030 and LO







# Thank You for Your attention!

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