



Stellungnahme des FBTT zum Entwurf der Europäischen Kommission zur delegierten Richtlinie - Ares(2026)5285296 „Physiotherapie – ein gemeinsamer Ausbildungsrahmen für die automatische grenzüberschreitende Anerkennung von Qualifikationen“

The Fachbereichstag Therapiewissenschaften (FBTT) is the collegial body of academic self-governance of (study) deans and heads of degree programmes at universities of applied sciences (currently n=19) and universities (currently n=6) offering degree programmes in the professions of occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, and physiotherapy. We explicitly welcome the establishment of a Common Training Framework (CTF) for European member states. We unreservedly endorse the required higher education qualification at EQF Level 6 to enable professional autonomy within the scope of physiotherapy practice. However, to acquire the skills necessary to practise independently of a physicians prescription, we consider a study programme of 180 ECTS credits to be insufficient and advocate for a higher minimum scope of ECTS credits. To ensure German physiotherapists benefit from this easier mobility, national laws must be urgently reformed. Although individual regular degree programmes for higher education qualifications in physiotherapy have now become established, Germany's current statutory requirements do not yet consider a higher education and simply do not meet the Common Training Framework's minimum requirements. Since the German legislature is considering continuing to offer qualifications at EQF level 4 even within the scope of current reform considerations a large group of German professionals would remain barred from accessing simplified recognition in the future. As a prerequisite for the successful establishment of the CTF, which must not entail the risk of lowering standards in the member states, we consider a binding regulation of minimum training requirements and entry-level competencies for physiotherapists across the EU to be indicated. Qualifications in the CTF should be clearly defined as outcome-oriented and verifiable competencies to be recognized. This is necessary to show the actual depth of qualifications and ensure that automatic recognition is based on equivalent performance. Furthermore, a regular evaluation and update of the competency profile within the CTF is required to take account of the dynamic development in healthcare, including in the areas of digitalisation and AI-supported forms of care and therapy.

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