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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BA	Bachelor
DHE	Dual higher education
ECTS	European Credit Transfer System
EQF	European Qualification Framework
EU	European Union
FH	Fachhochschule (in English: University of
	Applied Sciences)
HE	Higher education
HEI	Higher Education Institution
HVET	Higher Vocational Education and Training
IP	Industry partner
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy
UAS	University of Applied Science
VET	Vocational Education and Training
WP	Work Package





1.) INTRODUCTION

Context

This report on the state-of-the-art in dual higher education programmes across different programme countries has been prepared in the framework of the DUALSCI project. The main aim of the DUALSCI project is to improve the competences of higher education graduates and their employability in cantons and entities of Bosnia and Herzegovina taking into consideration good practices from EU countries.

This report includes results from information provided on 15 dual study programmes¹ in higher education from programme countries in different industrial sectors. Each of the three programme countries (Austria, Spain, Germany) has analysed 5 study programmes which are being implemented at the respective partner university and at other universities in the programme countries.

The following study programmes have been analysed in the framework of this report:

AUSTRIA

Name of study programmeImplementing UniversityPTO – Production Technology and OrganizationFH JOANNEUM, GrazENP – Engineering and Production ManagementFH JOANNEUM, GrazMobile Software DevelopmentFH JOANNEUM, GrazHSD – Hardware-Software DesignFH OBERÖSTERREICHElectrical Engineering DualFH VORARLBERG

GERMANY

Name of study programme **Implementing University Business Administration** Cooperative Baden Wuerttemberg State University Heilbronn (DHBW Heilbronn) Management & Business Psychology FOM Hochschule für Oekonomie und Management Cooperative Study Model – Degree Programme Heilbronn University of Applied Science Engineering Advanced Midwifery Science Baden Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University, Stuttgart Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt Mechatronics

¹ This includes both MA and BA programme. Detailed information on each study programme can e found in the annex,





SPAIN

Name of study programme	Implementing University
Degree in Automotive Engineering	University of the Basque Country
Master in Digital Manufacturing	Dual Engineering University School
Degree Primary Education	University of Lleida
Master Degree in Informatics Engineering	University of Lleida
Degree in Process and Product Innovation	Dual Engineering University School
Engineering	

The report also elaborates the concept of "Dual Higher Education (DHE)" and the overall framework for dual education at the respective universities and beyond. In this respect, the project also builds upon the results of other relevant projects in this field – in particular the EU project ApprenticeshipQ (www.apprenticeshipq.eu).

The report concludes with a short summary and conclusions regarding options for DHE programmes in the partner country.

How to read this report

The *introductory section* includes a brief presentation of the DUALSCI project and information on the concept of dual higher education.

The *second section* consists of an analysis of study programmes based on detailed inputs provided by EU partner universities on 15 DHE study programmes in Austria, Germany and Spain. A brief summary, highlighting similarities and differences in the three countries is followed by short country briefs, highlighting key features such as programme design, curriculum development, regulatory frameworks and quality assurance in each of the three countries covered by this research.

Section three provides a comparison of the DHE framework in these three countries based on results from the EU project "ApprenticeshipQ" and concludes with recommendations of key aspects to be considered for WP2.

The *last section* (Annex) provides in depth information on each of the 15 study programmes analysed within the context of this report.





Dual Higher Education (DHE)

Dual Higher Education is an approach that formally integrates students' academic studies with work experience in enterprises/industry. There are a number of different types of DHE programmes. These have different advantages and disadvantages: for learners, for employers, for schools and colleges, and for governments. DHE can be used to achieve a number of different objectives, such as:

- to develop vocational skills that contribute to recognised vocational qualifications;
- to develop general work habits and job-readiness;
- to help students to understand what is involved in jobs so that they make better career choices;
- to give disadvantaged people and job seekers access to opportunities to work that they might not have otherwise.²

A key issue for policy makers and social partners is how to choose the right type of programme for the right purpose, while best meeting stakeholders' needs.

This approach to education relies upon a three-way partnership between the student, the Higher Education Institution (HEI) and the company.

Students:

- Higher Education
- Professional practice
- Income

University:

- tight collaboration with industry
- ongoing adaptation of the curriculum to current requirements

Company:

- Building HR structure
- Corporate network
- Access to external Research Institute

Source: Hagen Hochrinner, FH JOANNEUM, 20. 6. 2020.

² ETF, A handbook for policy makers and social partners in ETF countries http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/repository/education/library/publicatioens/etf-wbl-handbook_en.pdf, chapter 4 page 13).





The exact format of collaboration is usually established in specific agreements between the company and the HEI, outlining the number of students received by the company (e.g. 10 to 20^3), whether students work for free or receive a salary, the number of hours per semester (e.g. $150\text{-}200^4$) and other rights and responsibilities of students and the company. Companies are also expected to find mentors for students who will be able to guide them during their practical work at the company and who assess their work at the end of the work term. There is no obligation to employ students after their graduation.

The below outlined types of learning concepts or models are often used related to work-based learning⁵. These concepts have been developed for use in the tertiary educational level:

- **Curriculum-integrated learning:** Is a model of learning that describes the development of integrated lessons helping students make connections across subjects and disciplines.
- Work-related learning: Planned activity that uses the context of work to develop knowledge, skills and behaviours useful in the workplace, including learning through the experience of work, learning about work and working practices, and learning the skills for work.
- Work-based learning: Is an educational strategy that provides students with real-life work
 experiences where they can apply academic and technical skills and develop their
 employability skills.
- **Work-integrated learning:** Are forms of experiential learning where the site of learning either occurs in the workplace or where the learning is strongly associated with a workplace.
- Cooperative education: A term that is commonly used in North America to refer to programmes in which learners spend time in several workplaces (companies) and receive academic credit for the work experience, but in which there may be little connection between what the student does in the workplace and the curriculum of the school or college.
 - In Europe mostly the term "Dual Education" is used. It is related to the system of apprenticeship in Germany, Austria and Switzerland. This system requires two learning venues (university and company) with a coordinated curriculum for both learning places.

³ In Austria, approximately 1 to 5 students are received by each company; in Germany the ratio is between 10 to 60 students per company.

⁴ This is depending on the number of ECTS granted for the practical part. In Austria, for example, a minimum of 125h of internship corresponding to 5 ECTS are required.

⁵ These concepts have been defined and used also by the EU project ApprenticeshipQ (www.apprenticeshipq.eu).





2.) ANALYSIS OF STUDY PROGRAMMES AT UNIVERSITIES IN PROGRAMME COUNTRIES

SUMMARY

As can be seen from the examples of study programmes implemented in the partner countries, different models are being implemented. While objectives are similar, the exact modalities and approaches are differing, depending most importantly on the regulatory framework and institutional landscape in a given country.

While some DHE programmes are more strongly regulated on the national level and thus following a unified approach in terms of programme design and implementation (Austria), some seem to be more flexible (e.g. Germany). All programmes are accredited by the National Accreditation Agencies.

Generally, all programmes are following the *Bologna criteria*, providing for BA and MA programmes, with both horizontal and vertical mobility and including the right to access the next educational level.

In all cases, **students are paid** for their work in enterprises. In almost all cases, work is based on **specific working contracts**.

In terms of partnerships with Industrial Partners (IPs), there are considerable differences with regard to size of companies and the selection process of students: While in Austria students are searching for companies for their practical work, it is common in Germany for companies to identify and select students for DHE programmes.

There is a mix between *teaching at universities and learning at practical work at companies*, usually starting with theoretical semester(s) in the beginning of the programme. The ratio between practical and theoretical teaching in the BA programmes is in average 60:40 and 50:50 in MA programmes. The ratio of teachers from HEIs and IPs approximately amounts to 60:40 and in MA programmes to 50:50.

Student assessments are conducted by HEI staff and supported by IPs. The final thesis is usually co-mentored by an IP representative, but led by the university professor.

Among the 15 analysed programmes, the majority has a *technical focus, but there are also examples from management, business administration, education and health sector.*





AUSTRIA

Scope of analysis:

5 Academic Programmes at Universities of Applied Science (UAS)"6

In Austria, UASs are the main "owners" of DHE programs. Nevertheless, it is also possible and even not unusual for "classical" HEIs to assume a partner role in the development and implementation of DHE programs.

The DHE programmes in Austria are standardised in terms of their format and layout. The majority of DHE programmes in Austria can be found in technical disciplines and follow the regular Bologna requirements (6 semesters for Bachelor programs (180 ECTS) and 4 semesters for Master Programmes (120 ECTS)). DHE graduates have the right to continue education on Master or PhD level.

The EQF Level is also unified with EQF 6 for Bachelor and EQF 7 for Master Programmes.

EQF LEVEL 8	ACADEMIC	DOCTORATE		
EQF LEVEL 7	LEVEL	MASTER	MAINTENANCE MANAGERS AND	
EQF LEVEL 6	POST	BACHELOR	SUPERVISORS, VOCATIONAL TEACHERS	
EQF LEVEL 5	UPPER SECONDARY LEVEL	HIGHER NATIONAL DIPLOMA	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIANS	
EQF LEVEL 4	UPPER SECONDARY LEVEL	HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATE, UPPER SECONDARY DIPLOMA	MAINTENANCE	
EQF LEVEL 3	SECONDARY LEVEL	SECONDARY DIPLOMA OR VOCATIONAL DIPLOMA	MECHANICS	
EQF LEVEL 2	DRIMA DV I EVEL	SECONDARY SCHOOL WITH NO DIPLOMA		
EQF LEVEL I	PRIMARY LEVEL	PRIMARY SCHOOL		

Source: https://www.maintworld.com/R-D/Application-of-European-Qualification-Framework-EQF-in-Maintenance

⁶ For detailed information on the programmes analysed, please see the annex.





DHE programs can also be in the format of Double or Joint Degrees.

Accreditation is regulated by law and is carried out by the National Accreditation Agency.

Curricula of DHE programmes are usually offered as "Curriculum Integrated models". Both, Bachelor and Master DHE Programmes are offered by UASs.8

All programmes are developed jointly from representatives of HEIs and industry partners (IP). HEIs have the lead in the development and implementation of the programmes which is also reflected in the ratio between teachers from HEIs (60%) and IPs (40%) being involved in the educational process.

Besides curriculum development and revision, IPs are also involved in mentoring the final thesis (co-mentoring together with HEI mentor).

HEIs have the overall responsibility for the conduction of student assessments. The involvement of the IP in the student assessments is related to the practical part of the education (work at companies) and is not unified. IP mentors are usually supporting HEI staff by issuing recommendations for student assessments, or drafting reports based on a standardised reporting form.

IPs have a direct working contract with all DHE students in line with the Austrian Labour Law. Usually Students have part time contracts (50% of the fulltime working contract).

The first two semesters are usually carried out only by HEIs. Starting from the 3rd semester, the educational process is divided between HEIs and IPs with a division of approximately 50:50 at Bachelor level. On the Master level, it is common for IPs to have even more responsibilities in the education of students (60:40%).

Teaching Staff has to have at least 3 years of relevant Industry experience and an academic degree amounting to a minimum of 300 ECTS.

The employment rate after graduation is very high ranging from 90 and 100% while drop-out rates are between 15 and 30%.9

⁹ For more information on dual education in Austria, see also www.dualstudieren.at.

⁷ Curriculum-integrated learning is a model of learning that describes the development of integrated lessons helping students make connections across subjects and disciplines.

⁸ Based on the existing law, UASs are not entitled to offer PhD programs.





GERMANY

Scope of analysis:

5 Academic Programs at 2 Universities of Applied Science (UAS), one Cooperative (DUAL) University and one Private Specialised Higher Education Institution (HEI)¹⁰

In Germany, the DHE Programmes offered by different HEIs are not unified. The Program design and layout depend on the discipline/occupation and the approach taken by the respective HEIs.

Curricula are offered in the format of "Curriculum Integrated", "Work Integrated" and "Work based" models. 11

All HEIs can offer DHE programmes at Bachelor and Master level. Programmes are available not only in technical disciplines such as engineering, but also in fields such as management, business administration and the health sector. All programmes follow the Bologna criteria but are not unified (6 or 7 semesters for Bachelor programs (180 to 210 ECTS)) and 4 semesters for Master Programmes (60 to 120 ECTS). Graduates from DHE programmes have the full right to continue education towards a Master dregree and further to PhD level. Some technical study programmes are aligned and combined with VET Programs. In these cases, graduates obtain a HEI and VET degree and occupation.

Accreditation is regulated by the law and is carried out by the National Accreditation Agencies.

All programmes are developed jointly by representatives of HEIs and Industry partners (IP). HEIs have the lead in the development and implementation of the programs which is also reflected in the ratio between teachers from HEIs (60%) and IPs (40%) being involved in the educational process including certain variations.

The EQF Level is unified with EQF 6 for Bachelor and EQF 7 for Master Programmes. Some programmes also offer a VET degree at EQF 4 level.

Besides curriculum development and revision, Industry Partners are involved in mentoring of the final thesis (co-mentoring with HEI mentor) as well.

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¹⁰ For detailed information on the programmes analysed, please see the annex.

¹¹ **Curriculum-integrated learning:** Is a model of learning that describes the development of integrated lessons helping students make connections across subjects and disciplines. **Work-based learning:** Is an educational strategy that provides students with real-life work experiences where they can apply academic and technical skills and develop their employability skills. **Work-integrated learning:** Are forms of experiential learning where the site of learning either occurs in the workplace or where the learning is strongly associated with a workplace.





HEIs have the overall responsibility for student assessments. Involvement in student assessments by the IP is related to the practical part of the education and not unified in terms of modalities and format.

The Industry offers training and as in the case of DHBW programmes a working contract for DHE students. Some HEIs have framework contracts with IPs and then with students (no direct IP-student contracts).

In some HE-institutions, the first two semesters are carried out only by HEIs. Starting from the 3rd semester, the educational process is divided between HEIs and IPs with a division of approximately 50:50 at Bachelor level. On the Master level, it is common for IPs to have even more responsibilities in the education of students (60 : 40%).

Teaching staff needs to have relevant industry experience and a relevant academic degree.

Employment rates after graduation are very high and range between 80 and 90% while dropout rates are between 5 and 20%.





SPAIN

Scope of analysis:

5 Academic Programs at 3 Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)¹²

Similar to Germany, in Spain DHE Programs might be offered by different type of HEIs (e.g. private and public). The program design depends on the discipline, the future occupation and the approach taken by the respective HEIs. DHE Programs are offered in fields such as Engineering, Education or Business Studies.

Curricula are offered in the format of "Curriculum Integrated", "Work Based" and "Work Integrated" models.¹³

Bachelor and Master DHE Programs can be offered by all HEIs following the Bologna Model (8 semesters for Bachelor (240 ECTS)) and 2 to 4 semesters for Master Programmes (60 to 120 ECTS). DHE programmes are not unified. All graduates from DHE programmes have the full right to continue education towards a Master dregree and further to PhD level.

The framework of the DHE programmes is developed jointly by representatives of HEIs and IPs. In addition, IPs are in charge of developing the set of competencies for the practical part of the teaching process.

The DHE programs are jointly implemented by the HEI and IPs but led by the respective HEI. The ratio between teachers from HEIs and IPs is between 50 to 75% HEIs versus 25 to 50% IPs. This, is not formally established, however, in the Basque Country, minimums have been defined. The same ratio is being applied for the involvement of HEI staff and IPs in student assessments which, however, is also not formally regulated. Involvement in student assessments by the IP is related to the practical part of the education and not unified.

The EQF Level is unified and is following the EQF scheme with EQF level 6 for Bachelor and EQF level 7 for Master Programmes.

In Spain, it is a common practice to have employment contracts between students and IPs or university-company collaboration agreements between HEIs and IPs. There is no standardised employment contracts for DHE.¹⁴

¹² For detailed information on the programmes analysed, please see the annex.

¹³ Curriculum-integrated learning is a model of learning that describes the development of integrated lessons helping students make connections across subjects and disciplines. Work-integrated learning: Are forms of experiential learning where the site of learning either occurs in the workplace or where the learning is strongly associated with a workplace.

¹⁴ At the VET level, a standardised employment contract has been defined by the state.





A collaboration agreement is signed between the university, the company and the student, and defines the rights and obligation of the partners.

Accreditation is regulated by the law and is carried out by the established Accreditation Agencies.

No special requirements for the Teaching Staff have been identified.

Data about employment rates are not available for all programmes (some of them have been recently introduced), but existing data show that employment rates after graduation are very high for DHE programmes (between 80 and 100 %), while drop-out rates range between 20 and 36 %.





3.) COMPARISON OF DATA AND CONCLUSIONS FOR WP 2

SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE 3 PROGRAMME COUNTRIES

The following tables provide an overview of the main characteristics of a dual study approach in the programme countries:

AUSTRIA

Austria
Bachelor and Master Programms

Type of apprenticeship / characteristics	dual study program, coop and workintegrated HE	full time dual/ cooperative education	full time (regular)	part time (work enabeling)	full time (health sciences)
Educational programm EQF level Bachelor / Master	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/-
Type of programm (HE, HVET)	HE	HVET	HE	HVET	HVET
Duration [semesters]	6	6	6	6	6
Balance between education in university and company	60 - 70% university, different models: 3 months, 1/2 week	50% university, 50% company (4x 12 week a 40h)	1 internship between 4th and 6th semester	working full time, studying at weekends	short placements in hospitals
Curriculum intergrated, work- related, work-based, work-integrated	work- integrated	work- integrated	curriculum integrated	work- based	work- integrated
Formal contract	employment contract (+ educational part)	employment contract (+ educational part)	internship contract	employment contract	placement without payment

Source: H.Hochrinner, characterization of study programmes in Austria (EQF 6-7), 08.06.2020





Germany

	full time Dual Study Programmes (Universitiy, UAP)	full time Dual Bachelor Programmes (University of Cooperative Education DHBW)	Programmes (UAP, University of	part time Dual Master Programmes extra-occupational (CAS at University of Cooperative Education DHBW)	part time Dual Study Programmes extra-occupational (public or private HE institutions)	Advanced Vocational Programme (Trade Schools, Technical Schools, HealthSchools)
Education programme EQF-Level Bachelor / Master	6 (partly incl .4) / 7	6	6 incl. 4	7	6/7	6 (or 5)
Type of programme (HVET, PHE, HE)	HE, PHE	HE, PHE	PHE	PHE	HE	HVET (certification by chambers or state authorities)
Average Length of programme Bachelor / Master	3 years / 5 years	3 years	3.5 up to 4 years	2 years or more	3.5 years / 2 years	1-3 years
Balance between education in institution and company	different models depending on institution, alternation varying between daily, weekly, monthly or irregular rhythm	alternating 50% in university, 50% work experience (each 4 x 12 weeks per year)	integrated training, mostly alternating in blocks of some months, entirely practical phase in the first year or in the last year		extraoccupational, allocation of study time varies, e.g. evening, weekend, off work time	only school, or extraoccupational, allocation of study time varies, e.g. evening, weekend, off work time
curriculum- integrated, work- related, work- based, work- integrated	curriculum integrated, work integrated	curriculum intergrated, work integrated	partly work based, work integrated, ,curriculum integrated	curriculum integrated, work integrated	curriculum integrated, work integrated	work integrated or merely school based
Formal contract	mostly yes (depending on state law and institution)	yes, between company and student	yes, between student and company or health institution	yes, regular work contract between company and student	yes, regular work contract between company and student	yes if work integrated, no, if school based

Source: DHBW, July 2020





SPAIN

Type of Apprenticeship / Characteristics	Dual programme	Dual programme	HVET	HVET
Education programme (EQF-Level)	6	7	5	5
Type of programme (HVET, PHE, HE)	HE 240 ECTS Two options: - dual itinerary (optional/student group) - dual program (mandatory/full group)	HE 60-120 ECTS Two options: - dual itinerary (optional/student group) - dual program (mandatory/full group)	Non-university HE	Non-university HE
Time Average Length of programme	4 years	1-2 years	2 years	3 years
Balance between education in institution & company	Between 25 to 50% in company		Between 1450 and 1600 hours in VET institution and between 800 and 1200 hours in company	Between 1750 and 1950 hours in VET institution and between 1800 and 3100 hours in company
Curriculum integrated, work-related, work- based, work- integrated	Curriculum-integrated, work- based, work-integrated	Curriculum-integrated, work-based, work- integrated	Curriculum-integrated, work-based, work- integrated	Curriculum-integrated, work-based, work- integrated
Formal contract	University-company agreement or working contract payment	University-company agreement or working contract payment	Grant or working contract payment	Grant or working contract payment

^{*} Dual university education has not been developed at the State level - neither conceptually nor in regulatory frameworks. The information provided in this table is based on the exisiting framework established for the Basque Country.





KEY ELEMENTS FOR FUTURE DHE MODELS/PROGRAMMES

Based on the inputs on study programmes in EU programme countries of the DUALSCI project and the analysis of the DHE framework in programme countries from the EU project ApprenticeshipQ, the following elements have been identified for consideration when developing future DHE models/programmes for Bosnia and Herzegovina:

- DHE programmes need to consider the Bologna requirements This is to enhance horizontal and vertical mobility as well as to simplify recognition of degrees. Furthermore, this promotes trust by employers. The programmes should also clearly indicate the relevant EQF level (6 -BA, 7 - MA).
- DHE graduates need to have full access to the next educational level (e.g. MA, PhD) both at applied and scientific (non-dual) HE programmes.
- As and where feasible it can also be considered to award a **VET degree** together with the BA.
- In term of the dual approach chosen, it is recommended to opt for curriculum integrated or work-based models since these approaches provide best for a systematic integration of work experiences.
- In terms of contractual relations, it is recommended for the IP to have direct working contracts with the student for the period of their practical work. 15 As feasible, these contracts should be remunerated to support financial independence of the student.
- Relation theoretical and practical work: It is recommended that on BA level, the first 2 semesters focus on theoretical work with first work-based experiences from semester 3 to 6 (for example, 80:20/theoretical vs practical work). At MA level, the focus should be on the practical experiences in R&D and can be designed in different ways, depending on the fields of study and institutional framework. As a minimum, students should be required to carry out 60% of their study period with the IP doing practical work.
- Mentors in companies should receive training in order to get prepared for their highly responsible role. Regular meetings between company mentors and HEI teaching staff are recommended (at least once or twice a year). In general, obligations of companies and mentors should be openly discussed and clearly defined. This also includes questions such as the remuneration of mentors or the amount of time spent for mentoring.

¹⁵ In Austria, there are usually employment contracts between students and the respective companies; in Germany student-company- university contracts are common. It is recommended to BiH partners to explore both approaches and to identify the most feasible solution in this regard.





- In terms of **curriculum development and revision**, teams should consist of representatives both from HEIs and from industry (suggestion: 50:50). It is also recommended that IPs have at least 5 years of experience in their respective field/discipline.
- Both academic staff and IP partners should be involved in the **teaching process**. It is recommended that both should have industry experience, but teachers from IPs should have approximately 5 years of prior industry experience plus a relevant academic degree (at least MA).

Assessment: The HEI should be primarily responsible for the assessment of students but should request inputs on students' performance from IPs in line with an established reporting and grading system.

- Final thesis: It is recommended for the final thesis to be co-mentored by HEI and IP representatives who were involved in the teaching process. The IPs should grade the applied part of the thesis while the university takes responsibility for the academic and theoretical part of the thesis. It is also recommended for the HEI mentor to visit the company before the student starts working on the thesis. Overall, it is considered very essential for HEI staff to get to know the respective companies, to meet mentors and to develop and maintain personal contacts.
- At the level of Ministry there should be a clear catalogue of criteria which outlines the requirements a study programme has to fulfil in order to be called "dual education in HE". Otherwise the definition of what is DHE might get lost instead of branded. As an example, the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science and Research has set up the following criteria for characterizing the dual degree programmes in Austria:
 - Repeated sequence of theoretical phases and internships with continuous reflection.
 - Internships out beyond the normal scope of an internship in a technical college degree program, both in terms of time and in terms of the specification of the content.
 - Acquisition of curricular defined competencies takes place at two places of learning and is characterized by the combination of science and focus on implementation.
 - Admission process for college and company are in the responsibility of each partner and are coordinated.
 - Company must take a training commitment which is suitable to convey the intended course content.





- Organization of the theoretical and practical phases, the conditions for an acceptable total time load (ECTS) for students.
- Relationship of the three partners (students, universities and companies) is subject to mandatory regulations for quality assurance.

In **Germany**, the outline of the **framework for German Dual Higher Education programmes** is as following:

- Applicants have to be generally eligible for HE admission.
- Involvement of companies in the recruitment process has to be documented and is part of the accreditation.
- Bachelor programmes last three years and offer 180 ECTS credit points: at least 120 ECTS credit points for theory and at least 30 ECTS credit points for practice.
- There is a clear relation between theory and practice (academic relevance of practice has to be proven).
- The programme includes a final thesis with 6-12 ECTS credit points.
- The overall annual working time of students (academic work load for work and study plus any additional work for the company) has to be "reasonable" (There is no mentioning of an actual limit but information from some institutions indicate an average of around 2.000 hours per year, which is clearly more than the typical full time employment).
- Each faculty has to meet criteria for regular Universities of Applied Sciences, e.g. at least 40 % of teaching has to be provided by employed professors. This is a precondition in order to guarantee institutional research activities and also creates options for profund and intensive student mentoring.
- The existence of a quality management system for the cooperation of the two different learning environments and of a well described mentoring and counseling system (during practise) for students has to be proven.





4.) MAIN SOURCES

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ANNEX: DETAILED ANALYSIS OF 15 DHE PROGRAMMES IN AUSTRIA, GERMANY AND SPAIN

AUSTRIA

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 1:	PTO – Production Technology and Organization
Website link:	https://www.fh-joanneum.at/produktionstechnik/bachelor/
Name of implementing university:	FH JOANNEUM Gesellschaft mbH.
Implementing	IAP – Institute of Applied Production Sciences/
faculty/department:	Department – Engineering
How is DHE defined/understood at	"Dual study" describes the content and structural integration
your university?	of at least two equivalent learning locations - university and
,	company - for a jointly designed training at university level.
Joint or double degree? Yes/no	No.
- if yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Bachelor of Science in Engineering, BScE
graduates from this programme	Business of Science in Engineering, BSCE
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Engineering
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	BSc
Education programme (EQF level):	6
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	Full time dual HVET
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: yes/no	
Responsible body for	AQ Austria – Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation
accreditation:	
Length and overall structure of the	6 semesters
programme:	180 ECTS
Entrance exam: yes/no	Yes
Fee: yes/no	No
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	60 %
Teaching staff from industry in %	40 %
Specific requirements for teaching	3 years of practical experience in industry,
staff (e.g. practical experiences	Finished study program at HE with minimum 300 ECTS





/managerial position in industry	
etc.).	
Balance between education in	1st year – 100% university
institution & company (in % and	2nd and 3rd year - 50%/50%
number of days/months)	(6 months university/6 months industry)
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	work integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	No
(yes/no).	Contract only between student and company.
If yes - please indicate type of	
contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	(in average a half employment, students are paid 14 times
	according to Austrian Law)
Support provided by the	Partly
programme (i.e service matching	University plays a supporting role by finding internships.
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Yes
stages industry partners are	Development team = faculty + selected representatives of
involved in curriculum design and	industry
review (e.g. definition of functions,	Yearly meetings with representatives of industry
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	Only university
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	Exception is bachelor thesis
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Standardized evaluation document
apprenticeship periods:	
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	1 academic mentor + 1 in-company mentor per student
HEIs and industry	
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	Yes, 15% (due to pre-selection process)
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes
to continue education at	MSc level
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	





Are data available regarding the	Yes
employment rates of graduates? If	98%
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	Application for Accreditation
Additional	1
comments/observations:	

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 2:	ENP – Engineering and Production Management
Website link:	https://www.fh-joanneum.at/produktionstechnik/bachelor/
Name of implementing university:	FH JOANNEUM Gesellschaft mbH.
How is DHE defined/understood at	"Dual study" describes the content and structural integration
your university?	of at least two equivalent learning locations - university and
	company - for a jointly designed training at university level.
Implementing	IAP – Institute of Applied Production Sciences/
faculty/department:	Department - Engineering
Joint or double degree? Yes/no	No
 if yes, please indicate. 	
Please indicate the occupation of	Master of Science in Engineering, MScE
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Engineering
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	MSc
Education programme (EQF level):	7
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HVET
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	AQ Austria- AQ Austria – Agency for Quality Assurance and
accreditation:	Accreditation
Length and overall structure of the	4 semesters
programme:	120 ECTS
Entrance exam: yes/no	Yes
Fee: yes/no	No
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	60
Teaching staff from industry in %	40
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Specific requirements for teaching	3 years of practical experience in industry,
staff (e.g. practical	Finished study program minimum at HE with min. 300 ECTS
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	40% university/ 60% company (7months company/5 months
institution & company (in % and	university)
number of days/months)	
(e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Work integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	No
(yes/no).	Contract only between student and company.
If yes - please indicate type of	
contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	In average is a half employment, students are paid 14 times
	according to Austrian Law.
Support provided by the	Partly, university plays a supporting role by finding
programme (i.e service matching	placements
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Yes
stages industry partners are	Development team = faculty + selected representatives of
involved in curriculum design and	industry.
review (e.g. definition of functions,	Yearly meetings with representatives of industry.
competences, LOs and syllabi).	Oakskaraita
Assessment:	Only by university.
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	Exception is the master thesis.
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	Ctandardizad avaluation decurs as t
Modalities of assessment during	Standardized evaluation document
apprenticeship periods: Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	1 and only montary 11 in company manter you study at
	1 academic mentor + 1 in-company mentor per student
HEIs and industry	Vos. 10% (due to pre selection process)
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	Yes, 10% (due to pre-selection process)
(if applicable):	Vos
Upon completion, is there a right to continue education at	Yes. PhD
to continue education at	עווץ





universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	Yes.
employment rates of graduates? If	100%
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	Application for Accreditation
Additional	1
comments/observations:	





NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 3:	Mobile Software Development
Website link:	https://www.fh-joanneum.at/mobile-software-
	development/bachelor/en/
Name of implementing university:	FH JOANNEUM Gesellschaft mbH.
How is DHE defined/understood at	Mobile Software Development is the third dual program at
your university?	the FH JOANNEUM. The dual phase starts in the third
	semester after a year of fulltime studies. During the third to
	the sixth semester the students are from Wednesday to
	Friday in the partner company with at least 20 hours each
	week. Monday and Tuesday are reserved for the university
	and the courses are held. The courses are partly online.
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Implementing	Applied Computer Sciences
faculty/department:	Voc
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if yes, please indicate.	Yes Joint degree with Graz University of Technology and CAMPUS
yes, piease maicate.	02 UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES
Please indicate the occupation of	Mobile Software Developer
graduates from this programme	mosne sortmare severoper
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	IT
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Science
Education programme (EQF level):	Level 6
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HVET
HE):	W
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no Responsible body for	AO Austria- AO Austria - Agency for Quality Assurance and
accreditation:	AQ Austria- AQ Austria – Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation
Length and overall structure of the	6 semester
programme:	o semester
Entrance exam: yes/no	yes
Fee: yes/no	100
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	l no
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Teaching staff from industry in % Specific requirements for teaching	





experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.). Balance between education in	22.2 and CC C 0/
	33,3 and 66,6 %
institution & company (in % and number of days/months)	2 day at institution and 3 days a week in company
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Work-integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	Work-integrated
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	Letter of Intent and an apprenticeship contract
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Yes
<pre>programme (i.e service matching</pre>	Matching events and different individual offers
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	
stages industry partners are	
involved in curriculum design and	
review (e.g. definition of functions,	
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	8%
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	The partners evaluate the goals for each semester. Those
Student assessment by industry	goals are 50 percent of the praxis course.
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Regular assessments for the courses.
apprenticeship periods:	Reports and the evaluation of the semester goals in the praxis
Final thesis, action of montant from	course.
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	
HEIs and industry	The program started 2019
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	The program started 2018.
(if applicable): Upon completion, is there a right	Yes
to continue education at	i es
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
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Are data available regarding the	The program started 2018.
employment rates of graduates? If	
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	
Additional	
comments/observations:	

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 4:	HSD – Hardware-Software-Design
Website link:	http://www.fh-ooe.at/hsd
Name of implementing university:	University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria
How is DHE defined/understood at	"Dual study" describes the content and structural integration
your university?	of at least two equivalent learning locations - university and
	company - for a jointly designed training at university level.
Implementing	School for Informatics, Communications and Media/
faculty/department:	ESE – Embedded Systems Engineering
Joint or double degree? yes/no - if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Bachelor of Science in Engineering
graduates from this programme	
(eg.IT engineer, physiotherapist,	
etc.)	
Please indicate economic sector	Engineering
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	BSc
Education programme (EQF level):	VI
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HE (higher education)
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: yes/no	
Responsible body for	AQ Austria – Agency for Quality Assurance and Accreditation
accreditation:	
Length and overall structure of the	6 semesters, 180 ECTS
programme:	
Entrance exam: yes/no	No
Fee: yes/no	Yes





Teaching staff from HEIs in %	60 %
Teaching staff from industry in %	40 %
Specific requirements for teaching	3 years of practical experience in industry,
staff (e.g. practical	finished study program at HE with minimum 300 ECTS
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	1st year – 100% university
institution & company (in % and	2nd and 3rd year - 50%/50% (6 months university / 6 months
number of days/months)	industry)
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Curriculum integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	No
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	Contract only between student and company.
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly.)	In average a half employment, students are paid 14 times
Command managed by the	according to Austrian Law.
Support provided by the	Partly
programme (i.e service matching	University plays a supporting role by finding internships.
and career guidance) Please indicate how/at what	Yes
stages industry partners are	Development team = faculty + selected representatives of
involved in curriculum design and	industry.
review (e.g. definition of functions,	muusti y.
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	Only university (exception is the bachelor thesis)
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	and animalist (exception is the sacretor thesis)
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Standardized evaluation document
apprenticeship periods:	
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	1 academic mentor + 1 in-company mentor per student
HEIs and industry	
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	No, the programme will start in October 2020.
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes
to continue education at	MSc level





universities (yes/no, MA/PhD level)?	
Are data available regarding the employment rates of graduates? If so, please indicate.	No
Key resource documents:	Application for Accreditation
Additional	-
comments/observations:	

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 5:	Elektrotechnik Dual / Electrical Engineering Dual
Website link:	https://www.fhv.at/studium/technik/bachelorstudiengaenge/
	elektrotechnik-dual-bsc/
Name of implementing	FH Vorarlberg, CAMPUS V,
university:	Hochschulstraße 1, 6850 Dornbirn,
	Austria
How is DHE defined/understood	Dual Higher Education is understood here as studies with in-
at your university?	depth practical experience, i.e. university studies + practical
	phases in companies.
Implementing	Fachbereich Technik / Faculty for Engineering
faculty/department:	. , ,
Joint or double degree? Yes/no -	No
if yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Electrical engineers
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Graduates work in electronics development, automation
where graduates are typically	technology, software engineering, power engineering.
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Science, BSc
Education programme (EQF	EQF level 6
level):	
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HE
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	Agentur für Qualitätssicherung und Akkreditierung Austria
accreditation:	Franz-Klein-Gasse 5 • 1190 Wien
Length and overall structure of	6 Semesters; programme starts with a fulltime year ans
the programme:	switches then to 3-month cycle.
Entrance exam: yes/no	No
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Fee: yes/no	No
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	50%
Teaching staff from industry in %	50%
Specific requirements for	Engineering diploma, Ph.D.
teaching staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position	
in industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	80% @ institution, 20% = 1 year @ company
institution & company (in % and	
number of days/months)	
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Curriculum-integrated (see above)
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes, cooperation agreement.
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes, starting with 2 nd year (= start of dual phase)
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	On request.
programme (i.e. service matching	
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Industry partner are involved in curriculum design, when a
stages industry partners are	study programme is developed, i.e. initial launch, and then
involved in curriculum design and	every time the programme is revised.
review (e.g. definition of	
functions, competences, LOs and	
syllabi).	4000/ h
Assessment:	100% by the HEI, industry partners may make
Student assessment by HEIs (in	recommendations.
%)	
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	Overtinguaries
Modalities of assessment during	Questionnaire
apprenticeship periods:	Charles are resolved by Sadard and by US
Final thesis: ratio of mentors	Students are mentored by industry and by HEI, assessment by
from HEIs and industry	HEI, while industry mentors may make recommendations.
Drop-out rates in the last 5	30%
years (if applicable):	





Upon completion, is there a right to continue education at universities (yes/no, MA/PhD level)?	Students my continue, of course, but have to apply.
Are data available regarding the employment rates of graduates? If so, please indicate.	90%, roughly.
Key resource documents:	
Additional comments/observations:	_





GERMANY

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 1:	Business Administration
Website link:	https://www.dhbw.de/english/programmes-
	listing.html#course-0
Name of implementing university:	Baden Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University
	Heilbronn
How is DHE defined/understood at	The students study alternately for three months at the DHBW
this university?	and at their dual partner (employer) and thus receive
	integrated theoretical and practical content.
Implementing	Faculty of Business
faculty/department:	22 Business Administration study programs in 10 locations in
	Baden-Wuerttemberg
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Management positions
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	All business sectors: industry, trade, banking, insurance, IT,
where graduates are typically	service companies, consulting, etc.
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
Education programme (EQF level):	6
Type of programme (HVET, PHE, HE):	PHE
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	In 2006, the German Central Agency for Evaluation and
	Accreditation (ZEvA) accredited all study programmes of the
	Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University. In July
	2008, ZEvA validated the programmes as intensive degree
	programmes with 210 ECTS points. In 2011, DHBW was the
	first university in Baden-Wuerttemberg that obtained the
	system accreditation by the Central Evaluation and
Degravathia hada Co	Accreditation Agency (ZEvA).
Responsible body for accreditation:	Internal
accreditation:	system accreditation by the Central Evaluation and
Longth and averall structure of the	Accreditation Agency (ZEvA)
Length and overall structure of the	Three years
programme:	





	The integration model combines training with the dual partner with studies at the DHBW. The curriculum is designed in a way that training and studies can overlap. After graduation, about 70 percent of the students remain employed by the training company, the Dual Partner.
Entrance exam: yes/no	Depends on school-leaving certificate. If the student has a university entrance diploma, no exam is required.
Fee: yes/no	no
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	About 40
Teaching staff from industry in %	About 60
Specific requirements for teaching	Practical experience
staff (e.g. practical experiences/managerial position in industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	1 6. Semester: Interlinking training / theoretical phase and
institution & company (in % and	practical phase – each semester 12 weeks theory at the
number of days/months)	university and 12 weeks practical training at the dual partner
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	company.
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Curriculum-integrated; work-integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes – Training / study contract between the company and the
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	student
type of contract	The company has a contract with the university which grants
	it the right to fill a certain number of places with dual students. The company advertises those dual study positions
	on job portals and selects the students. The university accepts
	the students that the company selected. So, it is in fact the
	company (and not the university) that does the selection for
	admission.
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Not relevant
programme (i.e. service matching	
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Close cooperation with dual partner in the preparation and
stages industry partners are	review of the curriculum.
involved in curriculum design and	





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review (e.g. definition of functions,	
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	Exams at HEI 100%
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Theoretical and oral exams.
apprenticeship periods:	
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	One mentor on each side, but evaluation is exclusively on the
HEIs and industry	HEI side
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	5 to 10 percent over the study period of 3 years
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes, by completing the study program 210 ECTS points are
to continue education at	awarded. These can be recognised when applying for an
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	MA/PhD level.
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	According to study program and year 80 to 90 percent
employment rates of graduates? If	
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	
Additional	
comments/observations:	

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 2:	Management & Business Psychology
	(Betriebswirtschaft & Wirtschaftspsychologie)
Website link:	https://www.fom.de/
	https://www.fom.de/studiengaenge/duales-
	studium/bachelor-studiengaenge-
	betriebswirtschaftlich/betriebswirtschaft-und-
	wirtschaftspsychologie.html
Name of implementing university:	FOM Hochschule für Oekonomie & Management
How is DHE defined/understood	This describes the concept of FOM Hochschule für
at this university?	Oekonomie & Management GmbH, Essen, Germany.
	FOM describes themselves as "the university for
	professionals", meaning that students are in normal
	employment and study in the evenings, week-ends, and off-
	work times. Some students get a part of the university fees
	from their employer, some not. Some employers give their
	employees additional time for their studies, some not.





	It is the biggest private university in Germany with 55,000
	students at 32 study centres in Germany and 1 in Vienna,
	Austria.
Implementing	-/-
faculty/department:	·
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No (single degree)
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Management positions, expert positions in customers
graduates from this programme	management, human resources, market research, product
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	design, organisation, change management, etc.
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	All economic sectors
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Science (B. Sc.)
Education programme (EQF level):	6
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HE
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes, system accreditation (valid until 2027)
of the programme: Yes/no	plus accreditation by the Wissenschaftsrat (Council of
	Science and Humanities, official advisory body of the Federal
	and Laender governments of Germany)
	approved by the Land of Nordrhein-Westfalen (North Rhine-
	Westphalia) since 1993.
Responsible body for	FIBAA
accreditation:	
Length and overall structure of the	7 semesters, 180 ECTS credits
programme:	
Entrance exam: yes/no	No
Fee: yes/no	Yes (c. 12,390 EUR in monthly or quarterly rates)
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	No information available
	(minimum number of HEI staff following § 72 (2) no. 7 of
	NRW universities law: ½ ("überwiegend")
Teaching staff from industry in %	No information available, but only half of teaching is
	provided by own Professors, the other half by external
	teachers from industry, freelancers, and some staff from
	other universities.
Specific requirements for teaching	For Professors: the usual requirements by law
staff (e.g. practical	For external teachers: academic degree
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	





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Balance between education in	University offers three different time models:
institution & company (in % and	1) "evenings + Saturdays":
number of days/months)	a) 2 or 3 evenings per week (Mo till Fr) 18:00 – 21:15 and 2
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	or 3 Saturdays/Month 08:30 – 15:45 hrs
at institution and 4 days a week in	b) every Friday 18:00 – 21:15 and Saturday 08:30 – 15:45 hrs
company etc.).	2) "evening model": 3 evenings per week (Mo till Fr) 18:00 –
	21:15 hrs
	3) "day studies":
	a) 2 days per week (Mo through Fr) normally 08:30 – 15:45
	or b) 1 day par wook plus Saturdays 09:20 15:45 g/clock
	b) 1 day per week plus Saturdays 08:30 – 15:45 o'clock
	There are no requirements for the practical training, most
Dual approach:	students work in a normal job (full-time or part-time). Work-based
Dual approach: Curriculum-integrated, work-	WOLK-Dasen
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
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appropriate answer. Formal contracts with company	No
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	NO
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes (they are normal employees)
partners (yes/no, partly)	res (they are normal employees)
Support provided by the	Mentoring programme offered by alumni some years ago,
programme (i.e. service matching	no information about ongoing programmes.
and career guidance)	no mornation about ongoing programmes.
Please indicate how/at what	No involvement, but on the level of the funding body of the
stages industry partners are	university.
involved in curriculum design and	
review (e.g. definition of functions,	
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	HEI 100 %
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	11L1 100 /0
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Student assessment by industry	1111 100 76
Student assessment by industry partners (in %)	TILI 100 76
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partners (in %)	
partners (in %) Modalities of assessment during	
partners (in %) Modalities of assessment during apprenticeship periods:	None
partners (in %) Modalities of assessment during apprenticeship periods: Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	None
partners (in %) Modalities of assessment during apprenticeship periods: Final thesis: ratio of mentors from HEIs and industry	None 100 % HEI





Upon completion, is there a right	Yes
to continue education at	
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	55 % of FOM graduates after c. 1.5 years receive an income
employment rates of graduates? If	of at least 4,000 EUR/month (as compared to 1/3 of
so, please indicate.	graduates of other universities).
	C. 29 % of Bachelors and 36 % of Masters report they have
	budget and turnover responsibility.
	Nearly ¼ of graduates say they had staff reporting to them
	1.5 years after finishing their studies (Masters': 31 %).
	Most have an employer before they start to study, so
	employment rates are high.
Key resource documents:	
Additional	This model is called "dual" but the same model is offered
comments/observations:	also without the adjective "dual". A dual partner company is
	not really required. Positions are offered as "vocational
	training", "practice-integrated" or "internship" and
	"traineeship". It seems to be possible to be employed
	anywhere in any job.

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 3:	Cooperative Study_Model – Degree Programm (Kooperatives Studienmodell – Bachelorprogramm) - Different combinations available
Website link:	https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/kooperativ
Name of implementing university:	Heilbronn University of Applied Sciences (Hochschule Heilbronn)
How is DHE defined/understood at this university?	The students alternate in their studies for three months at the DHBW and at their dual partner (employer) and thus receive integrated theoretical and practical content.
Implementing	Faculties:
faculty/department:	Faculty Mechanics and Electronics (T1) Faculty Economics and Engineering (TW)
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if yes, please indicate.	Yes – within 4 years 10 months, graduates of the integrated education program acquire two degrees, the Vocational Training Qualification and the Bachelor of Science (or Engineering).
Please indicate the occupation of graduates from this programme	Engineer in different branches or departments (Research& Development, IT, Manufacturing, Logistics, Purchasing).





(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Industry (Manufacturing Companies, Logistics Companies)
	industry (Mandiacturing Companies, Logistics Companies)
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Science (Bachelor of Engineering)
Education programme (EQF level):	6
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	PHE
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	ACQUIN
accreditation:	
Length and overall structure of the	4 Years 10 Months:
programme:	1,5 years vocational training (dual company and professional
	school-special class), then start of the study program
	(summer semester) combined with finalisation of vocational
	training in the second year. Second till seventh semester
	follows the regular study program at University. All other
	periods (holidays for regular students) the dual student
	receives practical content at the dual company.
Entrance exam: yes/no	Depends on school-leaving certificate. If the student has a
Littralice exam. yes/110	university entrance diploma, no exam is required.
Fee: yes/no	No
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	80%
Teaching staff from industry in %	20%
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Specific requirements for teaching	Practical Experience
staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	4.5
Balance between education in	1,5 years vocational training: 70% Company, 30% professional
institution & company (in % and	school)
number of days/months)	1– 4 Semester: 60% at University, 40 % at Company
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	5 Semester Company
at institution and 4 days a week in	6 – 7 Semester (50% at University, 50% in Company (or more,
company etc.).	depends on Bachelor Thesis)
Dual approach:	Curriculum-integrated; work-integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	





Formal contracts with company	Yes – training contract
(yes/no). If yes - please indicate	3
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Not relevant
programme (i.e service matching	
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Close cooperation with the dual partners by developing the
stages industry partners are	program (Fachbeirat and University Council).
involved in curriculum design and	
review (e.g. definition of functions,	
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	Exams at HEI about 75%
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	Exams at Professional School about 25%
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Theoretical, oral and practical exams. Graduation with the
apprenticeship periods:	Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IHK).
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	One mentor on each side.
HEIs and industry	
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	Not documented, empirical value, less than 2%.
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes, by completing the study program 210 ECTS points are
to continue education at	awarded. These can be recognised when applying for an
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	MA/PhD level.
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	Not documented on website, due to the fact, that the
employment rates of graduates? If	company is investing time and money for the education of the
so, please indicate.	students: every graduate gets a job offer.
Key resource documents:	
Additional	
comments/observations:	
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NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 4	Advanced Midwifery Science
	(Angewandte Hebammenwissenschaft – Hebammenkunde)
Website link:	https://www.dhbw-
	stuttgart.de/themen/studienangebot/gesundheit/angewandte-
	hebammenwissenschaft-hebammenkunde/profil/
Name of implementing	Baden Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University Heilbronn,
university:	DHBW Stuttgart





	The students alternate for three months at the DHBW and at their dual partner (employer) and thus receive integrated
	theoretical and practical content.
Implementing	Faculty of Health
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no -	Yes - Within four years, graduates of the integrated training
if yes, please indicate.	programme acquire two degrees: the state examination as
	midwife and the Bachelor of Science.
Please indicate the occupation	Midwife
of graduates from this	
programme (eg IT engineer,	
physiotherapist etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Health - Direct care of women and families in clinical and non-
where graduates are typically	clinical settings, implementation of scientific projects.
employed (eg banking,	
insurance, construction, health	
etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Science
Education programme (EQF	6
level):	
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	PHE
HE):	
Obligatory external	Yes
accreditation of the	
programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	Internal
accreditation:	There were within the formation of a favor way to initial to
Length and overall structure of	Three years - within the framework of a four-year training to
the programme:	become a midwife with State Examination.
	The integration model combines training with the dual partner with studies at the DHBW Stuttgart. The curriculum is designed in a way that training and studies can overlap. Training and studies are conducted within four years, whereby the studies
	only begin after the first year of training. In accordance with the
	standard period of study, the course of study lasts three years.
	In the third year of study, i.e. after the training, the students
	remain employed by the training company, the Dual Partner.
	(see graphic on the page linked above).
Entrance exam: yes/no	Depends on school-leaving certificate. If the student has a
, ,	university entrance diploma, no exam is required.
Fee: yes/no	No
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	About 40





Teaching staff from industry in %	About 60
Specific requirements for	Practical experience
teaching staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position	
in industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	1., 2., 3. Semester: Interlinking training / theoretical phase and
institution & company (in % and	practical phase - 12 weeks; 4. Semester: Interlinking training /
number of days/months)	theoretical phase and practical phase – 20 weeks.
e.g. 6 months in company or 1	5. Semester theory 21.11.2022 – 12.02.2023, practical phase
day at institution and 4 days a	13.02.2023 - 07.05.2023 - 12 weeks; 6. Semester Theory
week in company etc.).	08.05.2023 - 30.07.2023, practical phase: 31.07.2023 -
	30.09.2023 – 9 weeks.
Dual approach:	Curriculum-integrated; work-integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes - Training contract
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Not relevant
programme (i.e. service	
matching and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Close cooperation with the midwifery school/dual partner in the
stages industry partners are	preparation of the curriculum.
involved in curriculum design	Joint modules together with the midwifery school.
and review (e.g. definition of	
functions, competences, LOs and	
syllabi).	
Assessment:	Exams at HEI about 70%
Student assessment by HEIs (in	
%)	
Student assessment by industry	Exams at midwifery school about 30%
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Theoretical, oral and practical exams. Graduation with the state
apprenticeship periods:	examination
Final thesis: ratio of mentors	One mentor on each side, but evaluation is exclusively on the
from HEIs and industry	HEI side
Drop-out rates in the last 5	The study programme has been implemented in 2018, therefore
years (if applicable):	no data is available yet.





Upon completion, is there a	Yes, by completing the study program 210 ECTS points are
right to continue education at	awarded. These can be recognised when applying for an
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	MA/PhD level.
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	Due to the glaring lack of midwives in Germany, a high takeover
employment rates of graduates?	rate is expected.
If so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	
Additional	
comments/observations:	

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 5:	Mechatronics (as an example)
Website link:	https://www.thi.de/en/electrical-engineering-and-information-
	technology/degree-programmes/mechatronics-beng
Name of implementing university:	Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt THI, Ingolstadt, Germany
How is DHE defined/understood at	This describes not our concept, but that of the universities of the
your university?	Free State of Bavaria.
	In Bavaria public universities (of applied sciences) combine their
	study programmes with formal vocational education. There is a
	land-wide network called "Hochschule Bayern e. V."
	(<u>https://www.hochschule-dual.de</u>) with 21 member universities.
	As an example of many different programmes, one of the
	Technical University of Ingolstadt has been chosen.
Implementing	Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	Yes
yes, please indicate.	Bachelor (B. Sc.) combined with
	Chamber Certificate in state-recognised occupation (Zeugnis
	über die Prüfung im Ausbildungsberuf)
Please indicate the occupation of	Engineer in mechatronics in development or high-tech
graduates from this programme	production, e. g. in automotive industry.
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Industry, engineering.
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	Dankalan of Coionea (D. Co.) and
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor of Science (B. Sc.) and
	"journeyman's certificate for the electrical trade" by the
	Chamber of Craft Trade (Gesellenbrief der Handwerkskammer
Education programme (EOE level)	für München und Oberbayern)
Education programme (EQF level):	6 including 4





Type of programme (HVET, PHE, HE):	HE combined with vocational training
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	ASIIN e. V. (Accreditation Agency for Study Programmes in
accreditation:	Engineering, Information Science, Sciences and Mathematics, a
decreated for the same of the	body founded by universities and professional associations)
Length and overall structure of the	7 semesters
programme:	
Entrance exam: yes/no	No, but "numerus clauses" (a certain mark required) and a six
	weeks pre-study internship.
Fee: yes/no	No (state university)
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	n/a
Teaching staff from industry in %	n/a (industry is responsible for practical training)
Specific requirements for teaching	n/a
staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	There is a 13 months phase in the industry at the beginning.
institution & company (in % and	This ends with the mid-time exam of the Chamber of Craft
number of days/months)	Trade. Then the time at workplace is limited to 1 month after
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	every semester of 4.5 months duration, except for the 5 th
at institution and 4 days a week in	semester, which, like in most university of applied sciences
company etc.).	study programmes, takes place in industry only. After the 5 th
	semester, the exam of the Chamber of Craft Trade takes place.
	(See picture at the end of the table.)
Dual approach:	Work-based
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Service matching and career service
programme (i.e service matching	"hochschule dual" offers a Bavaria-wide matching service.
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	No information available, probably only on informal level
stages industry partners are	regarding university programmes.
involved in curriculum design and	





review (e.g. definition of functions,	
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	HEI 100 % of academic assessment for B. Sc.
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	Industry: no assessment
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Chamber of Craft Trade: mid-time and final exam
apprenticeship periods:	Industry: practitioners serve as examiners on behalf of the
	Chamber
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	1:1 (recommended)
HEIs and industry	
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	n/a
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes, M. Sc.
to continue education at	
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	No
employment rates of graduates? If	
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	
Additional	
comments/observations:	



Beispielhaftes Ablaufschema

Abschlussprüfung Ausbildung = final exam of vocational education Bachelorarbeit = Bachelor Thesis

Description, but without picture, in English: https://www.thi.de/en/studies/degree-programmes/dual-studies/dual-study-models-at-the-thi





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NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 1:	Degree in Automotive Engineering
Website link:	https://www.ehu.eus/es/grado-ingenieria-automocion
Name of implementing university:	University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU)
Name of implementing university:	The University of the Basque Country has identified the need to innovate the teaching-learning process of students to improve the inclusion of graduate students in the socioeconomic environment. The goal of the dual system is to integrate the acquisition of skills in the company with those acquired at the University. In this way, companies actively participate in the design of the competency profile of the students who will be trained following the dual model and thus meet the needs of companies. The dual model allows students a greater knowledge of the reality of the company with which they have formalized an
	internship contract and facilitates their subsequent insertion in the labour market.
Implementing	Faculty of Engineering Vitoria-Gasteiz
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Automotive engineer
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Automotive industry
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Degree in Automotive Engineering
Education programme (EQF level):	Level 6 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)
Type of programme (HVET, PHE, HE):	HE
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	The National Agency for Quality Assessment and
accreditation:	Accreditation of Spain, (ANECA)
Length and overall structure of the	4 courses; Number of credits: 240 ECTS credits, 60 ECTS/year;
programme:	42 ECTS Internship stay in companies





Entrance exam: yes/no	No (Cut-off note: 10,21 in ordinary call (2019/20)
Fee: yes/no	Yes (Price per credit in 1st registration € 19.19)
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	77,5% (HEIs)
To abling staff from industrial 0/	22 F0/ (Industry partners)
Teaching staff from industry in %	22, 5% (Industry partners)
Specific requirements for teaching	University teacher
staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	During the leat two serves at old at a great 2 days (NAs a day
Balance between education in	During the last two courses, students spend 3 days (Monday,
institution & company (in % and	Tuesday and Wednesday) at the company, and 2 days
number of days/months)	(Thursday and Friday) at the educational institution.
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Curriculum-integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes.
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	The participating companies establish two types of
type of contract	agreements. The first agreement is generic, has a duration of
	4 years and is established to collaborate with the Faculty of
	Engineering.
	The second agreement is particular for each student doing
	the internship and has a duration of one year. It establishes
	the training plan to be developed by the student in the
	company advised by a company instructor and a tutor from
	the Faculty of Engineering Vitoria-Gasteiz.
Payment of students by industry	Yes. The second agreement also includes a section dedicated
partners (yes/no, partly)	to the financial aid that the student will receive.
Support provided by the	The Faculty has a service to facilitate voluntary
programme (i.e service matching	(extracurricular) internship in companies. These internships
and career guidance)	facilitate the connection of the student and the company in
	non-academic periods
Please indicate how/at what	The industry partners have been involved in design of the
stages industry partners are	curriculum through meetings held with them.
involved in curriculum design and	
review (e.g. definition of functions,	
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	85% (HEIs)
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	15% (Industry partners)





Student assessment by industry partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during apprenticeship periods:	The company's instructor evaluates the degree of development of the aspects included in the student's Professional Development Plan. An evaluation rubric is used.
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	50%. Each final thesis work is assigned a tutor from the
HEIs and industry	university and an instructor from the company
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	Not applicable.
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes. After completing the degree, the student can complete
to continue education at	their training with a master's degree. The UPV / EHU offers an
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	extensive set of masters.
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	No data available. The first promotion will be finished in June
employment rates of graduates? If	2021.
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	Verification, monitoring and accreditation of Study
	Programme.
	https://www.ehu.eus/es/grado-ingenieria-
	automocion/verificacion-seguimiento-y-acreditacion
Additional	
comments/observations:	

NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 2:	Master in Digital Manufacturing
Website link:	https://www.imh.eus/es/ingenieria-dual/master-industria-
	4-0
Name of implementing university:	Dual Engineering University School
How is DHE defined/understood at	DHE is an educational model that combines the education
your university?	received at the University and the work carried out in the
	company. In our case, the objective is to train engineers and
	learning occurs in two equivalent environments in a parallel
	and coordinated way (the academic - university; the
	professional - company). The company participates in the
	educational process and the student learns both in the
	company and at university. For this, from the beginning, the
	professional profile of the students is designed in
	collaboration with the company, since planning and
	coordination between the two fields is necessary for the
	development of the student's skills. This connection of the
	educational process and professional development in the
	company allows the development of the student's
	competences, a development adapted to the world of work.





Implementing	Idem
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Engineer
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Advanced manufacturing, machine-tool, automotive,
where graduates are typically	aeronautic
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Master Degree
Education programme (EQF level):	Level 7 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	University Higher Education
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	Agency for Quality of the Basque University System
accreditation:	Accreditation of Spain, (UNIBASQ)
Length and overall structure of the	2 courses; Number of credits: 90 ECTS credits, 60 ECTS/first
programme:	year, 30 ECTS/second year; 29 ECTS Internship stay in
	companies
Entrance exam: yes/no	Yes
Fee: yes/no	Yes
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	No percentages set / can be %100
Teaching staff from industry in %	No percentages set / can be %0
Specific requirements for teaching	No
staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	Approximately 6 days per month at the university (eight
	hours per day). The rest in the company
number of days/months)	
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	Work integrated curriculum integrated
Dual approach: Curriculum-integrated, work-	Work-integrated, curriculum-integrated
Curriculum-integrated, work- related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
appropriate answer.	





Farmed contracts with comment	Vaa
Formal contracts with company	Yes.
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	Employment contract or university-company collaboration
type of contract	agreement.
	In Spain, at university level, there is no specific employment
	contract for Dual education. At VET level, yes.
	In addition to the previous one, a collaboration agreement is
	also signed between the university, the company and the
	student, which defines the rights and obligations of all of
	them.
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Yes
programme (i.e service matching	Double tutoring
and career guidance)	Searching companies and the organization of the monitoring
	process, tutoring, is the responsibility of the university.
Please indicate how/at what	They participated in the design of the Master programme,
stages industry partners are	and each year they participate in the definition of the skills
involved in curriculum design and	and competences to be developed in the company by dual
review (e.g. definition of functions,	students.
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	70% (HEI)
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	30% (Industry partners)
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Activities done, Learning Notebook, competencies, project
apprenticeship periods:	development.
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	50%. Each final thesis work is assigned a tutor from the
HEIs and industry	university and an instructor from the company
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes. PhD
to continue education at	
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	No data available. The first promotion will be finished in July
employment rates of graduates? If	2020
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	All information and documentation is at the web address
,	provided
Additional	
comments/observations:	
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NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 3:	Degree Primary Education
Website link:	http://www.educacionprimaria.udl.cat/en/pla-
	formatiu/alternanca.html
Name of implementing university:	University of Lleida
How is DHE defined/understood at	
your university?	
Implementing	Faculty of Education, Psychology and Social Work
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Teacher of primary education
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Education
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor
Education programme (EQF level):	6
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HE
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	Catalan University Quality Assurance Agency.
accreditation:	http://www.aqu.cat/index_en.html
Length and overall structure of the	4 years. 240 ECTS
programme:	
Entrance exam: yes/no	No
Fee: yes/no	Yes
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	
Teaching staff from industry in %	20%
Specific requirements for teaching	No
staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	2 days at School ("company"), 3 days at university , each
institution & company (in % and	week, during first 3 year of study program.
number of days/months)	4th year, they are longer periods at schools ("company").
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Work-related





Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	No. There is a global agreement with the regional
(yes/no). If yes - please indicate	government, and a specific agreement for each student.
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	No
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Double tutoring. One tutor at the university and one from
programme (i.e service matching	school
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	The responsible persons of the regional education
stages industry partners are	Department haven been involved in the design of the
involved in curriculum design and	educational program. They are also involved in the
review (e.g. definition of functions,	development of the program and helping schools to integrate
competences, LOs and syllabi).	the students at schools.
Assessment:	85%
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	15%
Student assessment by industry	
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Observation; practical experiences; knowledge;
apprenticeship periods:	N.
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	No
HEIs and industry	40/
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	4%
(if applicable): Upon completion, is there a right	Yes. Master and PhD
to continue education at	res. Master and PhD
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	No
employment rates of graduates? If	
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	Available at http://www.educacionprimaria.udl.cat/en/pla-
,	formatiu/alternanca.html
Additional	,
comments/observations:	
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NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 4:	Master Degree in Informatics Engineering
Website link:	http://www.masterinformatica.udl.cat/en/pla-
	formatiu/FormacioDual/Formacio-Dual.html
Name of implementing university:	University of Lleida
How is DHE defined/understood at	
your university?	
Implementing	Polytechnic School.
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	IT engineer
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Technology. Software development.
where graduates are typically	
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Master
Education programme (EQF level):	7
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	HE
HE):	
Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	
Responsible body for	Catalan University Quality Assurance Agency .
accreditation:	http://www.aqu.cat/index_en.html
Length and overall structure of the	3 semester. 90 ECTS
programme:	There are compulsory courses that must be taken and the
	university. These are 54 out of the 90 ECTS.
	Work in company, are 24 ECTS
	There is a final thesis that is 12 ECTS. Usually part of the work
	in company.
Entrance exam: yes/no	No
Fee: yes/no	Yes
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	70%
Teaching staff from industry in %	30%
Specific requirements for teaching	Practical experience and academic degree equal or higher
staff (e.g. practical	than the pursued by the student.
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	First and second competer marriage constant of
Balance between education in	First and second semester, mornings company, afternoon
institution & company (in % and	university.
number of days/months)	Third semester, company.





e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	
at institution and 4 days a week in	
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Work-integrated, work-based.
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes. Work contract.
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	
type of contract	
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Double tutoring. One tutor at the university and one from
programme (i.e service matching	school.
and career guidance)	
Please indicate how/at what	Companies participate through the company tutor and
stages industry partners are	together with the university tutor in the establishment of the
involved in curriculum design and	work plan and determination of the competencies,
review (e.g. definition of functions,	achievements and assessing process.
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	The compulsory 54 ECTS are assessed by HEIs.
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	The work in company is assessed by the academic tutor
Student assessment by industry	together with the company tutor
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Learning Notebook, activities done, competencies, skills and
apprenticeship periods:	degree of acquisition
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from	50%-50%
HEIs and industry	
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years	14%
(if applicable):	
Upon completion, is there a right	Yes. PhD
to continue education at	
universities (yes/no, MA/PhD	
level)?	
Are data available regarding the	No. Annual Survey from the University Quality Agency (AQU).
employment rates of graduates? If	
so, please indicate.	
Key resource documents:	Available at http://www.masterinformatica.udl.cat/en/pla-
	formatiu/FormacioDual/Formacio-Dual.html
Additional	
comments/observations:	





NAME OF STUDY PROGRAMME 5:	Degree in Process and Product Innovation Engineering
Website link:	https://www.imh.eus/es/ingenieria-dual/grado-dual
Name of implementing university:	Dual Engineering University School
How is DHE defined/understood at	DHE is an educational model that combines the education
your university?	received at the University and the work carried out in the
	company. In our case, the objective is to train engineers and
	for this purpose, learning occurs in two equivalent
	environments in a parallel and coordinated way (the
	academic - university; the professional - company). The
	company participates in the educational process and the
	student learns both in the company and at university. For this,
	from the beginning, the professional profile of the students is
	designed in collaboration with the company, since planning
	and coordination between the two fields is necessary for the development of the student's skills. This connection of the
	educational process and professional development in the
	company allows the development of the student's
	competences, a development adapted to the world of work.
Implementing	Idem
faculty/department:	
Joint or double degree? Yes/no – if	No
yes, please indicate.	
Please indicate the occupation of	Engineer
graduates from this programme	
(eg IT engineer, physiotherapist	
etc).	
Please indicate economic sector	Advanced manufacturing, machine-tool, automotive,
where graduates are typically	aeronautic
employed (eg banking, insurance,	
construction, health etc.).	
Degree upon completion:	Bachelor Degree
Education programme (EQF level):	Level 6 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)
Type of programme (HVET, PHE,	University Higher Education
HE): Obligatory external accreditation	Yes
of the programme: Yes/no	163
Responsible body for	Agency for Quality of the Basque University System
accreditation:	Accreditation of Spain, (UNIBASQ)
Length and overall structure of the	4 courses; Number of credits: 240 ECTS credits, 60 ECTS/year;
programme:	66 ECTS Internship stay in companies
Entrance exam: yes/no	Yes
Fee: yes/no	Yes
Teaching staff from HEIs in %	No percentages set / can be %100





Teaching staff from industry in %	No percentages set / can be %0
Specific requirements for teaching	No
staff (e.g. practical	
experiences/managerial position in	
industry etc.).	
Balance between education in	First semester at the university. From the second semester 3
institution & company (in % and	days per week in the company, and two days in the university;
number of days/months)	except one week per month which is 2 days in the company
e.g. 6 months in company or 1 day	and 3 days in the university.
at institution and 4 days a week in	,
company etc.).	
Dual approach:	Work-integrated, curriculum-integrated.
Curriculum-integrated, work-	
related, work-based, work-	
integrated. Please select	
appropriate answer.	
Formal contracts with company	Yes.
(yes/no). If yes – please indicate	Employment contract or university-company collaboration
type of contract	agreement.
	In Spain, at university level, there is no specific employment
	contract for Dual education. At VET level, yes.
	In addition to the above, a collaboration agreement is also
	signed between the university, the company and the student,
	which defines the rights and obligation of all of them.
Payment of students by industry	Yes
partners (yes/no, partly)	
Support provided by the	Yes.
programme (i.e service matching	Double tutoring
and career guidance)	Searching companies and the organization of the monitoring
	process, tutoring etc is the responsibility of the university.
Please indicate how/at what	They participated in the design of the degree, and each year
stages industry partners are	they participate in the definition of the skills and
involved in curriculum design and	competences to be developed in the company by dual
review (e.g. definition of functions,	student.
competences, LOs and syllabi).	
Assessment:	50%. Each final thesis work is assigned a tutor from the
Student assessment by HEIs (in %)	university and an instructor from the company.
Student assessment by industry	. ,
partners (in %)	
Modalities of assessment during	Every six months the competencies to be developed and the
apprenticeship periods:	objectives and indicators associated with them are defined,
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	which are evaluated by the company and presented in a joint meeting (Company, university, student). On the other hand, the students develop two pieces of work. They have to present these in two reports that are evaluated by the company tutor and the university; two projects are developed (one of them as the final degree project) that are defended in a jury; surveillance work is done and it is presented publicly. There is also a stay abroad that is evaluated by the tutor of the foreign company and a public presentation is made in English.
Final thesis: ratio of mentors from HEIs and industry	HEIs %66 – Industry %33
Drop-out rates in the last 5 years (if applicable):	12/13-%28, 13/14-%36, 14/15-%20
Upon completion, is there a right to continue education at universities (yes/no, MA/PhD level)?	Yes. Master Degree.
Are data available regarding the	15/16-%86, 16/17-%100, 17/18-%84, 18/19-%84 (at the end
employment rates of graduates? If so, please indicate.	of the degree)
Key resource documents:	All information and documentation is provided at the web address.
Additional comments/observations:	