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Notes on using the matrix (Glossary)

The competence matrix for the field of Building Service Engineering is the result of a pan-European empirical study of operational practice. From this, a total of 10 core work processes were identified on the vertical axis and the competences required for these were described as units of learning outcomes. The entire matrix relates to EQF levels 3 - 6. The level of requirement of the matrix increases horizontally and, with regard to core work processes 1 to 7, also vertically. Core work processes 1 to 7 relate to classic core competences in Building Service Engineering. Core work processes 8 to 10, on the other hand, are to be understood more as cross-activity areas of expertise that are particularly important for adaptation processes in the context of interdisciplinary cooperation. The units in the matrix are formulated in general terms and can therefore be related to different occupational fields that have cross-sectional competences in Building Service Engineering.

The definitions and explanations below will help you to identify the competencies of the various occupational fields

Building systems tech- nology	Building systems technology encompasses all the technology required to operate a building. This includes construction technology, sanitation, heating and air conditioning, electrical engineering, information technology and security technology.
Building systems	Building systems include all technical components of a building for the supply of heat, air, light, water, energy and information, the disposal of wastewater and exhaust air as well as all associated processes. The term building system must be replaced accordingly for an individual building systems technology trade (e.g. electrical engineering or sanitation, heating, and air conditioning). e.g.: Electrical engineering: the entire power supply of a building. Heating technology: the entire heating system of a building.
Components of building systems	Components of building systems include single technically relevant elements of a building. e.g.: Electrical engineering: PV modules as a component of the entire electrical energy supply. Heating technology: A heat pump as a component of a building's entire heating system.
Building system pro- cesses	In terms of facility management, building system processes include all technical and service-related processes regarding planning, construction, operation and dismantling of a building. (e.g. switch-on times of lighting, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, cleaning intervals, presence times, energy flows, operating times of monitoring equipment)











	Competence areas Core working process	Steps of competence development:						
1	Assembly, disassembly and disposal of building systems and their components	He/she can assemble and disassemble corponents of building systems according to e isting assembly and installation plans and compliance with applicable standards, regultions, and laws. He/she can professionally separate compnents and building materials while the diposal of building systems.	ex- d in systems according to customer specifications and in coordination with authorities, architects, and system manufacturers, considering legal requirements. manufacturers of building system and in coordination with authorities, architects, and system manufacturers, considering legal requirements. He/s		He/she can use project management tools in a targeted manner.		He/she can develop new concepts for installation, dismantling and disposal of building systems or their components in cooperation with customers, authorities, and manufacturers of building systems technology.	
2	Maintain building systems or their components	He/she can operate components of building systems according to specifications and che their function.	- 1		He/she can carry out complex inspection, maintenance and repair work on building systems and prepare documentation.		He/she can create maintenance concepts for building systems considering manufacturer specifications and economic aspects as well as applicable regulations and standards. He/she can create deployment and work plans and determine the team's human and material resources. He/she can use project management tools in a targeted manner.	
3	Commissioning of building systems or their components	building components according to specifications and customer requirements. build there are a pliant and services the services are also build build build the services are also build buil	systems and configure technical building figure them in accordance with customer ments and prepare docuion and test reports in compare documentate ports in compliance standards and specifications. can recognize and docuefects and conflicting objecturing commissioning.		mmission complex g systems and concordance with cuscents as well as preation and test rence with applicable pecifications. He/she can commission the building systems technol compliance with applicable ards and specifications. Fognize and docude conflicting objectimissioning and recoordination with		logy in	He/she can hand over complex technical building systems or the entire building system technology to the operator, including the associated documentation, instruct him/her in its use and inform him/her of the operator's responsibilities.









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4	Monitoring, control and optimization of building system processes through building automation	He/she can operate simple building automation systems according to specifications and guidelines and further check system statuses to ensure a stable operating status.	He/she can interpret data when faults occur in building systems, initiate processes to rectify faults according to guidelines and documenthis.		_		He/she can analyze the operating conditions of complex building systems, carry out optimizations and document changes.		He/she can develop, document, and implement concepts for optimizing the economy and ecology of building system processes by analyzing building automation data.	
5	Conception of building systems, their components and the associated processes	He/she can recognize, structure, and specify the requirements for building systems from customer orders and convert them into a user profile, considering applicable regulations, standards, and laws. He/she can create a concept for the requirements for building systems from user profiles.			He/she can plan and implement building system processes in terms of facility management. He/she can prepare technical data, determine costs for the operation and management of buildings and further specify service tasks as well as compile associated statistics.		He/she can determine all relevant data for the documentation of property operation and prepare given data for the management of buildings.		He/she can prepare tender documents based on applicable legal requirements and the user profile. He/she can determine optimization potentials regarding economy and ecology for existing systems and new systems, and further create corresponding concepts and advise customers in this regard.	
6	Identification, implementation, and review of legal requirements for the operation of a building system	He/she can carry out and document activities to maintain operation regarding legal requirements for a building system or its components as specified.	quirement building tions and document tional me	can identify the legal rents for the operation of a system based on regulated further implement and int them through organizateasures.	He/she can independently create test protocols and work plans based on legal requirements.		He/she can prepare a hazard ment (risk analysis). He/she can take the risk into account when organi operation of a building syswhen planning personnel ment.	analysis zing the tem and	He/she can create and optimize a guideline for the implementation of legal requirements, draw conclusions about their effectiveness and take them into account in future planning processes.	
7	Cost control and monitoring for the life cycle of a building system	He/she can determine and documed data for tracking cost of building system accordance with guidelines.	I	He/she can evaluate basic d ing and create key figures fr		He/she can evaluate key figures of building systems and analyze them to identify optimization potentials.		He/she can implement the identified optimization potentials and ensure their effectiveness.		
8	Communication across trades, also in foreign languages	of his/her own and other trades. He/she can conduct conversations with superiors and employees of his/her own and other trades and customers in an appropriate manner while presenting and explaining facts. He/she can read product data sheets and carry out assembly and operating instructions		He/she can understand a terms from his/her own and He/she can conduct discus ors and employees of his/h trades and customers and appropriately. He/she can obtain and evaluation operating instructions as we sheets for all trades.	sions with superi- ner own and other I resolve conflicts	and coordination meetings with "decision- makers" from all trades and authorities in- volved.		tions ac regulation	He/she can create complex process descriptions across all trades, considering applicable regulations. He/she can organize cross-trade communication in a foreign language.	











9	Human resources management	He/she can identify the training needs of employees and select and organize suitable training courses for further education and training.	He/she can plan personnel requirements, define criteria for the qualification profile of specialist staff and formulate corresponding job descriptions.	He/she can conduct and document personnel development interviews with employees. He/she can prepare an appraisal for employees based on criteria. He/she can recognize the professional and personal development potential of employees and promote it through suitable measures.
10	Digital information and knowledge management	He/she can choose basic and advanced digital tools to solve professional tasks and use them in a targeted manner in his/her own profession. He/she can apply data protection regulations and legal regulations in a professional context. He/she can carry out targeted information research to solve professional tasks and evaluate the results.	He/she can choose basic and advanced digital tools to solve professional tasks and use them in a targeted, collaborative manner not only in his/her own profession. He/she can select and use suitable digital tools to create technical presentations and documentation. He/she can carry out targeted information research to solve professional tasks and evaluate the results and check their professional accuracy.	He/she can design and create building operation workflows from an economic and ecological point of view while taking future requirements into account with the help of suitable tools and modern technologies.



