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# **RESULTS OF REVALIDATION SURVEY**

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# EU CONTEXT

- In some countries, pressure is growing to demonstrate that practicing physicians continue to meet their specialty's standards.
- Physicians may be encouraged to engage in lifelong learning to continually update their knowledge and skills.
- Despite the increasing attention on doctor mobility, there remains a lack of European-level interest in ensuring the sustained competence of health professionals.

# CONTEXT IN FRANCE (1/2)

The French Medical Council was at the initiative for a “recertification” procedure in France in 2016.

The French government is planning to introduce a form of recertification for new registrants from 2021 onwards.

There is currently a committee (14 members) installed in 2018 by the Ministry of health who have the mission to:

- Analyze the foreign models of recertification;
- Propose a structure of recertification in France;
- Describe tools for recertification;
- Identify legal regulation.

A report is expected in September 2018

The French Medical council is part of the committee

# CONTEXT IN FRANCE (2/2)

Recertification implies a major shift in the regulation of medical practice in France.

Nowadays, in France, diploma is the essential condition to practice.

Key features at this stage for practicing doctors :

- Trial for volunteers in 2019;
- Recertification every 6 years - Because CPD is mandatory every 3 years in France;
- No exam for doctors : no return to the University / no extra diploma required;
- Individual and personal approaches.

# OBJECTIVE

As a member of the ministerial committee in France, the French Medical Council was very interested in receiving your experience and good practice.

# SURVEY TO ALL CAs

ENMCA launched a questionnaire last February:

- *1. Does recertification / revalidation for physicians exist in your country?*
- *2. If yes, what are the procedure and requirements?*
- *3. Could you provide the contact details of the person in charge of revalidation / recertification in your competent authority in case we have any further questions.*

# RESPONSES FROM CAs

**Austria**

**Latvia**

**Croatia**

**Netherlands**

**Cyprus**

**Poland**

**Denmark**

**Romania**

**Estonia**

**Slovenia**

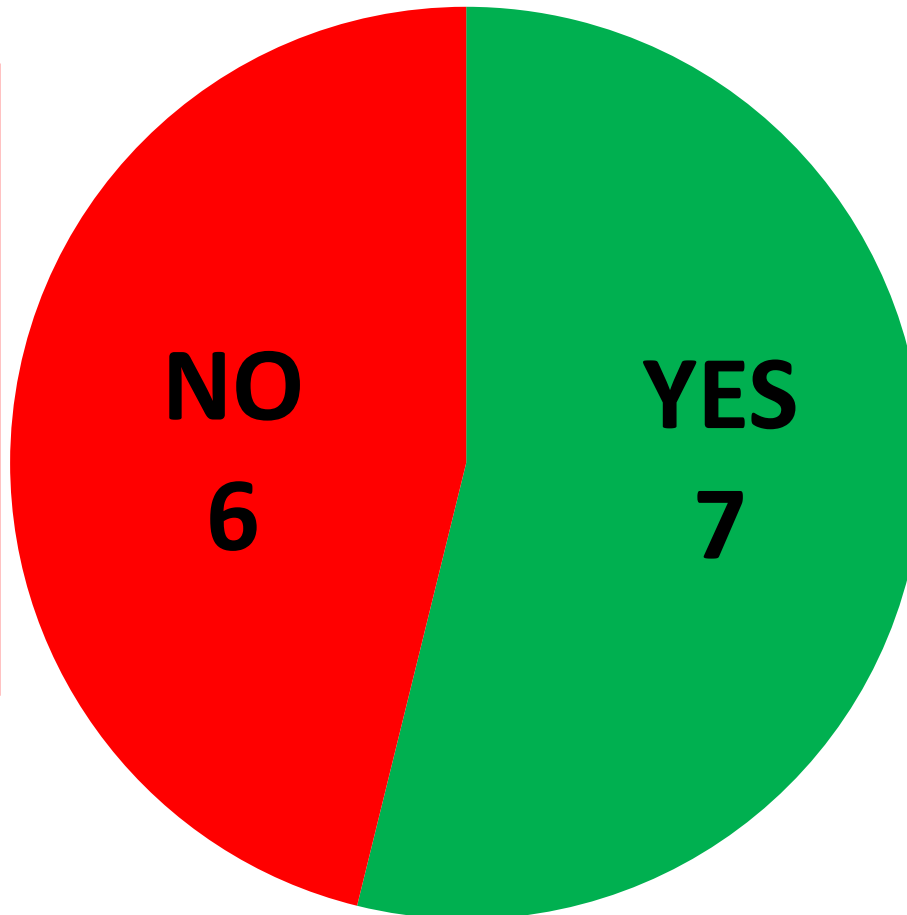
**Germany**

**United Kingdom**

**Iceland**

# Question 1 :to the question " have you a recertification process for doctors in your country" answers from 13 CAs

- Austria
- Cyprus
- Denmark
- Germany
- Iceland
- Poland



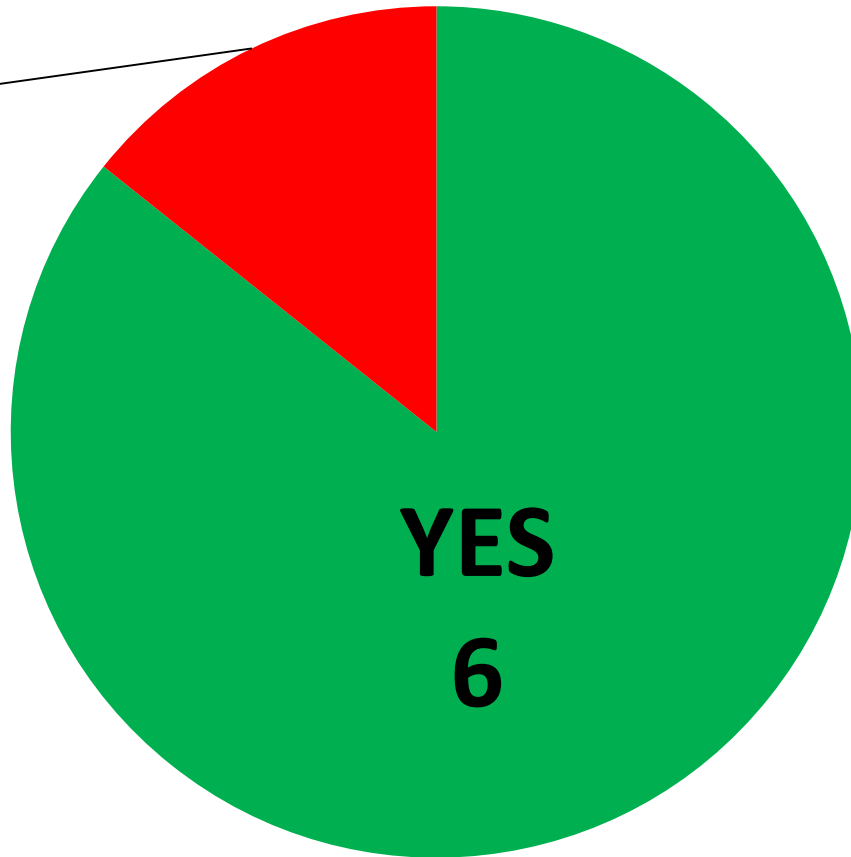
- Croatia
- Estonia
- Latvia
- Netherlands
- Romania
- Slovenia
- United kingdom



# Question 2 :on the 7 CAs offering recertification, is it mandatory?

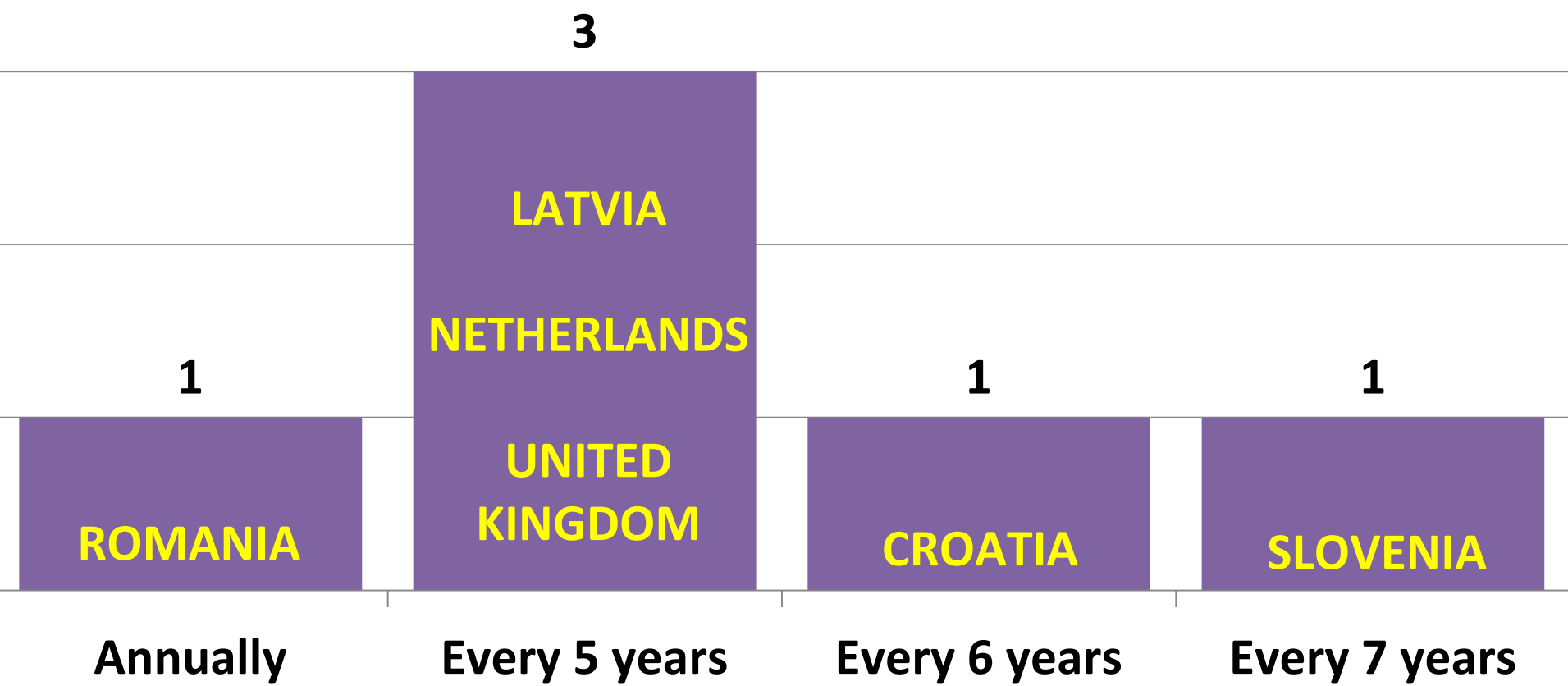
**NO**  
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- Estonia



- Croatia
- Latvia
- Netherlands
- Romania
- Slovenia
- United kingdom

# Question 2 : number of CAs where recertification is mandatory, by periodicity



# QUESTION 2 : MAIN OUTCOMES (1/2)

- This result shows that the definitions and mechanisms of revalidation vary significantly across member states.
- A review of selected European countries, reveals diversity in approaches to ensuring physician competence. The outcome of these processes for example may be recertification or relicensure.

# QUESTION 2 : MAIN OUTCOMES (2/2)

- Continuing medical education and CPD are the most widely used approaches.
- Recertification may include other tools, for instance activity, practice assessment.
- Forms of recertification may also include managerial, social and personal skills.

# Question 3 : number of CAs ready to cooperate



**THANK YOU AND NOW  
READY FOR THE ROUND  
TABLE!**