

Shaping the Future of

Microcredentials in Higher

Education: A Reaction to Dr. Inoue's

Presentation

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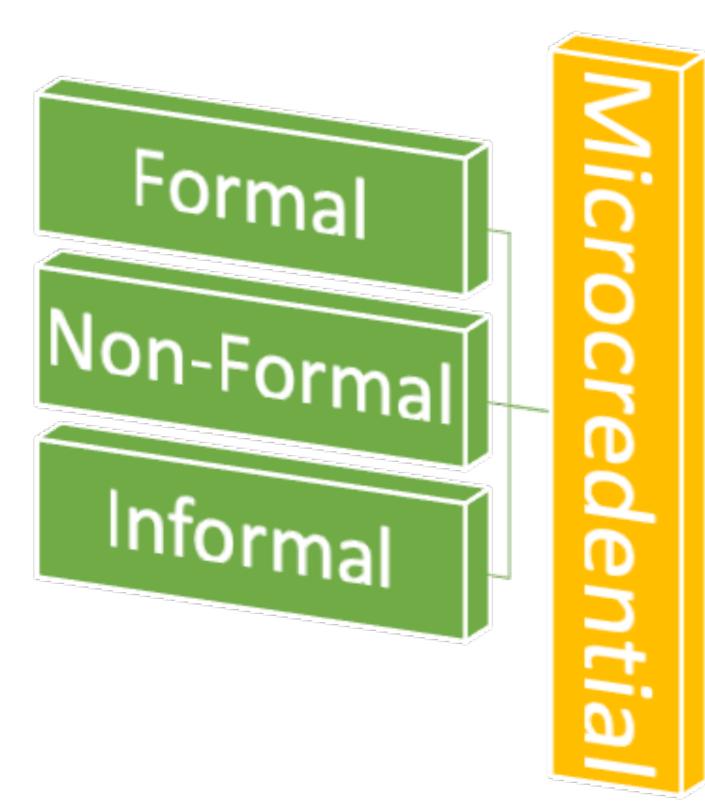
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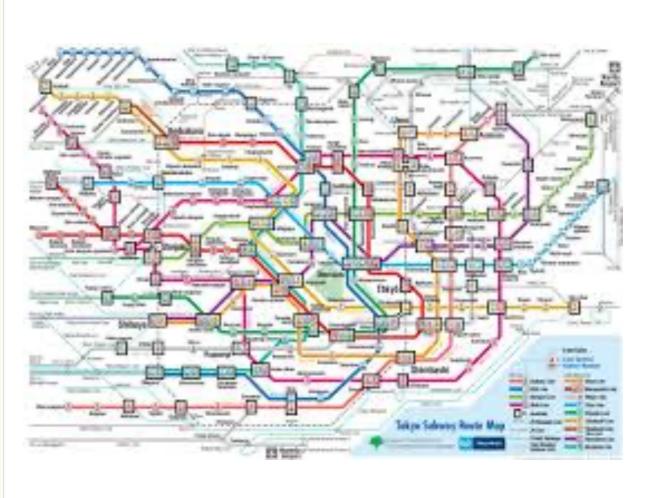
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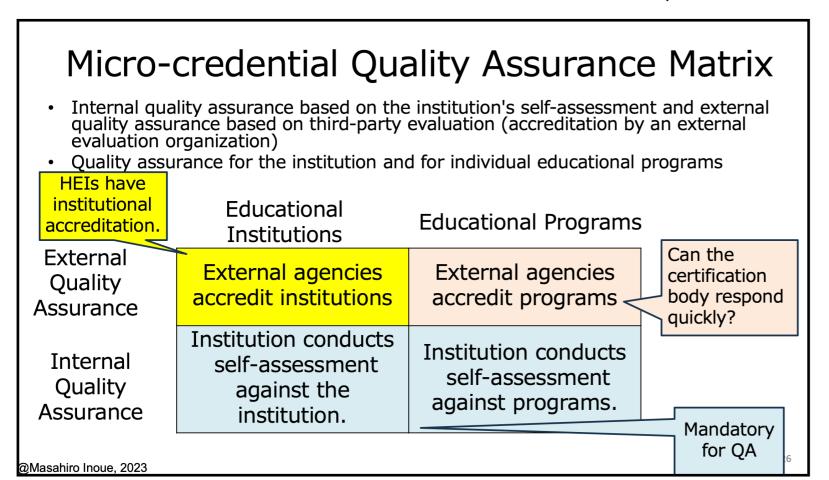


# Microcredential and its impact to higher education





### Standardization and QA of Microcredential



Internal (University-based)

### **External**

(Accreditation of Private Companies & Organization, and Government Recognition)

### **International**

(Regional QRF, Intercountry, International Companies and Organizations

# Microcredential Frameworks

- Definition
- Principles
- Descriptors

Proposed reference descriptors	EU	Australia	Malaysia
Identification of the learner	Identification of the learner	-	Name NRIC
Date of issuing	Date of issuing	-	Date of award
Title of the micro-credential	Title of the micro-credential	Title	Name of course
Awarding body	Awarding body	Provider	Awarding institution
Country/Region of the issuer	Country/Region of the issuer	-	-
Content/ Description	-	Content/ Description	-
Learning outcomes	Learning outcomes	Learning Outcomes	Learning Outcomes
Form of participation	Form of participation	Delivery Mode	Mode of delivery Method of learning and teachi
Language	-	Language	Language
Learner Effort	Notional workload (in ECTS credits, wherever possible)	Learner Effort	Student learning time
Credit/ Other Recognition		Credit/ Other Recognition	Credit hours/ equivalent
Type of assessment	Type of assessment	Assessment	Assessment
Type of quality assurance	Type of quality assurance	Quality Assurance	Quality Assurance
Level	Level of the learning experience (EQF)	-	Level of the course
Certification	-	Certification	-
Prerequisites needed to enroll	Prerequisites needed to enroll	Prerequisite/s	Enrolment Requirements
Stackability	Integration/stackability	Stackability	

- Credit Transfer System
- Implementation (Pace, Place, Flexible Learning Options)

# Academic Credentials & Digital Technologies

Micro-credentials are educational systems; Digital Badges are information technology

#### Micro-credentials

#### A new educational system

 Academic achievement in a specific area of study (for lifelong learning, reskilling)

#### Framework development

•Public bodies decide on the education system and Microcredential requirements.

### Contribution to trust of quality

- •Define and assess learning outcomes
- Issued by trusted institutions

# Each has different contribution to the trust.

Example: JSEE certified a micro-credential with a digital badge.



Learning outcomes

Verified by Digital

#### **Digital Badges**

#### Information technology

 Digital technology for verifying participation, studies, certifications, and licenses

### Development of technical specifications

•Developed by international IT associations

### Contribution to trust of security

• Trust through information security (e.g., tamper-proof)

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 Technology is a tool to provide access to academic credentials

- The digital divide must be considered
- Learners must be given options

# International Collaboration

- Joint offering of microcredential courses
- Inter-country consortium
- Creation of a credit transfer system
- Collaborative research on the effects of microcredential
- Benchmarking of best practices

# Education System and IT Structure for Microcredentials

Micro-credential architecture that structures educational systems and information technology

Educational systems

Layer 1: Individual Micro-credentials

Layer 2: National Qualifications Framework and

Skill Standards

Layer 3: Micro-credential framework

Information technologies

Layer 4: Interface between the Micro-credential framework and digital certificate technology

Layer 5: Digital certificate. Technology for digital issuance of academic records

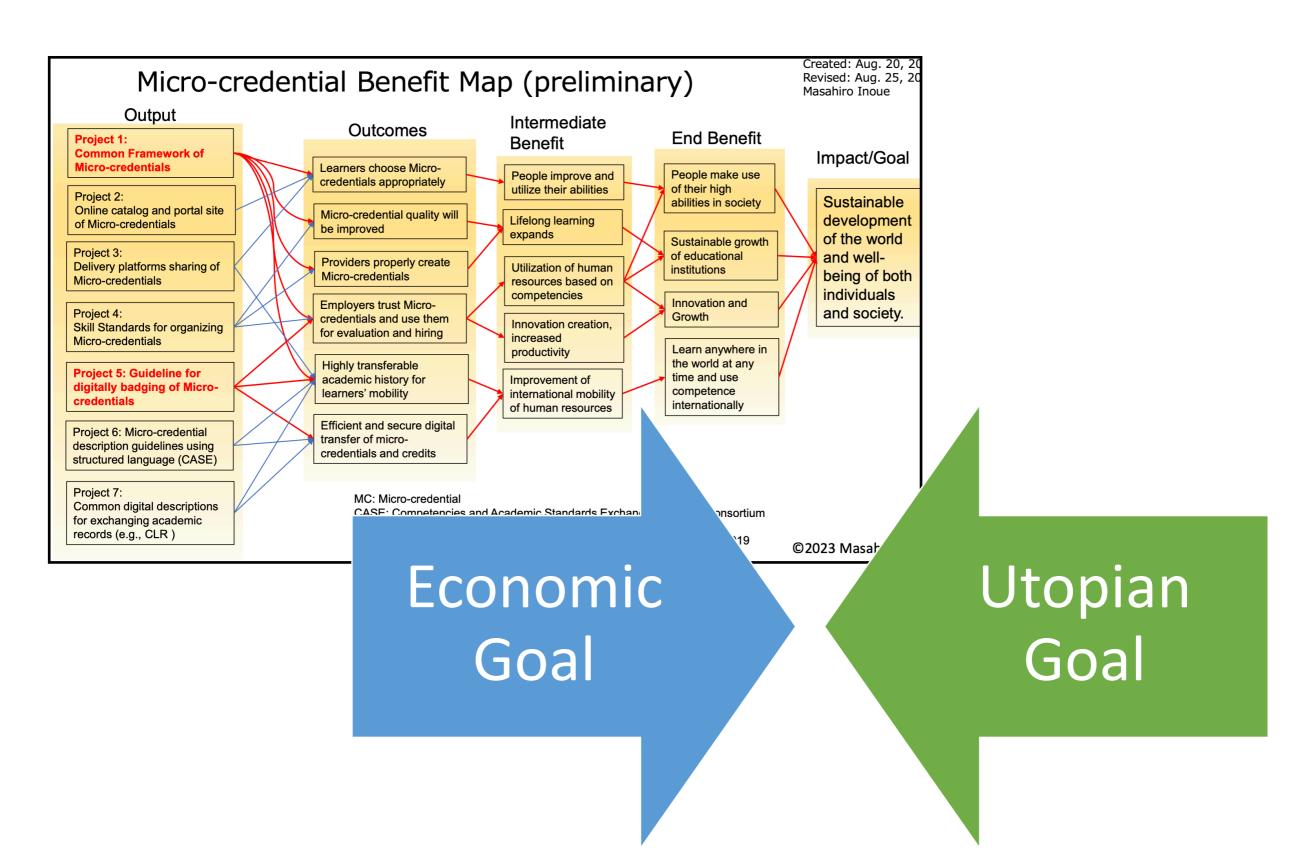
Layer 6: Digital format for exchanging academic records. Comprehensive storage and international exchange of academic records.

Certification

Digital Learning Record

 Digital Employment Record

## Well-being of Individuals and Society is Achieved



# Challenges

- Faculty Workloads
- Qualifications of Instructors
- Technology
- Waiting Time for Government Regulations
- MCs from non-HEIs

# "While Waiting" Experience

Do you know where you're going to? Do you like the things that life is

showing you?

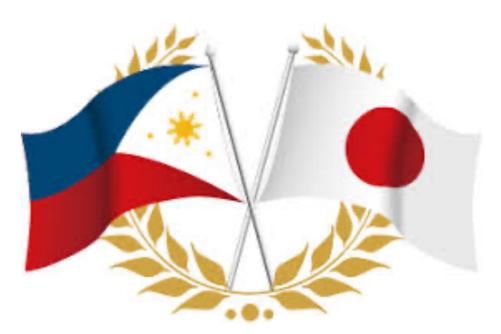
Where are you going to?

Do you know?

Theme from "Mahogany"







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