

Competence Needs and Professional Development of STE(A)M Educators



STE(A)M Educator Competence Framework

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Why do we need a competence framework?

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- Need for education system reform to support STE(A)M education
- Limited consideration of the challenges educators face
- Guidance for educators in terms of how to effectively teach STE(A)M-related courses is lacking.
- ➤ Better preparation of educators
 - Educators need to update their competence profiles





Competency-based perspective and development methodology



Competence frameworks and profiles

Assist in effective learning and development

Educators' competence frameworks and profiles

- Goal setting for professional growth and efficiency,
- Guide for educator training and professional development activities.

Methodology for design STE(A)M educators competence framework

- Desk and field research to align with professional development requirements in different countries and levels of education.
- Evolution phases by the community





STE(A)M educator competence framework

A complete set of competences

- 5 perspectives
 - 16 competence areas
 - 44 competences

Two specific-aims

- Be usable by educators for self-evaluation purposes as a selfassessment tool
- Allow support of professional development of STE(A)M educators



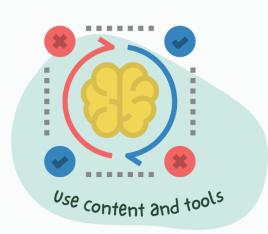


1. Educator as teacher-trainer-tutor / implementing the educational procedure





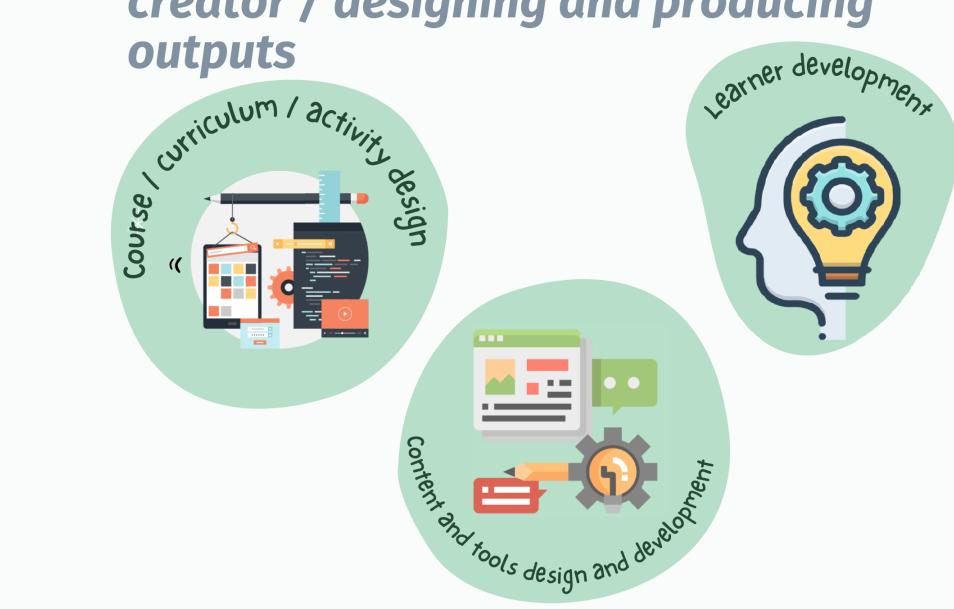




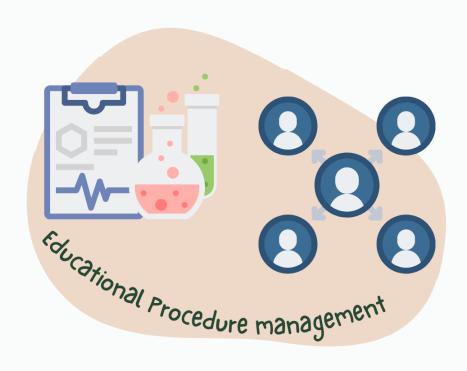




2. Educator as learning designer and creator / designing and producing



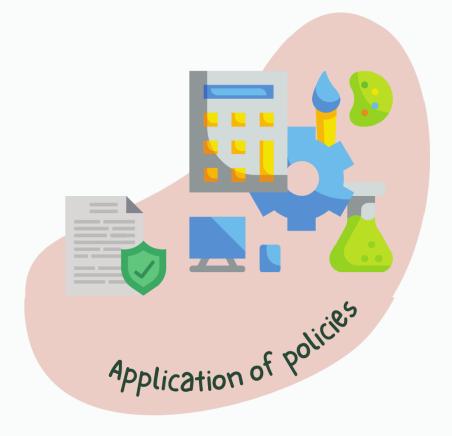
3. Educator as orchestrator and manager / coordinating procedures and outputs



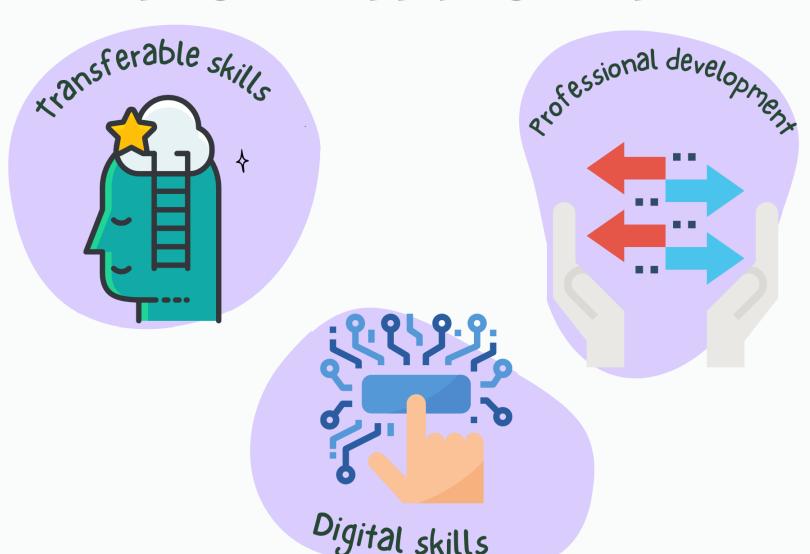


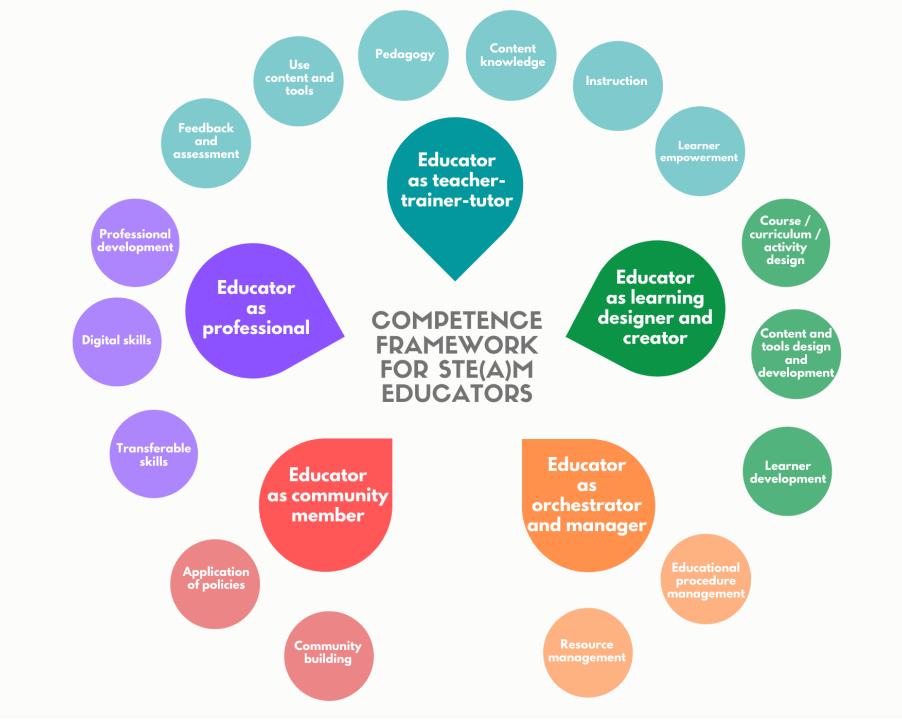
4. Educator as community member / interacting with the environment





5. Educator as professional / developing and applying competences







Evaluation of the Framework

By educators, researchers, school managers/directors and policy makers at all levels of education from different organizations and geographic regions.

Two-phase evaluation

- Survey-based
 - More than 300 participants from 21 countries
- Interviews-focus groups





The use of STE(A)M educator competence framework

- Professional development program for STE(A)M educators, including a blended course and a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC).
- STE(A)M educator profile(s), following the rules of ESCO framework.
- STE(A)M readiness Self-assessment Tool for educational organizations and educators (based on SELFIE tool)





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