

## MFHEA COMMUNICATION MFHEA/01/2022

**To: All FHE Stakeholders**

**Title:** Communication regarding ICDL and ICDL Advanced

**From:** Head Accreditation, Licensing, Validation and Quality Assurance, MFHEA

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Following a comparability study by independent academic experts, in conjunction with the MFHEA, to determine if the ICDL and ICDL Advanced are comparable to a Qualification or an Award at MQF Level 3 and Level 4, kindly be informed that:

- a) As from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022, providers shall register students for ICDL and ICDL Advanced and these will be considered as [Awards comparable to MQF level 3 and MQF level 4 respectively and not as full qualifications](#).
- b) The current ECDL certificate and ECDL Advanced shall have the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 as the certification end date. Hence all those in possession of the ECDL and ECDL Advanced shall be considered to still be in possession of a full qualification at MQF Level 3 and Level 4 respectively.
- c) ECDL certificates issued after the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 shall not be recognised as full qualifications as per point A.

MFHEA will not require providers to be in possession of a license issued by the Authority to offer the ICDL and ICDL Advanced as from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023. Those providers who offer ICDL and ICDL Advanced/ECDL/ECDL Advanced courses only shall have their license withdrawn with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

Regards,

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