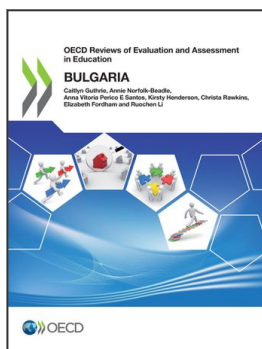


# Abbreviations and acronyms

<b>AQ</b>	Additional qualifications
<b>BDE</b>	Bureau for Development of Education
<b>BOSTES</b>	Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards
<b>CBA</b>	Computer-based assessments
<b>CIS</b>	Centre for Information Services
<b>EC</b>	European Commission
<b>ECEC</b>	Early childhood education and care
<b>ECTS</b>	European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System
<b>ECTS</b>	European Credits Transfer System
<b>ESCS</b>	Economic, social and cultural status
<b>ESMS</b>	Electronic Inspection Management System
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>GDP</b>	Gross domestic product
<b>GDPR</b>	General Data Protection Regulation
<b>GPA</b>	Grade point average
<b>HDI</b>	Human Development Index
<b>ICCS</b>	International Civic and Citizenship Education Study
<b>ICT</b>	Information and communication technology
<b>ILO</b>	International Labour Organization
<b>IMSP</b>	Individual Mandatory Student Plans
<b>ISCED</b>	International Standard Classification of Education
<b>IT</b>	Information technology
<b>ITE</b>	Initial teacher education
<b>MAP</b>	Measures of Academic Progress
<b>NEA</b>	National External Assessment
<b>NGO</b>	Non-governmental organisation
<b>NSI</b>	National Statistical Institute
<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>PIRLS</b>	Progress in International Reading Literacy Study
<b>PISA</b>	OECD Programme for International Student Assessment
<b>PPP</b>	Purchasing power parity
<b>RED</b>	Regional department of education
<b>SES</b>	State Educational Standard
<b>SICI</b>	Standing International Conference of Inspectorates
<b>SPU</b>	Strategic Planning Unit
<b>STEM</b>	Science, technology, engineering and mathematics
<b>SWOT</b>	Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats
<b>TALIS</b>	OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey
<b>TIMSS</b>	Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study
<b>UNESCO</b>	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations Children's Fund
<b>VET</b>	Vocational education and training
<b>WSE</b>	Whole School Evaluation



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