

# **Digital Evolution**

# RICS Online Academy a joint initiative in continental Europe

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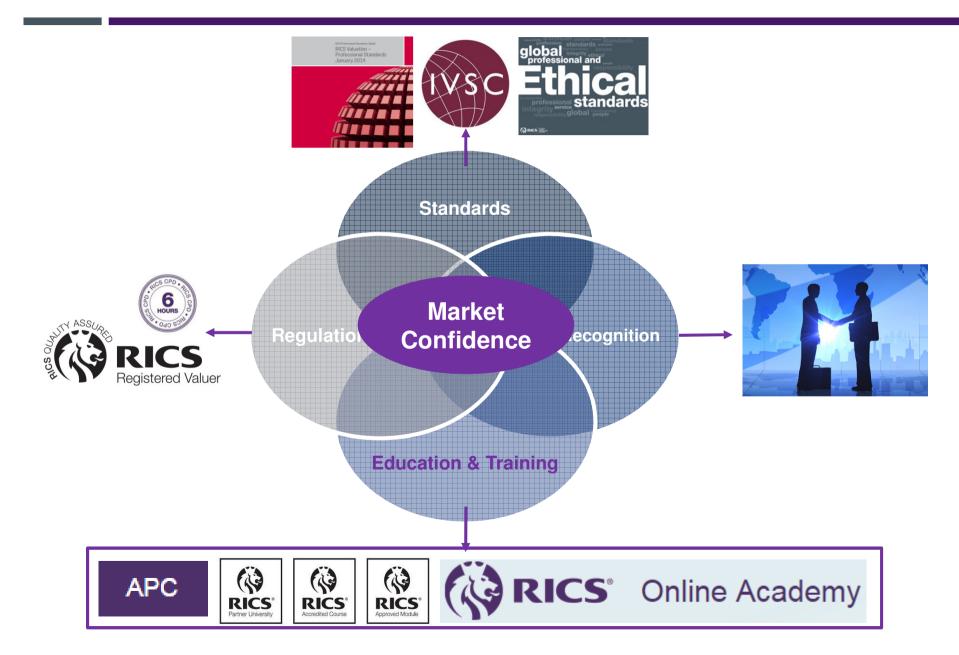
## **Agenda**



- ► RICS Educational Standards & Training
- ▶ What is the RICS Online Academy (OLA)
- ► RICS E-Learning in Europe
- Synergies

## **Gaining market confidence**





### **RICS Education**



#### **Educational Standards Department**

- 3 full-time staff
- ▶ 42 accredited courses + 1 modular course accredited
- ▶ 14 countries
- ▶ 1 Board: Continental European Educational Standards Board (CESB)

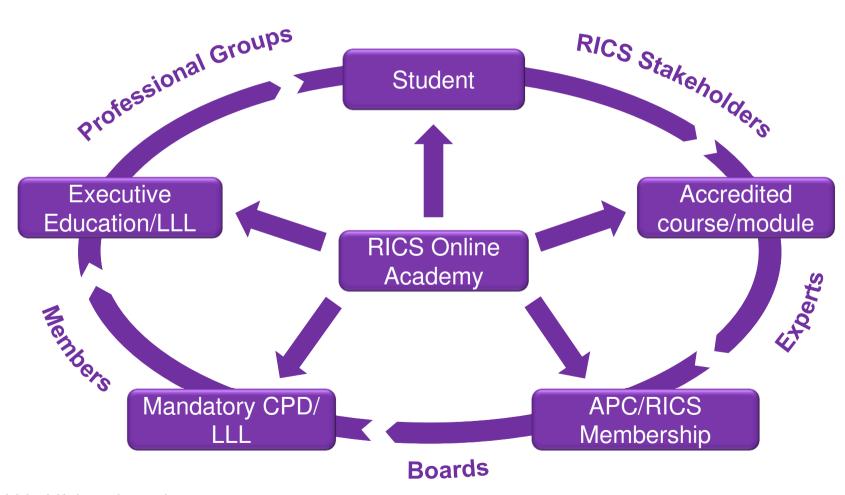
#### **Educational Standards**

- ► Course & modular accreditation
  - ✓ Rigorous accreditation process for degree & executive courses (ECTS)
  - ✓ On-going quality assurance
  - ✓ Dedicated RICS Education Board (CESB) involved
- Assessment of Professional Competence (APC) to become RICS Member
  - ✓ Strict entry route criteria
  - ✓ Rigorous pre-assessment submission documentation
  - ✓ FA interview to show capability to practice as chartered surveyor.

## **RICS Education & Training**



#### **RICS Educational Life Cycle**



LLL: Lifelong Learning

CPD: Continuous Professional Development

# **Online Academy (OLA)**



#### What is it?

- ► Global e-learning & training platform for non-/RICS members and firms incl. website, shop, learning management system (LMS)
- Product portfolio:
  - **60** e-learning courses
  - 120 web classes
  - **18** distance learning courses
  - growing resource area
- Source for efficient Continuous Professional Development (CPD) on demand
- ▶ **60,000** users registered (RICS members and external public)
- ▶ 22 technical and administrative staff working on the Online Academy worldwide (excluding professors and trainers)

## Homepage: www.rics.org/onlineacademy





## Sample: e-learning topic range





















## **RICS E-Learning in Europe**



#### Our approach

- 1. Introduce RICS Online Academy with existing online learning offer
- 2. Analyse training needs and skill gaps at cross-national level
- 3. Start web class development according to cross-/national demand

#### Establish: Real Estate Learning & Training Panel

- Group representing regions; connected to national/regional and professional groups
- Aim:
  - ✓ share training and education knowledge
  - ✓ identify real estate learning gaps at regional/national level
  - ✓ anticipate trends in the lifelong learning environment
  - ✓ provide guidance on up-coming trends and relevant real estate topics

# **Synergies**



- Online, mobile and hybrid learning is in demand
- ► Importance of accreditation & learning standards increasing
- ▶ Wide RICS network of groups and experts
- Good university relationships
- Sources for free of charge content
- Looking for other experts to join
- Adding value to membership and the real estate industry

## We want to



Develop e-learning content that sets the standards for real estate online training in co-operation with the RICS network of members and experts.

Offer relevant content in suitable formats for our key markets and close the skill gaps by linking academic and lifelong learning in continental Europe.

## Click to learn



**New learning perspectives: Questions?** 

Where do you see synergies with online learning / the RICS Online Academy ?



## Thank you!



Please feel free to send your comments and thoughts to kbammel@rics.org

