

Full and equal access to and support in education in 15 EU countries





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Access is just the start.

Migrant learners also need support before school,
during transitions, and all the way through.

Without it, equal education remains out of reach.



What makes access truly equal?

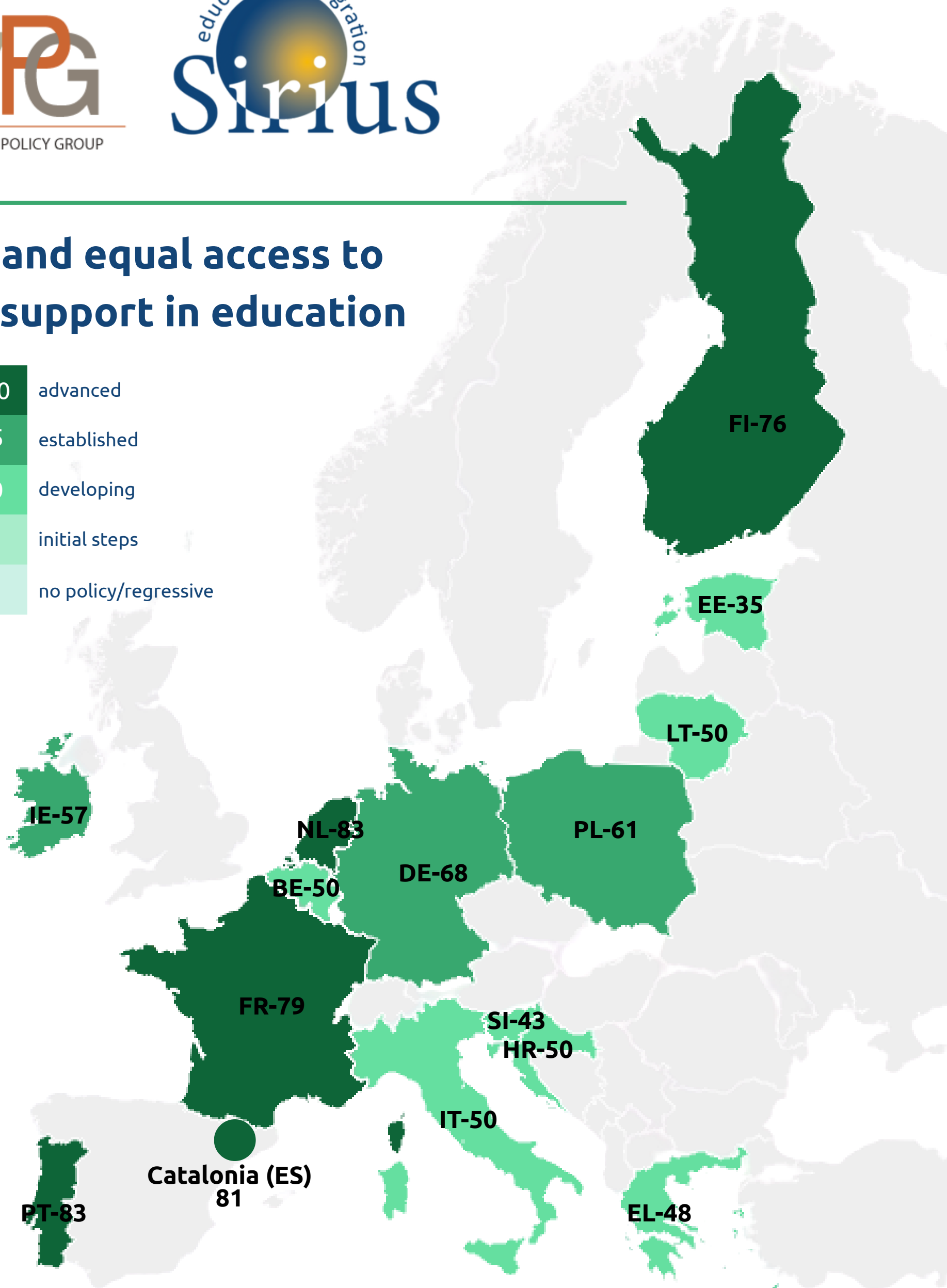
It is not just being allowed into the classroom,
it is about having what you need to succeed.

This dimension looks at:

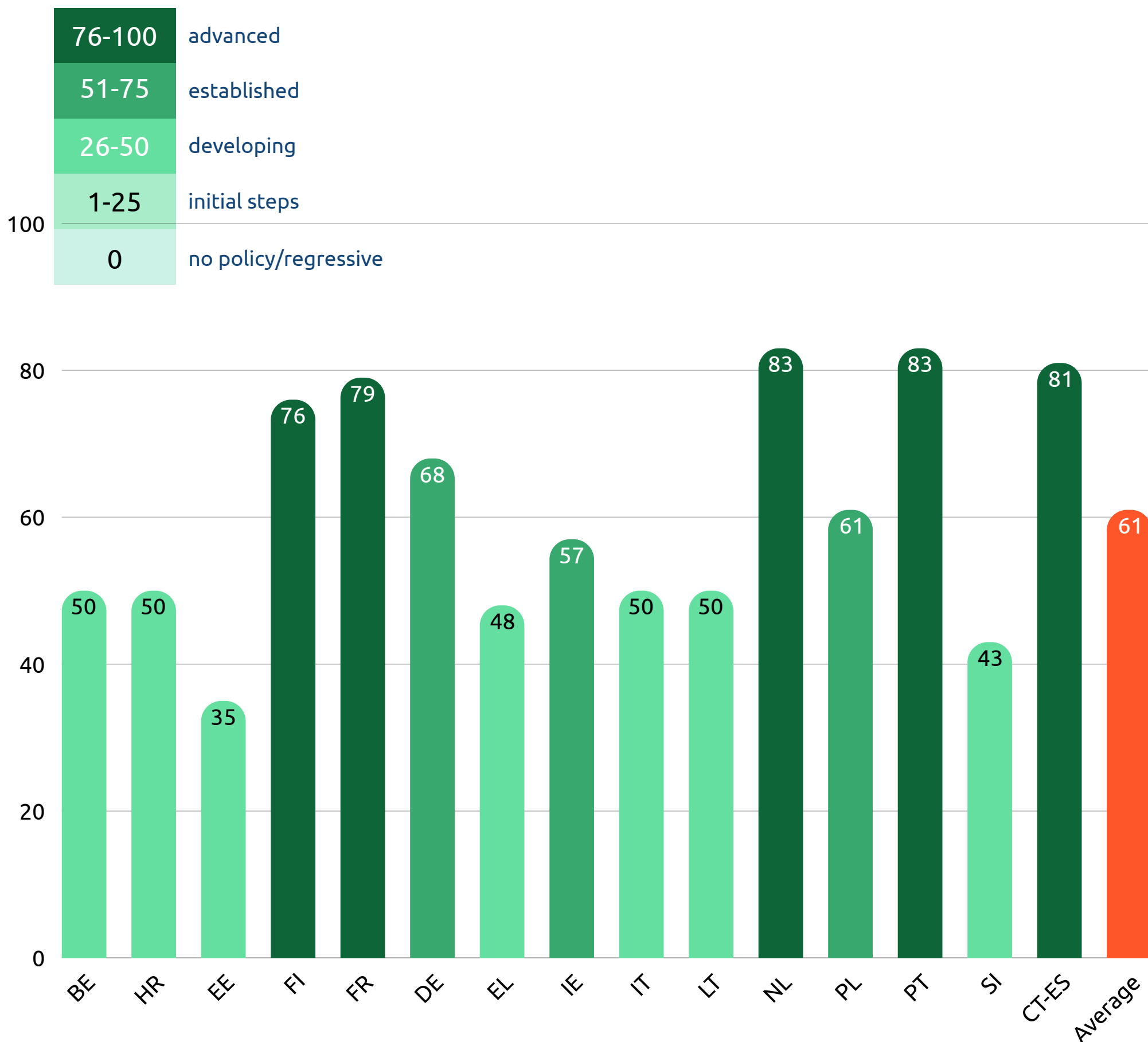
1. Free, accessible early childhood education
2. Targeted help to move up levels
3. Tailored support like mentors or translation
4. Meaningful parent involvement
5. Psychosocial support in and out of school.

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76-100	advanced
51-75	established
26-50	developing
1-25	initial steps
0	no policy/regressive



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Support that starts early and stays consistent

The **Netherlands** leads with sustained, structured support at every stage, early education, school transitions, and family engagement.

Portugal and **Catalonia (Spain)** also invest in continuous support, with inclusive policies that go beyond basic access.

Finland offers tailored preparation for immigrants entering higher education, combining language and academic training.



Good efforts, but not a system

Some local initiatives are making a difference, like trained community “bridge figures” who help families navigate schools, or helplines that offer urgent psychosocial support.

But in many places, basic services like translation, mentoring, or family engagement still depend on the school’s initiative rather than national policy.

That means many students and families are left behind.



A system that lifts every learner

The best systems do not wait for students to ask for help; they build it in from the start.

Support is not a bonus.
It is what makes education fair.

From early childhood to higher education, migrant learners need more than access; they need systems that stand with them.



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