

## GLOSSARY

*Consells comarcals*: A *Consell comarcal* is an administration body with the objective to coordinate and improve a number of services offered by nearby municipalities which share common social, cultural and historical characteristics.

*Consell Escolar de Catalunya*: Catalan School Council.

*Consell Superior d'Avaluació del Sistema Educatiu*: Assessment Board of the Education System. It belongs to the Department of Education and its main objective is the external evaluation and analysis of the education system at pre-primary, primary and secondary levels.

*Centres de recursos pedagògics (CRP)*: Resource Centres.

*EAP*: Educational psychology assessment and orientation team.

*Education Quality Law (LOCE)*: Organic law issued on the 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2002.

*FAPAES*: Federation of parents' associations of Secondary Education Students.

*Generalitat*: Autonomous government of Catalonia.

*ICE (Education Science Institute)*: University Institute whose objective is to carry out educational research studies and in-service training for teachers.

*IES*: Public secondary school.

*LOGSE*: General organic law of the educational system issued on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1990.

*Moviments de renovació pedagògica*: Teachers' associations working to update methodology.

*PIME*: Small and/or medium-sized company.

*PGS*: Elementary occupational training programmes for students who have failed to obtain the Secondary Leaving Certificate.

*TAE*: Units where foreign students are taught basic instrumental learning, including intensive study of Catalan. They spend the mornings at the units and the afternoons at the schools where they are registered.

*Ordenació i innovació educativa*: Curriculum planning and development.

Specialised education: Music, dance and drama or visual and plastic art taught in specialised schools.

Specialised schools: Non-compulsory schools attended by students who want to learn music, dance and drama or visual and plastic art.

*Subdirecció General de Formació Permanent i Serveis Educatius*: Subdepartment of in-service training and educational services.

*UAB*: *Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona*.

*UB*: University of Barcelona.