Science Policy: National Strengths and International Networks

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Opera singer Karita Mattila thanks Finnish school and good teachers for her career ACADEMY OF FINLAND

"Olin etuoikeutettu lapsi maailmassa"

Oopperalaulaja Karita Mattila kiittää urastaan suomalaista koulua ja hyviä opettajia.

Nyt tiedän.

Minä rakastan Perniön lukiota, sen pieniä luokkia on junttila" -tuntemuksen.

An aveilla tasa-arvos ja koulutasta. Turha on haaveilla tasa-arvos ja koulutasta. Turka on koulutasta tului lina Perinia koulusa tau in musiikkiopistossa ja nyöhemmin Sibelius-tasasa, mitä minula on päässän. Huolimatta alun tasasa, mitä minula on päässän. Huolimatta suita on viityistä. Turka kuitakse väitin minä taista turka vaitin vaitusta tui oopperalaulaja vain sen takia, että se turka on misä keiläitäkön, soimin kontakseja. Kuin minä la kiitoilinen omasta koulutuksestan. Turka kuitakse väitin minä talebanti. Turka kuitakse väitin vaimaitä täistä käitä keiläitä koipistossa ja nyöhemmin tain on la keiläitäkön soisi keiläitä kiitä keiläitä kuitakse väitin k

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Minä raksatan Perniön lukiota, sen pieniä luokkia naaimalla laulaneena olen vasta tajunnut, kuinka hyvän perussivistyksen olen tuossa saanut, naisuomalaisesa maalisulluossa saanut. Olen laulanut myös maissa, jossa ooppera on eli-

Tioppilasjuhilssa kottalon pihalla joku naapur Tioppilasjuhilssa kottalon pihalla joku naapur tokais isälle, että taas menee kuusi allää hukkaan, kuultuaan, että pääsin Sibeliu-sekatemiaan opistee en voi sitä allekirjoitta. Miten minusta, monilapsisen maanviljelijäper-

Iemaan. Miten minusta, moniapsien maarviigelaper Minia rakastan kieliä ja rakastin niitä jo koulussa. Vanhempani viisaati päästivät minut lukion kesi-lomilla piikomaan ulkomaille, ensin Ruotsiin 1977. Kuorolaulaija oli kyläikin, isoisä oli perustamassa silloin kun prinsessa Victoria syntyi, siiten Saksaan. Perniön mieskuoroa, ja isä ja äiti laulavat edelleen kuutuksen hysäksi Suomen Uniferniin kautta, Myöhemmin laulun yksityisopinnot veivät vielä kin aktiivisesti kuoroissa.

Aina voi oppia lisää. Minä rakastan suomalaista koulutusjärjestelmää, joka antaa jokaiselle, köyhälle ja rikkaalle, mahdolli-

luaan saa syyttää, jos kokee vieraassa paikassa "tää on junttila" -tuntemuksen.

Ilman suomalaisen koulutuksen antar

Karita Mattila

50 vuotta 5. syyskuuta. Hän toivoo, että kaikki Keräystili: Nordea 127030-208939, viite 7100.





The Constitution of Finland:

"Everyone has the right to basic education free of charge.

The public authorities shall guarantee for everyone equal opportunity to receive other educational services in accordance with their ability and special needs, as well as the opportunity to develop themselves without being prevented by economic hardship.

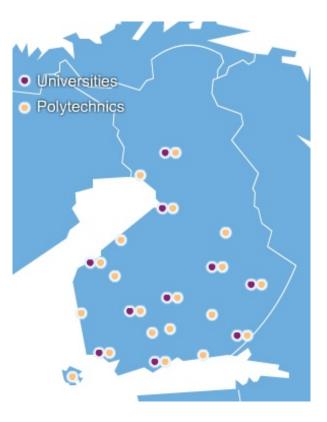
The freedom of science, the arts and higher education is guaranteed."

The Universities Act: Free education

"Education leading to an university degree and entrance examinations relating to student admission shall be free of charge for the student..."

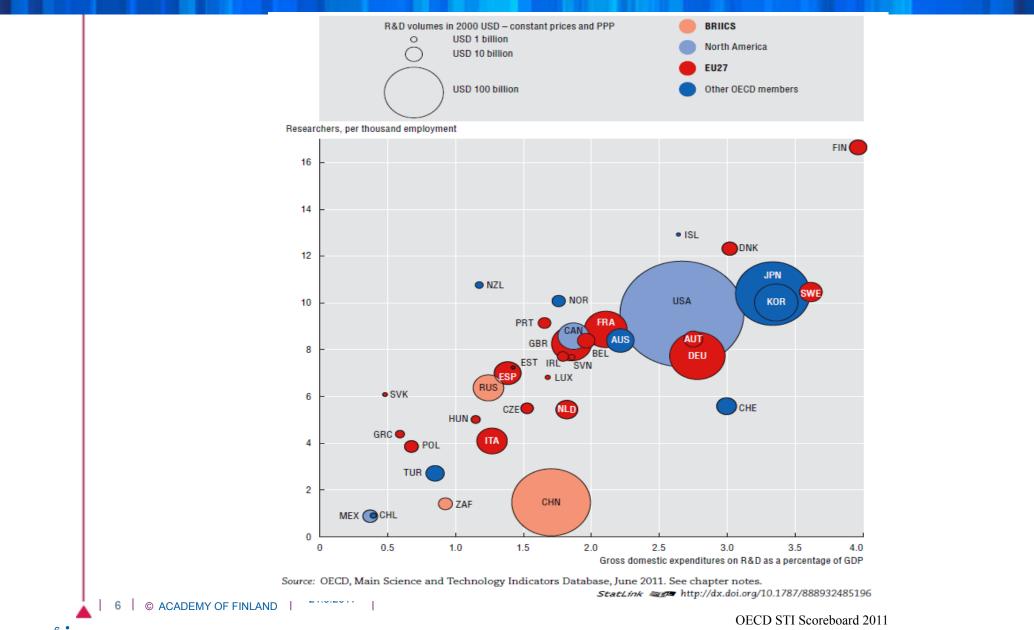


- Employs some 80,000 people, relatively highest proportion of workforce in OECD countries (more than 20/1000 employed)
- R&D input 3.9% of GDP
- Public R&D spending 1.1% of GDP
- 14 universities, 3 art universities, and 27 polytechnics
- 16 state research institutes
- Doctoral graduates more than 3% of the age group (OECD and EU average less than 2%)
- Scientific output 1% of OECD total





R&D in OECD and non-OECD economies (2009 or latest available year)





- political consensus and trust in R&D
- well-functioning system of science and technology policy (Research and Innovation Council chaired by Prime Minister)
- consistent and high investment in R&D (public and private)
- growing share of competitive public R&D funding (47%)
- a high level of education among entire population
- the Nokia-effect (the role of research in competitiveness)
- collaboration in research, nationally and internationally
- good public private co-operation

Finland's strengths in Higher education and training, Innovation ACADEMY OF FINLAND and Technological readiness (rank among 133 economies)

• • • •	Tertiary enrollment Quality of the educational system Quality of math and science education Internet access in schools Local availability of research and training services	(2) (4) (2) (7) (5)
• • •	Capacity for innovation Company spending on R&D University-industry research collaboration Availability of scientists and engineers Utility patents	(5) (7) (3) (1) (6)
•	Availability of latest technologies Firm-level technology absorption Internet users	(3) (9) (7)

Overall ranking of Finland (110 indicators): 6

World Economic Forum:

The Global

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Internationalisation and science policy in Finland

- Research and Innovation Council: Research and Innovation Policy Guidelines for 2011–2015
 - Accelerate internationalisation
 - Finland's visibility and attractiveness as a cooperation partner
 - Create competitive, high-profile and attractive innovation environments
 - Grand societal challenges will steer the focus of R&I policy
 - Finland a proactive partner in the EU and in the initiatives of the European research and innovation policy
- Academy of Finland International Strategy 2007
 - Global cooperation with key partner countries
 - European Research Area: e.g. EU Framework Programmes for Research, Joint Programming, ERA-NETs, research infrastructures, global dimension, researcher training, mobility and careers
 - Nordic cooperation



Duties:

- To foster scientific research and its utilisation
- To promote international scientific cooperation
- To serve as an expert agency in science policy
- To fund scientific research,
- To execute other science policy expert tasks

(Act on the Academy of Finland 2009)

- Four Research Councils, which cover all scientific disciplines
- In 2011, the Academy funding capacity worth €340 million
- More than 5,000 people benefit from Academy research funding



- Total funding some 25 M € in 2005-2011
- Currently 20 research fellows (one Academy Professorship)
- Finnish Center of Excellence in Learning and Motivation Research (led by professor Jari-Erik Nurmi)
- 19 Academy projects on education and learning
- Three National Doctoral Programmes on education and learning
 - The Finnish Doctoral Programme in Education and Learning (6 universities)
 - The Doctoral Programme for Multidisciplinary Research on Learning Environments (11 universities)
 - Finnish Graduate School for Research in Science and Mathematics education (5 universities)

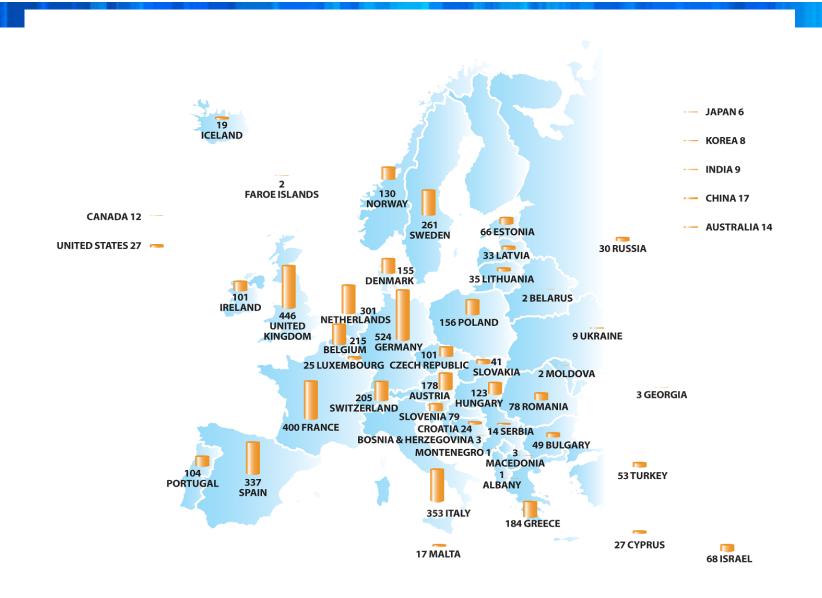


- Life as Learning (LEARN), a multi-disciplinary research programme (2002-2006).
- The themes in the programme:
 - developing teaching and learning in the school system,
 - new challenges of learning in the working life,
 - new forms of learning, and
 - new teachership and teacher education.
- 23 projects in the programme
- One of the main outcomes of LEARN-programme: CICERO Learning Network, established in 2005.
 - CICERO is a network for distinguished researchers on learning. The network promotes cutting edge research on learning across disciplinary boundaries.



- Vision of EU 2020: smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.
- Targets: employment, <u>R&D expenditure</u>, climate, education, and poverty reduction
- Member States set their own national targets to reach the vision
- Finland's targets set in April 2011:
 - Raise the employment rate to 78% by 2020
 - Keep R&D expenditure at least at 4% of GDP
 - Reach the climate and energy targets agreed by the EU
 - Raise the percentage of university graduates to 42%
 - Keep the school drop-out percentage under 8%
 - Reduce the number of people at risk of poverty and marginalisation
- Finland's targets higher than EU-level targets

ACADEMY OF FINLAND Networking of Finnish researchers in European Union's 7th Framework Programme for R & D (724 Finnish projects)



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Source: European Commission, October 2010



National Science Foundation (NSF):

- Nordic Research Opportunity for NSF Graduate Research Fellows: Since 2008, the Academy has offered cooperation opportunities for the Fellows within projects run by the Academy's Centres of Excellence and Academy Professors. The aim is to enable researchers to build international contacts at an early stage of their careers.
- **NSF Materials World Network:** Cooperative activity in materials research (since 2004)



- The US National Science Foundation (NSF) have launched WIFIUS, one of three NSF new virtual institutes (together with the Academy of Finland and Tekes – the Finnish Funding Agency for Technology and Innovation).
- A collaborative structure for education, research and innovation across national borders; joint programme management.
- The target is to strengthen cooperation and networks between top researchers in a field of strong future relevance.



- WIFIUS includes 6 projects, worth 3,7 million € funded jointly by NSF, Academy and Tekes.
- IS THERE NOW AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A NEW SAVI ON EDUCATION AND LEARNING ?



Strengths and Challenges of Finnish Research on Education

Strengths

- The basis of the success of the educational system is research and university education
- The discipline has become stronger
- Strong need for educational knowledge
- Broad scope of educational research
- New researchers have been educated
- Education as an important element of Finnish culture

Opportunities

- Networking and co-operation, nationally and internationally
- New paradigms and hot spots
- Innovations in education
- Export of expertise in education
- Multidisciplinary research programmes needed and possible
- Readiness to make multidisciplinary, comparative and cross-cultural research
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More information:

- Academy of Finland: <u>www.aka.fi/eng</u>
- Finnish science policy: <u>www.research.fi/en</u>



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