



Seven years experiences in Estonian higher forestry education according to Bologna Declaration

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Forestry education in 2009

Bologna principles since 2002

- **Bachelor (3 years)**
- **Master (+2 years)**
- **Doctor of philosophy (Forestry) 4 years**





Curricula

Bachelor

Forestry

Natural resources management

Master

Forest management

Forest industry

Natural resources management

Renewable energy resources



Accreditation of curricula

All curricula have “**Full accreditation**” awarded by the Estonian Higher Education Accreditation Centre

The centre invited an international team of experts to assess curricula, last visit in November 2006

In spring 2010 the transitional accrediting of forestry curricula will take place. Then it will be decided: is the EMU right place where to teach foresters?

Suggestions made by accreditation team in November 2006

The masters' programs should be made available for European without proficiency in the local language

To design just one Bachelors programme, providing capabilities for further specialisation within any of several Masters programmes other than Forest Management and Forest Industry

International talent should be attracted by developing staff promotion procedures



Students

Governmental financing per year:

15 masters in forest management – enrollment 23

15 masters in forest technology – enrollment 23

11 masters in nature resources management – enrollment 17

4...5 PhD students

Numbers of students studying forestry at BSc level and Forest management on Forest Industry at MSc level

Starting year	BSc		MSc		% of students continuing after BSc level at MSc level	% of students started at BSc level graduated MSc level
	Enrollment	Graduation	Enrollment	Graduation		
2002	111	23	32	8	29	7
2003	110	47	37	13	34	12
2004	135	42	29	17	21	13
2005	103	53	27	will graduate in 2010	26	
2006	70	54	33	will graduate in 2011	47	
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2009	90					



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