



Erasmus Mundus



BALANCE – Bologna: A long-term Approach to New Certification in Europe

University of Turku, Finland, 11-13 June 2008

Preliminary Seminar Programme

WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE, 2008

Optional programme (pre-booking compulsory):

Site visit to the University of Turku, Åbo Akademi University and Turku School of Economics

9.00	Registration open (refreshments)
10:00	Welcome (Irinja Paakkanen, Head of International Affairs, University of Turku)
10:15	Presentations of the Universities in Turku/Åbo
11:00	Introduction to Finnish Higher Education System
11.30	International Studies in Turku/Åbo: Programs in English
12:45	Lunch
14:00 – 15:45	Parallel sessions (please mark your choice 1-3 in the registration form):
1.	Transfer of Knowledge: Research and Enterprise Cooperation
2.	Finnish Schools and Teacher Education in the Light of PISA Success
3	Individual visits to the faculties and units of the three Universities (Please give the name of the university/faculty/unit/person you wish to visit in the registration form.)

For all seminar participants:

16 - 17	Guided bus tour
19:30	Welcome dinner for all seminar participants and speakers

THURSDAY 12 JUNE, 2008

Chair: Irinja Paakkanen, Head of International Affairs, University of Turku

08:45	Registration (refreshments)
09:15	Welcome and Presentation of the University of Turku (Vice Rector Erno Lehtinen, University of Turku)
10:00	The Coimbra Group: History, Aims and Overview of Activities (Inge Knudsen, Director, Coimbra Group Office)
10:30	BALANCE Project: Outline and Aims (Anna Quici, Project Coordinator, Coimbra Group Office)
10:45	Coffee break
11:00	The Bologna Process (Guy Haug, European expert on higher education)
11:45	Questions and discussion
12:15	Lunch
13:45	Quality Assurance in Europe (Tia Loukkola, Quality Manager, University of Turku)
14:15	Questions and Discussion
14:30	Doctoral level in the Bologna Process (Vice Rector Erno Lehtinen, University of Turku)
15:15	Questions and discussion
15:30	Coffee break
15:45	Joint Degrees (Tarja Hyppönen, Coordinator, Baltic Sea Region Studies, University of Turku)
16:30	Questions and discussion
17:00	End of Thursday session

Evening: Dinner with participants and speakers

FRIDAY 13 JUNE

Chair: Inge Knudsen, Director, Coimbra Group Office

09:30	International Aspect of Bologna Process: TUNING Project (Professor Joaquim Carvalho, University of Coimbra, Portugal)
10:15	Questions and discussion
10:30	Transatlantic Higher Education Initiatives and Cooperation Programs – Opportunities for your Institution (Terhi Mölsä, Executive Director, The Fulbright Center, Finland)
11:15	Questions and discussion
11:30	Lunch
13:00	Employability in the Bologna Process (Erkki Härkönen, Head of Career Services, University of Turku) Commented by an US representative
13:45	Canadian and US Perspectives towards the Bologna Process (presentations by North American participants)
14:15	Questions and discussion
14:30	Summary and conclusions
14:45	Evaluation
15:15	Coffee and end of the seminar

Optional Social Programme