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PERSONAL INFROMATION

Place and date of birth	Pori, 151248
Nationality	Finnish
Sex	Female
Marital status	Married
Children	Two (28 and 21 years)

Education (University of Helsinki)

Ph.D. (1978) in Education

Honors: Dissertation passed with "magna cum laude"

Master of Philosophy (1994), Major in education, minors in psychology, social psychology, sociology; Honors: Thesis passed with "Eximia cum laude approbatur"

Master of Theology (1977), Major in pedagogy of religion instruction, minors in six other disciplines in theology, Honors: Thesis passed with "Laudatur"

Employment Record

- University of Helsinki, Vice-rector (2003–2008, re-election 2008-), Professor of Education 1998–, Main duties: advanced and doctoral level courses, supervision of research studies, administrative tasks
- University of Tampere, Professor of Education 1993–98
- University of Turku, Professor of Education 1992–93
- Michigan State University: A visiting scholar 1.8.1989–31.12.1989
- University of Oulu, Professor of Education 1988–1991

Major administrative tasks in universities

- Vice-rector, University of Helsinki, 2003–2008, 2008- Responsible for academic affairs, quality assurance, libraries, equity issues
- Dean 2001–2003, Vice-Dean 1998–2000, University of Helsinki
- A member of Consistorium (Senate) of University of Helsinki, 2001–2003, Vice-Chair 2003-2008, Vice-member of Consistorium (Senate) of University of Helsinki, 1998–2000
- Head of Department: University of Helsinki, 1998–2000, University of Tampere, 1996– 1998

Commitments as an expert of evaluation in higher education

- Chair of the advisory board for the international peer review of leadership and management of academic affairs, University of Helsinki, 2007–2008.
- Member of FINHEEC, The Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council, 2004–2007, 2008–2009.
- Invited member to the expert group of the institutional evaluation programme, European University Association (EUA), 2007–
- Panellist of the peer review group for the quality review of academic affairs in the Dublin City University, 2007
- Panellist of the peer review group for the research assessment exercise, educational sciences, University of Jyväskylä, 2006
- Panellist of the peer review group for the research assessment exercise, educational sciences, University of Tartu and University of Tallinn, 2002, Estonia.
- Member of the advisory board and researcher for the national evaluation project ICT in Teaching and Learning. The special responsibility area: technology in teacher education, 1997–1998.
- Member of the national evaluation team for evaluation of State and Arts of Educational Sciences in Finland, Academy of Finland, 1996
- Chair of the advisory board for international and national peer review of educational sciences and teacher education in Finnish universities, Ministry of Education, 1993– 1994.

Major scientific expertise

- Invited expert to assist the European Commission DG for Education and Culture to prepare communication and staff working document on the relationship between research, policy and practice in the field of education and training 2007.
- Member of the focus group to develop European framework for teacher/trainer competences and qualifications. European Commission Directorate General for Education and Culture. 2004–2005.
- Member of Erasmus Mundus Selection Board. European Commission. 2004–2006
- Chair of the national network of multidisciplinary research on learning (CICERO Learning), 2005–2008.
- Invited member on Finnish Academy of Science and Letters. Academia Scientiarum Fennica. 2004–
- Member of the Steering Committee of Teaching and Learning Research Programme (TLRP) in U.K., 2004–2007.
- Member and vice-chair of the Board of the Finnish Virtual University 2003–2006.
- Chair of the national coordination group of the Bologna process in educational sciences and teacher education (2003–2006)
- Scientific director of the national research program "Life as Learning", Academy of Finland, 2002-2006 (The program consists of 21 sub projects).
- Director of EU project "LEARNINGSPACE Crossboundary European Scenarios on Learning" (2001–2003).
- Member of the Advisory Board for revising student selection to universities, Ministry of Education, 2003–2004
- Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Bologna Process in Finland, Ministry of Education, 2002–2003
- Chair of the preparatory group of a new national research program "Life as Learning", Academy of Finland, 2000
- Co-Coordinator of "The open learning context, cultural diversity, democracy (Opennet) of EERA (1998–)
- Member of Advisory Board, European Educational Research Journal 2001-
- Council member, The Standing Committee of Social Sciences of the European Science Foundation (ESF), 1999–2000
- Council member, The Council for Society and Culture in the Academy of Finland, 1998– 2000
- Council member, The scientific Council of University of Helsinki, 1998–2000
- Reviewer and expert in the Advisory group, The Council for Society and Culture in the Academy of Finland, 1994–1997

- Member of Editorial Board, a journal of Eci (Education, communication and information), Routledge, 1997–
- Chair of the advisory board for the national research program "Media culture", Academy of Finland, 1998–2000
- Chair of the advisory board for the national research program "Knowledge II", Academy of Finland, 1998–2000

Recent major international key note lectures:

- "Universities' role in life long learning". EUA Autumn Conference. Inclusive and responsive universities ensuring Europe's competitiveness, 23-25 October 2008, Erasmus University Rotterdam.
- "Why from teaching to learning?" ECER 2008. Gothenburg, 12.09.2008
- "Advancing Research in and on Teacher Education" The TEPE conference 2008: Teacher Education in Europe: mapping the landscape and looking to the future, Ljubljana, 21-23 Feb 2008
- "Universities and lifelong learning in Finland". Seminar on the contribution of the universities to the European labour market, hosted at the Sorbonne by Prime Minister Fillon and the Minister for Higher Education and Research, Valérie Pécresse. 14.12.2007. The University of Sorbonne.
- "The Bologna Process and the Teacher Education Curriculum" .Conference on Teacher professional development for the quality and equity of lifelong learning. EU Presidency Conference, 28.9.2007, Lisbon.
- "Quality Work at the University of Helsinki", La Visite Tunisienne. 12.11.2007. The Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council (FINHEEC). Helsinki.

Recent publications

- Niemi, H. 2008. Advancing research into and during teacher education. In Hudson, B. and Zgaga, P. (eds.) Teacher education policy in Europe: a voice of higher education institutions Umeå : University of Umeå, Faculty of Teacher Education, pp.183-208.
- Niemi, H. 2008. The Bologna process and the teacher education curriculum. In 'Teacher professional development for the quality and equity of lifelong learning'. Lisbon: Ministry of Education of Portugal, Directorate-General for Human Resources in Education, pp. 50-65
- Niemi, H.2008. Research-based teacher education for teachers' lifelong learning. Lifelong learning in Europe.1,pp. 61-69.
- Niemi, H. 2007. Equity and good learning outcomes. In Zeitschrift für Pädagogik. 1, pp. 92-107.
- Jakku-Sihvonen, R. & Niemi, H. 2007. Introduction. In Education as a societal contributor : reflections by Finnish educationalists. Ritva Jakku-Sihvonen & Hannele Niemi (eds.). Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang.
- Niemi, H. 2007. Life as Learning a Finnish national research programme. In Evidence in education : linking research and policy. Paris : OECD 2007 (Knowledge management), pp. 117-124.
- Niemi, H. & Jakku-Sihvonen, R. In the front of the Bologna process : thirty years of research-based teacher education in Finland. In Posodobitev pedagoških študijskih programov v mednarodnem kontekstu : Modernization of study programmes in teachers' education in an international context. - Ljubljana : Univerza v Ljubljani, Pedagoška fakulteta 2006. pp.50-69.
- Nevgi, A. & Virtanen, P. & Niemi, H. 2006. Supporting students to develop collaborative learning skills in technology-based environments. In British journal of educational technology. 37: 6, pp. 937-947.
- Niemi, H. 2006. Den finska forskningsorienterade lärarutbildningen riktlinjer för utvecklingen från 1970-talet till Bolognaprocessen. I Læreruddannelsen i Norden. København: Forlaget UP - Unge Pædagoger, pp. 33–50
- Niemi, H. 2006. Identity formation and religious education meeting the challenge for a meaningful life. In Tirri. K. (ed.) Religion, spirituality and identity. Bern : Peter Lang, pp. 27–44.
- Jakku-Sihvonen, R. & Niemi, H. 2006. Introduction to the Finnish education system and teachers' work. In Jakku-Sihvonen & Niemi, H. (Eds.) Research-based teacher

education in Finland - reflections by Finnish teacher educators. Turku: Finnish Educational Research Association, 7–13.

 Ristimäki, E. & Niemi, H. & Tissari, V. & Mikkola, A. Jakku-Sihvonen, R. 2006. Promoting the pedagogical use of ICT in Finnish universities and teacher education programmes In Jakku-Sihvonen & Niemi, H. (Eds.) Research-based teacher education in Finland - reflections by Finnish teacher educators. Turku: Finnish Educational Research Association, 123–150.