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## CURRICULUM VITAE

**PERSONAL**                    **Helka Maria Kekäläinen** (before Mäkinen) born 14.2.1967  
daughter Olga Mäkinen born 1994

**EDUCATION**                **PhD** University of Helsinki 11.9.2001  
Institute for Art Research / theatre research  
**Master of Arts** University of Helsinki 1.6.1993  
major subject: theatre reseach, minor subject: philosophy  
**Matriculation** Hämeenlinnan yhteiskoulun lukio 31.5.1986

**CAREER**

15.6.2008 onwards	<b>Secretary General</b> , Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council, FINHEEC
15.6.2005-15.6.2008	<b>Senior Adviser</b> , Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council, FINHEEC
3/2005 – 6/2005	<b>Planning Officer</b> , Career Services, University of Helsinki
10/2004 – 2/2005	<b>Research and Postgraduate Studies Officer</b> , Faculty of Arts, University of Helsinki
5/2002 – 9/2004	<b>Planning Officer</b> , Development Project in Faculty of Arts, University of Helsinki
8/2001 – 4/2002	<b>Coordinator</b> , Faculty of Arts, Evaluation of the Quality of Education and the Degree Programmes in the University of Helsinki
8/2000 – 7/2001	<b>Acting Professor of Theatre Research</b> , University of Helsinki
8/1998 – 7/2000	<b>Assistant of Theatre Research</b> , University of Helsinki
1990 – 1993	<b>Journalist</b> , A-lehdet

## QUALITY ASSURANCE MATTERS

**Board member** (co-opted) European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education ENQA 2008-2009

**President** of Nordic Quality Assurance Network in Higher Education (NOQA) 2008-2009

**Conference presentation** with Kirsi Hiltunen *Financial incentives to improve quality and relevance of education in universities: Centres of Excellence in university education in Finland* INQAHE Conference Abu Dhabi 31.3.2009

**Invited Speaker** HRK Hochschulrektorenkonferenzin (German Rectors' Conference) *Autonomy and state responsibility of higher education institutions in Finland* Bonn, Germany, 3.11.2008

**Member of Project group** ENQA & European Commission: Quality Procedures project, 2007-2008

**Invited Speaker**, ANECA seminar: Internal Quality Assurance within Higher Education Institutions. A social responsibility, *Responsibility of the agencies in follow-up on internal quality assurance systems - Finnish example*, Santander, Spain 30.6.-1.7.2008

**Invited Speaker**, HRK Hochschulrektorenkonferenzin (German Rectors' Conference) Aktuelle Themen der Qualitätssicherung und Qualitätsentwicklung, *On the way to mutual understanding: the terminology of quality assurance* with Fiona Crozier, Bonn, Germany, 5.-6.11.2007

**Invited Speaker**, Internal quality assurance at higher education institutions: Requirements and good practices, *Towards a shared conception of internal quality assurance* workshop with Ossi Tuomi and Ossi V. Lindqvist, Bern, Switzerland 2.12.2005