Aalto University
School of Business

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Better Business – Better Society

Merger of three leading Finnish universities – bringing science, technology, art and business together to produce innovations

1849 Helsinki University of Technology

1871 University of Art and Design Helsinki

1911 Helsinki School of Economics

Aalto University 2010

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Our purpose:
Shaping a sustainable future

Aalto University is founded on high-quality research, education, impact as well as shared values of responsibility, courage and collaboration.

Our combination of science, art, technology and business is uniquely poised to solve global challenges.

We foster radical creativity and entrepreneurial thinking in search of the solutions which will shape a sustainable future for all.

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Towards a better world

Aalto University is a societally embedded and innovative research university for a better world.

Driven by a relentless desire to make an impact, our national mission to strengthen Finland’s innovative capacity through first-class research, art and education.

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Our community in numbers

13 900 degree students
(full-time equivalent)

Over **100 000** alumni

A staff of nearly
4 900 of which over
413 are professors.

Each year our students earn about

210 doctoral degrees,

2 000 master's degrees,

1 500 bachelor's degrees and

300 MBA and Executive MBA certificates

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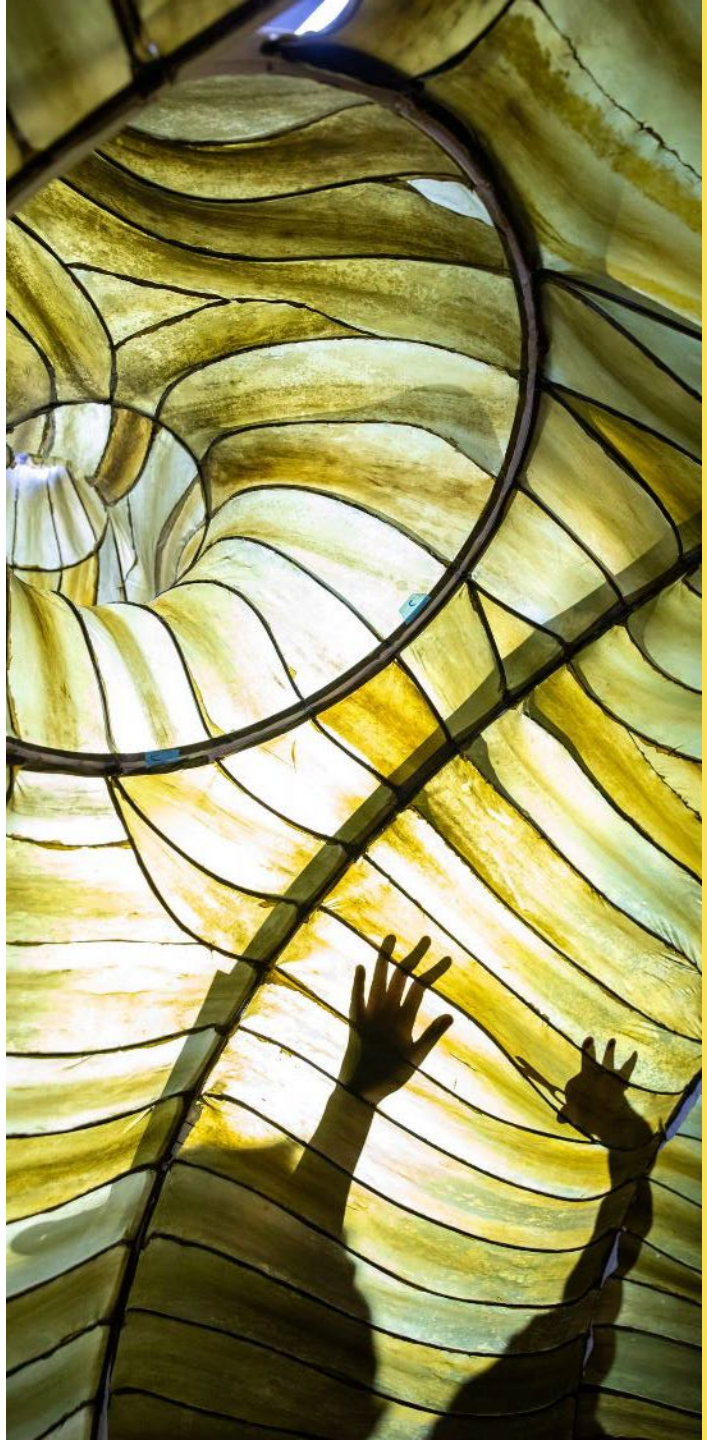
Six dynamic schools

School of Arts, Design and Architecture
architecture, art and media, design, film

School of Business
accounting and business law, economics, finance, information and service management, management studies, marketing

School of Chemical Engineering
bioproducts and biosystems, chemical and metallurgical engineering, chemistry and materials science



School of Electrical Engineering
electrical engineering and automation, electronics and nanoengineering, information and communications engineering

School of Engineering built environment, civil engineering, mechanical engineering

School of Science applied physics, computer science, industrial engineering and management, mathematics and systems analysis, neuroscience and biomedical engineering

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School of Business community in numbers

All enrolled students	**4700** (4530)
BSc students	**2273** (2250)
MSc students	**2189** (2068)
Doctoral students	**238** (212)
Aalto MBA & Aalto Executive MBA students	**564**** (765)
Student exchange agreements with foreign universities worldwide	**156** (156)
Academic personnel*	**233** (216)
Service personnel	**81** (71)

Figures as of December 2025, year 2024 figures in parentheses
* Not including doctoral students (134)
** In addition, 11 Aalto Executive DBA (Doctor of Business Administration) students

School Milestones

1911
Establishment of private business school

1950
New main building in Helsinki

1974
Transformation to state university

1989
Establishment of Mikkeli campus

2010
Merger with Helsinki University of Technology and University of Art and Design Helsinki

2015
BSc studies to the Aalto University main campus in Otaniemi

2019
New home in Otaniemi

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Vision: To attract and cultivate global leaders in business research, education, and practice

Triple Crown status

We hold the Triple Crown status: AACSB, AMBA, and EQUIS – an honor held by some 1% of business schools worldwide.

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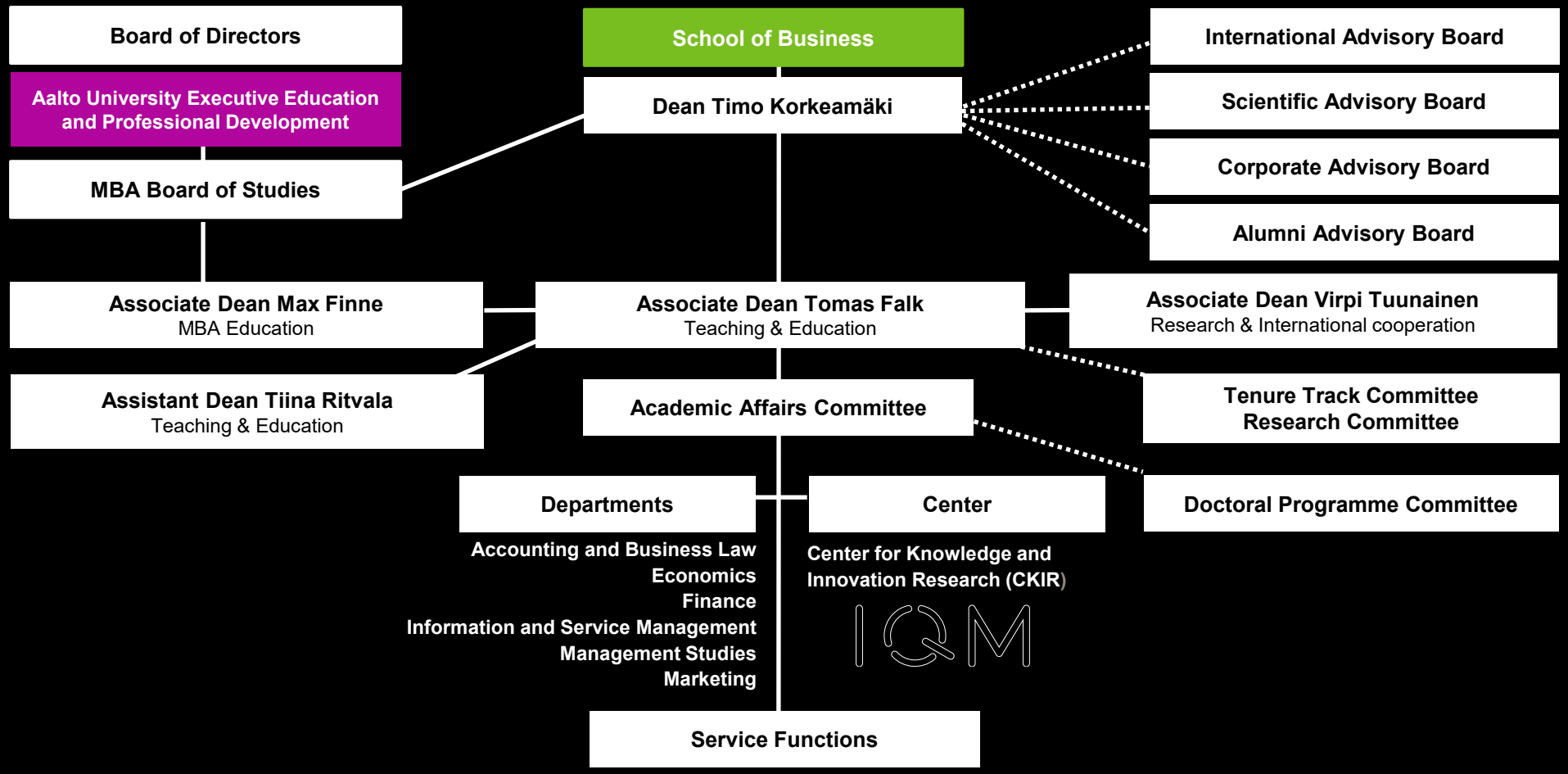
AACSB – The first Nordic business school to earn this prestigious quality label

AMBA – Awarded only to schools offering high-quality MBA Programmes

EQUIS – The School is part of the select group of leading business schools with 5-year accreditation

Organisation



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Academic Faculty

96 professorships (tenure track): assistant, associate, full professors

Matti Sarvimäki
Professor,
Economics,
PhD

Katri Kauppi
Associate
Professor,
Logistics,
PhD

Matthijs Lof
Associate
Professor,
Finance,
PhD

27 lecturers and research fellows

David Derichs
Senior University
Lecturer,
Accounting,
PhD

20 professors of practice

Eeva Furman
Professor of Practice
in sustainability,
PhD in marine
biology

3 executives in residence

Suzanne Innes-Stubb
Executive in
Residence for
business law,
Master of Laws
(LLM)

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Number of faculty positions as of December 2025, except numbers of Professors of Practice and Executives in Residence as of February 2026

Better Business – Better Society

Research
High-quality research on important business & societal challenges

Learning
Real-life challenges & multidisciplinary student learning experiences in an international context

Societal Impact
Contributions to the business community & society at large

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Success in Research

#65

In the world
Business & Economics
THE, Times Higher Education, 2026

#46

In the world
FT European Business Schools, 2025

#114

In the world
Aalto University
QS, 2026

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Success in Sustainability work

Financial Times

Best overall school: Institutions committed to a responsible ethos

Institution	Country
WINNERS	-
Aalto University School of Business	Finland
Colorado State University College of Business	US
Iéseg School of Management	France
University of Oxford: Saïd	UK
VU Amsterdam School of Business and Economics	Netherlands

Read more ›

The United Nations' Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME) network

Read more ›

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Teaching and learning

Problem-based; theories are used to analyse and solve real-world challenges:

- Real-life cases
- Business projects
- Hackathons
- Internships
- Theses and teaching cases

Opportunities for online learning and multidisciplinary studies

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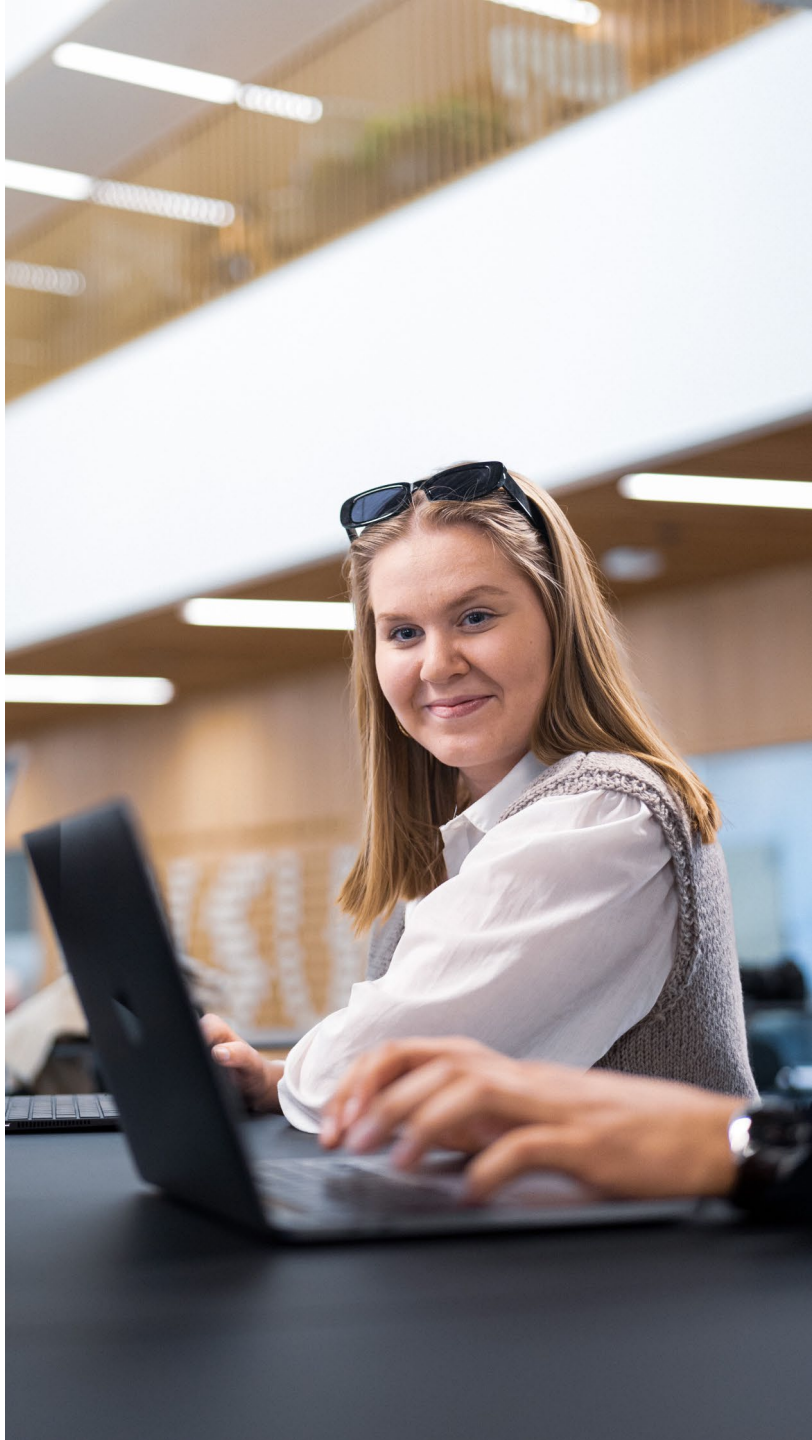
Programmes

Bachelor's programmes

- Business (in Finnish)
- Economics
- Finance (from autumn 2027)
- Interdisciplinary BSc (from autumn 2027)
- International Business

Master's programme

- Accounting
- Business Analytics
- Creative Sustainability*
- Economics
- Finance
- International Management / CEMS
- Information and Service Management
- International Design Business Management**
- People Management and Organizational Development
- Marketing
- Strategic Management in a Changing World
- Sustainable Entrepreneurship
- Yritysjuridiikka (Business Law (in Finnish)



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* Organised jointly with the School of Arts, Design and Architecture and the School of Chemical Engineering

** Organised jointly with all Aalto schools

International Student Exchange

Partner Universities

- 156 partner universities in 6 continents and 44 countries
- 94% internationally accredited business schools by AACSB, Equis or AMBA
- Member of CEMS and PIM Networks
- 60% of graduates have completed an international minor (exchange semester)

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North America
Canada
Mexico
United States

South America
Argentina
Brazil
Chile
Columbia
Peru

Europe
Austria
Belgium
Czech Republic
Denmark
France
Germany
Hungary
Iceland
Ireland
Italy
Latvia
Netherlands
Norway
Poland
Portugal
Russia
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Turkey
United Kingdom

Asia
China
Taiwan
India
Israel
Japan
Malaysia *
Singapore
South Korea
Thailand
Vietnam *

Africa
Egypt
South Africa

Oceania
Australia
New Zealand

Student satisfaction

BSc: Graduation feedback
(average; scale 1–5)

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
3.99	3.91	3.97	4.07	**4.04**

Source: National BSc graduation survey

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Societal impact

- Key roles in societal debates and policy-making
- Extensive collaboration with corporations and other organisations
- in research & teaching
- Knowledge-sharing events & mechanisms
- Strong alumni engagement
- Executive education and life-wide learning

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Executive Education
Professional Development

Unique Portfolio of Executive Education and Professional Development

Aalto University Executive Education and Professional Development (Aalto EE) enables opportunities for lifewide learning and educate the game changers of the future; current executives, the next generation of leaders, and experts with an impact on business and society. Individuals and organizations benefit from our impactful, goal-oriented, and comprehensive learning experience.

Aalto University Executive Education Professional Development

- ~9,000 participants in our programs in 2025
- Operating globally in two strongholds: Finland (Helsinki, Espoo) and Singapore
- Extensive, global partnership network of schools and universities
- ~200 different programs run in 2025

Our operations provide a sizeable income to the university community in various forms, such as dividends, lecture fees, and rents. In 2024, our financial contribution to the Aalto community amounted to approximately €4.1 million.

Among the Top 1%

We are placed among the top executive education organizations worldwide.

Financial Times Executive Education Ranking

Accredited by:

AACSB ACCREDITED · ASSOCIATION OF MBAS ACCREDITED · EFMD EQUIS ACCREDITED

We hold the 'Triple Crown' of accreditations, the three most respected business university accreditations.

Our ranking among the world's leading institutions guarantees our customers that the content, learning methods, and faculty of our programs are of the highest standard.

Current Corporate Partners

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CEMS Partners

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Alumni of the Year

2008

Matti Honkala
Former CEO of Kesko, Graduated in 1972

2009

Arto Hiltunen
Former CEO of SOK, 1976

2010

Mikko Kosonen
Former President of Sitra, 1978

2011

Sirkka Hämäläinen
Former Head of Bank of Finland,1958

2012

Timo Löyttyniemi
Vice Chair, Single Resolution Board, 1982

2014

Riku Asikainen
Angel investor, 1990

2016

Salla Vainio
CEO of Marketing Clinic, 1988

2018

Elina Björklund
CEO, Reima, 1989

2020

Pekka Ala-Pietilä
COB, Sanoma & Huhtamäki, 1978

2022

Kristo Ovaska
Founder, Smartly.io

2024

Tiina Alahuhta-Kasko
CEO of Marimekko, 2005

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Key Strategic Initiatives 2025–2028

- Academic excellence
- Internationality
- Sustainability

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Support us by making a donation: Building the future

1. School of Business in general
2. School of Business International Student Exchange
3. School of Business Ownership teaching and research area

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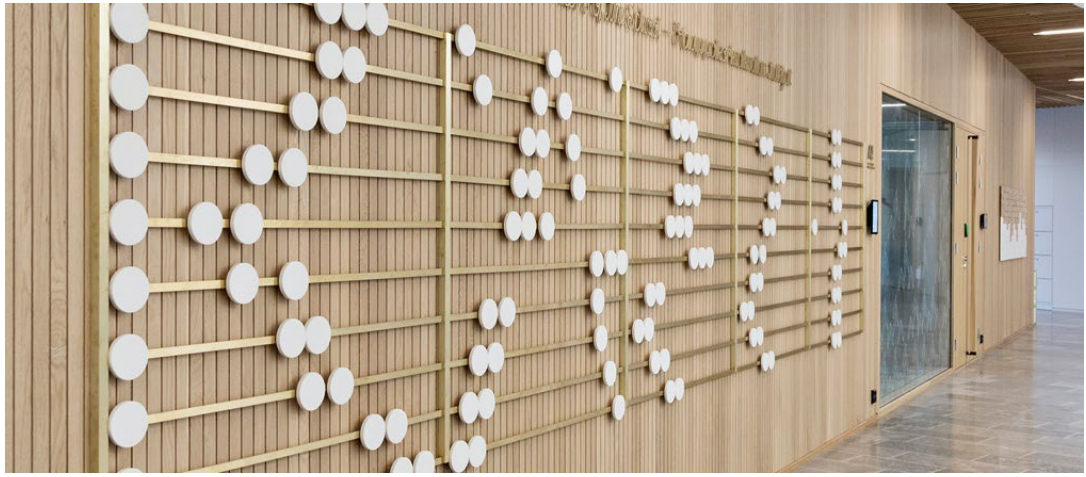

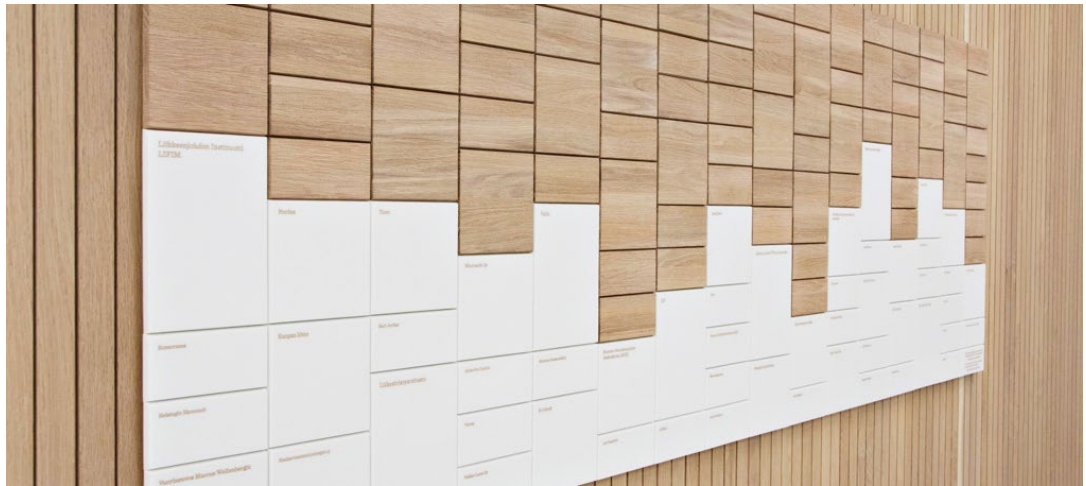

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