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Date and time 24 May 2023, 13.00-14.23

Place/venue Teams

Participants	Role	Present at the items
		of the meeting
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Hujala Teppo	Professor, member	1-8 and 10-16
Tuittila Eeva-Stiina	Professor, deputy member	
Lehto Vesa-Pekka	Professor, member	1-13
Kuittinen Markku	Professor, deputy member	
Jänis Janne	Professor, member	1-16
Pumpanen Jukka	Professor, deputy member	
Berninger Frank	Professor, member	1-16
Tedre Matti	Professor, deputy member	
Miettinen Pauli	Professor, member	1-16
Tuomela Jukka	Professor, deputy member	
Tanska Petri	Other staff, member	1-16
Haapala Antti	Other staff, deputy member	
Mononen Maini	Other staff, member	
Turunen Mikael	Other staff, deputy member	
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§ 1

Opening of the meeting

The chair opened the meeting at 13.00.



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§ 2

Legitimacy and presence of a quorum

In accordance with the UEF University Regulations, meeting notices of a multi-member administrative organ must be sent at least seven days prior to the meeting, unless the administrative organ has decided otherwise.

The meeting notice was sent on 17 May 2023.

According to the UEF University Regulations, multi-member organs of the university have a quorum when at least half of the members, including the chair, are present. By the decision of the chair, a multi-member administrative organ can hold its meeting by email or, either fully or in part, via a video conference, telephone, or some other remote participation means. The chair has decided that the meeting be organised via Teams.

Motion The meeting is deemed lawful and quorate. The agenda is approved.

Decision As proposed.



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Record entry 683/01.01.02/2023

Prepared by Arja Hirvonen

§ 3

Description of the post of Professor, Aerosol Technology, and the Dean's proposal to invite Associate Professor Anna Lähde to the position. Hearing of the Faculty Council

PhD, docent Anna Lähde has been appointed to the Tenure Track position of Associate Professor, Aerosol Technology, for the period 1 September 2019-31 August 2023. The post is hosted by the faculty's Department of Environmental and Biological Sciences.

An evaluation committee acted as the faculty committee responsible for the appointment of the professor, as referred to in section 30 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland. The committee was chaired by Dean Kari Lehtinen, whilst the members included the Head of the Department of Environmental and Biological Sciences Professor Jonne Naarala, the Head of the Department of Chemistry Professor Mika Suvanto, and the Head of the Department of Technical Physics Professor Jari Kaipio. Executive Head of Administration Arja Hirvonen acted as the administrative expert.

Based on the submitted documents and an interview, the evaluation committee came to the conclusion that the legal prerequisites to initiate the invitation procedure are met and that Associate Professor Anna Lähde can be invited to a professorship in her field. The Tenure Track committee supported the initiation of the assessment at its meeting of 5 May 2023.





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The memorandum of the evaluation committee and Lähde's CV, teaching portfolio, and list of publications are enclosed with the agenda item as appendices.

According to section 33 of the Universities Act (558/2009), the professorship may be filled by invitation without a public notice of vacancy when an academically distinguished person is being invited to take the position or a candidate is appointed to the position for a fixed period. Only a person who indisputably fulfils the qualification requirements may be appointed to the post by invitation.

According to section 31 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a permanent professorship or to a professorship that lasts for over two years shall be scientifically or artistically qualified, have good teaching skills and, if important for the successful performance of their duties, practical knowledge of the scope of the post.

According to section 10 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean will decide on the scope and specifications of the professor's position after consulting the Faculty Council. The Dean will decide whether the professor is required to have practical knowledge of the scope of the post. The Dean will make a proposal to the Rector on a person to be appointed as a professor for two years or more after consulting the Faculty Council.



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The description of the post includes the scope and specifications of the post, as required by the University Regulations, and a proposal on a person to be invited to the post.

The professor is not expected to have practical knowledge of the scope of the post.

A draft description of the post is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix. The person proposed to be invited to the post has accepted the description and specifications of the post.

Motion

The Faculty Council will discuss the description of the post of Professor, Aerosol Technology, and the Dean's proposal on the person to be invited to the post.

Decision

As proposed.

Appendices

Appendix 1	Evaluation memorandum Anna Lähde
Appendix 2	Anna Lähde's CV
Appendix 3	Anna Lähde's teaching portfolio
Appendix 4	Anna Lähde's list of publications
Appendix 5	Description of the post of Professor, Aerosol
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Record entry 1117/01.01.02/2023

Prepared by Arja Hirvonen

§ 4

Description of the part-time post of Professor, Aerosol-cloud Interactions, and the Dean's proposal to invite PhD, Docent Harri Kokkola to the position. Hearing of the Faculty Council

The faculty's human resources plan includes the filling of a part-time (50%) professorship in aerosol-cloud interactions via the invitation procedure. The professorship will be hosted by the Department of Physics at the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology. The professorship will strengthen research in atmospheric science, in particular, research in the modelling of interaction between climate and aerosols, and the related networking activities.

It is proposed that PhD, Docent Harri Kokkola from the Finnish Meteorological Institute be invited to the post for a five-year term starting on 1 August 2023. The post will be made full-time through the additional part-time (50%) research professor post at the Finnish Meteorological Institute.

The funding of the part-time (50%) professorship is based on the profiling funding granted by the Academy of Finland to the University of Eastern Finland.

The Appointments Committee, established under section 30 of the UEF University Regulations, was chaired by the Vice Dean of the Faculty Jussi



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Kukkonen. The other members of the committee included the Head of the Department of Technical Physics Professor Jari Kaipio, and the Vice Head of the School of Physics and Mathematics Professor Markku Kuittinen. Research Professor Jari Liskin from the Finnish Meteorological Institute acted as the scientific advisor of the Committee and the Executive Head of Administration Arja Hirvonen acted as the administrative expert.

The description of the post includes the scope and specifications of the post, as required by the University Regulations, and a proposal on a person to be invited to the post.

The draft description of the post is enclosed with the agenda item as an appendix, which also states that the professor is not required to have practical familiarity with the field of the post. The person proposed to be invited to the post has accepted the description and specifications of the post. A draft description of the post is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.

Kokkola's CV, teaching portfolio, and list of publications are enclosed with the agenda item as appendices.

According to section 33 of the Universities Act (558/2009), the professorship may be filled by invitation without a public notice of vacancy when an academically distinguished person is being invited to take the position or a candidate is appointed to the position for a fixed period. Only a person who indisputably fulfils the qualification requirements may be appointed to the post by invitation.



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According to section 31 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a permanent professorship or to a professorship that lasts for over two years shall be scientifically or artistically qualified, have good teaching skills and, if important for the successful performance of their duties, practical knowledge of the scope of the post.

According to section 10 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Dean will decide on the scope and specifications of the professor's position after consulting the Faculty Council. The Dean will decide whether the professor is required to have practical knowledge of the scope of the post. The Dean will make a proposal to the Rector on a person to be appointed as a professor for two years or more after consulting the Faculty Council.

Motion

The Faculty Council will discuss the description of the part-time post of Professor, Air-cloud Interactions, and the Dean's proposal on the person to be invited to the post.

Decision

As proposed.

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Appendix 7 Harri Kokkola's CV



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Record entry 1465/01.01.02/2022

Prepared by Arja Hirvonen

§ 5

The Dean's proposal to the Rector on the person to be appointed as Professor, wood product technology. Hearing of the Faculty Council

By the decisions of 16 November 2022 and 23 February 2023 (strengthening the field of the professorship), the Dean of the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology has accepted the descriptions of the post of professor of wood product technology/wood product production technology.

An open call for applications was organised for the professorship. By the deadline indicated in the call (23 January 2023), applications were received from the following persons: MSc Partha Sarathi Dey, DSc (Agr. & For.), Docent Henrik Heräjärvi, and PhD Mika Sorjonen.

The Appointments Committee of the faculty that processes professorships in the field of technology acted as the Appointments Committee referred to in section 30 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland. It was chaired by Vice Dean Markku Hauta-Kasari, whilst the other members included Dean Kari Lehtinen, Head of the Faculty of Technical Physics, Professor Jari Kaipio and Head of the Department of Forestry, Research Director Jukka Tikkanen.



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The Appointments Committee has examined the profiling and scientific and other merits of the applicants compared to the general requirements of the post of a professor and the specifications of the post in question. The Appointments Committee stated that of the applicants, only DSc (Agr. & For.), Docent Henrik Heräjärvi's scientific research and teaching achievements and overall merits are at the level required from a professor. The field of the professorship was specified as wood product technology based on Heräjärvi's profile and a discussion conducted with him.

Expert statements on the qualification and merits of the applicant were requested from the following, in accordance with the Dean's decision: Professor Lars Berglund (KTH Royal Inst of Technology, Dept of Fiber and Polymer Technology, Stockholm, Sweden), Professor Alain Cloutier (Université Laval, Faculty of Forestry, Geography and Geomatics, Dept of Wood and Forest Sciences, Québec, Canada) and Professor Carsten Mai (Georg-August-Universität Gottingen, Abt. Holzbiologie und Holzprodukte, Wood Biology and Wood Products, Göttingen, Germany). Expert statements have been enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

In summary, the Appointments Committee states that, observing the merits of DSc (Agr. & For.), Docent Henrik Heräjärvi in scientific research, university education and other activities related to the field of the professorship, he has excellent preconditions to succeed in the post of Professor, wood product technology. Statements by external experts on the qualification and scientific merits of Heräjärvi to the professorship



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were unanimously supportive. The selection memorandum has been enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.

According to the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, a person to be appointed to a permanent professorship or to a professorship of over a two-year term shall be scientifically or artistically qualified, have good teaching skills and, if important for attending to the duties, practical familiarity with the domain (section 31 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland).

DSc (Agr. & For.), Docent Henrik Heräjärvi meets the qualification requirements of a professor, as referred to in the UEF University Regulations, and the prerequisites laid down in the specifications of the post.

DSc (Agr. & For.), Docent Henrik Heräjärvi has been exempted from the requirement to give a trial lecture on the basis of previous university-level teaching merits. It can be stated that he has the good teaching skills required by the post. Heräjärvi meets the language skills requirement set for the professorship. Henrik Heräjärvi's CV, teaching portfolio and list of publications are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

The Dean of the faculty proposes to the Rector that DSc (Agr. & For.),

Docent Henrik Heräjärvi be appointed to the post of Professor, Wood

Product Technology, starting on 1 August 2023 or as agreed until further notice.



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Motion The Faculty Council will address the proposal on the person to be

appointed to the post.

Decision As proposed.

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Appendix 12	Expert statement by Carsten Mai 22 March 2023
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Appendix 14	Henrik Heräjärvi's teaching portfolio
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Appendix 16	Selection memorandum, Professor of wood product
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Record entry 1425/01.01.03/2023

Prepared by Arja Hirvonen

§ 6

The Dean's proposal on the person to be appointed as University Lecturer, organic and bio-organic chemistry. Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will discuss proposals regarding the scope and specifications of posts that comply with the four-stage career model of the faculty's permanent teaching and research staff and Tenure Track positions.

The description of the post of a university lecturer in organic and bioorganic chemistry is as follows:

The field of teaching and research of the university lecturer is organic and bio-organic chemistry. The research field is one of the university's two strategic profile areas, namely "Environmental change and the sustainable use of natural resources" and "Ageing, lifestyles and health". The university lecturer will actively conduct research related to biological chemistry, protein structures and activities. They must engage in and promote extensive international and interdisciplinary research cooperation. They will actively apply for research funding in their field and participate in research training. The university lecturer gives teaching at basic, intermediate and advanced levels and supervises academic theses. The university lecturer assesses and develops education in organic and bio-



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organic chemistry and the use of modern learning environments and methods. Teaching is linked to education in sustainable technologies. The languages of instruction and supervision at the Department of Chemistry are Finnish and English. The post will be hosted by the Department of Chemistry at the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology on the Joensuu campus.

It is proposed, in accordance with the Department's proposal, that PhD, Nina Hakulinen be appointed to the post without a public call from 1 September 2023 onwards until further notice. Hakulinen has worked as a university researcher (two terms since 2011) and academic researcher in the said field of research and teaching. Hakulinen's CV, teaching portfolio, and list of publications are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

Persons to be appointed as University Lecturers must hold a suitable doctoral degree and have good teaching skills (University Regulations, section 31). The person to be appointed to the position is expected to be fluent in Finnish and be able to also teach in English where required.

The Dean of the faculty has exempted Nina Hakulinen from the requirement to give a trial lecture on the grounds that she has sufficient practical experience in university level teaching at the University of Eastern Finland and, therefore, the good teaching skills required by the post of a university lecturer have been demonstrated.



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PhD, Docent Nina Hakulinen meets the qualification requirements of a university lecturer, as referred to in the University Regulations, and the prerequisites laid down in the specifications of the post.

The Dean of the faculty proposes to the Academic Rector that PhD, Docent Nina Hakulinen be appointed to the post of University Lecturer, organic and bio-organic chemistry, from 1 September 2023 onwards until further notice.

Motion

- 1. The Faculty Council will address the description of the post.
- 2. The Faculty Council will address the proposal for the person to be appointed to the position.

Decision

- 1. As proposed.
- 2. As proposed.

Appendices

Appendix 17	Nina Hakulinen's CV
Appendix 18	Nina Hakulinen's teaching portfolio
Appendix 19	Nina Hakulinen's list of publications



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Record entry 1428/01.01.03/2023

Prepared by Arja Hirvonen

§ 7

The Dean's proposal on the person to be appointed as University Lecturer, environmental cell science. Hearing of the Faculty Council

According to section 9 of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will discuss proposals regarding the scope and specifications of posts that comply with the four-stage career model of the faculty's permanent teaching and research staff and Tenure Track positions.

The description of the post of University Lecturer, environmental cell biology, is as follows:

The field of teaching and supervision is environmental cell biology. The university lecturer gives teaching at basic, intermediate and advanced levels and supervises academic theses. In addition to teaching duties, the university lecturer will participate in research and research training in their field in relation to environmental health and, in particular, the health effects of radiation. The university lecturer evaluates and develops education and continuous learning in the field and the use of modern teaching environments and methods in education. In addition, the duties include the development of the department's cooperation with the working life and the development of education in the academic subject, as



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well as other separately agreed upon duties related to institutional and study administration. The post will be hosted by the Department of Environmental and Biological Sciences at the Faculty of Science, Forestry, and Technology on the Kuopio campus.

It is proposed, in accordance with the Department's proposal, that PhD Jukka Luukkonen be appointed to the post without a public call from 1 July 2023 onwards until further notice. Luukkonen has worked, since 1 August 2018, as a fixed-term university lecturer in the said field of research and teaching, e.g., as a deputy lecturer. Luukkonen's CV, teaching portfolio, and list of publications are enclosed with this agenda item as appendices.

Persons to be appointed as University Lecturers must hold a suitable doctoral degree and have good teaching skills (University Regulations, section 31). The person to be appointed to the position is expected to be fluent in Finnish and be able to also teach in English where required.

The Dean of the faculty has exempted Jukka Luukkonen from the requirement to give a trial lecture on the grounds that he has sufficient practical experience in university level teaching at the University of Eastern Finland and, therefore, the good teaching skills required by the post of a university lecturer have been demonstrated.

PhD Jukka Luukkonen meets the qualification requirements of a university lecturer, as referred to in the UEF University Regulations, and the prerequisites laid down in the specifications of the post.



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The Dean of the faculty proposes to the Academic Rector that PhD Jukka Luukkonen be appointed to the post of University Lecturer, Environmental Cell Biology, from 1 July 2023 onwards until further notice.

Motion

- 1. The Faculty Council will address the description of the post.
- 2. The Faculty Council will address the proposal for the person to be appointed to the position.

Decision

- 1. As proposed.
- 2. As proposed.

Appendices

Appendix 20	Jukka luukkonen's CV
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Appendix 21 Jukka luukkonen's teaching portfolio

Appendix 22 Jukka luukkonen's list of publications



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Prepared by Kaisa Laitinen

§ 8

Confirming the curricula for Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes for the academic year 2023–2024

According to section 9(4) of the University Regulations of the University of Eastern Finland, the Faculty Council will decide on curricula, among other things. According to section 20 of the Study Regulations, the curriculum of each degree programme must indicate, among other things, the structure (including the courses and their scope) and requirements of the degree, and the desired learning outcomes, contents, evaluation methods and modes of teaching of the degree and its parts.

Motion

The Faculty Council will confirm the Bachelor of Science Degree

Programme in Information Technology for the academic year 2023–2024
in accordance with the Appendix.

Decision

As proposed.

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Appendix 23 Bachelor of Science Degree Programme in

Information Technology, change in the degree

structure 2023-2024



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Record entry 28/03.04.09/2023

Prepared by Kaisa Laitinen

§ 9

Grading MSc (Agr. and For.) Piia Ikonen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Forestry

According to section 9 of the UEF University Regulations, the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 18 of the standing rules on the degrees and studies of the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology, doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale pass – pass with distinction.

MSc (Agr. and For.) Pila Ikonen's doctoral dissertation and study Conditions for cooperative forest management on Capercaillie (Tetrao urogallus L.) lekking sites in Finland was examined publicly on 14 April 2023. The opponent, Professor Sami Kurki (Ruralia Institute, University of Helsinki, Helsinki), is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Agriculture and Forestry and proposes the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no comments on the doctoral statement, which is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.



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According to section 29 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), a study attainment may be assessed only by those members or deputy members of a multi-member administrative body who have a degree or completed study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

Motion

Based on the statement, the Faculty Council grades MSc (Agr. and For.) Pila Ikonen's dissertation as Pass.

Decision

As proposed.

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Appendix 24 Statement by opponent Sami Kuri

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Prepared by Kaisa Laitinen

§ 10

Grading MSc Taija Saarela's doctoral dissertation in the field of Environmental Science

According to section 9 of the UEF University Regulations, the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 18 of the standing rules on the degrees and studies of the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology, doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale pass – pass with distinction.

MSc Taija Saarela's dissertation and study "The effect of catchment characteristics on the dynamics of dissolved organic matter (DOM) and greenhouse gases in northern freshwater ecosystems" was examined publicly on 5 May 2023. The opponent, Professor Jan Karlsson (Department of Ecology and Environmental Sciences, Umeå University, Umeå, Sweden), is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no comments on the doctoral statement, which is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.



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According to section 29 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), a study attainment may be assessed only by those members or deputy members of a multi-member administrative body who have a degree or completed study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

Motion Based

Based on the statement, the Faculty Council grades MSc Taija Saarela's

dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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Appendix 25 Statement by opponent Jan Karlsson



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Record entry 28/03.04.09/2023

Prepared by Kaisa Laitinen

§ 11

Grading MSc Antti Tenkanen's doctoral dissertation in the field of Biology

According to section 9 of the UEF University Regulations, the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 18 of the standing rules on the degrees and studies of the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology, doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale pass – pass with distinction.

MSc Antti Tenkanen's dissertation and study "Latitude-related variation in silver birch provenances in a changing climate: Growth, biomass-allocation and photosynthesis-associated leaf-traits in the field and in growth chamber trials" was examined publicly on 28 April 2023. The opponent, Docent Esa Tyystjärvi (Department of Life Technologies, University of Turku, Turku) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no comments on the doctoral statement, which is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.



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According to section 29 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), a study attainment may be assessed only by those members or deputy members of a multi-member administrative body who have a degree or completed study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

Motion Based on the statement, the Faculty Council grades MSc Antti Tenkanen's

dissertation as Pass.

Decision As proposed.

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Appendix 26 Statement by opponent Esa Tyystjärvi

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Record entry 28/03.04.09/2023

Prepared by Kaisa Laitinen

§ 12

Grading Mphil Samuel Tewelde Yigzawi's doctoral dissertation in the field of Computer Science

According to section 9 of the UEF University Regulations, the Faculty Council grades doctoral dissertations. According to Section 18 of the standing rules on the degrees and studies of the Faculty of Science, Forestry and Technology, doctoral dissertations are graded on the scale pass – pass with distinction.

MPhil Samuel Tewelde Yigzawi's dissertation and study "A Model for Knowledge Management Systems in Higher Education and Research: The Case of the UbuntuNet Alliance in the Eastern and Southern African Region" was examined publicly on 27 April 2023. The opponent, Professor Tero Vartiainen (School of Technology and Innovations, University of Vaasa, Vaasa) is in favour of the dissertation being approved as a thesis for a doctoral degree in Philosophy and proposes the grade Pass.

According to section 44 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), before a doctoral dissertation is graded, the author must be given an opportunity to submit his or her response to the preliminary examiner's, the examiner's or the opponent's statement. The doctoral candidate has no comments on the doctoral statement, which is enclosed with this agenda item as an appendix.



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According to section 29 of the Universities Act (24.7.2009/558), a study attainment may be assessed only by those members or deputy members of a multi-member administrative body who have a degree or completed study attainments of an equivalent level or who have been appointed professors.

Motion

Based on the statement, the Faculty Council grades MPhil Samuel Tewelde Yigzawi's dissertation as Pass.

Decision

As proposed.

Appendices

Appendix 27

Opponent Tero Vartiainen's statement



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Record entry No 54/00.03.03/2023

Prepared by Arja Hirvonen

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Rescheduling the Faculty Council meeting of 24 August 2023

The Faculty Council decided on a meeting schedule for autumn 2023 at its meeting of 22 March 2023. The August meeting was scheduled for Thursday 24 August 2023 at 13:00. The steering group of the faculty discussed the possible date of the faculty's Research Day at its meeting of 28 April 2023 and set the date as Thursday 24 August 2023. The opportunities of the faculty, departments and schools, and the management of the doctoral programme to participate in the Research Day was considered in the selection of the date.

Motion

Due to overlapping, the Faculty Council will reschedule its August 2023 meeting to Friday 25 August 2023 at 12:00.

Decision

As proposed.



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For information

Statistics on the faculty's Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degrees on 12 May 2023 (Appendix)

The doctoral dissertation overview of the faculty dated 16 May 2023; graduates in green, those with permission to defend their dissertation in a public examination in yellow, and those who have started their dissertation in blue (appendix)

Topical faculty matters.

Motion Marked for information.

Decision As proposed.

Appendices

Appendix 28 Degree Statistics 12 May 2023

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Closing of the meeting

The chair closed the meeting at 14.23.



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§ 16

Translation of the agenda/minutes

The English translation of the agenda/minutes of the meeting is attached to the agenda item.