

### ANNUAL REPORT

HELSINKI SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



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The Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration (HSEBA) is an independent state institution of university standing. It engages in economic and business research and education. HSEBA is the largest institution of its kind in Finland with respect to both student body and personnel. The Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration was founded in 1911.

During our 89-year history, we have conferred more than 20,000 postgraduate, graduate, or undergraduate degrees. Both Finnish firms and foreign and multinational companies show keen interest in recruiting our graduates.

In its endeavors, HSEBA

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- concentrates on a high standard of innovative research, teaching and business development
- encourages able individuals and groups
- supports diversity in the workplace
- strengthens the sense of community and sees to the welfare of those working in it
- demonstrates national responsibility and is international in all its activities.

In all its endeavors, the Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration observes high ethical principles, values honesty and respect for others and takes considerations of equality and sustainable development into account.

Key Figures for the Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration in 2000 Master of Science degrees 349 Doctorates 16 Students in the M.Sc. program 3 4 4 8 Foreign students 313 MBAs 77 Continuing education programs 391 Personnel 203 Teaching and research staff 203

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Cover: First HSEBA students on excursion to Stockholm (fall 1911). Other pictures: Selection of HSEBA 1911-2001.

# **GREETINGS** FROM THE RECTOR

### HONORING TRADITION BY BEING ONE STEP AHEAD

The establishment of the Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration (HSEBA) played an important part in the emergence of Finnish industry and the then autonomous Grand-Duchy striving for independence during the first decades of the last century. The economic structure was undergoing transition: the rural society was becoming an industrialized one. The booming Finnish economy needed educated directors competent in international trade. Today, Fin-

land is facing another transition, this time from a protected economy based on industry into part of the global information society. Finland's economic life continues to develop strongly and it requires highly qualified management of an international standard.

HSEBA produces research on business knowhow and provides education for the top specialists of today and the future, just like 90 years ago. Co-operation with the leading universities and companies at home and abroad, ground-breaking research and internationally acclaimed teaching, as well as active participation in the debate on today's economic policies are all part of a living tradition nurtured in our university. The need for Finnish society to improve business competence throughout the entire country is one of our key challenges, and we have responded not only by continuously developing our academic core activities, but also by substantially increasing the pro-



vision of services enhancing lifelong learning and promoting entrepreneurship.

The renowned history of HSEBA, *Vuosisadan Tilinpäätös* ('The Closing of a Century') by Karl-Erik Michelsen, Ph.D., provides an exciting revelation of how the academic questions and challenges scholars faced a century ago are still current: the reconciliation of scientific and professional thinking, the ownership of universities, combining competence in trade and technical skills. Michelsen's work reiterates the objectives set by Kyösti Järvinen, the first Rector of

HSEBA, in his opening speech from 1911. These words are still just as relevant as they were in the early days of our university:

"Once it is organized as a complete institute of the highest economic education, the Helsinki School of Economy has every opportunity to become a notable seat of economic research in our country, an institution, which will join our country's economic life to the progress of the economic sciences. As such it may also – if it remains in close relationship with the practice of business in this country – even better fulfill its obligations as the fosterer of future teachers of commercial colleges as well as the more learned youth seeking a profession in business."

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## YEAR **2000** AT THE HELSINKI SCHOOL OF ADMINISTRATION

The year 2000, and the entire past decade, was highly successful for the Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration. The purposeful allocation of resources in quality development has, according to several external evaluations, borne fruit. Our objectives set for research and teaching in the current planning period have already been surpassed, and HSEBA's operations in all sectors have shown positive development.

### **CORE ACTIVITIES SUCCESSFUL**

In terms of the volume of internationally recognized publications, the scholarly standard of the research carried out at HSEBA has improved crucially over the past few years. Our dedicated teaching staff has taken pains to continuously improve the contents of teaching, to co-ordinate various subjects and develop new methods of instruction; these endeavours have been supported by, for example, the Center for Innovative Education. Lifelong learning, applied research and corporate relationships were intensified and expanded with great momentum.

Collaboration with other universities was close and many projects have attained an established position. Co-operation between all administrative units, and especially with the student union, has been excellent.

#### **QUALITY WORK CONTINUES**

The concentrated efforts of the past few years towards improving the quality of HSEBA's operations were continued in 2000. The thoroughgoing EQUIS (European Quality Improvement System) evaluation and the resulting report have been extensively utilized in the development work of HSEBA. Co-operation with the European Foundation for Management Development (efmd) and its partners has continued as actively as ever.

The membership in CEMS (Community of European Management Schools) has promoted close collaboration with the leading European schools of economics and corporations, particularly in the form of development projects in teaching. CEMS universities receive some 35 exchange students annually

from HSEBA. In 2000, as many as 93 students participated in the CEMS program.

The Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council has, for the second time, nominated the Department of Languages and Communication as a unit of high-quality basic education and HSEBA as a unit of high-quality adult education. The new part-time MBA program received an accreditation from the renowned Association of MBAs, AMBA.

#### WORKING ENVIRONMENT IN GOOD SHAPE

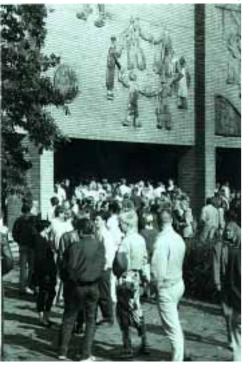
The facilities for all core operations are in excellent condition now that the renovation of the Chydenia building was completed in fall 2000. The final outcome of the undertaking is, both architecturally and financially, more than satisfactory. HSEBA's operations are now concentrated in four well-equipped and beautifully furnished buildings located within easy distance of each other. Each department has all their facilities in one location, and closely co-operating departments have, whenever possible, been situated close to one another.

## STEP TOWARDS PAPER-FREE ADMINISTRATION

HSEBA has been a pioneer in paper-free document management and accounting and has piloted an extensive project which will benefit the entire university as well as the State government. At the end of 2000, we were given permission to test electronic invoice circulation and authorization.

A second project, currently underway, is a joint pilot project conducted with Trading House Hansel, introducing an electronic procurement and invoicing system. All these new systems will expedite and improve operations, and will rapidly bring notable savings in process management.

Information management processes have been re-organized in our open-minded search for new solutions to meet the challenges created by user needs and rapid changes. The whole information network was revamped in 2000, and its management has been outsourced, a unique arrangement among Finnish universities. The newly renovated buildings boast state-of-the-art IT facilities and





teaching aids. Further training of teachers and improved support services aim at securing an efficient use of the up-to-date facilities. Owing to the lack of resources, there is, however, much to be done in the development of the support services.

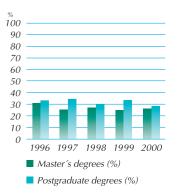
The building of the new OODI information system for students and teachers progressed smoothly in co-operation with other universities, and the system will be implemented at the beginning of 2001.

#### STAKEHOLDERS TAKE ACTIVE INTEREST

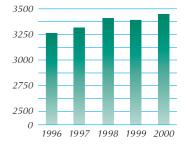
HSEBA made, in the Finnish context, a groundbreaking opening in launching systematic partnership schemes after careful preliminary planning. Several Finnish and international corporations have already decided to enter into co-operation, which is certain to evolve into an important and longstanding form of co-operation between HSEBA and the business community.

### **QUALITY IS CREATED BY PEOPLE**

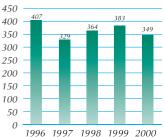
HSEBA owes its continuous excellent performance to the persistent work of its motivated and competent staff and students. In 2000, they have been under great pressure caused by the numerous removals, projects and changes. The key source of motivation has been the rewarding and challenging work, the encouraging working community and good atmosphere. The motivation was further raised by the dramatically improved facilities and working conditions. HSEBA has also invested substantially in staff welfare, the maintenance of their working capacity and recreation. HSEBA's share of degrees in economics and business administration in Finland



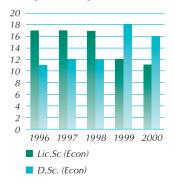
Undergraduates 1996 - 2000







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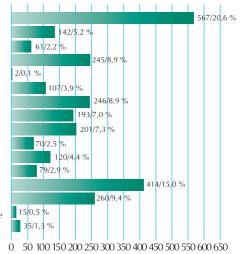






#### Students by major subject 31.12.2000

Accounting Business Law Economic Geography/Area Studies Program Economics Economic Sociology Entrepreneurship Finance Information Systems Science International Business Languages and Communication Logistics Management Science Marketing Organization and Management Quantitative Methods of Economics and Management Science Technology Management and Policy Total 2757/100%

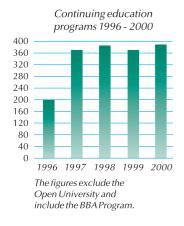


The figures do not include those who began their studies in 2000 because major subjects are not chosen until the second year.

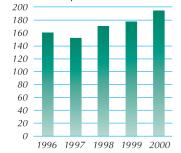


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Anttila Mai	Marketing	Lovio Raimo	Organi
Charles Mirjaliisa	Applied linguistics	Luostarinen Reiio	Interna
Dahlstedt Roy	Economics	Malmi Teemu	Accour
Eronen Jarmo	Economic Geography	Möller Kristian	Market
Haaparanta Pertti	Economics	Niskakangas Heikki	Busine
Hakkarainen Heikki	German	Pihkala Erkki	Econor
Halme Merja-Liisa	Management Science	Pohjola Matti	Econor
Home Niilo	Trade	Rossi Matti	Informa
Ikäheimo Seppo	Accounting	Rudanko Matti	Busine
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Inkiläinen Aimo	Logistics	Saarinen Timo	Informa
Kallio Markku	Management Science	Salo Seppo	Quanti
Kangasharju Helena	Finnish	Sulo Seppo	Econor
Kanto Antti	Quantitative Methods of		Science
Ranto / titti	Economics and Management	Seristö Hannu	Interna
	Science	Steinbock Dan	Virtual
Rector	Science	Sääksjärvi Markku	Informa
Kasanen Eero O.	Finance	Tainio Risto	Organi
Keloharju Matti	Finance	Talvinen Jari	Informa
Kinnunen Juha	Accounting	Toivanen Otto	Techno
Kivijärvi Hannu	Information Systems Science	ionunen otto	Policy
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	Science	Troberg Pontus	Accour
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