

Immigration of International Students to the EU - the National Report by EMN Finland

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Finnish higher education institutions and internationalisation

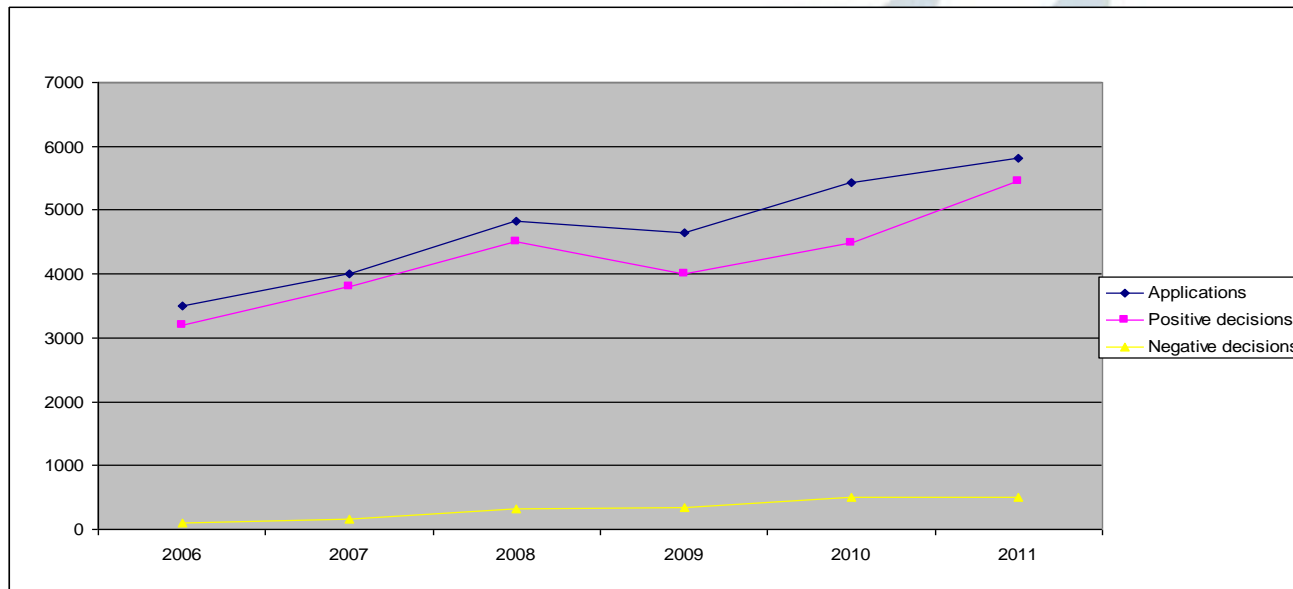
- Strategy for the Internationalisation of Higher Education Institutions in Finland for 2009 – 2015
- Number of degree students from third countries growing (year 2006: 7 400, year 2010: 11 724)
- Academic programmes in English
- Tuition fees on a trial basis



Residence permits on the ground of study 2006 – 2011

- Immigration policy changing
- Year 2006: 3 508 applications (91,1 % positive decisions)
- Year 2011: 5 806 applications (94 % positive decisions)

(Source: Finnish Immigration Service)



Misuse of the "student route"

- Internationalisation vs. prevention of misuse
- False and falsified documents
- Lack of sufficient income, circulation of money
- Work instead of studying
- Prevention in countries of origin
- Cooperation between HEI's and authorities



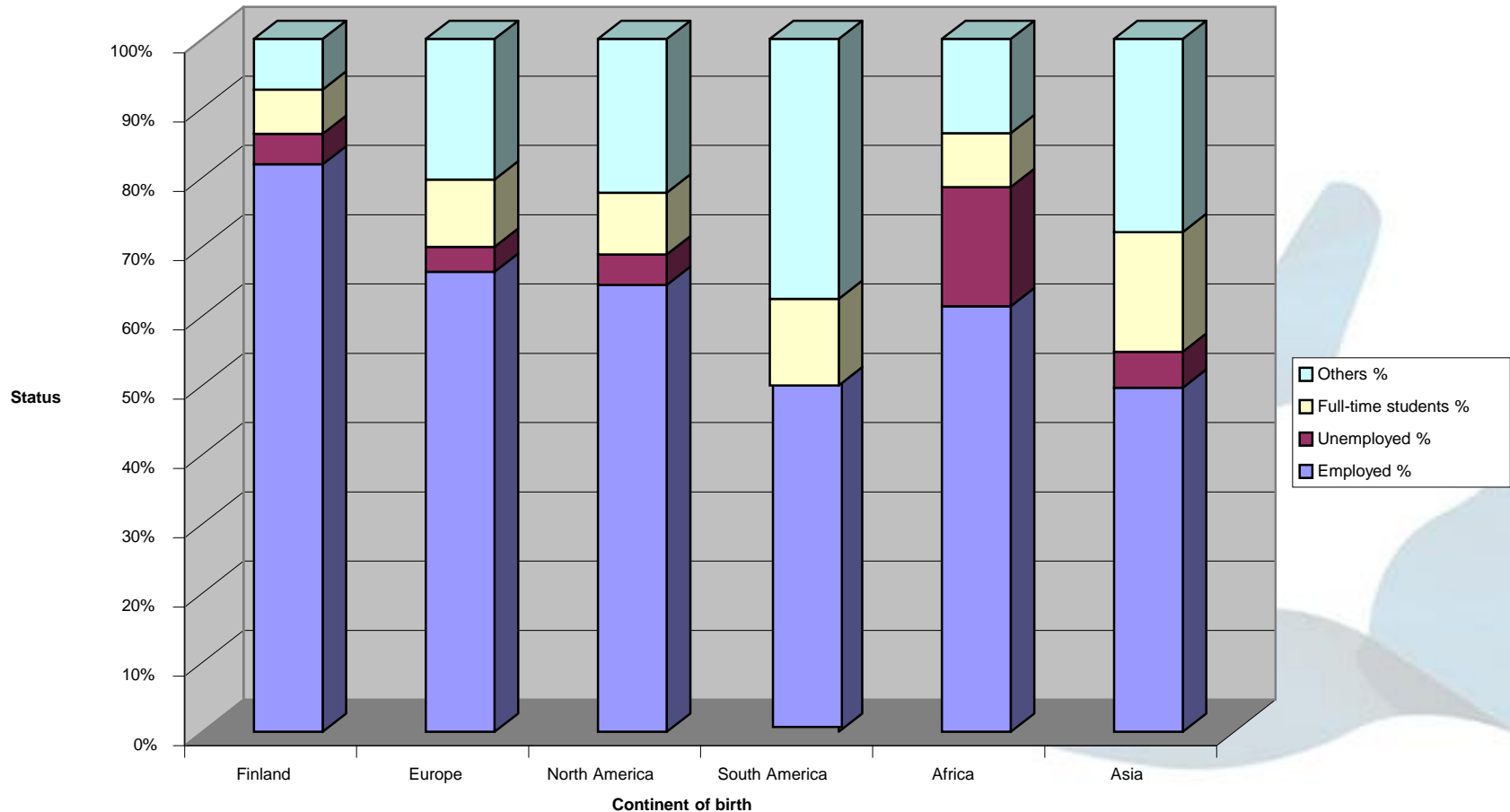
Employment of International Graduates

- International Student Barometer-survey
- Integration to the Finnish labour market
- Barriers to the employment of international graduates
- Discrimination against ethnic minorities in the recruitment process
- Free education vs. satisfying the future need of the labour market



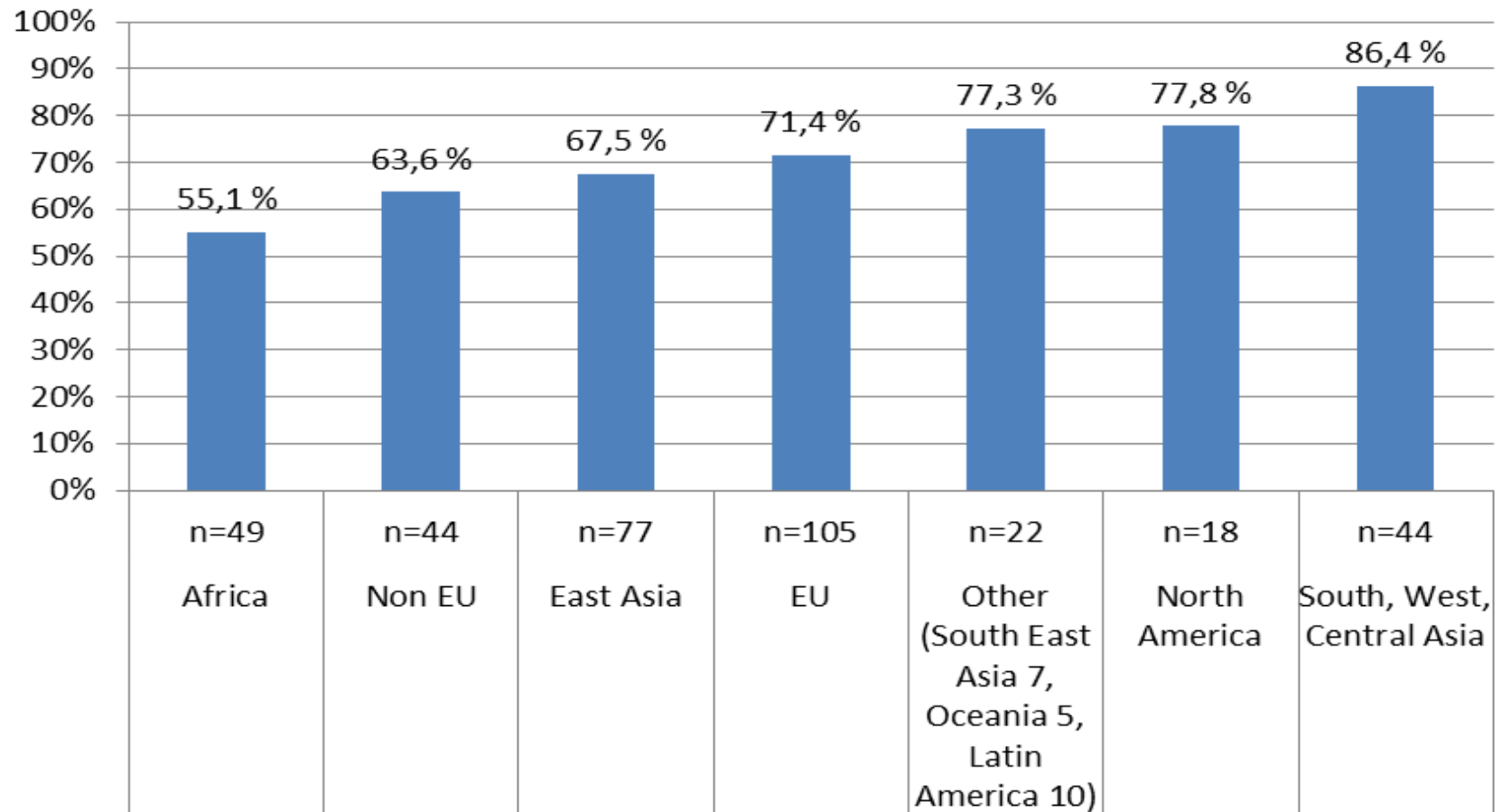
Primary occupation by continent of birth, English-language degree programmes, UAS

(Source: Majakulma, *Ammattikorkeakouluista valmistuneiden ulkomaalaisten työllistyminen*)



Employment rate of international graduates by continent of origin

(Source: VALOA-hanke, *Employability of international graduates educated in Finnish higher education institutions*)



Thank you

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