

Curriculum vitae

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Date and place of birth: *21st of October 1960, Vampula (South-Western Finland)

Nationality, sex and marital status: *Finnish, Male, married (wife Katja Forssén professor of Social Work), three children Anna (born 1984), Lotta (born 1988) and Kaisa (born 1994). One grandchild Aida (born 2013).

Education

*Doctor of Social Sciences (PhD in Social Sciences) (Social Policy), UTU, Finland 1994 Grade: Magna cum laude approbatur

*Licentiate in Social Sciences (Social policy), UTU, Finland 1991 Grade: Magna cum laude approbatur

*Master of Social Sciences (Social policy, Sociology and Statistics), UTU, Finland 1986. Grade: Cum laude approbatur

* Matriculation examination, 1979, Lauttakylän lukio, Huittinen. Grade: Magna cum laude approbatur

Academic positions

*Professor of Social Policy, UTU, Department of Social Policy 1.3.2003-

*Professor and Head for Social Insurance Expert Training Programme (TOPSOS), UTU, Department of Social Policy 1.8.2001-31.12.2007.

*Professor of Social Work, UTU 1.1.2000-31.7.2001

*Professor of Social Policy, UTU 1.8.1999-31.12.1999

*Visiting Fellow, Australian National University, Research School of Social Sciences, Reshaping Australian Institutions –programme 1.8.1998-31.7.1999.

*Associate Professor of Social Policy, UTU 1.1.1997-30.6.1997

*Senior research fellow, UTU, social policy 1.8.1995-31.12.1996

*Senior fellow, UTU 1.6.1994–31.7.1995 (Academy of Finland, programme of socio-economic studies)

*Research fellow, UTU, social policy 1.10.1985-31.5.1994

Administrative Experience

**Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences* (yhteiskuntatieteellisen tiedekunnan dekaani) *at the UTU* 1.2.2007-31.7.2012.

**Member of the Board of the UTU* (Turun yliopiston hallituksen jäsen) 1.2.2007-31.12.2009.

**Member of the University Collegium at the University of Turku* 2009-2013 (Yliopistokollegion jäsen).

**Chair of the Department of Social Policy* (sosiaalipolitiikan laitoksen johtaja) in the UTU 1.1.1997-30.8.1997 and 1.8.1999-28.2.2001 and 1.1.2004-31.12.2006.

**Chair of Social Policy* (sosiaalipolitiikan oppiainevastuuhenkilö) in the UTU 2010-.

**Member of the Boarding Committee of Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) –research centre* 2005-.

**Member of the Board of Governors of the International Foundation of Social Security Studies (FISS)* 2010-.

*One of the founding members of *Turku Centre for Welfare Research* (TCWR) 29.1.1997. Member of the board 1997-2003 and 2012-. Chair of the Boarding Committee 2001-2003.

- *Member of the *scientific board of the Finnish social security institution (KELA:n tutkimusasiain neuvottelukunta)* 2004-2007.
- **Vice chair of the scientific boarding committee of the 'Centre for Research on Life Long Learning and Education (CELE)'*. Faculty of Education, University of Turku 2001-.
- **National University Network of Social Work (SOSNET), member of the boarding committee* 1999-2001.
- **Member of the boarding committee of the Social Insurance Expert Training Programme (TOPSOS)* 2000-. Chair 2007-.
- **Member of the boarding committee of the 'The Centre for Excellence of Social Welfare in South Western Finland' (VASSO, Varsinais-Suomen sosiaalialan osaamiskeskuksen johtokunta)* 2001-2002. Chair of the preparatory committee of VASSO 2000.
- **Member of the board of the directors of the EU Objective 2 (Itä-Turun EU Tavoite2 –ohjelman johtoryhmä) Urban in East Turku* 2000-2006.
- **Member of the Faculty Council, University of Turku, Faculty of Social Sciences* 1.3.1991 - 31.7.1993, 1.2.2007-31.8.2012.
- **Chair of the Boarding Committee of Turku University Teacher Training School (Turun normaalikoulun johtokunnan puheenjohtaja)* 2006-2009.
- **Member of the boarding committee of the Finnish Sociopolitical Association* 1996-1998 and 2003.
- **Member of the board of the directors of the Finnish Huoltaja Foundation (Huoltajasäätiön isännistö)* 2001-2013.
- **Institute of Migration, Turku, vice member (of rector Virtanen) of the council* 2005-2011. Vice chair of the board 2012-.
- **Member of the Committee to plan a New Organisation Structure for the University of Turku* 2008 (Turun yliopiston organisaatorakennetyöryhmän jäsen).
- **Chair of the Committee to plan a New Organisation for the Education of Statistics in the University of Turku* 2008-2011. (Tilastotieteen asemaa Turun yliopistossa selvittävä työryhmä)
- **Vice chair of the Board of Directors of the Centre of Statistics in University of Turku (tilastotieteen keskus)* 2012-.
- **Member of the Steering Committee to Co-ordinate Collaboration between Turku City Council and University of Turku* 2008-2014. Chaired by the rector of Turku university. (Kaupunki- ja yliopistoyhteistyön ohjausryhmä).
- **Member of the Board of the Turku Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (TIAS) (tutkijakollegiumin johtokunnan jäsen)* 2008-2014.
- **One of the founding members of the National University Network of Social Policy (SOSPOLnet). (Sosiaalipolitiikan valtakunnallinen yliopistoverkosto)* 2007. Chair of SOSPOLnet 2007-.
- **Vice chair of the Board of the Social Policy National Graduate School (VASTUU)* 2009-2013. (Sosiaalipolitiikan valtakunnallinen tutkijakoulu).
- **Member of the advisory board of Medical Education Research and Development Centre in Faculty of Medicine at university of Turku* 2010-2012 (Lääketieteellisen tiedekunnan koulutuksen tukimus- ja kehitysyksikkö (TUTKE) neuvottelukunnan jäsen).
- **Member of the Turku university adult education evaluation committee (aikuiskoulutuksen arviointiryhmä)* 2002-2003. (set by the rector of the university)
- **Member of the Turku university committee for promotion of doctoral education (tohtorinkoulutuksen kehittämistyöryhmä)* 2001-2004. (set by the rector of the university)
- **Member of the group for coordination of the research done on the field of childhood studies at the University of Turku* 2004-2005. (set by the rector of the university)

Expert tasks

- *“Poverty and Social Exclusion in the UK 2011: Ten Years after New Millennium –project”. Member of the Advisory Board. This is a 3.5 year project funded by the ECRC and it is the largest project on poverty and social exclusion that has ever been funded in the UK.

*Member of the three member expert team set by the Ministry of Education to evaluate education and research made in the field of social work and social care (Sosiaalialan koulutuksen ja tutkimuksen selvitystyöryhmä) 2007.

*EU COST A15 "Reforming Social Policies". Finnish country delegate at working group II: Outcomes of the Social Policy Reforms in Europe 2001-2004.

*Special report to *Institute for Future Studies project: "Sustainable Social Policy"*, Sweden (together with Johan Fritzell) 2004-2005.

*Invited discussant to the meeting where the new strategy of the STAKES (National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health) was under preparation 2004.

*Has consulted Ministers and Ministry of Social Affairs in several occasions.

*Has consulted the Committee of Social and Health Affairs at the Parliament in several occasions.

*Has consulted the City Council and the Major of the city of Turku in several occasions.

Supervising experience (post graduate level)

Supervised completed PhD's (10)

*Milla Salin "*Opportunities, Constraints and Constrained Opportunities – A Study on Mothers' Working Times Patterns in 22 European Countries*" Completed PhD 2014.

*Jarkko Rasinkangas "*Sosiaalinen eriytyminen Turun kaupunkiseudulla- Tutkimus asumisen alueellisista muutoksista ja asumispreferensseistä*" Completed Phd 2013.

*Minna Ylikännö "*Sopivasti työtä ja vapaa-aikaa - Tutkimuksia ajankäytöstä eri elämäntilanteissa*" Completed PhD 2011.

*Yrjö Mattila "*Suuret käännteet vai tasainen kehitys – Tutkimus terveydenhuollon kehityksestä itsenäisyyden ajalla*". Completed PhD 2011. (not a main supervisor)

*Seppo Sallila (University of Helsinki, Sociology) "*Hyvinvointivaltion optimaalisen köyhyyspolitiikan määrittelyä*" Completed PhD 2009.

*Ilpo Airio '*Change of Norm? - In work poverty in a Comparative Perspective*'. Completed PhD 2008

*Mia Hakovirta "*Yksinhuoltajaäitien työllisyys, toimeentulo ja työmarkkinavalinnat*". Completed PhD 2006. (not a main supervisor)

*Mikko Niemelä '*Esseitä tulojen ja kulutuksen välisestä suhteesta*'. Completed PhD 2005,

*Susan Kuivalainen "*A Comparative Study on Last Resort Social Assistance Schemes in Six European Countries*" Completed PhD 2004.

*Esko Ovaska '*Ongelma, idylli vai elämysyhteisö*'. Completed PhD 2003. (not a main supervisor)

*At Finnish National University Network for Social Work (SOSNET) head of marginalisation research section, together with Antti Karisto and Kari Salavuo 1999-2001.

PhD's in a process (14)

*Sirpa Weckström "*Mothers at Home or at Paid Work? Experiences of Finnish Mothers in Cross-country Comparison*" Estimated 2016, not a main supervisor)

*Henna Isoniemi "*Cross-National Patternsof Transition to Adulthood*. Estimated 2016.

*Juha Rantala: "*Esseitä eläkeläisten toimeentulon dynamiikasta*". Estimated 2017.

*Merita Jokela: "*The New Servant Question: Paid domestic work in the 21st century*". Estimated 2017.

*Harpa Njåls "Child Poverty in Iceland – a Cross-Nordic Comparison". Estimated 2017.

*Laura Järvi: "*Does occupational welfare matter? - The scope and importance of collectively negotiated sickness benefits in Nordic countries*". Estimated 2017.

*Ilari Ilmakunnas: "*Accumulation of disadvantage and long run poverty trends*". Estimated 2017.

*Lauri Mäkinen: "*Poverty and essential consumption*". Estimated 2017.

*Shenghua Xie: "*Rural-urban migrants social status and social rights in Chinese cities*". Estimated 2017.

Anna-Maria Tenojoki: "*Lasten hyvinvoinnin alueelliset erot vuosina 1987-2010*". Estimated 2017.

*Ari-Matti Näätänen: "*Taloudellisesti kehittyneiden OECD-maiden työvoimapolitiikka*." Estimated 2018.

- *Enna Toikka: ”*Huono-osaisuuden kasautumiseen johtaneet elämänpolut lapsuudesta varhaisaikuisuuteen.*” Estimated 2019.
- *Mirka Kuula: ”*Eriarvoisuus lasten ja nuorten arjessa*”. Estimated 2019.
- *Markus Kainu ”*Twenty Years after Transition – Poverty Outcomes of Income Redistribution Systems in European Post-socialist Countries*” estimated 201?

Supervised completed licentiates (29)

Supervised completed master thesis (Several ten’s)

Opponent and Examiner (post graduate level)

- *Faculty opponent to Ilkka Haapola’s PhD at University of Helsinki 2004.
- *Faculty opponent to Jukka Korhonen’s PhD at University of Kuopio (UKU) 2004.
- *Faculty opponent to Kenneth Nelsson’s PhD at University of Stockholm 2003.
- *Faculty opponent to Jari Kainulainen’s PhD at UKU 2003.
- *Faculty opponent to Vesa Mutttilainen’s PhD at University of Tampere (UTA) 2002.
- *Examination of five doctoral dissertations (one in Helsinki at 2005 (Jenni Blomgren), one in Tampere at 2002 (Vesa Mutttilainen), two in Kuopio University at 2003 and 2004 (Jari Kainulainen and Jukka Korhonen) and one in University of Jyväskylä 2009 (Kaj Björk)
- *Faculty opponent to four licentiate thesis (in UTA at 2004 (Pauliina Havakka), in UTU at 1998 (Susan Kuivalainen), in UTU at 1998 (Anita Haataja) and in Helsinki at 1996 (Marjaana Seppänen).
- *Examination of ten’s of master thesis at the Department of Social Policy in UTU.

Scientific Referee Reporting

- Acted as referee in several international (European Societies, European Journal of Social Security, Acta Sociologica, Social Policy and Administration) and domestic journals (Janus, Nuorisotutkimus, Yhteiskuntapolitiikka and Sosiaalilääketieteellinen aikakauskirja) and research report series.
- *Member of the *editorial board: Nordic Journal of Social Research 2009-*.
 - *Member of the *editorial board of Academic Journal Janus (Social policy and social work) 2005-2007.*

Assessing Research Funding Applications

- *Icelandic Research Fund 2011, *Finnish Cultural Foundation 2011, *Finnish Academy Research Council for Culture and Society 2009 and *The Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic. Division of [Humanities](#) and [Social Sciences](#) 2008.

Other Scientific Expert Tasks

- *Acted as an evaluator in Åbo Akademi University, when Mia Bask was appointed as an Adjunct Professor (dosentti) of Social Policy, 2015.
- *Acted as an External Assessor in University of Eastern Finland, when a Professorsip of International Social Work was appointed 2014.
- *Acted as an External Assessor in University of Lapland, when Professorsip of Social Work was appointed 2011.
- *Acted as an evaluator in University of Jyväskylä, when Tiina Silvasti was appointed as an Adjunct Professor (dosentti) of Social Policy, 2012.
- *Acted as an External Assessor in University of Lapland, when Professorsip of International Social Work was appointed 2011.
- *Acted as an External Assessor in University of Lapland, when Professorsip of Social Work was appointed 2010.
- *Acted as an Assessor in University of Turku, when the Research Director of Urban Studies was appointed in 2010.
- *Acted as an evaluator in University of Tampere, when Heikki Hiilamo was appointed as an Adjunct Professor (dosentti) of Health Policy, 2008.

*Acted as an External Assessor in University of Tallinn, when Professorship of Social Policy was appointed 2007.

*Acted as an External Assessor in University of Kuopio (Finland), when the Research Director of the Unit of Socio-economics was appointed in 2001.

Awards

*2012 By President of the Republic of Finland. Knight, First Class, of the Order of the White Rose of Finland (Suomen valkoisen ruusun ritarikunnan 1. luokan ritarimerkki).

*1995 STAKES (National Board of Health and Social Services) Research and development award jointly with Markus Jääntti and Olli Kangas.

*‘Aldi J.M. Hagenaaars Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) Memorial Award 1994’ for the best LIS based study of the 1994.

Memberships

*Affiliate member of *Foundation for International Studies on Social Security (FISS)* 2004-, **ISA RC19. International Sociological Association Research Committee 19: Poverty, Social Welfare, and Social Policy*, **ISA RC55. International Sociological Association Research Committee 55: Social Indicators Research*, **Finnish Sociopolitical Association*.

Research interests

Poverty (concept, measurement issues, trends and cross-national comparisons) - Income redistribution - Accumulation of welfare deprivation - Social assistance - Social exclusion.

Papers and presentations in international seminars

In Oslo, Dublin, Bergen, Debrecen (Hungary), Tampere, Helsinki, Paris, Oslo, Pavia (Italy), Co. Cork (Ireland), Turku, Stockholm, Hämeenlinna (Finland), Copenhagen, Azores, Amman, Bussels, Oxford, Paris, Nantes, Göttingen, Bath, Reykjavik, Urbino, Berlin, Almancil, Prague, Canberra, Sydney and Adelaide.

Research Projects (international)

**IMPROVE 2012-2015 (Poverty Reduction in Europe: Social Policy and Innovation)* -research programme funded by EU FP7. Member of a Steering Committee. In charge of the strand: “Dynamics of Poverty in Europe”.

**Nordic Centre of Excellence in Welfare Research (NCoE, in welfare research) (Virtual Centre headed by Professor Björn Hvinden Nova, Norway) 2007-2012, “Reassessment of the Nordic Welfare Model”*. Member of the board. Head of stream: Changing Patterns of Poverty and Social Eclusion in the Nordic Countries.

**“Welfare State Institutions, Labour markets and Poverty. A comparative study of EU countries and the United States 1994-1999”*. Directed by professor Olli Kangas Social Forskningsinstitut, Denmark. Staff member.

**“Child Poverty in Large Families”*. Directed by professor Jonathan Bradshaw (2004-2005). Financed by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation. Staff member.

**“Sustainable Social Policy”*. Directed by professor Joakim Palme *Institute for Future Studies*, Sweden. Report: “The new social patterning of poverty in Europe: Cross-national and cross-temporal changes (with Johan Fritzell) 2004-2005.

**“Comparative database to study consensual deprivation in five countries”*. Directed by Professor Björn Halleröd, Umeå, Sweden (2001-). In charge of the Finnish section.

**“Welfare Policy and Employment in the Context of Family Change”*. Directed by Professor Jonathan Bradshaw’n (University of York) and Professor Aksel Hatland (University of Oslo). Financed by the Nordic Research Council 2002–2005. In charge of the Finnish section with professor Katja Forssén.

**“Comparative Study of Child Benefits in 22 Countries”*. Directed by Professor Jonathan Bradshaw’n (University of York). In charge of the Finnish section, 2001 and 2004. Financed by the Trasury of the UK.

*EU's COST A15 programme: "Reforming Social Protection Systems in Europe", working group 2: "Outcomes of Social Policy Reforms in Europe" Finnish delegate 2000-2005.
*'Reshaping the Australian Institutions –programme' (Australian National University) directed by Professor Frank Castles 1991-2001. Visiting Fellow 1998-1999.

Research projects (domestic)

*'Who is Poor in Finland 2015'. A follow-up study for 1995, 2000, 2005 and 2010 "conse-project"s. Directed by Veli-Matti Ritakallio.

*'Accumulation of Welfare Deficits among Income Support recipient. Directed by Veli-Matti Ritakallio and Katja Forssén 2014-.

*'Welfare deficits in Finland at 2005, survey" (Väestöryhmien väliset hyvinvointierot ja hyvinvointiongelmien paikantuminen 2005, kyselytutkimus). Directed by V-M Ritakallio 2005.

*'Maturation of Pension Systems and the Changed Subsistence, Consumption and Time Use Patterns of the Old-aged in Finland 1966-2001". Directed by Olli Kangas and V-M Ritakallio. 2005.

*'Child families in Finland". Directed by Irmeli Penttilä, Statistics Finland. 2005.

*'Aged People in the Digitalizing Service Culture" ['Ikääntyvät digitalisoituvassa palvelukulttuurissa'], (Financed by the Social insurance institution Finland, Kela), directed by V-M Ritakallio 2001-2002.

*'Social Security barometer 2000" ('Sosiaaliturvabarometri 2000'), (Financed by the Social insurance institution Finland, Kela), directed by V-M Ritakallio 2000-2001.

*'Economic standard of the pensioned – cross-national comparison' ('Eläkeläiset ja toimeentulo – vertaileva tutkimus eläkeläisten taloudellisesta hyvinvoinnista eri maissa'), (Financed by Central Pension Security Institute), directed by V-M Ritakallio 2001.

*'New forms of Geriatric rehabilitation" ('Geriatrisen kuntoutuksen kehittämishanke') (financed by the Social insurance institution Finland, Kela), directed by V-M Ritakallio 1.5.2000- 31.12.2001.

*'The Welfare State: A Resource or a Constraint? A Study of the Effects of the Economic Recession', (Financed by Finnish Academy, research programme of '1990s Economic crisis) (Lamaohjelma) directed by Professor Olli Kangas 1998-2001.

*'Interaction between health and other components of welfare – the role of welfare policy in the interplay between components of welfare" (Financed by Finnish Academy, research programme of the 'Health and other welfare differences between population groups). (Väestöryhmien väliset terveys- ja hyvinvointierot -ohjelma) directed by Professor Leif Nordberg 1998-2001.

*'Upward Spiral Project" ['Nousukierre-projekti'] (Financed by the City Council of Turku and League of South Western Finland) directed by V-M Ritakallio 1997-2000. (Final report of the project was the bases of the application, on grounds of which the Eastern part of the city of Turku was selected as EU Objective 2 development area for years 2000-2006. EU funding is annually 3 million euros to combat against exclusion).

*'Impacts of 1998 Social Assistance Law' ['Toimeentulotukilain (1998) vaikutukset'] (Financed by Kuntaliitto) directed by V-M Ritakallio 1998-1999.

*'Social Impacts of the Decentralisation of the Retail Network" ['Päivittäistavarakaupan keskittymisen sosiaalisten vaikutusten arviointi'], (Financed by Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, and Ministry of Environment) directed by V-M Ritakallio 1997-1999.

*'Recession and the Threats of Well-being" ['Lama ja hyvinvoinnin uhat'], (Financed by the City Council of Turku), directed by Olli Kangas and V-M Ritakallio 1994-1995.

*'Consensual Poverty in Finland in the mid-90s ['Sosiaalisen konsensuksen metodilla määritelty köyhyys 1990-luvun puolivälin Suomessa'], (Financed by Stakes) directed by Professor Olli Kangas and V-M Ritakallio 1994-1996.

*'The Economic Performance of the Finnish Welfare State', (Financed by Finnish Academy), directed by Professor Kari Salavuo 1994-1998.

*'Research Programme: The Most Disadvantaged in Finland' [Huonompiosaisen väestön tutkimusohjelma], (Financed by Finnish Academy) 1990-1994.

*'Living Standards of Income Support Claimants" [Sosiaalitoimistojen asiakkaiden elinolot], (Financed by Finnish Academy) directed by Professor Kari Salavuo 1985-1989.