



## Europass Curriculum Vitae

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Occupation or position held Analyst, renewable energy expert, CEO of Mõnus Minek OÜ, Member of Board Balti Biometaan OÜ and Biometaan OÜ

Main activities and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Development of biomethane and biochar production projects in Siiman farm, Biometaan OÜ and Silikaatgrupp AS, Kõo-Tallinn-Ääsmäe 2015.</li> <li>- Feasibility study on charging systems of electric buses in Tartu City, development of Tartu city E-Mobility Action plan. 2015, Tartu.</li> <li>- Leading expert on Strategic Environmental Assessment of Mitigation plan of Climate Change Impacts of Estonia until 2030 (2100).</li> <li>- Evaluation of Risk Assessment and Mitigation Plans of 8 cases – using spatial planning process to mitigate risks. Institute of Geography, University of Tartu, TERIKVANT project (prof. Rein Ahas). Tartu 2014.</li> <li>- Feasibility and comparison of 5 different fuels in urban public transport. Tartu City Administration, More Baltic Biogas Bus Project. Tartu 2014.</li> <li>- Emobility Works - Integration of e-mobility in European municipalities and Businesses. EC IEE project partner in Estonia.</li> <li>- Assessment of scenarios and policy measures of the Renewable fuels of Estonia in the Long Term Energy Strategy and Action Plan</li> <li>- Energy evaluation expert for the field of energy efficiency of Ex-ante evaluation of the use of EU funds in the period 2014-2020</li> <li>- Evaluation of European Regional Development Funds and Cohesion Funds policy and implementation,</li> <li>- Energy efficiency policy,</li> <li>- Socio-economic impact assessment and evaluation of public policy,</li> <li>- Case study implementation and reporting,</li> <li>- The external benefits of biomethane and the potential of biomethane to substitute the natural gas in Estonia, market barriers and solutions</li> </ul>
Name and address of employer	Mõnus Minek SEES – Sustainable Energy and Environment Solutions, Salu 1 Ääsmäe 76402 Harjumaa, Estonia
Type of business or sector	Energy, policy evaluation, case study implementation
Dates	June 2003-July 2007
Occupation or position held	Free lance policy and energy expert

<p>Main activities and responsibilities</p>	<p><b>Policy planning consultant and trainer of Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development Strategies in Macedonia, Belarus and Ukraine</b></p> <p>Main areas of responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● to implement needs and situation assessment; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Situation Assessment report</li> </ul> </li> <li>● to design and implement as facilitator 5-days training course on sustainable strategic planning and capacity building;</li> <li>● to design and participate in 5-days study tour in Hungary;</li> <li>● to facilitate the preparation of the local sustainable strategy of pilot municipalities;</li> <li>● Local Sustainable Strategy for Municipality.</li> <li>● Follow up steps on the preparation of the action plan, training on civil society and public participation; fundraising.</li> </ul> <p><b>Policy planning consultant and trainer of Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development Strategies in Croatia</b></p> <p>Main areas of responsibilities:</p> <p>a. to design and implement as facilitator 5-days training course on sustainable strategic planning and capacity building.</p> <p>Human resource development of <b>Overview of possible cooperation between Estonian, Finnish and Russian cities on environment and sustainable development</b></p> <p><b>External Policy evaluator of External Evaluation of Montenegrin Sustainable Development Program (MSDP) 2002-2005</b></p> <p>The evaluation consisted of six key tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review and assessment of the process that led to the development of MSDP.</li> <li>● Review and assessment of cross-cutting issues, established links, communication and joint activities with other two clusters in the UNDP LO, and provision of guidance for the future actions.</li> <li>● Review and assess cross-institutional impact in terms of impact of UNDP's work on involvement and activities of other international organizations especially UNESCO, UNEP, USAID/CHF, etc.</li> <li>● Review results achieved by individual projects/activities under the MSDP focusing on process, management, partnership, success up to date, and future strategic options.</li> <li>● Develop indicators that will assist in monitoring future progress and guide development of future interventions.</li> <li>● Suggest measures to attract donor funding, and further enhance coordination with other major players in this field, including USAID, World Bank, OSCE, REC, GTZ, and others.</li> </ul> <p><b>Horizontal External Policy Evaluation expert on of energy efficiency project proposals</b></p> <p>Assessment of project proposals according to the given assessment criteria prepared for EEA Norwegian Funding Mechanism</p> <p>Human resource development expert of <b>Facilitator of ecological training for municipality to implement "Green Office" model.</b></p> <p><b>Policy evaluation</b> of "International conference "Baltic Energy Dialogue – Stakeholders' experiences on implementing national biomass energy strategies"</p> <p><b>Policy evaluation, implementation, facilitation</b> and reporting of 2 days conference on energy efficiency in building in Tallinn with over 60 participants from bio-energy sector from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Poland, Hungary, Germany, UK, Sweden and Finland. Editing publication of conference proceedings in English and in Estonian.</p> <p><b>Socio-economic assessment expert</b> of Joint Program Formulation team on Mainstreaming Environmental Governance: linking local and national developments <b>in Bosnia and Herzegovina</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The task was carried through a two weeks field mission. In the first week, the consultant carried out extensive consultations with all the stakeholder, data collection and analysis. The consultant will based on the information gathered, draft a UN Joint Programme Document, with clear indication of all of it's key components, including: logical framework, details of each activity, baselines and indicators (wherever possible), methods and means of implementation, risk analysis, local ownership and partnerships, expected policy changes, etc..</li> </ul>
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Name and address of employer	Self employed, in parallel with PhD studies at National University of Ireland Galway College, Cortacarnaun, Galway county, Ireland
Type of business or sector	Consulting, policy assessment, environmental economics
Dates	August 1997 - May 2003
Occupation or position held	Project manager, Program Director of Sustainable Development Evaluation methods
Main activities and responsibilities	<p>Project and Program management</p> <p><b>Capacity building expert</b> for the implementation of Agenda 21 in Estonia</p> <p><b>Assessment expert</b> of country programs of <i>Regional Consultations in Rio+5 Central and Eastern Europe and European part of CIS countries</i></p> <p>Consultant and <b>policy development expert</b> of the Steering Committee of NEAP <i>Preparation of the National Environmental Action Plan (NEAP)</i></p> <p>Country Coordinator and <b>policy advisor</b> for Estonia of <i>Strengthening Capacity in Environmental Investment Project Development in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania</i></p> <p><b>Socio-economic assessment and policy evaluation expert</b> for <i>Central and Eastern European Countries of Rio+10 Civil Society Visioning on implementation of Sustainability</i></p> <p><b>Policy advisor</b> and member of Steering Committee <i>Development of Estonian long-term strategy for sustainable development "Sustainable Estonia 21"</i></p> <p><b>Policy assessment and reporting</b> on <i>Does joining European Union increase or decrease Estonian ability to sustain</i></p> <p><b>The case studies were implemented</b> to find out the <i>impact of joining EU to Estonian sustainability, the results were communicated to the public and to decision makers in II Sustainable Estonia Forum.</i></p> <p><b>Policy development expert</b> of <i>Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development in Kaliningrad oblast</i></p> <p><b>Environmental policy integration expert</b> of <i>EPIGOV - Environmental Policy Integration and Multi-level Governance of 6th FP of EU Priority 7 - Citizens and Governance in a knowledge based society.</i></p>
Name and address of employer	Estonian Institute for Sustainable Development, Stockholm Environmental Institute Tallinn Centre, SEI-Tallinn, Lai 34, 10133 Tallinn, Estonia, <a href="http://www.seit.ee">www.seit.ee</a>
Type of business or sector	Think tank non-profit research institute on environmental and energy policy
Dates	April 1994-July 1997
Occupation or position held	Energy and environmental policy expert
Main activities and responsibilities	<p><b>Policy assessment expert</b> of EU DG/XI and implemented report: <i>"Environmental legislation assessment in Estonia"</i></p> <p>Unexpected pollution <b>policy evaluation expert</b> of Harvard Institute of International Development in <i>Estonia and Latvia: Unexpected pollution in Baltic States</i></p> <p>Main areas of responsibilities: preparing and completing the Estonian country study on unexpected pollution and environmental liability. Presenting the results in international workshop in Riga.</p> <p><b>Socio-economic assessment expert</b> of the Regional Environmental Centre (REC) for Central and Eastern Europe and Project manager of <i>"Establishing the advisory services to promote public participation in environmental decision making process"</i></p> <p>Main areas of responsibilities: project design, management, policy advice. Drafting public participation manual and EIA law.</p> <p><b>Forest policy advisor</b> to Forest Management Agency of the Ministry of Environment of Estonia</p> <p>Project Manager of <i>Sustainable Forestry Criteria and Indicators</i></p> <p>Main areas of responsibilities:</p> <p>Project management, analysing sustainable forestry standards and drafting the report for Estonian situation.</p> <p><b>Forest policy development expert:</b> Estonian Green Movement (EGM) Forestry Working Group</p> <p>Project Manager of <i>Forest Strategy of Estonian NGOs</i></p>
Name and address of employer	Self employed, Tähe 1-35, Tartu, Estonia

Type of business or sector	Policy development and evaluation
Dates	November 1992-April 1994
Occupation or position held	Office manager of Baltic States, project manager
Main activities and responsibilities	<p><b>Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd</b> Office Manager to lead, co-ordinate and manage Estonian office of consulting company and to assist, to prepare, to participate, to implement, to monitor all HUKS's projects implemented in Baltic countries in particular in <b>Estonia: Assistance Co-ordination Unit</b> for the Ministry of Finance of Estonia; <b>Energy Saving Strategy Program</b> for the Ministry of Economy of Estonia, and <b>Vocational Education Training Reform Program</b> for the Ministry of Education of Estonia. - Study "</p> <p>Also next projects were implemented with logistical support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Business and Leadership Further Training in Baltic States"</li> <li>- Environmental and agricultural policy developemnt in Jelgava rayon /Latvia</li> <li>- Development of higher forestry education in Baltic States</li> <li>- Participation in environmental legislation courses as lecturer</li> <li>- The appraisal of the forest policy component of the agricultural sector loan of World Bank</li> <li>- Preparation of forest sector institutional strengthening project</li> <li>- Agriculture policy development project</li> <li>- Forestry policy development project</li> <li>- Public expenditure review and evaluation</li> <li>- Study on environmental training needs</li> <li>- Slurry management development project in Tartu County, Estonia</li> </ul> <p>Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd project assistant, trainer of <b>Training on planning of environmental projects</b> Main areas of responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. assistance of project management and co-ordination;</li> <li>b. assistance in planning and facilitation of training workshops;</li> <li>c. assisting in preparation of training materials;</li> </ul> <p>Making training needs assessment, organising several training events in Estonia and in Russia according to the needs.</p> <p>Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd environmental policy development expert <b>of Russian Federation - Murmansk oblast development program</b> Main areas of responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. environmental situation fact finding;</li> <li>b. reporting and writing the chapter on environment into the program;</li> </ul> <p>Making situation analysis, data collection from different oblast institutions, drafting oblast development strategy, assisting the completion of the environmental chapter of he strategy.</p> <p>Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd/ Project assistant, trainer <b>of Public Participation Information Initiative</b> Main areas of responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. assisting in project management and co-ordination;</li> <li>b. facilitation of several planning and training workshops;</li> </ul>
Name and address of employer	Finnish Consulting Group International LLC (Helsinki Consulting Group and Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd,) Osmontie 34, 00610 Helsinki, Finland
Type of business or sector	International energy, forestry and environmental policy development and evaluation
<b>Education and training</b>	

Dates	September 1989-November 1992										
Title of qualification awarded	Master Degree (science)										
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Specialty - Environmental protection										
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	University of Helsinki, Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry										
Level in national or international classification	ISCED 6										
Dates	September 1986 – June 1989										
Title of qualification awarded	Studies on forestry, formed part of Master of Science										
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Specialty – forest management										
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Estonian University of Life Sciences (Former name Estonian Agriculture Academy), Estonia										
Level in national or international classification	ISCED 6										
Dates	September 1980 – June 1984										
Title of qualification awarded	Forest engineer (technology)										
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Specialty – forest engineer										
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Luuu Vocational School of Forestry, Estonia										
Level in national or international classification	ISCED 5										
<b>Personal skills and competences</b>											
Mother tongue(s)	<b>Estonian</b>										
Other language(s)											
Self-assessment	<b>Understanding</b>				<b>Speaking</b>				<b>Writing</b>		
<i>European level (*)</i>	Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production				
<b>English</b>	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	
<b>Finnish</b>	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	
<b>Russian</b>	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	B2	Independent user	
	(*) <a href="#">Common European Framework of Reference for Languages</a>										
Computer skills and competences	Computer Literacy: command of MS tools (Word, Excel, Outlook, Powerpoint) and LCA software KCL-ECO 4.0 acquired through work and training										
Driving license	Category B and C										

**Additional information**

Publications:

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- Oja, A. 1992.** Heavy metal concentration in red wood ants in Estonia and in Finland (Monede metallide (Al, Fe, Mn, Zn, Cu ja Cd) sisaldus Eesti ja Soome eri saastusastmega piirkondadest kogutud metsakuklastes (Hymenoptera, Formicidae, Formica spp.)). Thesis of master degree by the Department of Environmental Conservation, Helsinki University, 74 pp.
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- Oja, A. and Raukas, A. 1999.** Eesti 21. sajandil. Arengustrateegiad. Visioonid. Valikud./Estonia in 21<sup>st</sup> century. Strategies. Visions. Choises. (in Estonian) Raukas, A. (editor). Oja, A. (compiler). Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre, UNDP, 272 p. ISBN: 9985-50-244-2.
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<b>Annexes</b>	<p>Annex 1: List of projects implemented</p> <p>Annex 2: List of events, organized and participated</p>

## Annex 1. List of selected projects

Date from - Date to	Location (City, Country)	Company	Position	Description
April 2013 – June 2014	Tallinn, Estonia	Estonian Development Fund, Peep Siitam, <a href="mailto:peep.siitam@arengufind.ee">peep.siitam@arengufind.ee</a> Tel. 372 53495949	<b>Renewable energy policy development expert</b>	Leading senior expert on Biofuel energy policy development and socio-economic assessment of energy policy scenarios of Estonia. Building Estonian Long Term biofuel Scenarios as part of energy policy for Estonian Long-Term Energy Development Plan until 2030 (2050). Implementation of the study: “ <b>Overview on Algae Biomass Technologies and their implications to Estonian bioenergy portfolio – policy recommendations.</b> ” Participation in European Algae Biomass Conference in Vienna, Austria, 24-25.04.2013
April 2013 – August 2013	Tartu, Estonia	Estonian University of Life Sciences, Baltic Manure – EU Baltic Sea Program. Argo Normak, <a href="mailto:argo.normak@emu.ee">argo.normak@emu.ee</a> , + 372 53402300.	<b>Policy adviser and analyst</b>	<b>Biogas from manure and waste – technology development scenarios of Estonia.</b> The tasks are to compile the scenarios to use manure in renewable energy production in most efficient way Estonia and to draw energy policy advice and recommendations to Estonian government.
February 2013- June 2014	Tallinn, Estonia	Estonian Development Fund, Peep Siitam, <a href="mailto:peep.siitam@arengufind.ee">peep.siitam@arengufind.ee</a> Tel. 372 53495949	<b>Policy analyst and socio-economic assessment</b>	The tasks are to assess <b>socio-economic benefits of biomethane and the potential of biomethane to substitute the natural gas in Estonia, market barriers and solutions.</b> Also the investment costs and market barriers are assessed and needed support measures are drafted to promote biomethane production for transport use.
December 2011 – August 2012	Tallinn, Estonia	Enterprise Estonia (EAS)/Mõnus Minek/Estonian Biogas Association, Jaanus Sakh, <a href="mailto:jaanus.sakh@eas.ee">jaanus.sakh@eas.ee</a> , + 372 5072319	<b>Policy adviser and analyst</b>	Energy policy proposal for legal amendments to <b>promote biomethane as transport fuel in Estonia.</b> Proposal for subsidies in whole value chain, also the draft plan for refuelling stations and vehicles for methane fuels (compressed natural gas and biomethane).
November 2012 – February 2013	Tallinn, Estonia	Estonian Development Fund, Peep Siitam, <a href="mailto:peep.siitam@arengufind.ee">peep.siitam@arengufind.ee</a> Tel. 372 53495949	<b>Team leader, Renewable energy policy expert</b>	<b>Team Leader of Working Group of Policy of Energy Resources</b> of Estonian Long Term StrategyDevelopment Plan, Estonian Development Fund, Tallinn 2012-2013. The tasks were to lead the renewable energy working group, to write the report and to upload relevant material into wiki-based Estonian Energy Website ( <a href="http://www.energiatalgud.ee">www.energiatalgud.ee</a> )
October 2012 – August 2013	Tallinn, Estonia	Ministry of Finance of Estonia/Praxis/CPD, Evelin Põld, project manager, Tel: <a href="tel:+37256456341">+372 56 456 341</a> Skype: evelinpold <a href="http://www.cpd.ee">www.cpd.ee</a>	<b>Ex-Ante European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and Cohesion Fund (CF) – Policy assessment on Energy Efficiency in public and residential buildings, biofuels, heating and street lighting</b>	<b>Ex-Ante energy policy analyst</b> of Estonian Proposal for EU European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and Cohesion Fund (CF) in 2013-2020, Praxis, Tallinn 2012-2013. The tasks are to assess energy policy development priorities and sustainability of energy sector listed in the Estonian draft proposal for using European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and Cohesion Fund (CF), the comparison of Estonia’s selected objectives, the Commission’s proposed funding priorities (as listed in the Position Paper) for the next budget period 2014-2020, the proposed priority axes, preliminarily selected thematic objectives and investment priorities

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August 2011 – May 2012	Tallinn, Estonia	Enterprise Estonia (EAS)/Mõnus Minek/Estonian Biogas Association, Jaanus Sakh, <a href="mailto:jaanus.sakh@eas.ee">jaanus.sakh@eas.ee</a> , + 372 5072319	<b>Energy policy assessment</b>	Biomethane for transport fuel – <b>country reports</b> of Sweden, Germany, Austria and Italy for working out Estonian model. – part I.  Estonian <b>policy measures</b> to support methane fuel in transport – part II. The information on environmental, energy, transports and taxation policies was rapidly assessed. The integration of the environmental issues into other policy areas and developing the proposal of the policy recommendations was implemented.
Nov. 2011 – January 2012	Tartu, Estonia	EU Interreg IVC, BioEnArea and Biogas Networks project of Tartu City and Estonian University of Life Sciences. Argo Normak, <a href="mailto:argo.normak@emu.ee">argo.normak@emu.ee</a> , + 372 53402300	<b>Strategic planning, risk assessment and SEA expert</b>	<b>Regional Biogas Strategy and Action plan for Estonia</b>  Estonian Energy sector analyses was performed, Estonian biogas potential was assessed, the biogas development strategy was created and action plan was implemented. The whole value chain of biogas production, storage, transport and consumption was assessed and policy recommendations were provided to following sectors: agriculture, environment, energy, transport, filling station, vehicles, taxation and technology development.
October 2010- March 2012	Ääsmäe, Tartu, Estonia	EU Baltic Sea Program / SPIN project of University of Tartu Antti Roose, <a href="mailto:antti.roose@ut.ee">antti.roose@ut.ee</a> , +372 53328233	<b>Bioenergy and biogas policy analyst, policy measures</b>	External expert for Estonian Biogas Country Review and <b>policy analysis</b> .  <b>Assesment of Estonian national policy needs</b> and obstacles to promote renewable energy sources (e.g. biogas) and presenting policy recommendations in the field of legislation, technology, innovation, integration of the economic, environmental and social policies.  <a href="http://www.spin-project.eu/downloads/0_SPINEstonian_Biogas_Background_Paper231110.pdf">http://www.spin-project.eu/downloads/0_SPINEstonian_Biogas_Background_Paper231110.pdf</a>
	Tallinn, Estonia	Gasum Ltd, Finland Dan Hramoff, <a href="mailto:dan.hramoff@gasum.fi">dan.hramoff@gasum.fi</a> , +358 204478604	<b>Market analyses and feasibility study expert</b>	Market analys 1 and 2 of biogas sector of Estonia. Private foreign company 2011.  Market analys and pre-feasibility study on specific substrates for biogas production. Private company 2011.
May 2009 – April 2012	Tallinn, Estonia	EC Intelligent Energy Europe (IEE) GasHighWay Tytti Laitinen, <a href="mailto:tytti.laitinen@jklinnovation.fi">tytti.laitinen@jklinnovation.fi</a> , +358 405000489	<b>Project manager, sustainable transport and renewable energy in transport</b>	Promotion of gaseous fuel uptake in Europe, leader of WP 7: communication and dissemination ( <a href="http://www.gashighway.net">www.gashighway.net</a> ). <b>Energy and environmental policy analyses and recommendations to government to integrate environmental policy targets</b> in transport with development plans of energy and environmental policy.

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Nov. 2009.	Minsk, Belarus	UNDP CO in Belarus/ Scientific Research Institute in the International Environmental University (Sakharov), Aleg Sivagrakau, <a href="mailto:sivagrak@yahoo.com">sivagrak@yahoo.com</a> , + 375 29 6264686,	<b>Policy integration and environmental impact assessment expert</b>	Training on <b>Local Agenda 21</b> and sustainable strategic planning, environmental policy integration, PCM, EIA and different donor procedures was organised to governmental and local authorities.
May 2008 - Dec. 2010	Tallinn, Tartu Estonia	EU ECOINNO2SME project / Tartu BioTechnology Park, Kristel Joonasson, <a href="mailto:kristel@biopark.ee">kristel@biopark.ee</a> , + 372 7440 236	<b>Member of Advisory Board</b>	– Supporting SMEs in Disseminating and exploiting Research Results of ECO-Innovation, <a href="http://www.ecoinno2sme.eu/index.php5?file=29">http://www.ecoinno2sme.eu/index.php5?file=29</a> ,
Oct. 2008- Dec. 2009	Tallinn, Estonia	Estonian Office of Statistics/Sustainable Development office of Estonian Parliament Kaia Oras, tel +372 625 9234; e-mail: <a href="mailto:kaia.oras@stat.ee">kaia.oras@stat.ee</a>	<b>Expert of SD assessment, indicators and suggestions for government</b>	<b>Compilation of methodological sheets and analyses for sustainable development indicators of Estonia</b> , analysis of 82 indicators on economy, social, cultural and environmental with statistical data, policy analysis and recommendations to adjust policies towards Sustainable Estonia.
Nov. 2008	Podgorica, Montenegro	UNDP CO of Montenegro	<b>External Evaluation of national policies</b>	External Evaluation of Economy and Environment cluster of UNDP CO in Montenegro, <b>Assessment of national policies from environmental integration perspective, making recommendations for integration of environmental issues into other policies.</b>
2008	Tallinn, Estonia	EU IEE SECURE project Tallinn City Administration/Department of Environment	<b>Fact finding, preparation of Energy Efficiency Handbook</b>	<b>Energy Efficiency handbook</b> , demo houses and Tallinn Energy Action plan. Assessment of Estonian energy and environmental policy, integration of environmental issues into other policies, overview of the Estonian energy efficiency and low energy housing projects, organisation of the international seminar and preparation of the Handbook on energy Efficiency
May 29-30 2008	Tallinn, Estonia	Friedrich Ebert Stiftung,	<b>Moderator and facilitator of 2 days international conference</b>	Preparation and moderation of international conference on energy saving in housing in the frame of Baltic Energy Dialogue in Tallinn
March - August/2007	Estonia	Free lance/ Client-Funding: Friedrich Ebert Foundation Baltic/Estonia	<b>Project manager of “International conference “Baltic Energy Dialogue – Stakeholders’ experiences on implementing national biomass energy strategies”</b>	Preparation, implementation, moderation, facilitation and reporting of 2 days conference in Tallinn with over 60 participants from bio-energy sector from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Poland, Hungary, Germany, UK, Sweden and Finland. Editing publication of conference in English and in Estonian.

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Sept. 2007	Sarajevo, BiH	UNDP Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mr. Goran Vukmir, Portfolio Manager, Energy, Environment and HIV/AIDS, +387 61 207 469, <a href="mailto:gvukmir@undp.ba">gvukmir@undp.ba</a>	<b>Situation assessment, training need assessment and planning of SEA training</b>	Preparation of Localizing MDG in Bosnia and Herzegovina project, <b>analyses on the implementation of the environmental policies at local level, assessment of the environmental training needs and recommendations for environmental policy integration, environmental training and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) training at local level.</b>
January 2006- December 2009	Estonia	Free lance/ Client: SEI-Tallinn and Ecologic/ 6 <sup>th</sup> FP of EU Priority 7 - Citizens and Governance in a knowledge based society	<b>Environmental policy integration expert of EPIGOV - Environmental Policy Integration and Multi-level Governance.</b>	Main areas of responsibilities: Attendance at one of the preparatory meetings to review the literature reviews and <b>state-of-the-art reports on environmental policy integration</b> , Preparation of a publishable paper presenting research results at one of the conferences, Attendance at all three annual conferences in Stockholm, Milan and London.
April/2006- February/2007	Estonia	Free lance/ Client: Ministry of Finance / Funding Ministry of Finance of Estonia	<b>Horizontal expert on External Evaluation of project proposals</b>	<b>Assessment of 70 project proposals according to the given assessment criteria prepared for EEA Norwegian Funding Mechanism</b>
January/2006- May/2006	Estonia	Free lance/ Client: Tallinn City Government/ Funding Tallinn City Government	<b>Human resource development expert of Facilitator of ecological training for municipality to implement "Green Office" model.</b>	Preparation, implementation and reporting of 2 days seminar of Tallinn and Helsinki city government officials. <b>Assessment of training and further development needs, preparation of action plan. Editing of the Green office manual.</b>
August – December 2005	Podgorica, Republic of Montenegro	Free lance/ Client: UNDP Liaison Office in Republic of Montenegro/ Funding: UNDP.	<b>External evaluator of External Evaluation of Montenegrin Sustainable Development Program (MSDP) 2002-2005</b>	The evaluation consisted of six key tasks:  Review and assessment of the process that led to the development of MSDP.  Review and assessment of cross-cutting issues, established links, communication and joint activities with other two clusters in the UNDP LO, and provision of guidance for the future actions.  Review and assess cross-institutional impact in terms of impact of UNDP's work on involvement and activities of other international organizations especially UNESCO, UNEP, USAID/CHF, etc.  Review results achieved by individual projects/activities under the MSDP focusing on process, management, partnership, success up to date, and future strategic options.  Develop indicators that will assist in monitoring future progress and guide development of future interventions.  Suggest measures to attract donor funding, and further enhance coordination with other major players in this field, including USAID, World Bank, OSCE, REC, GTZ, and others.

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March – June 2005	Tallinn, Tartu, Narva, Sillamäe, Estonia	Free lance/ Client: Planpoint OY/ Funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland	Human resource development of Overview of possible cooperation between Estonian, Finnish and Russian cities on environment and sustainable development	Main areas of responsibilities:  Preparation of the fact-finding mission; Assistance of the implementation of the mission to Estonian cities; Additional fact-finding; Assistance to reporting
November 2004 - October 2005	Disna, Fanipol, Minsk, Belarus	Free lance/ Client: 3 local municipalities in Belarus and Ukraine/ Funding: UNDP, MATRA (Netherlands)	Strategic planning consultant and trainer of Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development Strategies in Belarus and Ukraine	Main areas of responsibilities:  to implement needs and situation assessment; Situation Assessment report;  to design and implement as facilitator 5-days training course on sustainable strategic planning and capacity building;  to design and participate in 5-days study tour in Poland;  to facilitate the preparation of the local sustainable strategy of pilot municipalities; Local Sustainable Strategy for Municipality.
January - October, 2004	Zabok, Zakretelje and Oroslavje, Croatia	Free lance/ Client: 3 local municipalities in Croatia/ Funding: UNDP, MATRA (Netherlands)	Strategic planning consultant and trainer of Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development Strategies in Croatia	Main areas of responsibilities: a. to design and implement as facilitator 5-days training course on sustainable strategic planning and capacity building.
May – September 2004	Bogovinje, Kumanovo, Kavadarci and Skopje, Macedonia	Free lance/ Client: 3 local municipalities in Macedonia/ Funding: UNDP, Norwegian government	Strategic planning consultant and trainer of Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development Strategies in Macedonia	Main areas of responsibilities:  to implement needs and situation assessment; Situation Assessment report  to design and implement as facilitator 5-days training course on sustainable strategic planning and capacity building;  to design and participate in 5-days study tour in Hungary;  to facilitate the preparation of the local sustainable strategy of pilot municipalities; Local Sustainable Strategy for Municipality.
October 2003- May 2004	Galway, Ireland	SEI Tallinn/ Client and Funding: European Environmental Agency (EEA)	Environmental policy assessment of Writing background papers on <b>biodiversity</b> , economic restructuring and quality of life in respect to EU enlargement	Main areas of responsibilities:  ing the overviews for Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Albania on following issues: aspects of economic restructuring; and management of land to improve the state of biodiversity; <b>of instruments and policy options to achieve the biodiversity</b> preservation goals;

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April - May 2003	Kaunas, Lithuania	SEI-Tallinn/ Client and Funding: UNDP Regional Bureau for Central and Eastern Europe and CIS	Consultant of Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development in Kaliningrad oblast	Main areas of responsibilities: a. to design and implement needs assessment methodology for local sustainable strategic planning;
January – June 2002	Tallinn, Estonia	SEI-Tallinn/ Client: Open Estonian Foundation/ Funding: European Union	Project manager of Does joining European Union increase or decrease Estonian ability to sustain	Main areas of responsibilities: a. project co-ordination and implementation; b. reporting and follow-up; The case studies were implemented to find out the impact of joining EU to Estonian sustainability, the results were communicated to the public and to decision makers in II Sustainable Estonia Forum.
Janury – 2002 December 2002	Ida-Virumaa, Tallinn, Estonia	SEI-Tallinn/ Client: North-East Estonian regional county government.	Project manager of Sustainable Development Vision for North-East Estonia	Main areas of responsibilities: a. project co-ordination, implementation and reporting and follow-up; Project established the database on development initiatives in internet, implemented the vision building exercise, organised the cooperation with German region through workshops, the travelling exhibition from Germany was shown in the region and Regional Sustainable Forum was organised with show case of possible projects to implement sustainability in the region.
September 2001– December 2003	Parnu, Tallinn and Tartu, Estonia	SEI-Tallinn/ Client: Tallinn University of Pedagogical Sciences/ Funding: Ministry of Environment of Estonia	Consultant, member of Steering Committee Development of Estonian long-term strategy for sustainable development “Sustainable Estonia 21”/	Main areas of responsibilities: a. sub-project co-ordination and implementation on sustainability indicators; ow-up; ading group of the project; Participating in all events of the project (forum, seminars, and workshops), writing the chapters to the national agenda 21 and commenting the draft versions of the national agenda 21.
August 2001– May 2002	Tallinn and Tartu, Estonia	Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre (SEI Tallinn)	Project Co-Manager and consultant of Strategic Environmental Assessment for Estonian forestry sector development plan 2001–2010	Main areas of responsibility: a. Coordination of the SEA process, public participation and Consulting one of the working groups in the process. Producing the SEA report.
June 2001– December 2002	Tallinn, Estonia and Johannesburg, South Africa	Stockholm Environment Institute Boston Centre (SEI-Boston)	Project Coordinator for Central and Eastern European Countries of Rio+10 Civil Society Visioning	Main areas of responsibility: a. Coordination and summarization of a sub-regional dialogue on civil society’s contribution to sustainable development in CEEC since the Rio Earth Summit; b. co-author of the book on “Civil entrepreneurship in Central and Eastern Europe”; c. presenting the results in the Peoples Forum of the World Summit for Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, South Africa.

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March 2000– February 2003	Tallinn and regions, Estonia, Riga, Latvia	Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre (SEI Tallinn) and ELLE Ltd.	Project Country Coordinator for Estonia of Strengthening Capacity in Environmental Investment Project Development in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania	Main areas of responsibilities: a. project co-ordination and implementation in Estonia; b. reporting and follow-up; The project implemented the forum, training need assessment, training of trainers and manual for environmental project management with country specific part, which was written partly by Ahto Oja. Also direct assistance to the Laane Viru Association of the local governments was provided in form of 2 five days seminars. The guiding CD was produced from the experiences of the project.
January 1999- December 2001	Tallinn, Estonia, visits to Sweden, Finland and Lithuania	Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre (SEI Tallinn)	coordinator of the Sustainable Forestry Criteria and Indicators Working Group under Forest Sector of the Baltic Agenda 21/	Main areas of responsibilities: a. project co-ordination and implementation; b. reporting and follow-up; Preparing the joint project proposal and looking for funding of those, preparing the meetings and reporting of the activities in countries. Organising international conference on sustainable forestry standards in Baltic Sea region. The interactive CD was produced with all recorded presentations.
August 1997- December 2001	Puhajarve, Kabli, Neljarve, Vormsi and Vortsjarve, Estonia	UNDP CO/Capacity 21 Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre (SEI Tallinn)	Team Leader of the Capacity building for implementation of the Agenda 21 in Estonia	Main areas of responsibilities: project co-ordination and implementation, reporting and follow-up. <b>Preparation of the national agenda 21 and integration of environmental issues into other policies</b> There were implemented: Internet based database of experts and data on sustainable development processes and experiences in Estonia and abroad, <a href="http://www.agenda21.ee">http://www.agenda21.ee</a> ; “public version” of Estonian Agenda 21 published in hard copy of 3000 copies; ToR for national Agenda 21; analysis and guidelines for local Agenda 21 (in Estonian and in Russian); training video for Local Agenda 21 process; lexicon on terms of sustainable society; analyses of agendas 21 of 18 countries; Overview on sustainability indicators, etc.; Estonian Sustainable Forestry Standard; Agreement on Sustainable Estonia (Estonian version of Earth Charter); <b>2 national sustainable development forums, 5 local development seminars, 2 political debates, 5 thematic workshops, several training events for media, academia, teachers, authorities and NGO community.</b>



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May 1997-April 1999	Tallinn, Estonia	Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre (SEI Tallinn)	Consultant and member of the Steering Committee of NEAP Preparation of the National Environmental Action Plan (NEAP)	Main areas of responsibilities: a. project co-ordination and implementation; b. reporting and follow-up; Member of environmental awareness working group, writing chapters to NEAP and commenting draft documents.
January – December 1996	Estonia	Regional Environmental Centre (REC) for Central and Eastern Europe	Project manager	Main areas of responsibilities: project design, management, policy advice. Drafting public <b>participation manual and EIA law</b> . Establishing the advisory services to promote public participation in environmental decision making process.
August- December 1993	Murmansk oblast, Russian Federation	Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd	<b>Environmental expert of Russian Federation - Murmansk oblast development program</b>	Main areas of responsibilities: a. environmental situation fact finding; b. <b>reporting and writing the chapter on environment into the program (Finnish- Russian Bilateral Cooperation Program);</b> Making situation analysis, data collection from different oblast institutions, drafting oblast development strategy, integration of environmental issues into other policies, assisting the completion of the environmental chapter of the strategy.
November 1992 – August 1996	Tartu, Tallinn, Estonia	Helsinki University Knowledge Services Ltd	Office Manager	Main areas of responsibilities: to lead, co-ordinate and manage Estonian office of consulting company and to assist, to prepare, to participate, to implement, to monitor all HUKS's projects implemented in Baltic countries in particular in Estonia: Assistance Co-ordination Unit for the Ministry of Finance of Estonia; Energy Saving Strategy Program for the Ministry of Economy of Estonia, and Vocational Education Training Reform Program for the Ministry of Education of Estonia. - Study " Also next projects were implemented with logistical support from Ahto Oja: - Business and Leadership Further Training in Baltic States" - Environmental and agricultural project in Jelgava rayon /Latvia - Development of higher forestry education in Baltic States - Participation in environmental legislation courses as lecturer - The appraisal of the forest component of the agricultural sector loan of World Bank - Preparation of forest sector institutional strengthening project - Agriculture sector project - Forestry sector development project - Public expenditure review - Study on <b>environmental impact assessment</b> training needs - Slurry management development project in Tartu County, Estonia

## Annex 2 Additional education and attended courses, conferences, seminars

**Organizer, presenter and participant in the training courses (TC), the international conferences and the workshops:**

Annual Conference of NJN, Utrecht, Netherlands, 1989;

**Organizer** of the International workshop "Ecology and Economy", Youth Environment and Europe, Saaremaa, Estonia, 1990;

Delegate of the European Youth Forum, European Community, Luxembourg, 1990;

Principles and structures of environmental protection in the European Union, training course (TC) Life-Estonia, Tartu, Estonia, 1994;

Development of environmental standards, TC, Life-Estonia, Tartu, Estonia, 1994;

"Economy and Environment", special session on environment of OSCE, Tallinn, Estonia, 1994;

Business and Environment, TC, Life-Estonia, Tallinn, Estonia, 1995;

Environmental accidents, legislation, liability and compensations in Central and Eastern Europe, participation and **presentation** in international conference, Harvard Institute of International Development, Riga, Latvia, 1995;

European Union and Estonia, seminar, Life-Estonia, Tallinn, Estonia, 1995;

**Organizer** of the training course: Public participation in Estonian environmental decision-making process, Tartu, Estonia, 1996;

Public participation in environmental decision making process, seminar, Baltic Environmental Fund, Riga, Latvia, 1996;

Advisory services to promote public participation, seminar, Budapest, Hungary, 1996;

**Organizer** of the international conference: Rio+5: Experience of CEE/CIS on implementation of sustainable development, Tallinn, Estonia, 1997;

Forestry Certification Conference, 24.04.-27.04.1997, Hamburg, Germany;

Estonian Environmental Action Plan, Workshop, 30.-31.05.1997, Lohusalu, Estonia;

Environmental Cost-Benefit Analyses, Training Course, 17.-19.06. 1997, Lohusalu, Estonia;

Local Agendas in Baltic Sea Region, 01.09.-13.09.1997, Lahti, Finland;

**Organizer** of the Estonia 21 opening Forum, 17.12.1997, Tallinn, Estonia;

NEAPs and LEAPs: **presentation** on sustainable development implementation, Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe, 25.01.-28.01.1998, Szentandre, Hungary;

**Organiser** of the Local Agenda 21 annual seminar series (5) and impacts of energy and tourism to local community, 1997-2001 in Pyhajarve, Kabli, Neljarve, Vormsi and Vortsjarve, Estonia;

**Organiser** of the roundtable: The role of media in implementation of sustainable development, 17.06.1998, Tallinn, Estonia;

Participation in Forum of Education, **presentation** of Estonian Agenda 21 process, Haapsalu, Estonia;

**Organizer** of 2 workshops in Estonian long term priority matters: energy, transport and education, November-December, 1998, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Organizer** and lecturer for forestry managers on project management, January 1999, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Organiser** of 2 political debates on population and education, January and February, 1999, Tallinn, Estonia;

Participation in FSC II General Assembly as coordinator of Estonian Sustainable Forestry Working Group in June 23-27, 1999, Oaxaca, Mexico;

Several **presentations** on sustainable forest management and forest certification to forest industry, consultants, journalists, private forest owners, forest survey and nature protection experts, 1999, Tallinn, Haademeeste, Karula, Tartu, Estonia;

**Lecturer** on environmental ethics to the pupils, students, teachers, NGO-s, state governmental and local authorities and naturalists 2000-2002, Estonia;

Participation at International Transdisciplinarity 2000 Conference "Transdisciplinarity: Joint problem-solving among science, technology and society". February 27- March 1, 2000, Zurich, Switzerland;

Main **Organizer** of First Sustainable Estonia Forum. Agreeing on Sustainable Estonia Agreement as voluntary agreement on sustainable development principles for Estonia (Estonian version of Earth Charter). February 26 2001, Estonia;

Participation at Regional Rio+10 Assessment Conference for Central and Eastern European Countries. June 27-28 2001, Bucharest, Romania, <http://www.sdnp.ro>;

Participation and **presentation** on "Estonian experiences on implementing Capacity 21 program" at Regional Capacity 21 Workshop for Europe and CIS, September 26-28, 2001, Antalya, Turkey;

Main **Organizer** of Second Sustainable Estonia Forum. Focusing on different national development initiatives from sustainable development point of view and on sustainable energy. April 30 2002, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Lecturer** on project design and management in Tyri College, Tartu University. 2-weeks course, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, Tyri, Estonia;

Participation as expert on Estonian Sustainable Development Strategy (Estonian Agenda 21) preparation events – leading group meetings, expert seminars and public forums. 2002, Tallinn, Tartu, Estonia;

Participation at third international conference on ecosystems and sustainable development "ECOSUD 2001" and **presentation of the** paper "Estonia as a pilot for a sustainable society: utopia or opportunity?". June 4-6, 2001, Alicante, Spain;

**Presentation** in regional conference of Central and Eastern Europe on “Sustainable development planning at local level – case Estonia”, March 12, 2002, Bratislava, Slovak Republic;

Participation and **certification** from international course “**Leadership for Environmental and Human Security**”, organised by United Nations University Leadership Academy/University of Amman, August 12-30, 2002, Amman, Jordan and Johannesburg, South Africa;

**Presentation** at Peoples Forum of World Summit on Sustainable Development on “Experiences of civic society to implement sustainability in Central and Eastern Europe”, August 28, 2002, Johannesburg, South Africa;

**Presentation** on “How sustainable is Estonia in the context of European Union” to administrators of culture of local governments, October 4, 2002, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Presentation** on “Results from Johannesburg and implementing sustainable development at local level” to local government authorities, October 11, 2002, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Presentation** at student forum of Sustainable Ethical Business and Development on subject “Civic entrepreneurship – A Civil Society Perspective on sustainable development in Central and Eastern Europe” organised by Junior Achievement Fellowship of Estonian Business School, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Presentation** on Regional advocacy workshop “Creating Conditions for Building and Implementing Sustainable Local Development” organised by UNDP Regional Bureau for European Countries on subject “Creating national, regional and local approaches to environmentally friendly, economically viable and socially fair local development” at Nowe Ruminki, 5-7 November, Poland, 2002;

Participation in panel discussion on outcomes of Johannesburg Summit in Conference “Sustainability – vision possible!” organised by SEI-Tallinn in 14.11.2002. Tallinn;

Participation in European Workshop on Science and Society Programme relations with EU 6<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme, 10-12.02.2003, Said Business School, University of Oxford, Wiston House, Wilton Park, Sussex, UK;

Participation and **presentation** of Estonian experiences at EU 5<sup>TH</sup> Thematic Network project REGIONET II Workshop ‘Regional Sustainable Development – Strategies for Effective Multi-Level Governance, 29-31 January 2003, Lillehammer, Norway;

**Facilitator** of the workshop of Laane Viru Association of the Local Municipalities on preparation of the Memorandum of Understanding of EU Water and Waste Water Investment Project of EU Structural Funds, 13.02.2003, Rakvere, Estonia;

Participation in brainstorming workshop for development of the Estonian Long Term Strategy for Sustainability “Sustainable Estonia 21”, 16.02.2003, Saku, Estonia;

**Facilitator** of the working group on environmental ethics at Winter Academy (Estonian Environmental Student Research Conference) and giving lecture on Possibilities of Estonia to become Sustainable, 22.02.2003, Vihterpalu, Estonia;

**Facilitator** of the strategy development seminar of NGO Laanerannik, 28.03.03, Vormsi, Estonia;

**Lecturer** on environmental ethics to the students of Tallinn Pedagogical University, April 2003, Tallinn, Estonia;

**Lecturer** at the course on different methods for measuring sustainable development for students of Tallinn Pedagogical University, April 2003, Tallinn, Estonia;

Participation at fourth international conference on ecosystems and sustainable development “ECOSUD 2003” and **presentation** of the paper “How to select the most adequate sustainable development index in order to avoid contradictions?” June 1-4, 2003, Sienna, Italy;

Participation at “Local capacity building for sustainable development in Central and Eastern Europe” workshop, UNDP RBEC, 12-15 September, 2003, Bratislava, Slovakia;

Participation and **presentation** of the thesis proposal at IDARI workshop in 17<sup>th</sup> of November, 2003 in Galway, Ireland;

Participation at IDARI 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop on 7-13<sup>th</sup> of June 2004 and **presentation** of the literature review on factors of influencing the adoption of organic farming in Estonia, Prague, Czech Republic;

Fact finding mission to 3 Macedonian municipalities in the frame of UNDP regional project “Localizing Sustainable Development” (LoSD) in April, 2004, Bogovinje, Kumanovo and Kavadarci, Macedonia;

**Designer, facilitator and lecturer** of the LoSD’s 5 days training on strategic planning and capacity building for sustainable development in local level in June 2004, Ohrid, Macedonia;

**Facilitator** of the LoSD study trip of 46 representatives of Macedonian municipalities to Hungary in August 2004, Keckemet, Tokaj and Budapest, Hungary;

**Designer, facilitator and lecturer** in LoSD’s 4-days Croatian training in October 2004, Zabok and Oroslavje, Croatia.

**Consultant** in brainstorming seminar of LoSD final steps and regional advocacy meeting in Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina, October 2004, Bratislava, Slovakia;

Participant and **facilitator** of the session on strategic planning in LoSD expert group working meeting in October 2004, Istanbul, Turkey;

**Organizer and facilitator** of 5 days travelling training of 20 representatives of Ukrainian municipalities to Estonia, 11-17 November, 2004, Tallinn, Haapsalu, Pärnu, Viljandi, Tartu, Estonia;

Fact finding mission to 2 Belarus municipalities in the frame of UNDP regional project “Localizing Sustainable Development” (LoSD) in December, 2004, Disna, Fanipol, Belarus;

Strategy formulation mission to 3 Macedonian municipalities in the frame of UNDP regional project “Localizing Sustainable Development” (LoSD) in December, 2004, Bogovinje, Kumanovo and Kavadarci, Macedonia;

**Facilitator and lecturer** of 5 days training of representatives of 30 Belarus local municipalities in March, 2005, Olsztyn, Poland;

Participation at IDARI 3<sup>rd</sup> workshop on 1-4<sup>th</sup> of June 2005 and **presentation** of the methodology of factors of influencing the adoption of organic farming in Estonia, Tartu, Estonia;

**Lecturer** on Trends on Sustainable Local Development Europe in **International Conference “Local Governance Reform in Kosovo – Experience from South/Eastern Europe”**, 5-7 of June, 2005, Prishtina, Kosovo, organized by the OSCE Mission in Kosovo in cooperation with the Association of Municipalities of Kosovo, the Ministry of Local Governance Administration of Kosovo, the United Nations Development Program;

**Lecturer** on environmental ethics in Summer School of Eco-semiotics of University of Tartu, 15-17 of July, 2005, Mõndavere, Estonia.

**Lecturer** on sustainable development for forestry sector at Sagadi Nature School, 15 July, 2007, Sagadi, Estonia.

**Lecturer** on sustainable development and Europe for Youth for Europe conference 17 of May, 2007, Tallinn, Estonia.

Participant of Nordic Bio-energy Conference in June 2007, Stockholm, Sweden.

**Presenter** on organic farming in Estonia at European Conference on Rural Sociology in August 2007, Wageningen, Netherlands.

Participant of Austrian Bio-energy and Eco-building conference and Fair in October 2007, Weiz, Austria.

**Presenter** of Paper on Environmental Policy Integration at EPIGOV II conference in November 2007 in Milan, Italy.

**Presenter** of paper on Ideas for implementation of the bioenergy project in Estonian rural areas at international conference on Biomass and Bioenergy, in February 2008 in Tallinn, Estonia.

Participant of **Nordic Bioenergy Conference** in September 2010 in Stockholm, Sweden.

Participant of **German Annual Biogas Conference and Annual Meeting of European Biogas Association** in January 2011 in Nürnberg, Germany.

**Presenter** on Estonian Biogas sector overview, opportunities and obstacles at international conference “Progress in Biogas II” in March 2011 in Hohenheim, Germany.

**Organizer** of the international summer seminar of Estonian and Finnish eco-supporters in August 2011 in Aegna Island, Estonia.

**Presenter** on Estonian biogas market overview and investment options at international SPIN seminar in September 2011 in Leipzig, Germany.

**Presenter** on Estonian Biogas Potential and Feasibility at Nordic Bioenergy Conference in September 2011 in Jyväskylä, Finland.

**Organiser and moderator** of 2 days training of Estonian eco-supporters of 3 Estonian cities in November 2011 in Rakvere, Estonia.

Participant of **World Biogas Congress**, in November 2011 in Brussels, Belgium.

**Organiser and facilitator** of the winter seminar of Baltic Sea Interreg IV A Eco-support project in December 2011 in Toosikannu, Estonia.

**Organiser and facilitator** of the Estonian Biogas Network meeting – Overview of International projects supporting biogas sector development in Estonia in December 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 in Tallinn, Estonia.

**Organiser and moderator** of international biogas regional seminar of SPIN and GasHighWay projects in December 6<sup>th</sup> 2011 in Tallinn, Estonia.

**Organiser and moderator** of international biomethane international conference on Promotion of Biomethane for transport fuel, with EAS and Baltic Biogas Bus project in April 25<sup>th</sup> 2012 in Tallinn, Estonia.

**Moderator** of Baltic Biogas Bus final seminar, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Tartu, Estonia.

**Coordinator** of Estonian Energy Resources Working Group and **moderator** of WG meetings, Nov. 2012-January 2013.

**Organiser** of Biogas CN Code and excise tax round-table, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in Tallinn, Estonia.

**Participant** of III European Algae Biomass Conference, April 23-25 in Vienna, Austria.

**Participant of Biomethane production, upgrading and injection to the natural gas grid.** IEE Green Gas Grid project Netherlands June 2013.

**Presenter** of “Public benefits of 380 million Nm<sup>3</sup> biomethane production are 271 million € in Estonia” at Estonian Renewable Energy Conference, November 2013, Tartu.

Ahto Oja

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