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Hydrometeorological University*

# **RSHU & UHEL collaboration: history, past and present projects**

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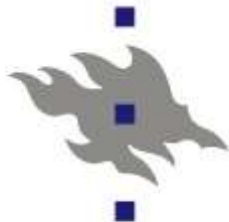
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# COOPERATION TIMELINE

Tempus  
COMBAT-METEO  
2007-2010

Erasmus+  
ECOIMPACT  
2015-2019

Tempus  
QUALIMET  
2010-2013



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# COMBAT-METEO

Tempus III, 2007-2010, 500kE

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|  | U. Helsinki, FI  |
|  | U. Tartu, EE   |
|  | RSHU, MSU, Acad. Association of Hydromet. Universities, RU |
|  | Odessa Environmental U., UA                                |

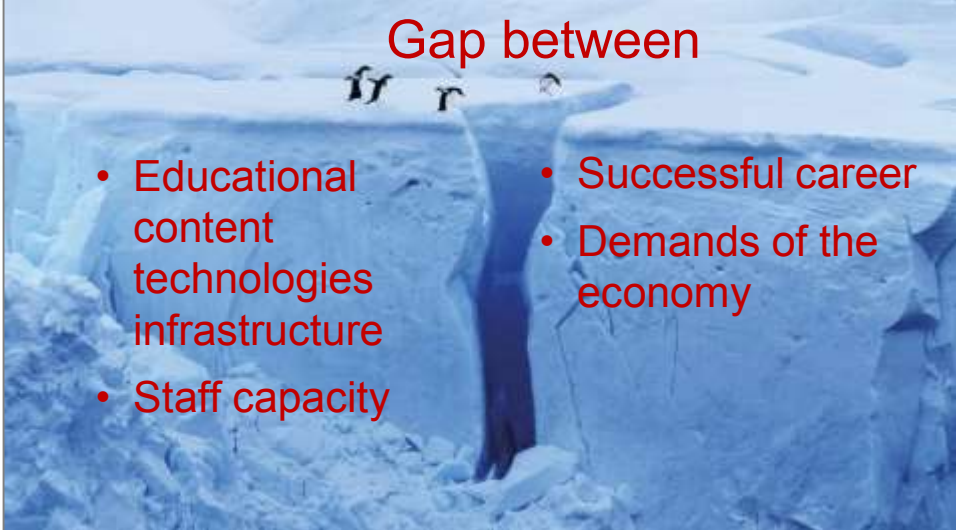


**Development of competency-based two-level curricula in meteorology**



**RU 2003**

**UA 2005**



**Gap between**

- Educational content
- Technologies infrastructure
- Staff capacity
- Successful career
- Demands of the economy



# Combat-meteo

Tempus III, 2007-2010, 500kE

## Main steps

- Research of labour market → clusters of opportunities for MET graduates
- Survey of employers, prof. associations and alumni → main prof. and general competencies of a MET graduate to be successful in career
- Staff and student (re)training mobility
- Development: curricula, hours-to-ECTS algorithm, syllabi, textbooks

## Outcomes

- Internationally recognized competency-based two-level (Bachelor/Master) curricula in meteorology
- Adapted/new syllabi
- Federal state educational standard in meteorology



# Some general conclusions

- Those general competencies undervalued by academics are teamwork, decision-making and capacity for applying knowledge in practical situations (for BSc level) and capacity for analysis and synthesis and decision-making for MSc level. The same competencies are highly valued by recent graduates.
- In most cases, improvements are possible either by introducing new ways of delivery (promoting group assignments, role games, etc) or by introduction new courses.



# QUALIMET

Tempus IV, 2010-2013, 1mE

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|  | U. Tartu, EE  |
|  | U. Copenhagen, DK   |
|  | ENEA, IT  |
|  | RSHU, Acad. Association of Hydromet. Univ.,<br>Roshydromet Advanced Training Institute,<br>MSU, TvSU - RU |
|  | OSENU, TNU, UA  |

**Development of  
qualifications framework  
in meteorology**

**Motivation: Higher education  
falls behind progress in  
science and not necessarily  
guarantee professional skills**

**Outdated system of professional-qualification requirements**

**Diploma by academic community = to permit to profession  
without testing / approval by professional community**

**From traditional learning to qualifications  
for job-competency → Life-long learning (LLL)**



# *Development of qualification framework in meteorology (QualiMet)*

- To develop **standards of knowledge, skills and competence** for all qualifications up to Doctoral level needed in all possible occupations a meteorology learner can undertake, by July 2011;
- To develop reciprocally recognized rubrics, criteria, **methods and tools for assessing the compliance** with the developed standards (quality assurance), by July 2012;
- To set a **network of Centers of Excellence** as a primary designer of sample education programs and learning experiences, both in traditional and distant setting of delivery, leading to achievement of the standards of knowledge, skills and competences, by December 2012;
- To set a **system of mutual international recognition** and award of qualifications in meteorology based on the developed procedures, by December 2012

# *WMO RTC in Russia*

**Vlab CoE**

*Moscow HM  
College  
Moscow region*

*Roshydromet  
ATI  
Moscow region*

*RSHU  
St.-Petersburg*

*The Federal Service for  
Hydrometeorology and Environmental  
Monitoring of Russia*

*The Ministry of Natural Resources  
and the Environment of  
the Russian Federation*

*Ministry of  
Education  
and Science*





# The VLab network

**Argentina (Buenos Aires and Cordoba)**

**Australia (Melbourne)**

**Barbados (Bridgetown)**

**Brazil (Cachoeira Paulista)**

**China (Beijing and Nanjing)**

**Costa Rica (San Jose)**

**Kenya (Nairobi)**

**Morocco (Casablanca)**

**Niger (Niamey)**

**Oman (Muscat)**

**Republic of South Korea (Jincheon)**

**Russian Federation (Moscow and St. Petersburg)**

**South Africa (Pretoria)**



VLab links between CoEs and their supporting satellite operators and agencies

# ECOIMPACT: Adaptive Learning Environment For Competence In Economic And Societal Impacts Of Local Weather, Air Quality And Climate

## Consortium



University of Helsinki, FI

UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI



Agricultural University – Plovdiv,  
BG



University of Central Europe in  
Skalica, SK



Kherson State Agricultural  
University, UA



Odessa State Environmental  
University, UA



Taras Shevchenko National  
University of Kyiv, UA



Roshydromet Advanced Training  
Institute, RU



N.I. Lobachevsky State University  
of Nizhni Novgorod, RU



Russian State Hydrometeorological  
University, RU

**Erasmus+ Action:** Capacity-  
Building in the Field of Higher  
Education

**Coordinator:** University of  
Helsinki

**Duration:** 15.10.2015 -  
14.09.2019

**Project cost:** 1 032 557 Euro

# ECOIMPACT

Erasmus+, 2015-2019, 1mE

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Erasmus+ Programme  
of the European Union



## Approach

- **Personalized learning in connection with environment via IoT**
- **Problem-centered vs. discipline-centered**

## Target groups

- **University students (hydrometeorology and economics)**
- **Hydrometeorology professionals**
- **Managers at weather-sensitive firms and public bodies**



# ECOIMPACT PLE launched

The image shows a screenshot of a web browser displaying the ECOIMPACT PLE website. The browser's address bar shows the URL <https://ecoimpact-ple.com>. The website's header includes the ECOIMPACT logo, which features a globe with a yin-yang symbol, and a navigation menu with items: "My start page", "Topics", "Courses", "All documents", "My documents", and a language selector set to "en". A search bar is also present in the header. The main content area has a dark teal background with the text "Adaptive learning environment" in large white font, followed by "for competence in economic and societal impacts of local weather, air quality and climate" in a smaller white font. Below this text is a white button with the text "Download Windows application". At the bottom of the page, the text "Educational topics" is displayed in a light blue font.

Ecoimpact

https://ecoimpact-ple.com

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Adaptive learning environment

for competence in economic and societal impacts of local weather, air quality and climate

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Educational topics

# ECOIMPACT Sectoral courses

|   | Course title    | Developers  |
|---|-----------------|---|
|    | Road transport  |     |
|    | Biometeorology  |    |
|    | City management |     |
|  | Energy          |     |
|  | Agriculture     |     |

# ECOIMPACT logic

**Sectoral courses =>**

**Professional Development course for NWS =>**

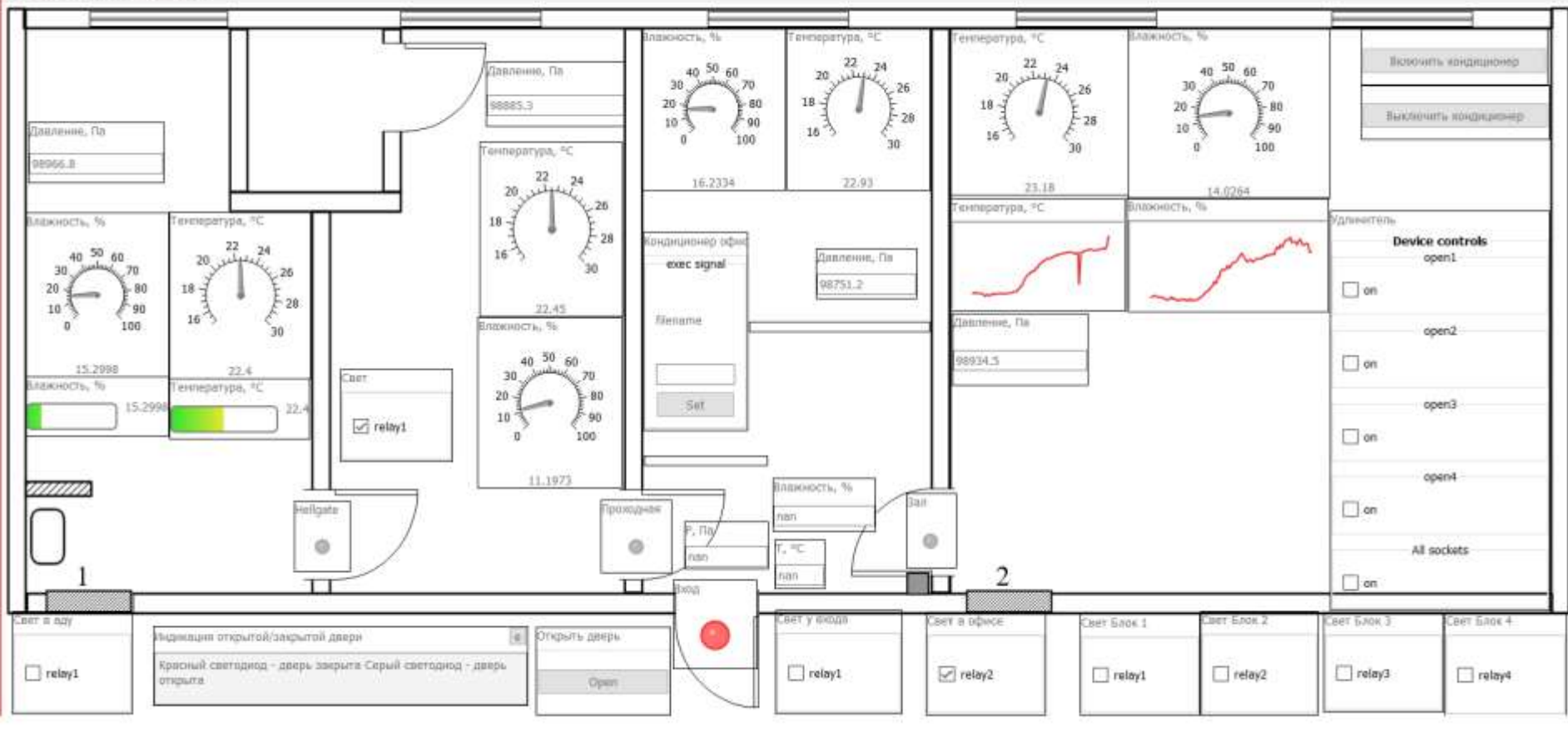
**Academic course in Economic Meteorology**

**Developed first for Moodle, then for PLE**

**Courses take advantage of smart sensors used  
in PLE for lab works**

# Virtual laboratory environment

Лаборатория ФОТ БС





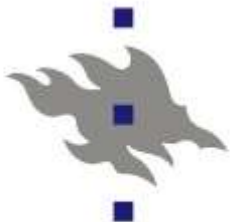
# RSHU staff and students at Hyytiälä field station



2007  
-  
2020



More than 30  
RSHUers  
involved





# New perspectives:

**2019: PEEEX Academic Challenge: research training intensive course on “Multi-Scales and -Processes Modelling and Assessment for Environmental Applications”**



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**2020: PEEEX Academic Challenge: research training intensive course on “Atmosphere-Surface Interactions and Feedbacks: Approaches to Measurements & Analysis”**

**2020: Erasmus+ International Student Mobility Program**  
(UHEL, RSHU, HSE - 12 incoming semester students – either 1st and 2nd cycle - from HSE and RSHU to UHEL and for 8 incoming teachers from HSE/RSHU to UHEL for max. 14 days each and 4 outgoing teachers from UHEL to HSE and 2 to RSHU)



Erasmus+



**Thank you for  
your attention!**

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