

# *Higher education in Norway*

***China Meeting Place***

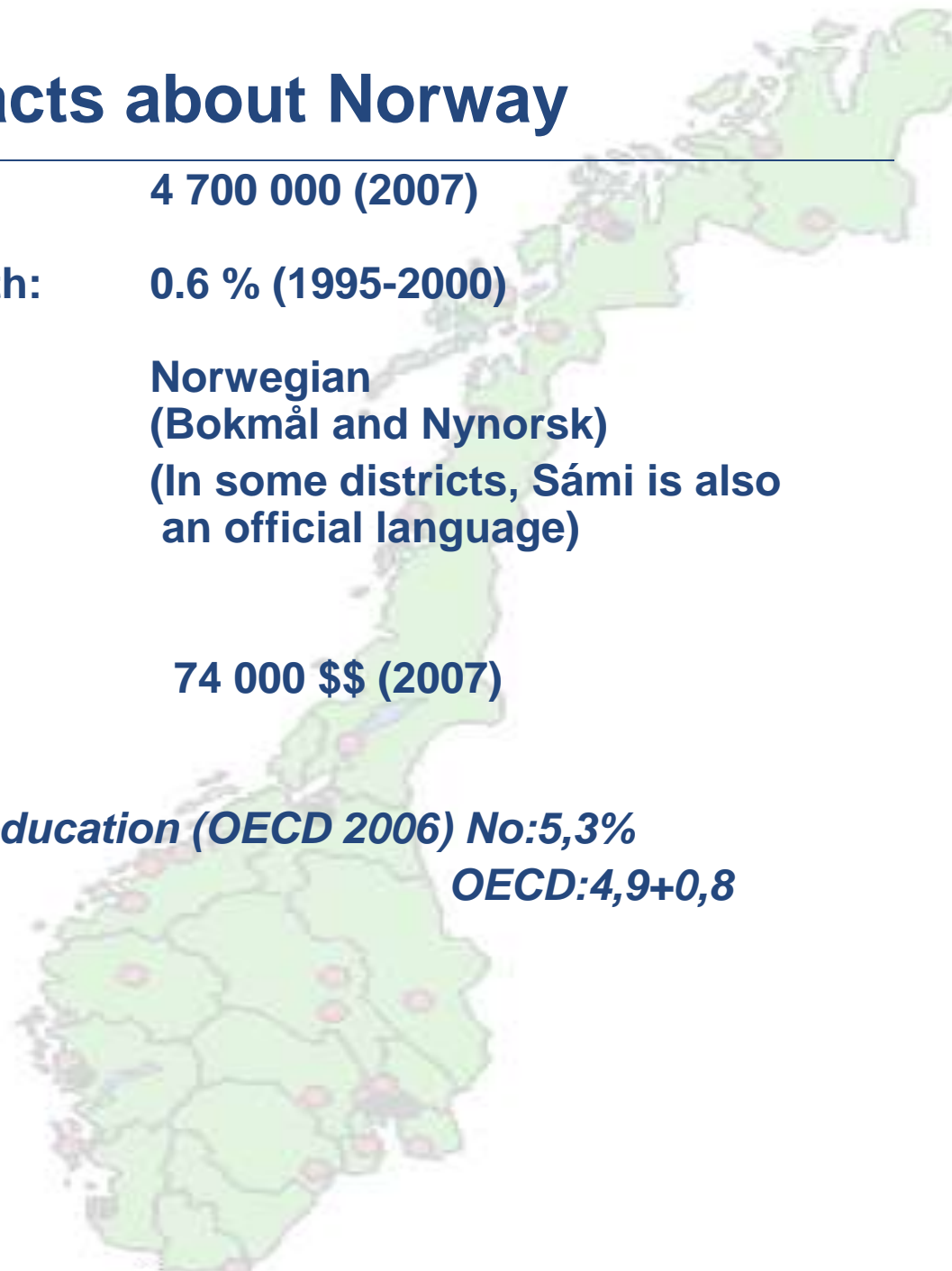
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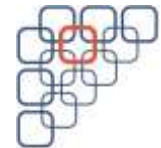
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# Facts about Norway



<b>Population:</b>	<b>4 700 000 (2007)</b>
<b>Population growth:</b>	<b>0.6 % (1995-2000)</b>
<b>Language:</b>	<b>Norwegian (Bokmål and Nynorsk) (In some districts, Sámi is also an official language)</b>
<b>GDP per head:</b>	<b>74 000 \$\$ (2007)</b>
<b><i>Expenditure on education (OECD 2006) No:5,3% OECD:4,9+0,8</i></b>	

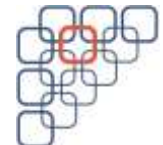
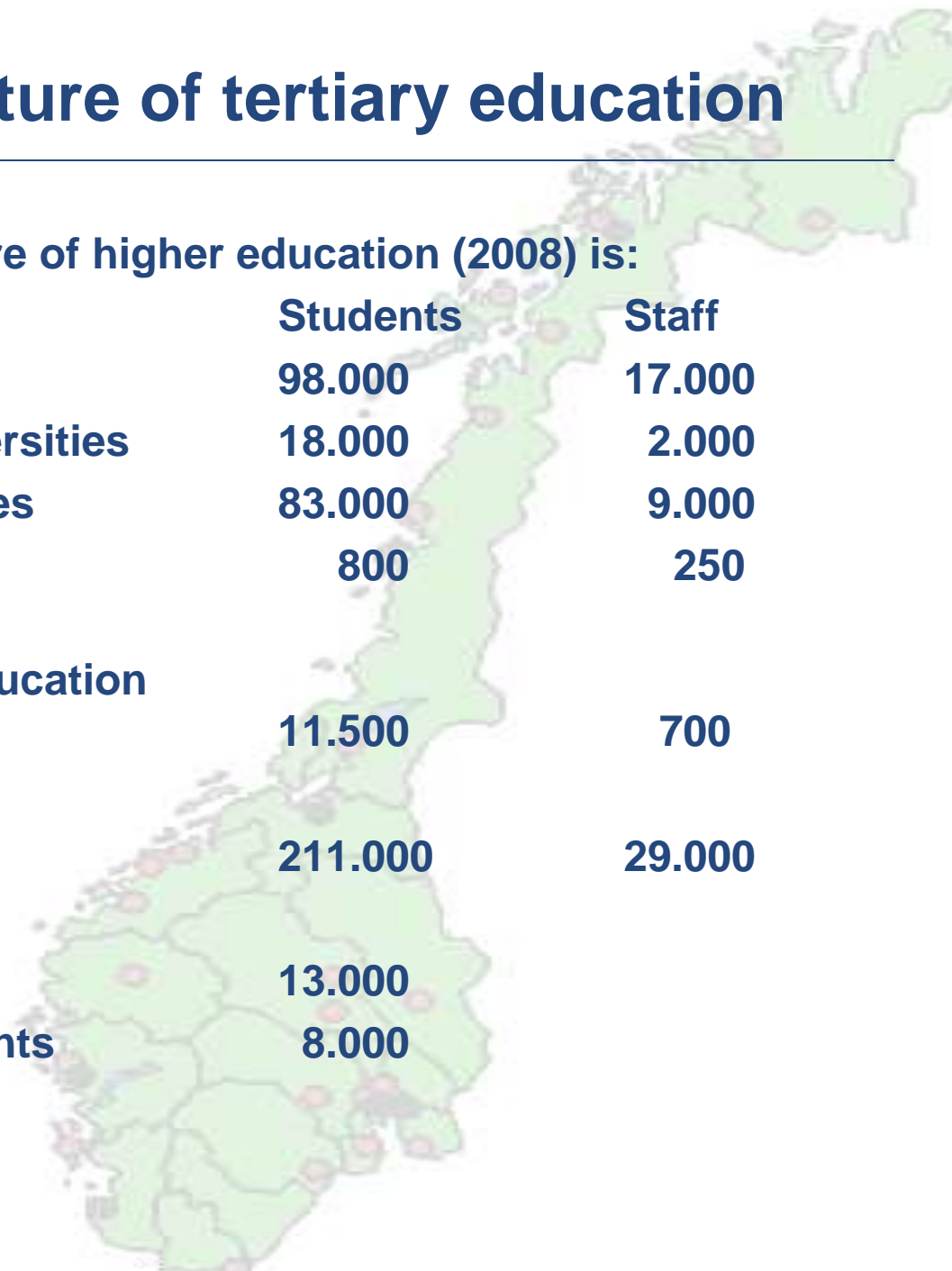




# The structure of tertiary education

The general structure of higher education (2008) is:

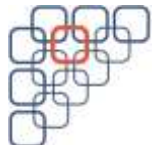
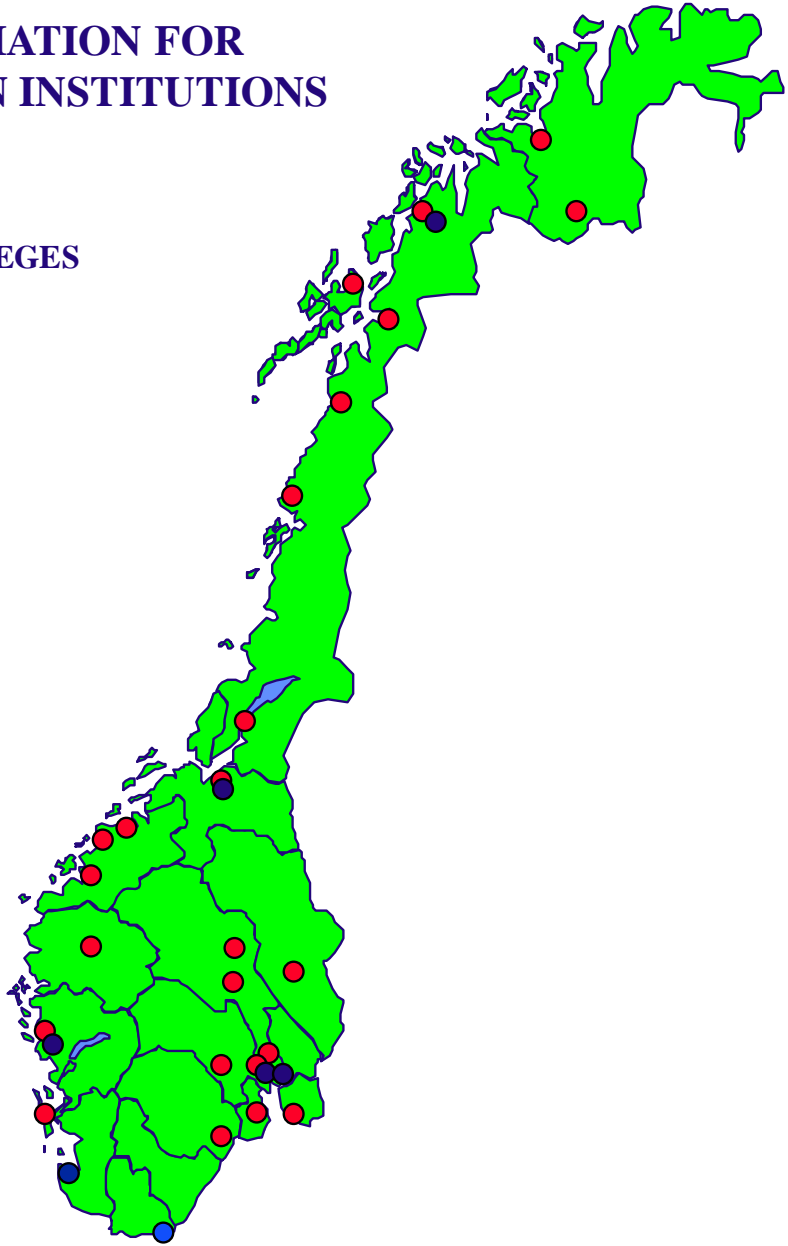
	Students	Staff
7 universities	98.000	17.000
8 specialised universities	18.000	2.000
29 university colleges	83.000	9.000
2 art colleges	800	250
29 private higher education institutions	11.500	700
<b>Total</b>	<b>211.000</b>	<b>29.000</b>
+ Students abroad	13.000	
+ Exchange students	8.000	





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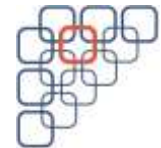
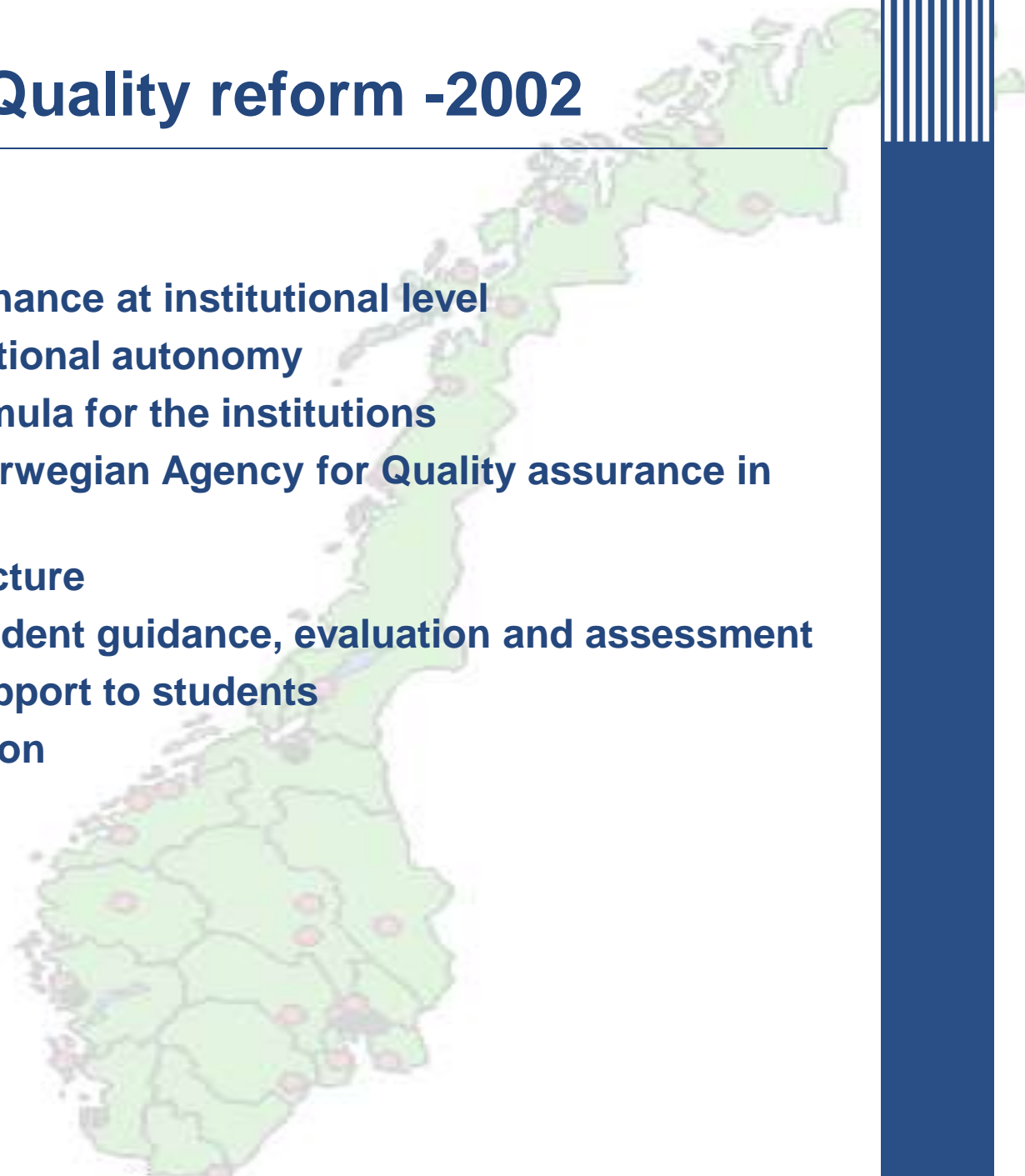
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# The Quality reform -2002

- **Change in governance at institutional level**
- **Increased institutional autonomy**
- **New funding formula for the institutions**
- **NOKUT – The Norwegian Agency for Quality assurance in Education**
- **New degree structure**
- **New forms of student guidance, evaluation and assessment**
- **New financial support to students**
- **Internationalisation**

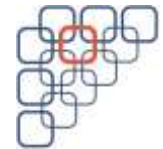
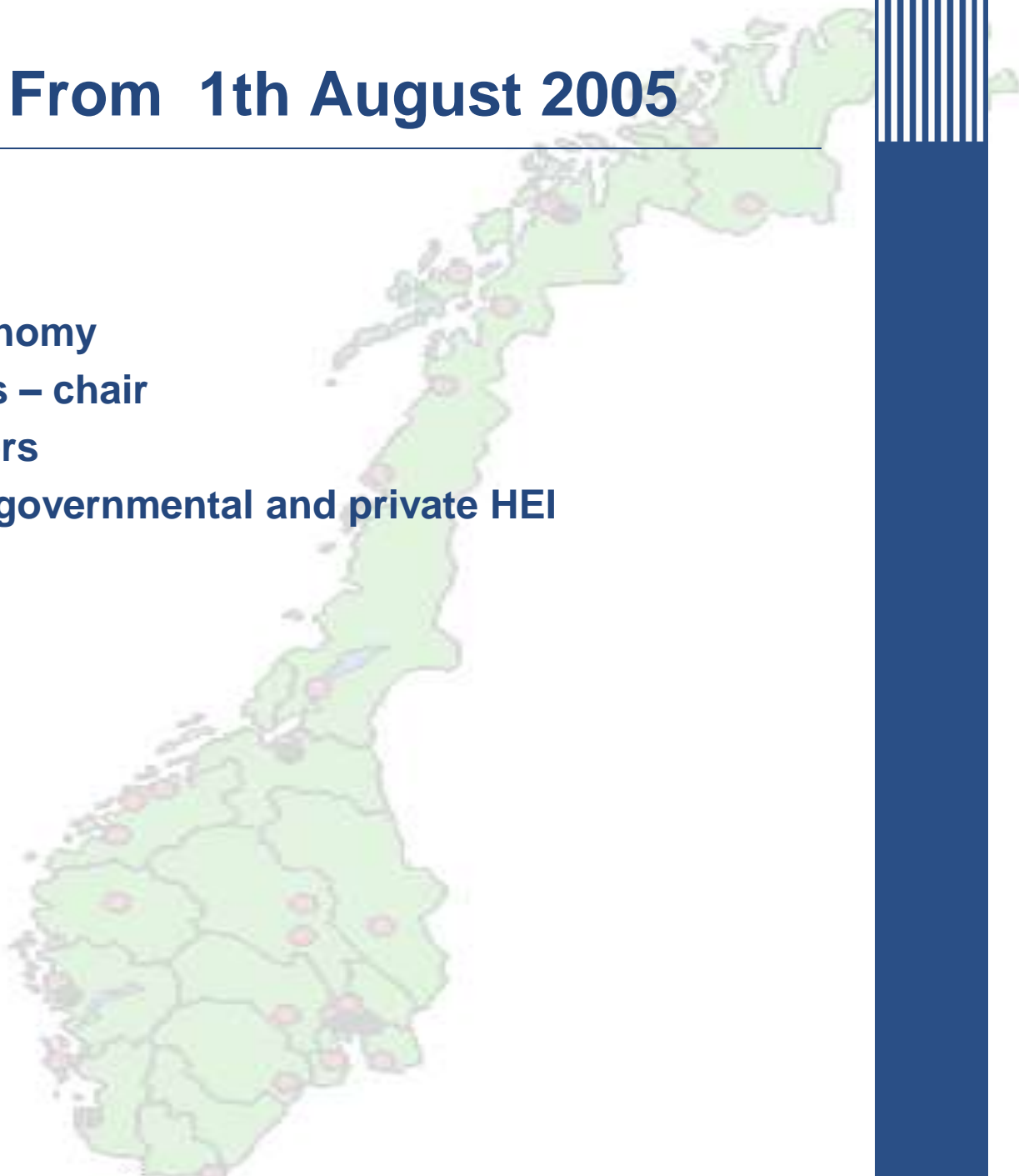




# New law From 1th August 2005

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- **Institutional autonomy**
- **Change of boards – chair**
- **Change for Rectors**
- **Common law for governmental and private HEI**
- **Academic rights**
- **No tuition fees**



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# Funding formula 2008

- **Netto Budget from Government**

	Basic	Educ.	Research	Dissemi.
• <b>Universities</b>	55%	22%	23%	
• <b>University colleges</b>	69%	28%	3%	
• <b>Private HEI</b>	49%	43%	8%	

- **+ approx. 30% external funding**

- **A: 114000NOK (13900 EUR): Medicin**
- **B: 87000NOK (10600 EUR): Music, Architecture, Design**
- **C and D**
- **E: 36000NOK (4400 EUR): Teachers**
- **F: 29000NOK (3540 EUR): Theory and social studies  
Bach.level**
- **Exchange students: 6000NOK (730)**



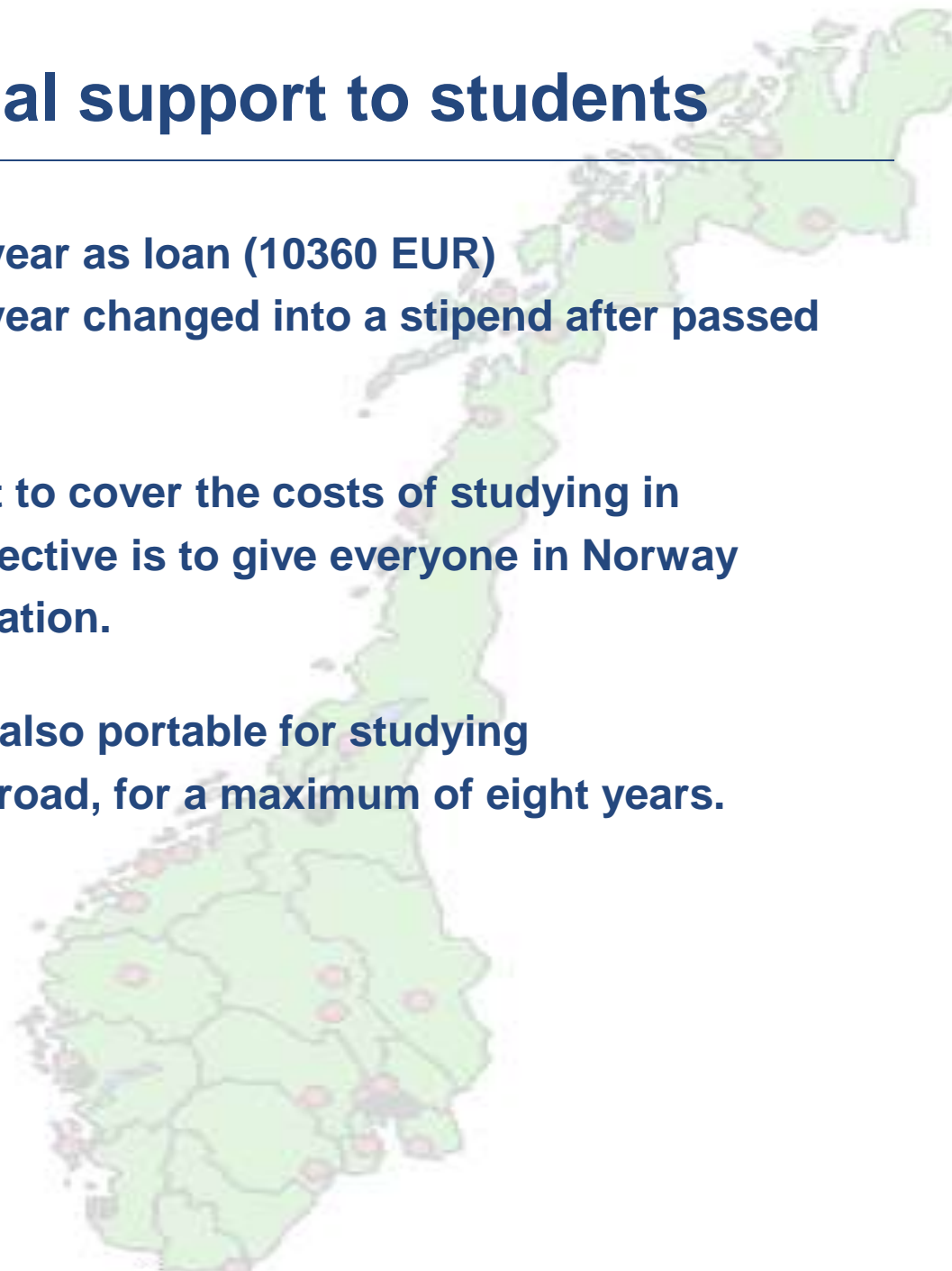


# Financial support to students

- **82.900 NOK per year as loan (10360 EUR)**
- **33.160 NOK per year changed into a stipend after passed exams (40 %)**

**The loans are meant to cover the costs of studying in Norway, and the objective is to give everyone in Norway equal rights to education.**

**The grant or loan is also portable for studying higher education abroad, for a maximum of eight years.**

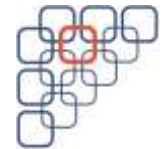




# White papers to Parliament 2009

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- Internationalisation
- Teacher education
- Research and recruitment of researchers
- Need of knowledge in the future
- Innovation



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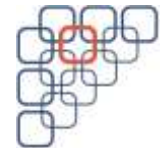
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# Governance (traditional model)

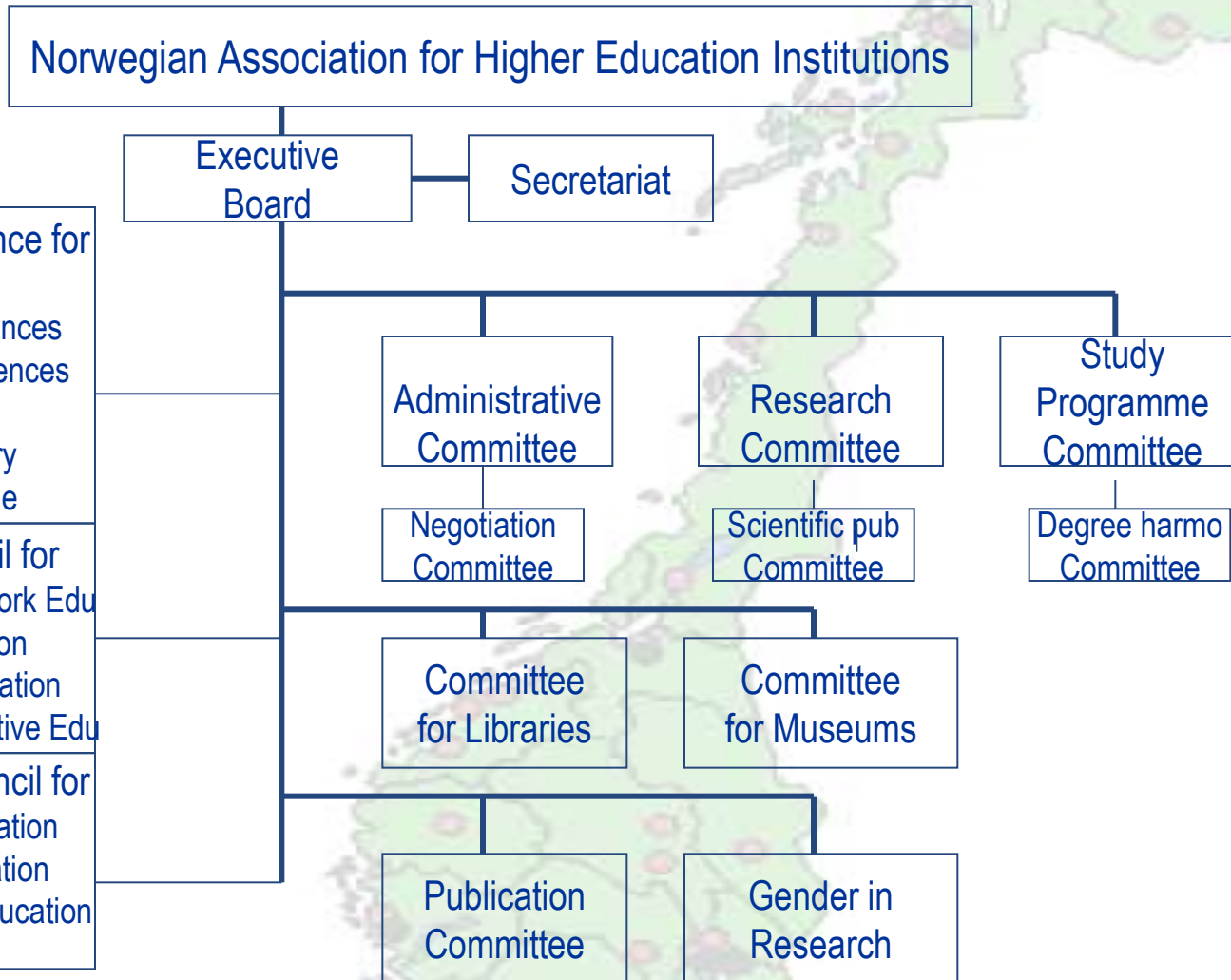
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- **The board: 11 persons**
- **The Rector is head of the board**
- **The Rector and prorector are elected by all employees and students**
- **2 other academic staff are elected by academic staff**
- **1 administrative elected by adm.staff**
- **2 student representatives elected by the students**
- **4 external members representing business and society – decided by the Ministry (proposals from the institutions)**
  
- **One general manager**
  
- **At facultylevel one dean in total responsibility**





# UHR - 2010



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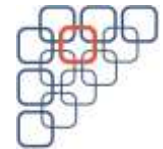
+ 38 National Committees on subjects





# UHR's Vision

- **Promote the development of Norway as a knowledgebased society of high international standard**
- **Be the most important meeting place in Norway when higher education and research are on the political agenda**
- **Be the national advocator to the Norwegian Parliament and Government in matters concerning higher education and research**



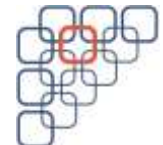
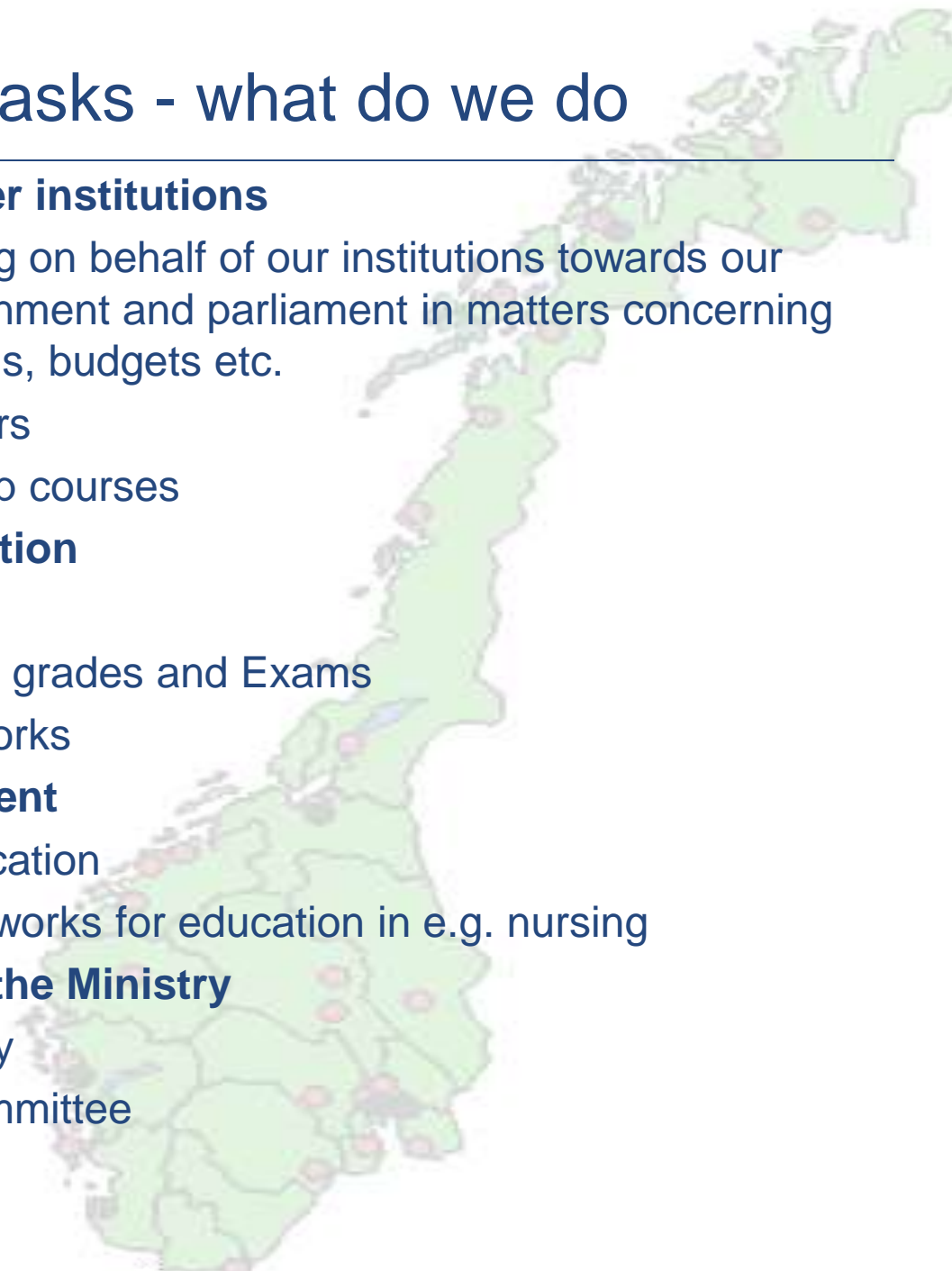
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# Our tasks - what do we do

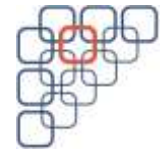
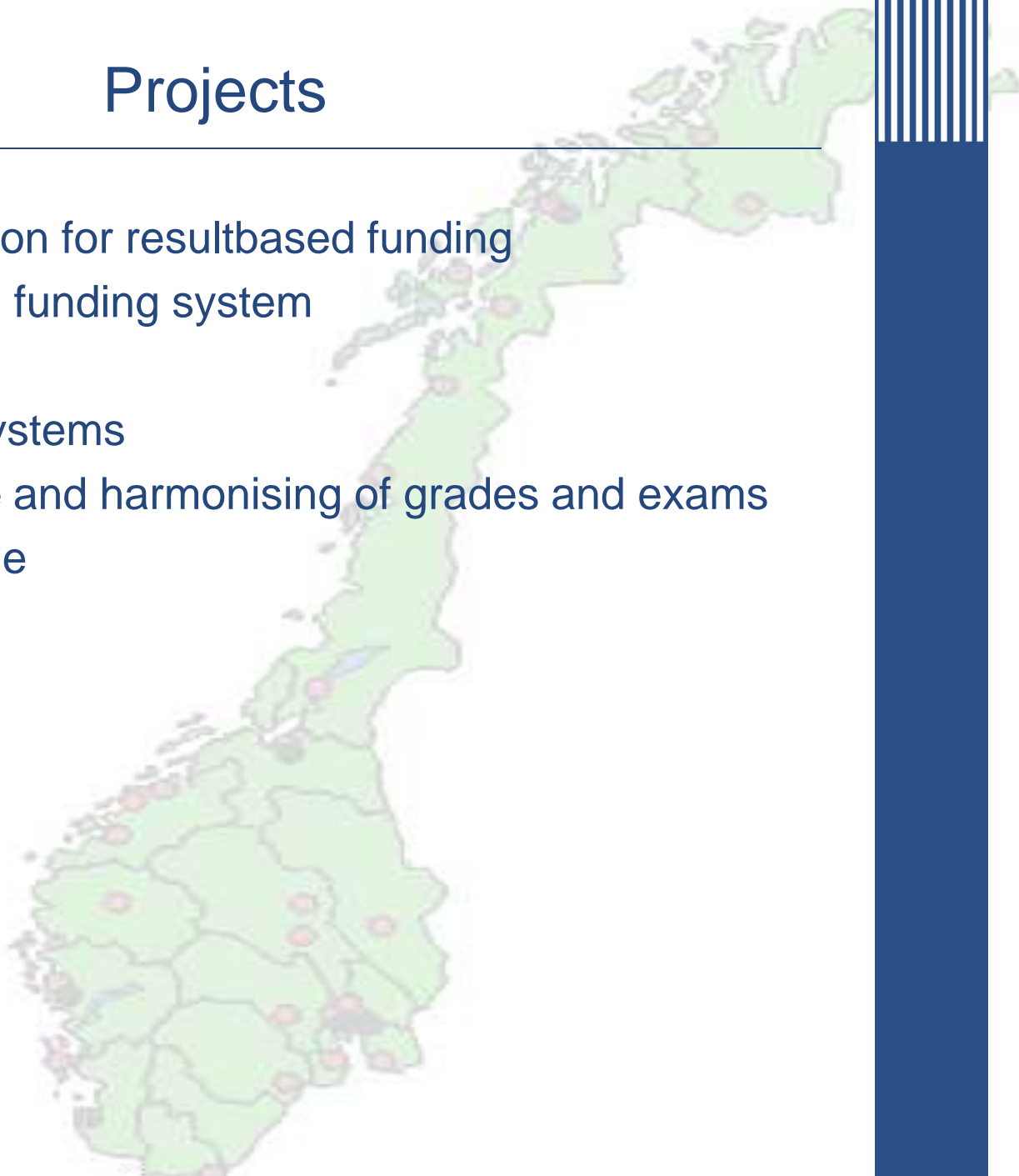
- **Interest of member institutions**
  - Speaking/acting on behalf of our institutions towards our ministry, government and parliament in matters concerning legal regulations, budgets etc.
  - A lot of seminars
  - Offer leadership courses
- **National coordination**
  - Admission
  - Harmonising of grades and Exams
  - Thematic networks
- **Project development**
  - Scientific publication
  - National frameworks for education in e.g. nursing
- **Special tasks for the Ministry**
  - Gender equality
  - Publication committee





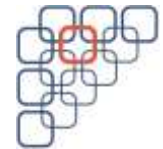
# Projects

- Scientific publication for resultbased funding
- Evaluation of the funding system
- Terminology
- Administrative systems
- Degree structure and harmonising of grades and exams
- Learning outcome





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