

CURRICULUM VITAE

Family name: LIUHTO

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Date of birth: December 26th, 1967 (Joutseno, Finland)

Nationality: Finnish

Civil status: Married with one child

Current profession: **Professor, since January 2025**
Intelligence Studies, University of Turku and National Defence University.

Director (part-time), since August 2011
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Honorary nominations

Commander, of the Order of the Lion of Finland, 6.12.2024.

Knight, First Class, of the Order of the White Rose of Finland, 6.12.2007.

Honorary Doctorate, Saint Petersburg State University of Economics and Finance, 28.9.2011. Liuhto returned the doctorate to Saint Petersburg State University of Economics and Finance after Russia started the invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.

Inspector, Savonia-Karelian Nation, University of Turku, 2015-2017.

Professional experience record

<i>Date</i>	From 9/2003 to 12/2024
<i>Location</i>	Turku, Finland
<i>Company</i>	University of Turku
<i>Position</i>	Professor (tenure position), Director of Pan-European Institute
<i>Description</i>	To teach, carry out research on Russia, and develop activities of the Pan-European Institute.

<i>Date</i>	From 1/2000 to 8/2003
<i>Location</i>	Lappeenranta, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Lappeenranta University of Technology
<i>Position</i>	Professor (tenure position)
<i>Description</i>	To teach, carry out research on Russia, and develop activities of research group.

<i>Date</i>	From 11/1998 to 12/1999
<i>Location</i>	Turku, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Pan-European Institute / Turku School of Economics
<i>Position</i>	Research Director
<i>Description</i>	Responsible for fund raising and development of research activities.

<i>Date</i>	From 12/1997 to 10/1998
<i>Location</i>	Lappeenranta, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Department of Industrial Engineering and Management / Lappeenranta University of Technology
<i>Position</i>	Professor (fixed term)
<i>Description</i>	Various academic duties concerning Russia and the Baltic States.

<i>Date</i>	From 11/1997 to 11/1997
<i>Location</i>	Lappeenranta, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Department of Industrial Engineering and Management / Lappeenranta University of Technology
<i>Position</i>	Associate Professor (fixed term)
<i>Description</i>	Various academic duties concerning Russia and the Baltic States.

<i>Date</i>	From 8/1995 to 10/1997
<i>Location</i>	Turku, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Institute for East-West Trade / Turku School of Economics
<i>Position</i>	Research Fellow (a research project funded by the Academy of Finland)
<i>Description</i>	To conduct research on the managerial transformation in the former USSR.

<i>Date</i>	From 11/1994 to 7/1995
<i>Location</i>	Turku, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Institute for East-West Trade / Turku School of Economics
<i>Position</i>	Senior Assistant
<i>Description</i>	To carry out research and to create projects funded by the European Union.

<i>Date</i>	From 4/1994 to 10/1994
<i>Location</i>	Turku, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Business Research and Development Center / Turku School of Economics
<i>Position</i>	Project Researcher
<i>Description</i>	To design a 4-year education programme specialising in East-West business for North-Karelia Polytechnic (now Karelia University of Applied Sciences).

<i>Date</i>	From 3/1991 to 12/1992
<i>Location</i>	Turku, Finland
<i>Company</i>	Institute for East-West Trade / Turku School of Economics
<i>Position</i>	Assistant
<i>Description</i>	To aid in academic duties of institute.

Education

<i>Institution</i>	Department of International Marketing / Turku School of Economics
<i>Date</i>	From 1/1992 to 12/1999
<i>Degree obtained</i>	Doctor of Science (Economics and Business Administration) Title of doctoral dissertation: " <i>The Organisational and Managerial Transformation in Turbulent Business Environments - Managers' Views on the Transition of Their Enterprise in Some of the European Former Soviet Republics in the 1990s</i> "

<i>Institution</i>	Institute of Russian and East European Studies / University of Glasgow
<i>Date</i>	From 09/1993 to 7/1997
<i>Degree obtained</i>	Ph.D. (Social Sciences) Title of doctoral dissertation: " <i>The Entrepreneurial and Management Cultural Transformation in Independent Estonia</i> "

<i>Institution</i>	Department of International Marketing / Turku School of Economics
<i>Date</i>	From 8/1987 to 11/1991
<i>Degree obtained</i>	Master of Science (Economics and Business Administration) Title of master's thesis: " <i>The Interaction of Managerial Cultures in Soviet-Finnish Joint Ventures - Including Estonian-Finnish Joint Ventures</i> "

<i>Institution</i>	State University of Kyiv, USSR
<i>Date</i>	From 9/1987 to 2/1988
<i>Description</i>	Exchange student

Language skills - grade 1 to 5 for competence

(language exams taken at the Turku School of Economics)

<i>Language</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Writing</i>
English	5	4	4
Russian	3	2	1
Estonian	2	1	1
French	1	1	1
<i>Language</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Writing</i>
German	1	1	1
Spanish	1	1	1
Swedish	4	2	2
Finnish	Native	Native	Native

Experience related to projects funded outside the university

Academy of Finland

Leader, Research project "The new roles of Russian firms in international arena" (2004-2007).

Leader, Research project "The external dimension of the Russian innovation system" (2007-2009).

Academy of Finland and Japan Society

Leader of partnering team, Research project "Promotion of Science Russia's final energy frontier – Sustainability challenges of the Russian Far North (2014-2016).

European Commission

Leader, Research project "*The Baltic Entrepreneurship and the European Union*" (1996).

Partner, Research project "*Growth and Entrepreneurship in de Novo Privatised and State-Owned Enterprises: Evidence from a Panel Survey for the CIS countries*" (1997-1998).

Expert, Development project "*A Global Development Plan for the Kaliningrad Oblast*" (1997-1998).

Partner, Research project "*The Foreign Trade Liberalization in the Economic Transformation Process of Russia*" (1997-1998).

Leader of partnering team, Research project "*Industrial Restructuring in the NIS: experience of and lessons from the new EU Member States*" (2006-2007).

Leader of partnering team, Research project "*Challenges and Prospects of Cross Border Co-operation in the Context of EU Enlargement*" (2006-2008).

Leader of partnering team, Development project "*SmartComp-Smart Competitiveness for the Central Baltic Region*" (2012-2013).

Leader of partnering team, Development project "*MNEmerge – A Framework Model on MNE's Impact on Global Development Challenges in Emerging Markets*" (2014-2016).

Leader, Development project "*ECOPRODIGI – Bringing eco-efficiency and digitalisation to maritime industry*" (2018-2020).

Leader, Development project "EXOPRODIGI – Expanding efforts to bring eco-efficiency to maritime industry processes in Baltic Sea Region via digital tools" (1/2021-9/2021).

Prime Minister's Office

Leader, Research project "The Baltic Sea region as economic environment for Finland" (2007).

Ministry of Education

Leader, Research project "External relations of Russia" (2004-2009).

Leader, Research project "Survey Networking Activity in Russia" (2006-2007).

Ministry of Agriculture

Leader, Research project "The food industry value chains in the Leningrad Oblast and the Krasnodar Krai" (2006).

Ministry of Trade and Industry

Leader, Research project "The human resource assessment of the Russian personnel in the Finnish construction firms operating in Russia" (2006-2007).

Scientific Advisory Board for Defence (MATINE)

Leader, Research project "Social media & societal stability in extraordinary circumstances" (2023-2024).

Leader, Research project "Disruptive hybrid influence operations in NATO and the opportunities of OSINT" (2026-2027).

Suomen Ulkomaankaupan Edistämisrahasto

Leader, Development project "TULEVA – Finnish Companies Leading the Future in a Changing Business Environment" (2022-2024).

TT Foundation (Confederation of Finnish Industries EK)

Leader, Development project "KAPPAS – Trade policy experts and knowhow to Finland" (2019-2023).

Business Finland

Leader of partnering team, Development project "DigiPro – Internationally scalable business from digitalization" (2017-2018).

Practical experience abroad

<i>Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
Poland (visiting expert at the Centre for Eastern Studies, under the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland)	From 9/2011 to 10/2011
Czechoslovakia (management trainee in the Czechoslovakian company Elektrovod)	From 6/1989 to 8/1989
The Soviet Union (studies in the State University of Kiev)	From 9/1987 to 2/1988

Teaching and research experience

Acted as visiting professor / lecturer / examiner

Higher School of Economics – National Research University (Russia).
Nottingham Trent University (United Kingdom).
St. Petersburg State University (Russia).
Stockholm School of Economics in Riga (Latvia).
Tallinn Technical University (Estonia).
University of Helsinki (Finland).
University of Kent (United Kingdom).
University of Lapland (Finland).
University of Latvia (Latvia).
University of Linköping (Sweden).
University of Szczecin (Poland).
University of Vaasa (Finland).
Åbo Akademi University (Finland).

Research activities:

A large number of published items in approximately 20 countries (see a list of publications).

Other responsibilities

Parliament of Finland

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Defence Committee, "Russia's war economy and its resilience" (20.3.2025).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Foreign Affairs Committee, "Government Defence Report" (25.2.2025).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Committee for the Future, "Future of Russia" (10.4.2024).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Comment on the Government's Defence Report (7.3.2024).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Foreign Affairs Committee, "Ukraine" (7.10.2022).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Committee for the Future, "The future development of the world economy under the corona pandemic and Russia's military attack on Ukraine" (4.5.2022).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Foreign Affairs Committee, "Ukraine" (10.1.2019).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Committee for the Future "From Russia-related future reports to a Russia-foresight system" (9.11.2016).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Committee for the Future "Russia falling slowly but steadily into an economic crisis without a reform" (18.5.2016).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Foreign Affairs Committee, "The Baltic Sea region and security" (27.2.2013).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Committee for the Future "Future Scenarios for Russia" (2009-2010).

Expert, Parliament of Finland, Foreign Affairs Committee, "Finnish investment protection in Belarus" (11.12.2007).

European Parliament

Expert, "Kaliningrad, an attractive location for EU investors" (2006).

European Commission

Expert, Tempus JEP - Curriculum development, University of Liberec, Czechia (1998).

Member of Team Europe Finland (2004-2009).

Expert, EuropeAid project "Strengthening and Developing Business and Administrative Education in Kaliningrad region" (2006).

United Nations

Expert, UNCTAD, World Investment Report (2005-2006).

World Bank

Expert, Development project "Development of integral economic indicators for sub-regional level in Russia" (2006).

Government of Russia

Expert, Russian-European Centre for Economic Policy, providing economic policy advice to the Russian Government on the Kaliningrad issues (2005).

Member of International Expert Group "Transition to Innovation-based Growth" contributing to the 2020 Strategy of the Russian Government (2011).

University of Turku

Editor-in-Chief, Baltic Rim Economies (BRE) review (2004-2022).

The Finnish Centre for Russian and East European Studies, University of Helsinki

Member of Executive Board of Master – programme (2003-2008).

Member of Board of Directors (2008-2018).

Lappeenranta University of Technology

Founder, Research Group for the Russian and East European Business (2000).

Chairman of Expert Group, The Expert Group's task was to establish Research Centre for the EU's Northern Dimension at Lappeenranta University of Technology (2001-2003).

Baltic Development Forum

Member of Visionary Group (2007).

The Royal Society of Arts Baltic Sea Region

Member (2012-2015).

The Finnish National Fund for Research and Development SITRA

Expert on Finland's Strategy on Russia (2005).

Helsinki Sustainability Center

Member of Board of Directors (2013-2016).

The South-East Centre for Excellence

Expert of Board of Directors (2000-2002).

Centrum Balticum Foundation

Editor-in-Chief, Puloosti Weekly Column Series (since 2011).

Editor-in-Chief, Baltic Rim Economies (BRE) review (2023-).

National Defence Forces of Finland

First Lieutenant of the Reserve (4.6.2023).

Lieutenant of the Reserve (6.12.2011).

Military Service, Southeast Finland Border Guard District, Second Lieutenant, A decoration with Commando Cross [Sissiristi] for outstanding military service (from June 1986 to May 1987).