



Activity Plan

2005

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ACTIVITY PLAN 2005			
Activities	Goals	Responsibility	Funding
A. MSc 2005		All activities	All activities
A.1 Prioritised activities			<u>Possible options</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course recognitions of unique and high quality MSc level courses within prioritised areas (NOVA courses) 	Course recognition in all prioritised areas.	Local NOVA coord. responsible for national recognition process, NOVA rector resp for coordination.	NCM/N+; joint Nordic programme, at least one 30-35.000 €per year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishing and running intensive courses, preferably in NOVA windows, established area-vice. 	At least <u>three intensive courses</u> in Vet.med, at least <u>two with N+ funding</u> .	Very significant responsibility for networks in prioritised areas, see below.	NCM/N+ intensive courses, at least two 15-20.000 €
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distance courses 	Plant path., Agroecol and Euroforest dist courses.	Local NOVA Teams resp for local support.	NCM/N+ Neighbour; joint Nord-Balt programme 20-25.000 €per year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognising and marketing of <u>semester packages</u> combining NOVA courses and other courses of interest in prioritised areas 	Semester packages in some prioritised areas, e.g. NORBE	NOVA rector respons for coordination.	NMC strategic funds 13.500 €(CPPE) (? Prioritised areas)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop <u>joint Nordic Master/Magister programmes</u>, specially of interest for Nordplus funding (application deadline Feb 1, 2005. 	At least <u>one area with N+ funding</u> for joint MSc progr. developm.		NOVA funding, See below
A.2 Prioritised MSc areas	Prioritised activities in		<u>NOVA funding of activities 2005</u>
Group 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aquaculture Biosystems engineering (NORBE) Urban Greening Urban Forestry (UGUF) Veterinary med., intensive courses 	Group 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Course recogn in all relevant areas Sem.packages rec. in NORBE Joint 1 year progr running in UGUF Appl to N+ for joint Nord progr in Aqua Intensive courses in Vet, N+ funding 	<u>Projects</u> must have clear objectives and be evaluated accord. to perform indicators. <u>NOVA Teams and local NOVA coord</u> have responsibility for supporting projects on local base. <u>KUF</u> resp for setting project objectives and for continues evaluation. Cont.....	Approved prior nov 04 37.000 € Approved nov-dec 04 75.000 € Total 112.000 € Available in budget for 2005 100.000 €

Group 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agroecology • Plant pathology 	Group 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course recogn • Nordic coordination • Distance courses 	<u>NOVA rector</u> is resp. for conducting proj evaluations and reporting to KUF/board.	
Group 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food • Horticulture 	Group 3 Course recognition		
B. PhD 2005			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ambition is to continue supporting around 15 annual NOVA PhD courses, at an average total cost of €300.000 per year (€20-25.000 per course). • See more below about the web based application and administration system • NOVA is focusing on two types of PhD courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Single events</u>; single high quality Nordic PhD courses arranged by groups with representative from at least three relevant member institutions ○ <u>Series of events</u>; a series of high quality Nordic PhD courses arranged by groups with representatives from all relevant member institutions and based on a three to five year plan. • NOVA takes the initiative to apply for a EU Marie Curie funding of a number of series of events in well established and high quality areas. Deadline for application is May 2005. • Evaluation seminar with 2003 (externally evaluated) and 2004/2005 PhD course leaders. 	15 PhD courses, 300 NOVA PhD students, 1200 NOVA PhD ECTS (=250 €per ECTS). <u>Around 10</u> networks are given priority as NOVA series of events, <u>Around 5</u> have chosen to participate in M.C. application.	<u>Course leaders and Networks</u> are resp. for courses and for student recruitment. <u>NOVA rector</u> is resp. for arranging good adm. routines (see below). <u>NOVA rector and Networks</u> are resp. for coord and conducting planning and development M.C. application procedures.	NOVA funding approved for 2005 PhD courses 329.178 € NorFA funding 2005 PhD courses 35.000 € NOVA fund set aside for PhD evaluation seminar 8.250 € M.C.: ?? €per year for 3-4 years, Baltic and European partners included

C. Other Network projects 2005			
NOVA Peditnet	According to plan	Network and Nw leader	NOVA funding until June 2005 Not requested 8.000 €
D. Administrative projects 2005			
a. Updating the NOVA web page, including i. Student portal ii. Course catalogue (NOVA Phd and MSc courses, area courses and semester packages) iii. Network and project portal	Jan 2005	NOVA rector	Funded by administrative NOVA budget
b. Developing the web based PhD application and administration system i. Well functioning PhD application system ii. Well functioning PhD administration system	Feb 2005	NOVA rector, PhD course leaders for testing.	Funding in budget for 2005 10.000 €(b. and c.)
c. Well functioning MSc administration system	Sept 2005	NOVA rector	see above.
d. Administrative coordination project Focus areas during 2005 i. Student and teacher mobility scheme and procedure ii. Course recognition iii. Other relevant areas	End of 2005	<u>NOVA rector</u> together with relevant <u>member administrative bodies</u> , <u>local NOVA coordinators</u> and <u>N+ network</u> included.	NOVA funding.
e. Project evaluation procedures i. Evaluation and performance indicators	Implemented by June 2005		NOVA funding
f. Incentives and resource sharing system	Implemented by fall 2005	NOVA rector and relevant national admin bodies.	NOVA funding

E. Other areas for 2005			
1 NOVA-BOVA cooperation			
a. Evaluation	June 2005		Full external funding
b. Further considering the NOVA-BOVA cooperation	After evaluation		-NCM -EU
2 NOVA identity, profile and image			
a. Using the local NOVA Teams, arranging local NOVA Days, evaluation by the end of 2005,	End of 2005	Local NOVA Teams/ Local NOVA coordinator	NOVA funding
b. NOVA rector visiting member institutions,			
c. Improving NOVA web site		NOVA rector	
d. NOVA seminar 2005	June 2005		
3. NOVA organization			
a. Half time evaluation, by the end of 2005	End of 2005	NOVA Board/NOVA rector	NOVA funding
b. Consider some kind of partnership with Univ of Joensuu, Forest faculty.			