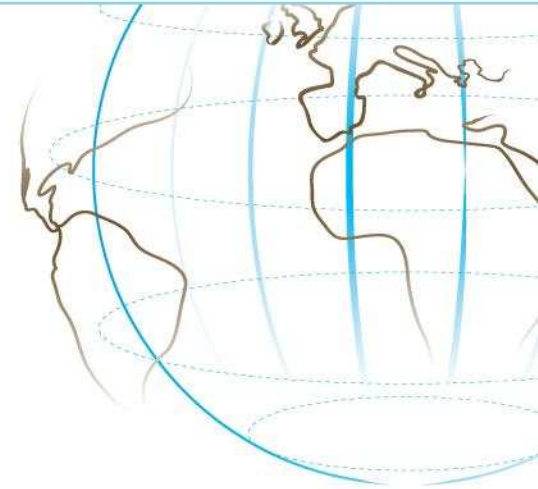


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SIU – Norwegian Centre for International Cooperation in Education

- National agency, part of the Ministry of education and research
- Main tasks:
 - Administration of programmes for international cooperation in education
 - Promotional activities
 - Competence center for the educational sector and national authorities

Norway – country facts I

- Size: 385 000 Km²
- Population: 5,1 million (2012)
- Languages: Norwegian and Sami
- GNP: 500 billion \$ (2012)/100 000\$ per capita
- Currency: Norwegian kroner (NOK), (NOK/\$ ≈ 6/1)
- 19 county regions/440 municipalities
- Elections: every 4 years
- Prime minister (since 2013):
 - Erna Solberg
 - Conservative/right wing government



Norway – country facts II

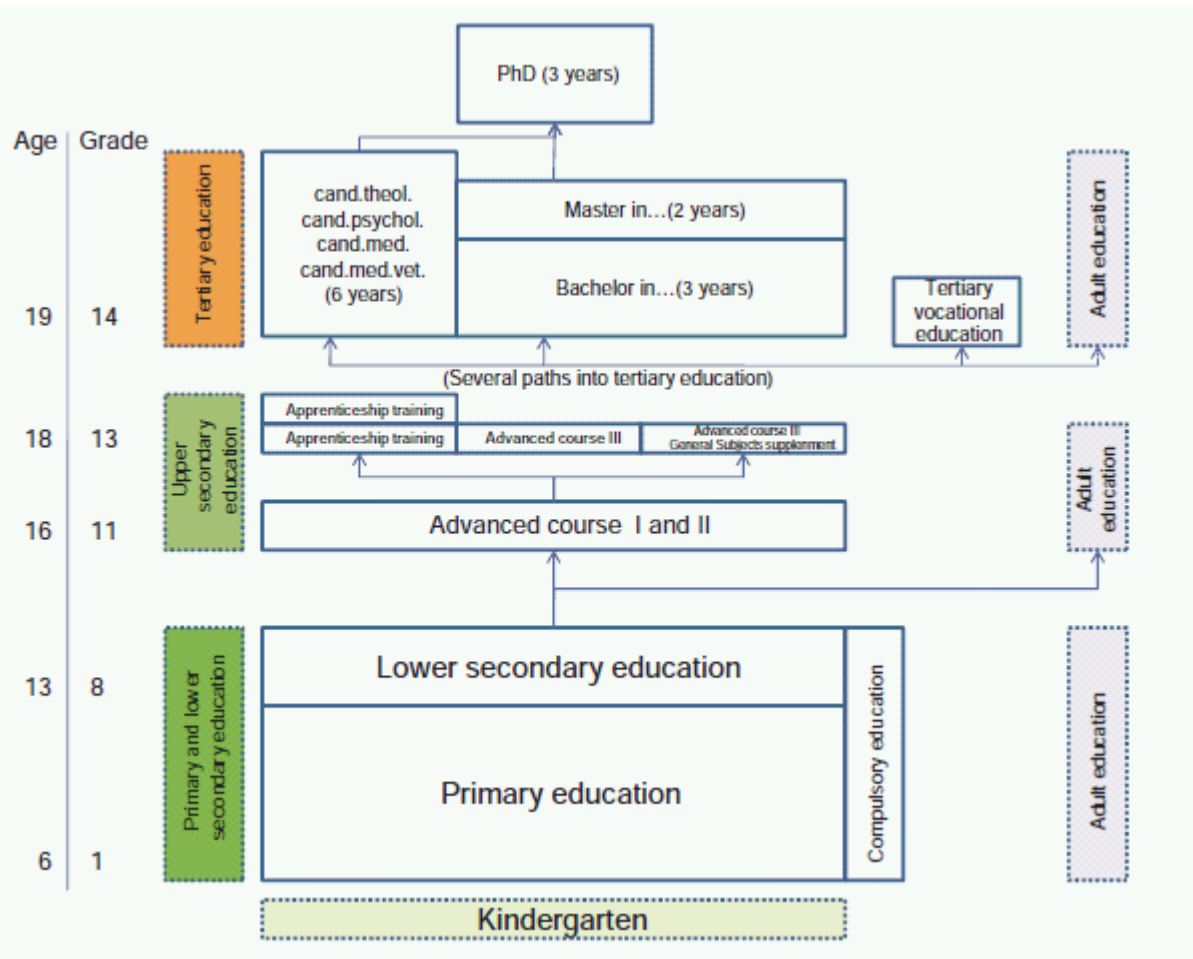
- Constitutional monarchy (since 1905):
 - King Harald V
- Sovereign state since 872
 - In union with Denmark 1397 – 1814
 - In union with Sweden 1814 – 1905
- Extensive Nordic cooperation
- Member of NATO
- Member of EFTA, associated with EU (EEA area).
- Full partner in Erasmus+



Norway – country facts III

- Cooperation with Algeria:
- Quota scheme

Norway - Educational system



International strategy

- Act relating to universities and university colleges
- **2.2.7 Strengthened international and multicultural orientation**
- There is an ambition for internationalisation to improve the quality of Norwegian education and to make the institutions more attractive partners of cooperation.
- The institutions should:
 - Develop and implement an integrated strategy for internationalisation which is solidly supported in the institutional leadership and at all levels of the institution.
 - Work systematically to integrate international and global aspects in the subjects and the programs
 - Prepare for cooperation and exchange of students and teachers through the establishment of agreements with relevant quality institutions abroad
 - Ensure formalised, solid and relevant cooperation agreements
 - Encourage the students to make use of the option of having an exchange period as part of their study program
 - (my translation)

Norway – Higher Education - structure

- Legal basis: Act relating to universities and university colleges (2005)
 - The purpose of this Act is to make provisions for universities and university colleges to
 - a) Provide higher education at a high international level.
 - b) Conduct research and academic and artistic development work at a high international level.
- Institutions are accredited by NOKUT, an independent public body (Enic/Naric)
- Higher education in Norway is free of charge for all, including foreign students (new proposition which will introduce tuition fees for non-European students)

Norway – Higher Education - institutions

- Universities – «Classic» broadly based institutions. The institutions have wide authority of self accreditation (8)
- Specialized institutions – Institutions at university level, but within a limited subject area (music, economics etc). Accreditation authority as above. (8)
- University colleges – limited accreditation authority. (27)
- Private institutions – mostly small and specialized (subject to the same Act as public institutions)(9+23)

Higher Education – student population

- Total student number: 269 000 (2013)
 - Of these: 60% women
- Universities: 105000
- Specialized institutions: 32000
- University colleges: 93000
- Other institutions: 39000
- 21% of Norwegian students go abroad for the whole or part of their studies
- Norwegian grade students abroad: 16 000
- Norwegian exchange students: approx. 8 000

- Foreign students in Norway: 18 500
 - Grade students: 12 500
 - Exchange students: 6 000

Norway – Higher Education –

- Participates in the Bologna Process
- 2002: The Quality Reform ->
 - Bachelor/Master/PhD (3+2+3)
 - Use of ECTS -> Grading scale: A-F
 - Diploma supplement
- Has signed the Lisbon Recognition Convention
- => recognition of comparable degrees
- May participate in international cooperation up to and including Joint Degrees

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- **Thank you for your attention!**



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