

Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Higher Education Training: Profile of the Delivery Partner for Module 1 (20-24 March 2023)

University of Turku is one of the most *international* universities in Finland, and ranked among the top 1% of universities in the world. The University is a multidisciplinary university that offers excellent conditions for ground-breaking interdisciplinary research and making the results available for the benefit of society.

Over the years, University of Turku has developed a strategy for entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial training, the aim of which is to strengthen entrepreneurial attitudes and methods that support entrepreneurship. As an entrepreneurial university, the University of Turku promotes entrepreneurial awareness and offers education in entrepreneurship. Their Technology Transfer Office promotes creating business activity from research and supports the commercialization of research results and inventions.

About the facilitators:

1. Joachim Ramström, PhD

Professor Joachim Ramström is a senior lecturer in the School of Economics, University of Turku. He has been actively involved in Entrepreneurship in higher education for 15 years in the university. He has worked in different roles including developing entrepreneurship courses, coaching startup teams and also developing innovation and startup courses. He developed a whole bachelor degree program in entrepreneurship as well as facilitating and mentoring different teacher education programs.

Professor Ramström did his PhD in international business and strategy with a focus on cross cultural business relationships in Southeast Asia. His current research interest focuses on team and entrepreneurship learning in universities.

2. Sanna Ilonen, PhD

Professor Sanna Ilonen is with the Department of Management and Entrepreneurship in the School of Economics at the University of Turku. She is responsible for entrepreneurship subject and has been engaged in entrepreneurship research and education studies for the past 10 years. Her research interests focus on entrepreneurship education in higher education and related work-life balance of entrepreneurship.

Professor Ilonen has published her research works in international journals such as International Journal of Entrepreneurial Behaviour & Research and Entrepreneurship Education and Pedagogy. She was awarded the best reviewer nominee prize in 2020 by Research in Entrepreneurship and Small Business (RENT) Conference.

She serves on the board of Finnish Scientific Association for Entrepreneurship Education.