GETA Final Seminar
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**GETA**

- founded 1994
  - the largest graduate school in Finland
- 67 doctoral student positions
- 5 participating universities
  - Aalto University
  - Tampere University of Technology
  - University of Oulu
  - University of Turku
  - University of Jyväskylä
- 140 supervisors, 37 units
- 2 M€ for student salaries yearly
- operations budget 150 k€/year
Organization

• Director: Ari Sihvola (Aalto/RAD) 2007–2013
• Coordinator: Marja Leppäharju (Aalto/ELEC)
• Board
  – Ari Sihvola, Aalto, chairman (deputy: Heikki Koivo)
  – Jari Nurmi, TUT (Simona Lohan)
  – Janne Heikkilä, OY (Juha Häkkinen)
  – Jouni Isoaho, UT (Risto Punkkinen)
  – Tapani Ristaniemi, JyU (Timo Hämäläinen)
• General Assembly
Number of applicants/accepted
During its lifetime, GETA has spent

and

- 2.5 million euros into operations
- 38 million euros for doctoral students’ salaries
During 1995–2013:

155 courses and seminars

GETA graduates: numbers

- 1995–2013: (balance on October 30)
  260 graduated doctors

- TKK/Aalto 140
- TUT 58
- OY 49
- UT 10
- JyU 3
Age distribution
(years of age on the day of defense)

- average: 30.6 years
- median: 30 years
- mode: 29 years

success story!
impact? - legacy?
• What is GETA?
• Role of the director?
• Success story — legacy?

Johtaja...

• virkamies?
• organisaattori?
• tutkija/tiedemies-esikuva?
• innostaja?
• isoisä?
• 18 years have passed, and the success story of GETA comes to a turning point. As an organization, GETA ceases to operate on 31th December 2013. But its legacy remains.