

5.1. Management of training programmes at STUK

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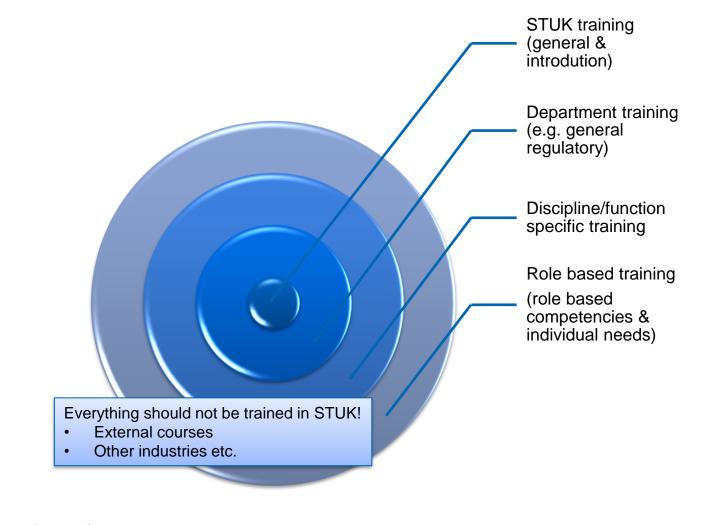
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Training system in STUK

- STUK's training system incorporates the training needs arising from different departments and their units as one system.
- Many of the training items within the training system are not conducted by STUK as external service providers and networks are utilized
- STUK's relatively small yet specialized organization is a constant challenge for the shared structures and contents
 - 'Shared fundamentals and customized details needed'
 - Very few 'inspectors' have a completely similar role e.g. in the area of Nuclear Reactor Regulation department

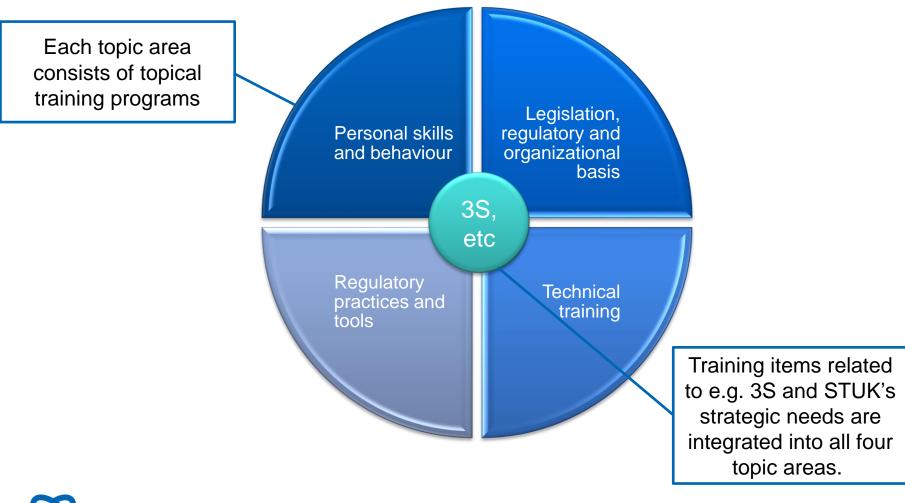


Different levels of training and development in STUK



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Overall topic areas of regulatory training in STUK

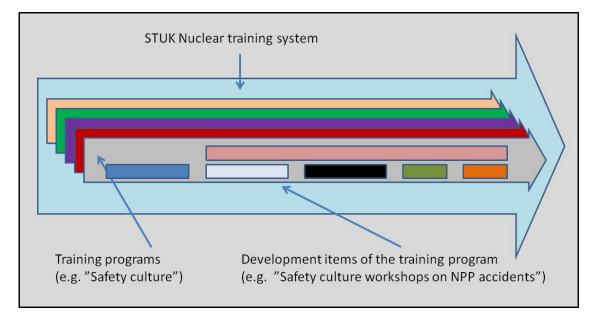


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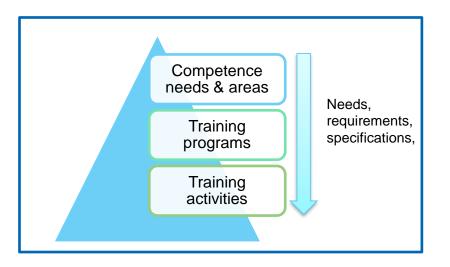
STUK's training programs

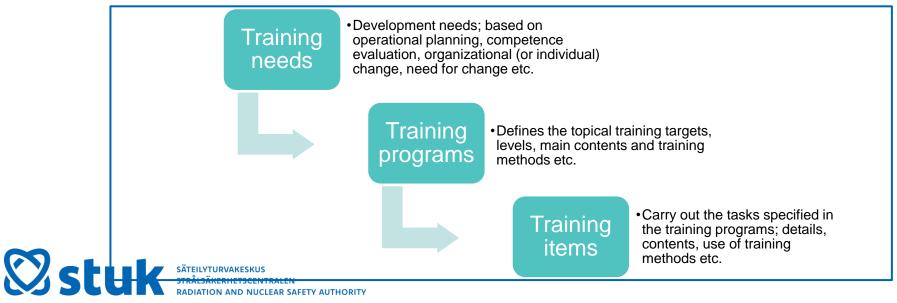
- Each training program has elements for different target groups
 - e.g. basic, advanced and specialized training
- Formal classroom training is only one method used in execution of the programs; external training courses are also included into programs.
- Highlighting the training needs of e.g. inspectors provides feedback for evaluation of training programs and training actions.





Training programs steer the individual training activities





Training program and training descriptions

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Toimintajärjestelmä - koulutusohjelmakuvaus

Tämä koulutuskortti kuvaa sillä esitetyn koulutusohjelman pääpiirteet sekä siihen liittyvät vastuut ja menettelyt. Koulutusohjelmakuvauksen päivittämisestä vastaa ohjelman vastuuliset kouluttajat sekä koulutuksesta vastaava henkilö. Tämän koulutusohjelmakuvauksen ajantasaisuus tarkistetaan vuosittain – tai kun koulutusohjelman sisältöön tehdään merkittäviä muutoksia. ③

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1	Koulutusohjelman nimi	Toimintajärjestelmä
2	Tunnus	mjm täyttää
3	Koulutuskategoria (SARCoN)	mjm täyttää
4	Koulutusohjelman vastuuhenkilö(t)	Kaisa Koskinen
5	Koulutusohjelman tarkoitus ja päätavoitteet	Koulutusohjelma tähtää siihen, että henkilö tuntee STUKin ja YTOn toimintajärjestelmän tehtävässään vaadittavalla tasolla. Hän osaa <u>navikoida</u> järjestelämssä ja ymmärtää sen sisäisen hierarkian.
		Tuntee STUKin laatu- ja turvallisuuspolitiikan ja toimintaperiaatteet. Ymmärtää oman tehtävänsä linkittymisen näihin. Tuntee STUKin keskeiset prosessit ja ymmärtää niiden merkityksen omassa työssään.
		Perehdytysvaiheessa
		Pätevõintivaiheessa
		Yleisen koulutuksen avulla koulutusohjelma
6	Koulutusohjelman keskeiset aihealueet ja sen sisältämät avainkäsitteet	 toimintajärjestelmä laatujärjestelmä
		 prosessit ja proseduurit
7	Koulutusohjelman sisältämät kurssityms.	Perehdytys:
	vastuuhenkilöineen	 STUKin esittely (koulutus): STUKin päätoiminnot ja organisaation esittely (HEP)
		Tarkastajapätevöinti:
		 STUKin toimintajärjestelmä (Kaisa Koskinen)
		 Keskeiset <u>STUK-ohjeet</u> ja prosessit (Kaisa Koskinen ja Erja Kainulainen)
		YTV-ohjeet (Erja Kainulainen)
		 Toimistokohtainen perehtyminen keskeisiin YVL- ja YTV-ohjeisiin (esimies ja <u>YVL-workshop</u>)
		 Tarkastajan perustoiminnan valmennus: esim. kuuleminen, päätösasiakirjat, esittelymuistiot (Päivi Salo)

		Yleinen koulutus: • <u>Ulkopuolinen koulutus:</u> • Lead Auditor-koulutus tarkastustyöhön suuntautuville o Pakollinen johtamisjärjestelmää arvioiville o Muille suositeltava
8	Koulutusohjelman pääkohteet ja osallistujat	Perehdytys: • Kaikki YTOn ja YMOn työntekijät Tarkastajapätevöinti: • Yhteiset koulutukset: kaikki YTOn ja YMOn työntekijät Yleinen koulutus: • Koulutuksen määriitelyn mukaan Ulkopuolinen koulutus: • Koulutuksen määriitelyn mukaan
•	Käytetyt menetelmät	 luennot ja seminaarit itseopiskelu ja harjoitukset pienryhmätyö seuranta ja mentorointi
10	Koulutusohjelmassa käytettävät arviointimenettelyt	tentitpalautekyselyt
11	Koulutusohjelman kehittäminen	Vuosisuunnitteluprosessin mukailu – kehitystarpeiden vuosittainen arviointi.
12	Muuta/linkitykset	 SAHA-koulutus (tarkastustyökalut) Auditointikoulutus (laadunhallinta)
13	Koulutusohjelman materiaalit ja muut liitteet	SAHA-linkki: Muut linkit:

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System of planned programs and activities

- Training activities engage a variety of experts with different levels of competence
 - Different focus groups: introduction/basic, general, advanced
- The training system require systematic work
 - e.g. evaluation of needs, planning, design, execution and evaluation of the activities (and their effectiveness)
- The system needs to be revised on a regular basis
 - to ensure the quality, necessity and timeliness of its contents
 - a good training system applies the principles of continuos development
 - to evaluate the effectiveness of procedures etc.

Mitigating the risk of detachment

Avoiding the detachment

- Network support for training 'maintenance work'
 - Understanding of STUK's operations and their needs
- Active role (of training staff) in daily life of an organization
 - Gaining and maintaining the understanding
 - Synchronized planning processes
- 'Competencies' defined, evaluated and linked with main training elements
- Co-operation internally (all levels of the organization) and externally
- Ability and willingness to adjust when it is needed
 - 'Let's not fall in love with our old ideas and structures'
- "Different but not different!" good practices from other industries etc.
- IMS support for the training activities



Qualification training of a STUK inspector



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Role of an inspector in STUK

- In general, STUK's the inspectors (e.g. in Nuclear Safety) are not divided into specific roles of Licensing Specialist, Safety Assessor, Inspector, as the oversight of licensing, safety assessment and inspections are processes of STUK's regulatory framework.
- The holistic role of an individual inspector develops gradually from basic tasks to more demanding ones.
 - Gradually developing general understanding of various oversight processes
 - Specialization in
 - Oversight processes etc.
 - Technical matters etc.
 - Broader understanding; generalist profile
 - Evaluated and supported continuosly (e.g. annual/continuous development discussions)



Inspector Qualification Process in STUK

- The qualification process produces formal qualifications as an output
 - Qualification is a requirement to carry out appointed oversight activities (e.g. inspections or partial inspections) independently
 - An inspector's tests and a display of maturity (work samples) are required
- Different departments have different qualification processes and procedures (e.g. radiation surveillance, nuclear safety oversight, laboratories)
- Each new inspector has a personal (yet structured) qualification program (personal qualification plan)
- The objective is to ensure the basic understanding and knowledge, to maintain consistency and stability of regulatory control (and e.g. to prevent excessive subjectivity in decision making by individual staff members).
- Inspector qualification processes are being updated in 2023-24 (e.g. Nuclear Reactor Regulation department).



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Initial Inspector Qualification Process in STUK

- To secure and to ensure the development of "adequate level of expertise"
 - General and shared competence areas
 - Specialized competence areas
- Initial Qualification Plans pay attention to
 - needs of the specified role and responsibilities
 - professional background
 - academic background
 - personality factors
- Time span for the initial inspector qualification vary (from 6 months to 2 years)
 - "The qualification is a good starting point for further professional development"
- · Continuous need (and demand) for personal development
 - annual performance review (incl. competencies)
 - personalized development plans
 - Inspector test periodically
- Unit specific qualification training for 'transferring inspectors'





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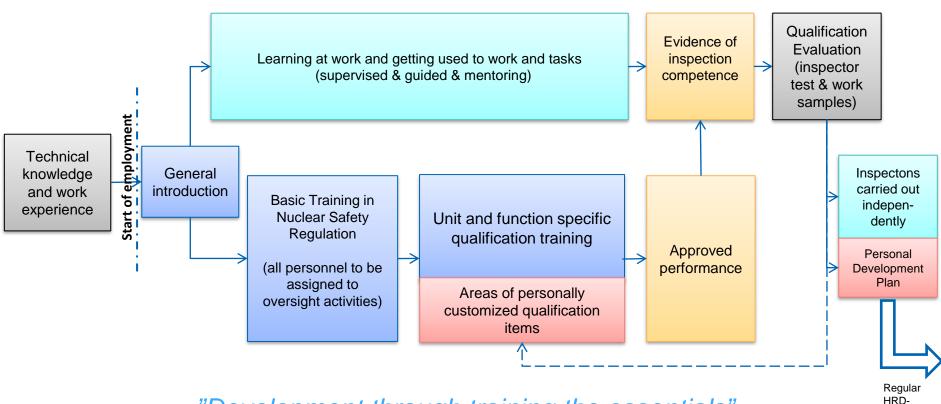
- Initial inspector qualification process
 - Improves and harmonizes the level of basic knowledge and skills among the inspectors
 - Provides a structured framework for qualification and introduction actions
 - Monitors the implementation of the process
 - Ensures that the different elements of the qualification are developed continuously – based on the feedback and the results achieved
- Initial qualification consists of two main elements for learning:
 - On-the-job learning/training & mentoring
 - Formal training (and other development elements)
 - Trainings are categorized in general introduction, general inspector training and unit specific qualification training
 - These structures are complemented by external training cources and programs as needed (personal plan)



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Initial Inspector Qualification of Nuclear Reactor Regulation dept.

"Development through everyday work"



"Development through training the essentials"

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Inspector Qualification: Basic Elements

On-the-job learning

Customized content based on the initial level of competence and the targeted role as an inspector

General STUK introduction

(e.g. STUK information, common instructions, STUK's security etc.)

Inspector Training in Nuclear Safety Oversight

(e.g. nuclear safety, nuclear engineering, regulatory framework, management system, NRR activities, inspection tools, quality management, knowledge of national NPP solutions, NRR inspection programs, safety culture etc.)

Discipline/domain specific inspector training

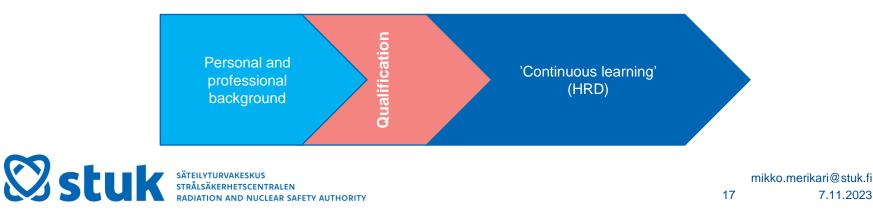
(technical and other topics that are specific for the domain in further details e.g. I&C systems, pressurized equipment, inspection practices, methods and tools, real-life examples, specific regulation and

requirements etc.)

General training provided to all inspectors/staff

Qualification of an inspector as the gateway to oversight work & continuous learning

- Qualifying for 'the ground floor' of e.g. technical discipline, project role
- 'Qualification as a filtering process'
 - Ensuring
 - the adequate competence
 - the common knowledge and role based KSA
- Special attention to professionals returning to work or changing their responsivilities / roles
- Performances of each individual are evaluated annually. This includes a general evaluation of shown competence.
 - Furthermore, periodical inspector tests are required and certain positions/roles have position based qualification requirements that shall be fullfilled.





Questions?

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