

# NORDIC FIVE TECH

## Agreement on mutual recognition of bachelor level degrees

### The Nordic Five Tech Alliance

The Nordic Five Tech is an exclusive strategic alliance of the leading technical universities in Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden established with the aim to utilize shared and complementary strengths and create synergy within education, research and innovation.

### Background

Within the spirit of the Nordic collaboration and on the basis of a shared educational tradition and culture, the Nordic Five Tech aims to become the check point for Nordic and international M.Sc. in Engineering students. The effort is in line with the Nordic Prime Ministers' decision to focus on joint Nordic initiatives at this time of tougher international competition and the idea of developing a "European Higher Education Area" as expressed in the Sorbonne and in the Bologna declarations. The Nordic Five Tech therefore encourages measures that support the mobility of students, teachers and administrative staff.

The Nordic Five Tech ambition is supported by the establishment of common programs, by increasing horizontal mobility and by providing its' students with a large portfolio of possible master programs through the establishment of a shared recognition of degrees at bachelor level.

### Agreement

In order to support the ambitions of the alliance, the Rectors of the Nordic Five Tech have thus agreed on the following:

- The Bachelor and Master degrees issued by the Nordic Five Tech universities satisfy the same high standards of quality and excellence and can be considered as equivalent in academic level.
- The Nordic Five Tech recognizes the bachelor-master structure as well as the integrated five year degree.



- Students with a B.Sc. Eng degree or an education equivalent to this from a Nordic Five Tech university will be treated for admission to a M.Sc. Eng program at another Nordic Five Tech university in the same way as any local student from this institution.
- A B.Sc. Eng degree or equivalent is given on the basis of a research based program and equivalent to 180 ECTS points and comprises the following titles:

DTU:	Bachelor i Teknisk Videnskab Bachelor of Science in Engineering, B.Sc. Eng.
NTNU:	Transcript of Records with a declaration of B.Sc. equivalence from NTNU
CHALMERS:	Teknologie Kandidatexamen Bachelor of Science, B.Sc.
KTH:	Teknologie Kandidatexamen Bachelor of Science in Engineering, B.Sc. Eng.
TKK:	Tekniikan kandidaatin tutkinto Teknologie kandidatexamen Bachelor of Science in Technology, B.Sc. Tech.

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