

What should regions expect from their HEIs?

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The Stavanger Region

- Location: South western coast of Norway
- Energetic city: International, determined and open.
- 250 000 inhabitants from some 150 nations
- The Energy Capital of Europe
- Strong growth for 40 years



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Building a region for future generations

Examples on what we do

- University of Stavanger
- New stadium (fotball)
- European Capital of Culture in 2008
- Festivals
- New 1,1 billion NOK concert hall
- Improved infrastructure



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The Vision: University

”The future of Europe is about the development of robust regions that has the ability and will to create progress, creativity and knowledge in business as well as society. A driving force within this development is the continuous efforts focused on knowledge and research where the University of Stavanger is a central contributor.”

(University-patron Bjørn Stangeland, Regional Manager NHO
- Confederation of Norwegian Enterprise, Rogaland, 2000)



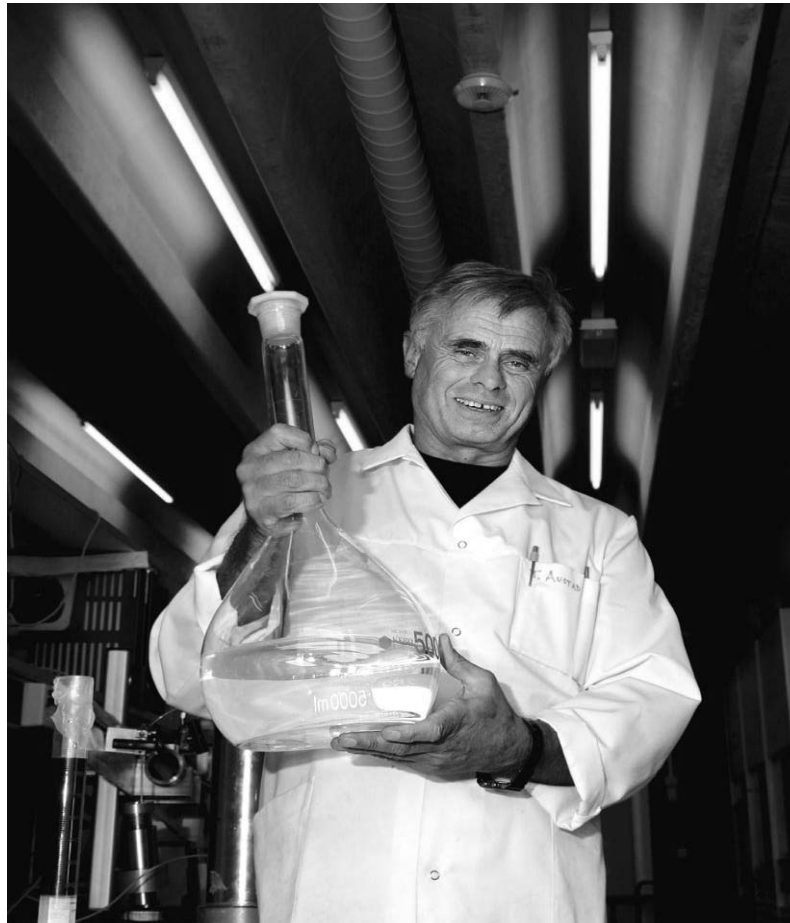
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The Process: Money and Political Support



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The Process: Academic Development



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Vision and Expectations



- Build on regional advantages
- Draw on the benefits of regional resources
- Strengthen successful sectors
- Create an environment for new initiatives
- Create strong business clusters



Vision and Expectations



- A lasting institution
- Regional focus on science and education
- Increased academic expertise
- Attract more students
- More research and development funds
- An even more attractive region

