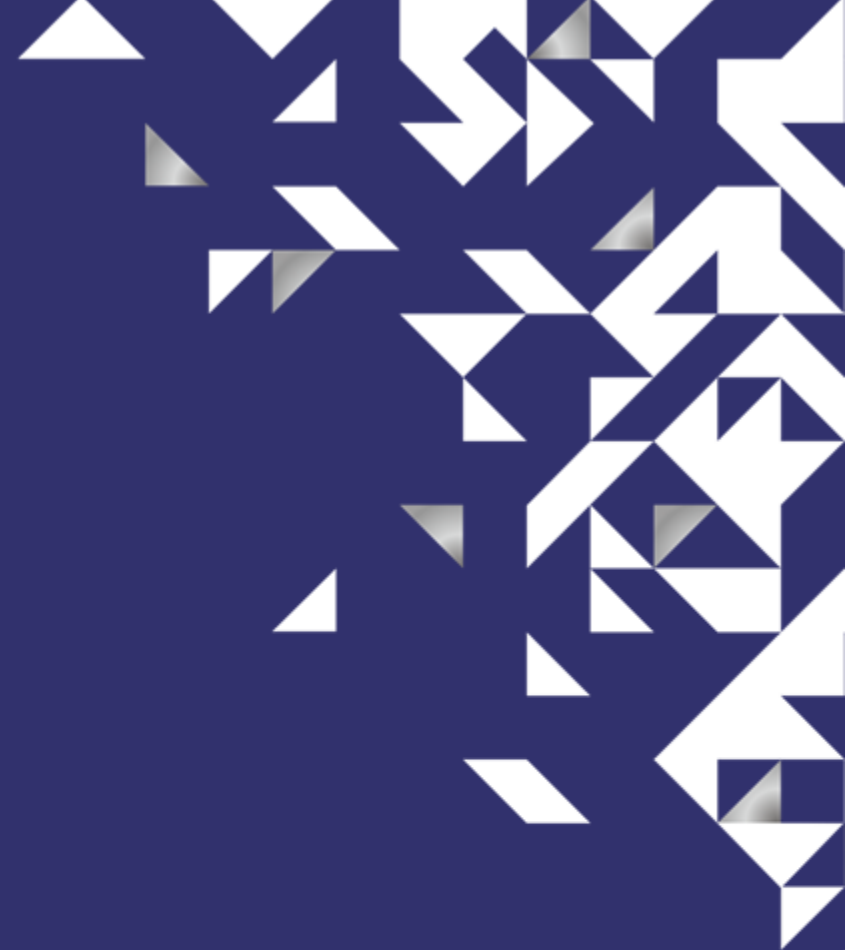


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Student Admission System
(SAIS)



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Student Admission System <https://sais.ee/>

SAIS has been created for the electronic management of the process of submitting applications to educational institutions.

The citizens of Estonia can submit required documentation through the system and educational institutions can manage the information and data of candidates in a systemic way.

ID-card or Mobile-ID must be used to access SAIS. Both are easy, secure and convenient methods to provide access to Estonia's secure e-services.

SAIS has integration with Study Information Systems, Education Information Systems, Population Register, Student Admission Software for Foreigners and Examination Information System.



SAIS: General Information and Users

SAIS1 was used from 2005 to 2015

New SAIS2 was launched in June 2016

SAIS is currently used by 41 educational institutions:

- 7 Universities
- 7 Universities of Applied Sciences
- 23 Vocational Schools
- 4 State Gymnasiums

Application numbers (by the end of main application period, all statuses):

In 2019 – 66 773 applications

In 2018 – 62 963 applications

In 2017 – 57 929 applications

In 2016 – 57 200 applications



SAIS: Structure

Consortium based management (School representative + HITSA member)

Aim is to map, analyses and prioritize the development needs regarding on common interests;
and also optimizing the costs

2-4 gatherings per year

The Contract regulates:

Roles and responsibilities (Consortium, Chairperson, Project Manager, Working group, Member)

Joining and leaving the Consortium

Governance and management of the Consortium

Each member has a vote

1/3 is equal or fixed

2/3 is depending on the number of students

Fee

Schools have to pay annual fee to join SAIS. 1/3 of the fee is equal or fixed and 2/3 is depending on the number of students. An average annual fee is approximately 1,6 € per student.



SAIS: Candidate viewpoint

SAIS covers the entire admission process starting from the selection of the contest and submission of the application until the proposed study place is accepted.

SAIS allows the candidate:

Find information about learning opportunities offered by educational institutions that have joined SAIS

Submit the application form electronically 24/7, change it if needed or cancel it

For candidacy use the data contained in the national databases (such as personal data, state examinations results, final grades of primary or secondary school).

Add files to application (parent's statement, CV, motivation letter, scanned copies of graduation documents)

To register on entrance examinations or interviews

Receive automatic notifications about the status of the application, test results etc. Receive messages sent by the school admissions manager.

Real-time tracking of candidate's position in the rankings and view the lists of accepted candidates

Accept or reject a place of study

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SAIS: Educational institution viewpont

SAIS covers the admission process starting from the creation of contests schedule to the transfer of the data to the study information system.

SAIS allows:

To distribute the rights of use of the information system according to the profile of the employees of the educational institution.

Set up contests according to educational institution's admission criteria, describe the curriculum and provide the necessary instructions for candidacy.

Supplement, process or add new applications manually, send notifications to the candidates.

Configure and manage admission tests, enter results in a protocol and publish the result to the candidate.

Accelerate and simplify the admission process thanks to data exchange (which is quick and improves the quality of the data) automated application processing and automatic calculation of competition points, the creation and updating of rankings in real time.

Create queries, generate and present different kind of statistics and reports. Staff have full overview of the candidates as well as the results and competition. Statistics also enables combine the data afterwards with the learning results and is the basis for learning analytics to improve the process.

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SAIS: Main Impact

SAIS has changed the admissions process more economical, convenient and high-quality mainly due to 4 core functionalities:

Data inquiries from national registries

Setting up admissions tests

Automated processing of the applications

Online reporting and statistics

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Thank you for your attention!