# STUDENT DETAILS

University department / faculty: Natural Sciences II

Field of study: Polymer Material Science

Home university: Martin Luther University

Nationality: Srilankan

Duration of traineeship (from ...to...): June 01 - December 05

#### TRAINEESHIP INSTITUTION

Country: Finland

Name of traineeship institution: Metgen Oy

Web page: www.metgen.com

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## **EXPERIENCE REPORT** (approx. 3 pages + more photos if applicable)

#### 1) Traineeship institution

Please give a brief description of your host traineeship insitution.

Metgen is a pioneering Biotechnology company providing Enzymatic solutions to various industries. I had a great experience while working. It is a multiculural environment with various nationalities. There are highly skilled people who is ready to share their knowledge without any hesitance. It is a strress free working environment. I would highly recommend this company.

#### 2) Searching for a traineeship

How did you find your traineeship? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I found this traineeship through Google search - https://erasmusintern.org/. This is a good link for finding erasmus internship.

#### 3) Preparation

How did you prepare for your traineeship in terms of language, intercultural, professional and organisational aspects? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

As I already have intercultural and intelletual experience, I did not speciffically prepare for this traineeship.

### 4) Accommodation

How did you find your accommodation? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I did not find any trouble in finding accommodation because the company offered me a very good apartment during my stay.

## 5) International Students (non-EU countries)

Which prearrangements had to be made in terms of visa, residence and work permit? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

Not applicable

### 6) Traineeship

Please describe the tasks and / or the projects carried out during your traineeship. In which way were you mentored and integrated? How were the working conditions? Did you have especially positive or negative experiences?

I was working in close relation with all departments at MetGen. She learn the principles of lignocellulosic biomass processing. I worked with prototype and commercial MetGen products (Metzyme) on customer's substrates. In addition, I took part in basic maintenance of the laboratory. Finally, 1 month was used to report and extra time to be use for non-planned tasks.

I had a very good positive experience. My collegues were friendly.

# 7) Acquired Qualifications

Which qualifications and skills could you acquire or improve during your traineeship?

Gained knowledge about the company and professional experience. Learned to think with a business oriented mindset and business-driven goals. Able to implement the polymer chemistry knowledge in practice. Working independently in the laboratory after being given initial direction. Dedicated towards the work. Developed my interpersonal and communication skills.

### 8) Other

*Is there anything else you want to let other students know?* 

Please do some erasmus trainesship during your study because it will help you to land in a professional job.

## 9) Conclusion

What is the conclusion drawn after your traineeship experience abroad?

I developed my skills even more and acquired some confident. I got many friends and got an experience of being in another country. Importantly, I achieve something in this internship by getting a job offer.



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