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# Higher Education in Iceland and the upcoming Icelandic co-chairmanship in the BFUG/EHEA

Government of Iceland
Ministry of Higher Education,
Science and Innovation





## Iceland in a nutshell

388,000 inhabitants, 63% in the capital area

Member of Bologna Process since 1999

7 HEIs (!), some extremely small

New Ministry for Higher Education, Science and Innovation in 2021



# Latest and upcoming policy developments in Higher Education in Iceland

New funding model for Higher Education an associated changes to tuition fees

Increased emphasis on collaboration between institutions and possible reduction in number of HEIs

Changes to the Student loan fund

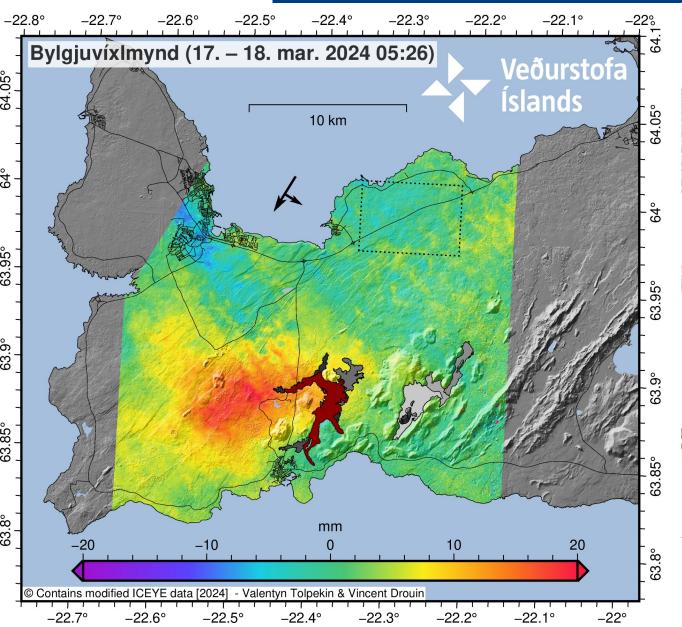
Changes to the NQF to phase out short qualifications, enable microcredentials and readier recognition of LLL

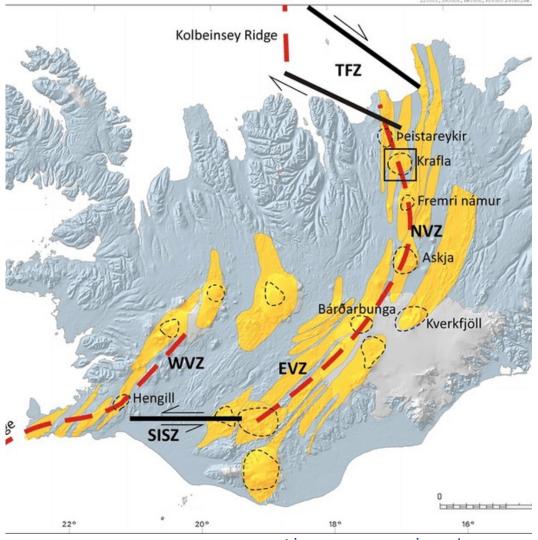
Easing access for qualified professionals from outside EU/EEA





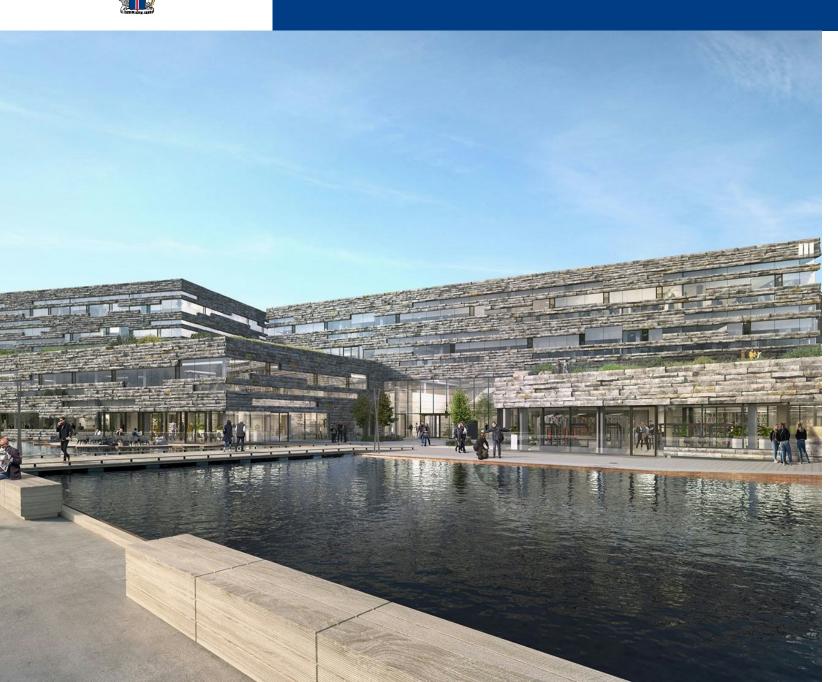






Airport operational as normal





#### Bologna Board Meeting

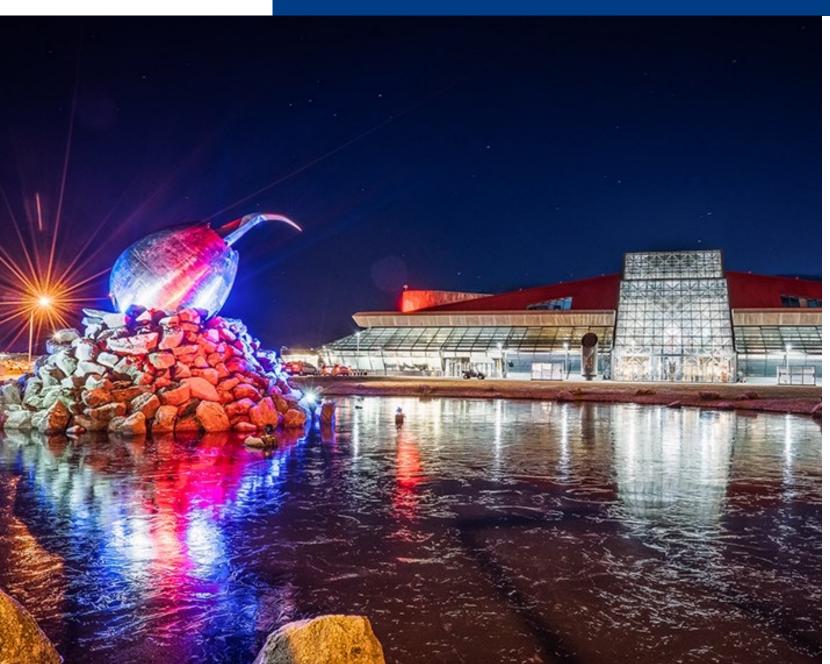
Reykjavik, September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024

Location (to be confirmed): Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation

Reykjastræti 6, 101 Reykjavik Iceland

Dinner the evening before





## Transport to Iceland

KEFLAVIK airport (45 km from Reykjavik)

Information about airlines and connections can be found here <a href="https://www.isavia.is/en/keflavik-airport/flight-information/destinations">https://www.isavia.is/en/keflavik-airport/flight-information/destinations</a>