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## **Government plan for analysis, assessment and research in support of decision-making 2019**

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## **GOVERNMENT PLAN FOR ANALYSIS, ASSESSMENT AND RESEARCH IN SUPPORT OF DECISION-MAKING 2019**

### **Objectives of the plan**

The objective of the Government plan for analysis, assessment and research that underpins decision-making is to ensure that there is a strong and horizontal knowledge base to support decision-

The plan steers the studies and research selected by the Government towards specific priority areas that are relevant to the work of the Government and the ministries.

The aim of the plan is to create a basis for systematic and broad-based use of research data in decision-making in Government and the ministries, and to strengthen the knowledge base that the Government and the ministries use in decision-making, knowledge-based policy and overall strategic insight. The research topics are clearly linked to the information needs and questions in the Government's decision-making processes.

### **Content and implementation of the plan for analysis, assessment and research and related responsibilities**

The plan addresses the priority areas/topics of the analysis, assessment and research activities to be carried out under the Prime Minister's Office item 23.01.22 Analysis, Assessment and Research Activities (deferred appropriation of EUR 10.5 million for a three-year period) including financial estimates and relevant responsibilities for preparation and guidance. The purpose for which the appropriation is to be used is defined in the detailed statement for the budget item.

The information needs in the plan have been identified in the ministries, and open, web-based co-creation was also utilised.

The plan includes an appropriation of EUR 2.3. million for immediate information needs of the new government to be elected after the spring 2019 general election.

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY 1. WELLBEING, EQUALITY AND INCLUSION**

<b>ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC</b>	<b>MINIS-TRY IN CHARGE</b>	<b>OTHER MINIS-TRIES</b>	<b>COST ESTI-MATE (€)</b>
<b>1.1</b> Promoting social wellbeing and its structures in the regional government, health and social services reform	<b>Ministry of Social Affairs and Health</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of the Environment	200,000
<b>1.2</b> Families in the technological transformation – Changes brought about by digitalisation for children, young people and families and their daily lives and relationships	<b>Ministry of Social Affairs and Health</b>	Ministry of Education and Culture	200,000
<b>1.3</b> Current situation in children’s shared residence and its effect on service and benefit systems	<b>Ministry of Social Affairs and Health</b>	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Education and Culture	200,000
<b>1.4</b> State and future of civil society	<b>Ministry of Justice</b>	Prime Minister’s Office, Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	150,000
<b>1.5</b> Effectiveness of the Non-Discrimination Act	<b>Ministry of Justice</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Ministry of the Environment	150,000
<b>1.6</b> Impact assessment of multilateral cooperation in services that help young people find work	<b>Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</b>	Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	150,000
<b>1.7</b> General upper secondary school cooperation with higher education institutions and working life	<b>Ministry of Education and Culture</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	150,000

<b>1.8</b> Information needs to be specified later for the Healthy Premises project	<b>Prime Minister's Office</b>	Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Ministry of the Environment	300,000
<b>1.9</b> Identifying those with multi-sectoral service needs, service paths for people of working age and the financial ramifications of supporting work capacity. A: How to locate customers who need many services? B: Integration of health and social services, growth services and rehabilitation services for people of working age and process feasibility	<b>Ministry of Social Affairs and Health</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of Finance	650,000 <i>A 300,000</i> <i>B 350,000</i>
<b>1.10</b> Child-centred budgeting	<b>Ministry of Social Affairs and Health</b>	Ministry of Finance	150,000
<b>1.11</b> Parental leave and family choices	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	150,000

## STRATEGIC PRIORITY 2. ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND CLEAN SOLUTIONS

<b>ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC</b>	<b>MINISTRY IN CHARGE</b>	<b>OTHER MINISTRIES</b>	<b>COST ESTIMATE (€)</b>
<b>2.1</b> Financing of compensation for environmental damage in insolvency cases – Best practices and comparisons	<b>Ministry of the Environment</b>	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	150,000
<b>2.2</b> Overall estimate of Finland's implementation of the National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan 2012-2020	<b>Ministry of the Environment</b>	Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	200,000

<p><b>2.3</b> Sami culture adjustment to climate change</p>	<p><b>Ministry of the Environment</b></p>	<p>Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</p>	<p>150,000</p>
<p><b>2.4</b> Cost-effectiveness assessment of emission reduction measures</p>	<p><b>Ministry of the Environment</b></p>	<p>Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</p>	<p>200,000</p>
<p><b>2.5</b> Overall situation picture of financial gains obtained by means of environmental offences</p>	<p><b>Ministry of the Environment</b></p>	<p>Ministry of Justice and Ministry of the Interior</p>	<p>100,000</p>
<p><b>2.6</b> Renewable Energy Directive (RED II) – self-generation of electricity, energy communities and permit procedures and broadening of the guarantee of origin system</p> <p>A: Self-generation of electricity, energy communities and permit procedures</p> <p>B: Broadening of the guarantee of origin system</p>	<p><b>Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</b></p>	<p>Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of the Environment</p>	<p>200,000</p> <p><i>A 150,000</i></p> <p><i>B 50,000</i></p>
<p><b>2.7</b> Combatting cost-effectively nationally invasive alien species</p>	<p><b>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry</b></p>	<p>Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of the Environment</p>	<p>150,000</p>
<p><b>2.8</b> Load on water bodies in old forest drainage areas</p>	<p><b>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry</b></p>	<p>Ministry of the Environment</p>	<p>150,000</p>

<b>2.9</b> Incentives for water recirculation	<b>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry</b>	Ministry of the Environment	100,000
<b>2.10</b> Culturally and socially sustainable operating modes in tourism in cultural contexts	<b>Ministry of Education and Culture</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of the Environment	150,000
<b>2.11</b> Healthy nutritional environment for children – policy action and cross-administrative approach	<b>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry</b>	Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	150,000

### STRATEGIC PRIORITY 3. SUSTAINABLY COMPETITIVE FINLAND

<b>ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC</b>	<b>MINISTRY IN CHARGE</b>	<b>OTHER MINISTRIES</b>	<b>COST ESTIMATE (€)</b>
<b>3.1</b> Effectiveness of subsidies for passenger ships	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	120,000
<b>3.2</b> Bringing the Limited Liability Companies Act up to date	<b>Ministry of Justice</b>	Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	130,000
<b>3.3</b> Clarification of creditor protection of limited companies and easing of safeguard procedures	<b>Ministry of Justice</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	120,000
<b>3.4</b> Economic impacts of EU trade agreements on Finland	<b>Ministry for Foreign Affairs</b>	Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	150,000

3.5 Impact of regulation on innovation activities and market developments	<b>Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</b>	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Ministry of the Environment	250,000
3.6 Value of Finland's national geospatial data (geodata) resources and competitiveness and effectiveness of mineral clusters	<b>Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</b>	Ministry of Finance, Ministry of the Environment	200,000
3.7 Assessment of the impact of the diesel fuel tax subsidy	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	50,000
3.8 Energy tax subsidies and cost-effective security of supply	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	50,000
3.9 Structural competitiveness	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	60,000

#### STRATEGIC PRIORITY 4. NATIONAL AND GLOBAL SECURITY

ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC	MINISTRY IN CHARGE	OTHER MINISTRIES	COST ESTIMATE (€)
4.1 Customised corruption indicators for the Finnish context and data collection	<b>Ministry of Justice</b>	Ministry of the Interior, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of	150,000

		Economic Affairs and Employment	
<b>4.2</b> Reduced psychiatric assessment and psychiatric treatment for violent criminals	<b>Ministry of Justice</b>	Ministry of the Interior, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	120,000
<b>4.3</b> Sanctions as part of the EU's external operation	<b>Ministry for Foreign Affairs</b>	Ministry of Defence	80,000
<b>4.4</b> Threat of terrorism and countermeasures taken in the foreign and security policy of Finland and the EU	<b>Ministry for Foreign Affairs</b>	Ministry of the Interior	80,000
<b>4.5</b> Hate speech aiming to influence decision-making in society	<b>Ministry of the Interior</b>	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	100,000
<b>4.6</b> Safety planning and preparedness in the counties and municipalities	<b>Ministry of the Interior</b>	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	150,000
<b>4.7</b> Impact assessment from the perspective of national security	<b>Ministry of Defence</b>	Prime Minister's Office	100,000
<b>4.8</b> Russia – strategic communication	<b>Ministry of Defence</b>	Prime Minister's Office, Ministry for Foreign Affairs	150,000
<b>4.9</b> New technological potential for exploiting space	<b>Ministry of Defence</b>	Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of the Environment	200,000



**STRATEGIC PRIORITY 5. SUSTAINABLE REGIONAL AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

<b>ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC</b>	<b>MINIS- TRY IN CHARGE</b>	<b>OTHER MINIS- TRIES</b>	<b>COST ESTI- MATE (€)</b>
<b>5.1</b> Assessment of labour market effects of transport projects	<b>Ministry of Transport and Communications</b>	Ministry of Finance, Ministry of the Environment	150,000
<b>5.2</b> Strategic and integrated approach in sustainable urban development	<b>Ministry of the Environment</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health.	200,000
<b>5.3</b> Regenerative planning in transport and land use	<b>Ministry of the Environment</b>	Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment	150,000
<b>5.4</b> Investment needs in optical fibre and benefits for Finland	<b>Ministry of Transport and Communications</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	100,000
<b>5.5</b> Operating model for networked cooperation between the regions	<b>Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment</b>	Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Ministry of the Environment	150,000

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY 6. DEVELOPING AND SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

<b>ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC</b>	<b>MINIS- TRY IN CHARGE</b>	<b>OTHER MINIS- TRIES</b>	<b>COST ESTI- MATE (€)</b>
<b>6.1</b> Information needs to be identified later for the implementation of the regional government, health and social services reform	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Ministry of Education and Culture, Ministry of	370,000

		Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	
<b>6.2</b> Principle of effectiveness as a steering instrument for the organiser	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>	Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	170,000
<b>6.3</b> Overall situation and future of national foresight	<b>Prime Minister's Office</b>	Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of the Environment	100,000

## 7. OTHER

<b>ANALYSIS/ RESEARCH TOPIC</b>	<b>MINISTRY IN CHARGE</b>	<b>OTHER MINISTRIES</b>	<b>COST ESTIMATE (€)</b>
<b>7.1</b> Information needs to be identified later for the comprehensive project on basic social security and activeness (TOIMI)	<b>Prime Minister's Office</b>	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Ministry of the Environment	200,000
<b>8.6</b> Information needs to be specified by the Economic Council at a later date	<b>Prime Minister's Office</b>		100,000
Information needs to be specified later that are related to productivity	<b>Ministry of Finance</b>		100,000
<b>Information needs to be specified at a later date</b>	<b>Prime Minister's Office</b>		2,300 00
<b>EUR 10.500,000 in total</b>			

## Open call principles

Studies and research projects based on the Government plan for analysis, assessment and research will be selected based on an open call for proposals using objective and non-discriminatory criteria. The procurement will be conducted based on an equal treatment of potential suppliers according to the principles of good governance.

### **Application procedure**

The content of the call for applications will be determined by the Prime Minister's Office. The Prime Minister's Office shall pay the costs of the contract notice in newspapers and magazines to be selected at a later date as well as the costs of translation and the publication of the notice in the Government web service.

The designated ministries will be responsible for assessing the content of the applications and will propose to the Prime Minister's Office which applications could be selected for the analysis, assessment and research activities. The selection criteria for the commissioned studies include relevance, effectiveness, usability, project quality and feasibility, and communications and information management.

The Prime Minister's Office will make the decisions on the procurement of studies and research activities and sign project agreements with the main research service providers.

### **Monitoring and steering of project implementation**

The government working group for the coordination of research, foresight and assessment activities (Working Group) shall serve as the collective contracting authority and monitor performance in attaining the objectives of the plan for analysis, assessment and research.

The Prime Minister's Office will appoint a steering group for each Government analysis, assessment and research project or programme, settle the payments of project costs and monitor the use of appropriations and man-years on an annual basis.

The steering group's remit is to monitor progress in the project and to facilitate the application of the project outcomes as well as to prepare a proposal to the Prime Minister's Office on the payments of the project costs as required by its progress. The steering group is chaired by a representative of the ministry in charge of the project. The chairpersons of the steering groups report on project progress to of their ministries' analysis, assessment and research working group members responsible for the overall monitoring of the research plan and provide all essential material required for the monitoring of the project.

The ministries in charge shall agree, in cooperation with the executor of the project, on the promotion of the application of new information produced in the course of the project. The final reports will be published in the publication series of the Government's analysis, assessment and research activities.

The Prime Minister's Office will issue, as necessary, more detailed regulations and instructions for the implementation of the plan for analysis, assessment and research.

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