

## Call for applications for analysis and research activities in support of government decision-making 2022

On the **30<sup>th</sup> of November 2021**, the Prime Minister's Office will open a call for applications for funding intended to generate data through analysis, assessment and research activities in support of government decision-making. The call for applications is based on the Government's plan for analysis, assessment and research activities in support of decision-making for 2022.

All applications and their appendices must be submitted using the [vnteas-asiointi.fi](https://vnteas-asiointi.fi) electronic application and service system **by 16.00 on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January 2022**.

If you have questions about the application process that are not answered in the application documents, please send your questions as messages via the service system no later than on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2021. Answers to all questions received by the deadline will be published by the 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2021 at: [tietokayttoon.fi](https://tietokayttoon.fi) (in Finnish).

Online application info sessions will be held on some of the analysis and research topics. Updated information on the schedule for the events is available at: [tietokayttoon.fi](https://tietokayttoon.fi) (in Finnish).

The call for applications is intended for organisations, such as universities and universities of applied sciences, research institutes, companies and organisations, or consortia formed by these, including international organisations. The funds are awarded to host organisations only, not to individuals.

The selection criteria for project applications, along with their weightings, are as follows: relevance and usability (25 per cent), project quality (35 per cent), project implementers' expertise and sufficiency of resources (30 per cent), and communications and information management (10 per cent). Decisions to commission analysis and research activities are made by the Prime Minister's Office, which is also responsible for drawing up contracts with the implementers of projects. For more information, see the updated [General terms of the Government's analysis, assessment and research activities](#).

By participating in the call for applications, the applicant agrees to the terms stated in the description of the personal data file of the Government's analysis and research activities (EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679). The confidentiality of the application documents is subject to the provisions of the Act on the Openness of Government Activities (621/1999).

As a general rule, the project application and its appendices are public documents, with the exception of the detailed project plan attached to the application, which is generally secret unless the applicant declares or the authorities decide otherwise (Act on the Openness of Government Activities (621/1999), chapter 6, section 24: Secret official documents, paragraph 21).

If, in the applicant's view, the application contains information to be kept secret in addition to the above, the applicant must indicate the confidential information in a separate appendix along with the grounds for secrecy. The final decision on the secrecy of the information will be made by the Prime Minister's Office.

The Contracting Entity may exclude from the competitive tendering a tenderer to which an exclusion criterion referred to in section 80 or 81 of the Act on Public Procurement applies.

## Analysis and research topics

See the separate attachment on the application page for more [detailed descriptions of the topics](#) (four selected topics are published [in English](#)). The topics covered by the call for applications are grouped according to the priorities set out in the Programme of Prime Minister Sanna Marin's Government.

### 1. Finland as a sustainable economy

analysis/research topic	cost estimate (€)
1.1. Combating climate change, structural change in the economy and competitiveness	200,000
1.2. Impacts of multi-locality on local government finances	150,000
1.3. Cost-effectiveness of joint procurement	200,000

### 2. Carbon neutral Finland that protects biodiversity; housing policy

analysis/research topic	cost estimate (€)
2.1. Assessing the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in Finland	130,000
2.2. Current condition of school buildings and indoor climate	275,000
2.3. Legislation on the use of seabed minerals and possibilities for development	200,000
2.4. Reform of the distribution obligation system for renewable transport fuels (RED III)	100,000
2.5. Utilisation, storage and removal solutions for recovered carbon dioxide	150,000
2.6. Resilience of building ventilation systems against heat waves and respiratory infections	270,000
2.7. Nutrient input ceilings in coastal waters and burden sharing in reducing nutrient load	260,000

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
2.8. Conditions for the green transition in economic sectors and regions	270,000
2.9. Sustainable consumption and steering instruments	290,000
2.10. Activities of municipalities and wellbeing services counties in housing and residential services for older people	200,000

### **3. Globally influential Finland**

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
3.1. Impact of Finland's comprehensive crisis management measures targeted at Afghanistan in 2002–2021	240,000
3.2. Trade barriers faced by Finnish businesses	100,000
3.3. Changes in multilateral cooperation from Finland's perspective	120,000

### **4. Safe and secure Finland built on the rule of law – its development and defence policy**

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
4.1. Authorities' initiative in exchanging information	150,000
4.2. Digital violence against women	100,000
4.3. Legislative challenges faced by diverse families and models for solving them	200,000
4.4. Using social media to support the management of major accidents and enhance national leadership	100,000
4.5. Exploring the connections between social exclusion, vulnerability and safety	130,000
4.6. Development needs in the system of civil emergency preparedness	150,000
4.7. Effectiveness of oversight of legality directed at security authorities	150,000

## 5. Dynamic and thriving Finland, transport networks and agriculture

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
5.1. Using domestic fish for food in a safer and more diverse way	350,000
5.2. Finland's zoonosis situation and risks from the perspective of One Health	100,000
5.3. Ex post assessment of the land use impacts of transport projects	150,000
5.4. Estimating the total costs of measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from transport	150,000

## 6. Finland built on trust and labour market equality

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
6.1. Board and management group duties in listed companies – challenges to women's career development	150,000
6.2. Direct business subsidies granted by municipalities in Finland	100,000
6.3. Differences in the productivity of businesses and the forefront of productivity	170,000

## 7. Fair, equal and inclusive Finland

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
7.1. Impact of digital services in healthcare and social welfare	300,000
7.2. Ecologically sustainable development as part of steering mechanisms in healthcare and social welfare	250,000
7.3. Checkpoints for sickness allowance periods: Realisation of rehabilitation and return to work	150,000
7.4. Preliminary assessment of mental health impacts	150,000
7.5. Effectiveness of the LASTA screening model in preventing offences against children and protecting children	150,000
7.6. Interface between the Social Welfare Act and the Child Welfare Act in supporting children and families	250,000

## 8. Finland that promotes competence, education, culture and innovation

<b>analysis/research topic</b>	<b>cost estimate (€)</b>
8.1. Educational and competence needs related to the green transition	300,000
8.2. Cost-benefit effects of cultural wellbeing	
8.3. Selection of subjects among upper secondary students and its connection to gender equality	150,000
8.4. Attainment of competence targets in democracy and human rights education and realisation of democracy in educational institutions	120,000
8.5. Social innovations of social enterprises	200,000
8.6. Cornerstones of mission-driven innovation policy and Finland's operating model	200,000

