# 2021 FINLAND PROMOTION BOARD CALENDAR

# **Values and Identity -**Reliable Quirky Problem-solving Equal Inclusive MAIN THEMES 2021 Climate **Future** solutions Skills NATURE WILD SUSTAINABLE WAS DELICIOPMENT Nature FINLAND'S **Smart** Relation-Health **KEY STRENGTHS** ship AND WELLBEING Good **Equality** Governance

# Key Elements from Finland's Country Branding Strategy

Finland is known for embracing demanding challenges; when the situation looks impossible, we are at our best. In Finland, everyday life is the best in the world. Finland is an open, inventive, caring and well-functioning society, where competitiveness is built on high proficiency, sustainable development, open-mindedness and collaboration. Finland engages in international dialogue and seeks solutions through cooperation.

# Your tools -



toolbox.finland.fi



finland.fi

# Highlights -

Covid-19 has affected people's lives around the globe and created a need for new **innovations in education and health tech.** Finland is a forerunner in **digitalisation** and strives to create solutions that work all over the world.

Finland seeks to find **climate solutions** through education, research and innovation in cooperation with various societal actors, both domestically and internationally.

**Good governance and equality** form the basis of an inclusive society, generating wellbeing and happiness.

# Priority countries in country branding work of the Finland Promotion Board in 2019–2021

United States Germany Norway Russia South Korea
Mexico United Kingdom Sweden India Japan
Brazil France South Africa China

#### Finland Promotion Board Calendar 2021 -

#### **JANUARY**

#### INTERNATIONAL

24. International Day of Education 25.-29. Davos Dialogues, The World

# Economic Forum, Online

#### FINLAND

Finnish Presidency of the Nordic Council of Ministers 2021

Finland as the Chair of the Freedom Online Coalition

Lahti, European Green Capital 2021

6.-10. Lux Helsinki

29.-30. Educa Fair of Teaching and Education, Helsinki



Kid's innovations

#### **FEBRUARY**

# INTERNATIONAL

- 6. Sámi National Dav
- 11. International Day of Women and Girls in Science
- 11. European 112 Day
- 21. International Mother Language Day

#### **FINLAND**

- 5. Runeberg Day
- 28. Kalevala Day, Finnish Culture Day



Active Winter

#### **MARCH**



#### INTERNATIONAL

- 3. World Wildlife Day
- 8. International Women's Day
- 20. International Day of Happiness
- **21.** International Day of Forests
- 22. World Water Day

#### **FINLAND**

19. Minna Canth Day, Day of Equality



Future skills

#### **APRIL**

# INTERNATIONAL

- 7. World Health Day
- 22. Earth Day

#### **FINLAND**

- 9. Mikael Agricola Day, Finnish Language Day
- 13.-15. FinnBuild
- 18. Municipal Elections



Nature for All

#### MAY

#### INTERNATIONAL

- 3. World Press Freedom Day
- 9. Europe Day
- 15. International Day of Families
- 17. International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia
- 22. The Eurovision Song Contest, Rotterdam, the Netherlands

#### FINLAND

- 1. Vappu, the Day of Finnish Labour
- 9. Mothers Day in Finland

Espoo Cinè International Film Festival, Espoo



Living the Arctic

# JUNE

#### INTERNATIONAL

- 5. World Environment Day
- 8. World Oceans Day
- 11.6-11.7. UEFA EURO 2021
- 18. Sustainable Gastronomy Day
- 20. World Refugee Day

#### **FINLAND**

- 9. Year-long celebrations commemorating 100 years of Åland's autonomy begin
- 12.6.-26.9. Helsinki Biennial 2021. Vallisaari
- 16.-20.6. Midnight Sun Film Festival, Sodankylä
- 16.-22.6. Kuopio Dance Festival
- 17.-19.6. Sideways Festival, Helsinki
- 26. Midsummer Day, Day of the Finnish Flag



A Happy Hän

#### JULY

# INTERNATIONAL

23.7-8.8. Tokyo 2020 Olympics, Japan

#### FINLAND

- 2.-4. Tuska Open Air Metal Festival, Helsinki
- **12.-17.7.** Helsinki Cup
- 16.-17.7. Bättre Folk Festival, Hailuoto
- 2.-31.7. Savonlinna Opera Festival
- 9.-17.7. Pori Jazz Festival
- 12.-16.7. SuomiAreena Public Debate forum, Pori
- Finlayson Art Area, Tampere



A Home in Finland

# Main themes







# **AUGUST**



#### INTERNATIONAL

- 9. International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
- 12. International Youth Day
- 23.8-6.9. Tokyo 2020 Paralympics, Japan

#### FINLAND

- 2.-8. Tampere Theatre Festival
- 6.-7. WKND Festival
- 9. Tove Jansson and Finnish Art Day
- 13-15. Flow Festival, Helsinki
- 19. Night of the Arts, Helsinki
- 19.8-5.9. Helsinki Fest
- 28. Finnish Nature Day



The Finnish Code

### **SEPTEMBER**



#### INTERNATIONAL

- 8. International Literacy Day
- 13.-15.9. World Circular Economy Forum, Toronto
- 15. International Day of Democracy
- 14.-30. UN General Assembly, New York
- 21. International Day of Peace
- 26. European Day of Languages

#### FINLAND

- 4. National Finnish Food Day International Jean Sibelius Conference, Hämeenlinna
- Helsinki Design Week World BioEconomy Forum, Ruka
- Helsinki International Film Festival, Love & Anarchy



ThisisFINLAND social media campaign and Twitter chat

Urban food

#### **OCTOBER**

INTERNATIONAL Election of the Human Rights Council for 2022-2024, Finland is a

- candidate. 1.10-31.3.2022 Expo 2020, Dubai, UAE
- 31. National Day of Finland, Expo 2020
- 5. World Teacher's Day
- 16. World Food Day
- 24. United Nations Day

#### FINLAND

Sibelius Festival, Lahti

VocalEspoo International Festival of Vocal Music

- 6.-7. Cyber Security Nordic Fairs, Helsinki
- 28.-31. Helsinki Book Fair and Wine and Food Fair
- 29.-30. Nordic Business Forum, Helsinki



Circular economy

#### **NOVEMBER**



20. Children's Day

#### FINLAND

6. Finnish Swedish Heritage Day Slush, Helsinki



Helsinki Education Week Startingup

# **DECEMBER**

#### INTERNATIONAL 3. International Day of Persons with

- Disabilities 9. International Anti-Corruption Day
- 10. Human Rights Day

# FINLAND

- 6. Independence Day of Finland
- 8. Jean Sibelius Day, Day of Finnish
- 24. Santa Claus embarks on his annual journey from his home in Finnish Lapland



Climate Innovations

The up-to-date version of this calendar is available as a web page in Finland Toolbox.