2024 FINLAND PROMOTION BOARD CALENDAR

Finland's Values and Identity Reliable Problem-solving Inclusive Quirky Egual MAIN THEMES 2024 Climate **Future Solutions** Skills NA SUSTAINABLE NA OFFICE OF THE SUSTAINABLE NA OFFICE OFFICE OF THE SUSTAINABLE NA OFFICE OFFICE OF THE SUSTAINABLE NA OFFICE OFFI Nature **Digital** FINLAND'S Relation-Inno-**KEY STRENGTHS** ship vation **Personal Equality** Freedom

Key Elements from Finland's Country Branding Strategy

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

Highlights: The Infrastructure of Happiness

Since 2018, the World Happiness Report has ranked Finland the happiest country in the world. What is Finland's secret? It's the country's infrastructure of happiness. Finnish society is constructed to allow happiness to thrive. People in Finland have the **personal freedom** to make decisions, to learn and grow, in surroundings that are safe and secure. Finland is built on trust. This makes us resilient – and happy.

At the heart of Finnish happiness is **equality**, which forms the key to a happy, well-functioning society. Everyone in Finland is free to fulfil their potential. Of course, there is more to the country than good governance and equal opportunity – Finland and its culture are also people, cities, festivals, art, dance, architecture and cuisine, not to mention more than three million saunas. And around it all, there is an abundance of easily accessible, unspoiled nature to discover.

From **digital innovation** to **future skills** in education, culture, research and business, Finnish people are always looking for new ways to add to quality of life. To ensure future happiness, sustainable development is a necessary priority. Finland has focused its resources and expertise on producing climate solutions to help move the world in a better direction.

From social innovations to sustainable action, Finland is eager to share its solutions with others to tackle common challenges.

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JANUARY

INTERNATIONAL

- 15.-19. Davos Dialogues, The World Economic Forum
- 24. International Day of Education

FINLAND

- 3.-7. Lux Helsinki
- 19.-21. Nordic Travel Fair
- 26.-27. Educa Fair of Teaching and Education
- 28. The Finnish presidential election, first round
- 30.1.-4.2. Helsinki Documentary Film Festival

TRANSFORMING TECHNOLOGIES

FEBRUARY

INTERNATIONAL

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

FINLAND

- 3. Alvar and Aino Aalto day, Day of Finnish Architecture and Design
- 5. Runeberg Day
- 11. The Finnish presidential election, (possible) second round
- 28. Kalevala Day, Finnish Culture



OUR HIDDEN HEROES

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
- 23. Nordic Day/Nordens Dag

FINLAND

- 6.-10. Tampere Film Festival
- 12.-24. Oulu Music Festival
- 13.-15. Gastro Helsinki
- 19. Minna Canth's Dav. Day of Equality

WILDLIFE IN FINLAND

APRIL

INTERNATIONAL

- 7. World Health Day
- 18. World Heritage Day/International Day for Monuments and Sites
- 22. Earth Day

FINLAND

9. Mikael Agricola Day, Finnish Language Day



SKILLS FOR WELLBEING

MAY

INTERNATIONAL

- 3. World Press Freedom Day
- 9. Europe Day
- **7.-11.** Eurovision Song Contest, Malmö, Sweden
- 15. International Day of Families
- 17. International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia
- TBA The World Circular **Economy Forum**

FINLAND

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



A PLACE FOR EVERYONE

12.-16. Midnight Sun Film Festival, Sodankylä

18. Sustainable Gastronomy Day

- 12.-18. Kuopio Dance Festival
- Public Debate Forum, Pori
- 29. Helsinki Pride



JULY

INTERNATIONAL

26.7-11.8. Paris 2024 Olympics, France

FINLAND

- 12.-20. Pori Jazz Festival
- 8.-13. Helsinki Cup Football **Tournament**
- 24.-27. Maritime Festival. Kotka
- TBA Bättre Folk Festival, Hailuoto



CULTURE CONNECTIONS

AUGUST

INTERNATIONAL

- 9. International Day of the World's **Indigenous Peoples**
- **12.** International Youth Day

FINLAND

- 5.-11. Tampere Theatre Festival
- 9. Tove Jansson and Finnish Art Day
- 9.-11. Flow Festival
- 30.-31. Finland-Sweden Athletics International
- 31. Finnish Nature Day
- TBA Night of the Arts. Helsinki
- TBA Helsinki Festival



FOND OF FORESTS

SEPTEMBER

INTERNATIONAL

- 8. International Literacy Day
- 10.-24. UN General Assembly, New York
- 15. International Day of Democracy
- 21. International Day of Peace
- 26. European Day of Languages

FINLAND

- 4. National Finnish Food Day
- TBA Helsinki Design Week
- TBA Helsinki International Film Festival, Love & Anarchy
- TBA Nordic Business Forum, Helsinki



BACK TO WORK

OCTOBER

INTERNATIONAL

- 5. World Teacher's Day
- 11. International Day of the Girl Child
- 16. World Food Day
- 24. United Nations Day

FINLAND

- TBA Helsinki Horse show
- TBA Sibelius Festival, Lahti
- TBA VocalEspoo International Festival of Vocal Music
- TBA Helsinki Book Fair and Wine and Food Fair, Helsinki



LIFELONG LEARNERS

NOVEMBER

INTERNATIONAL

- 16. International Day for Tolerance
- 20. Children's Day

FINLAND

- 6. Finnish Swedish Heritage Day
- TBA Helsinki Education Week
- 1.-30. Slush startup event



CITIES IN ACTION

FINLAND

JUNE

INTERNATIONAL

5. World Environment Day

6.-9. European Elections

8. World Oceans Day

20. World Refugee Day

- 6.-7. Arctic15 startup event

- 22. Midsummer Day.
- Day of the Finnish Flag 25.-28. SuomiAreena



SUMMER SUSTAINABILITY

DECEMBER



- INTERNATIONAL 3. International Day of Persons with
- 9. International Anti-Corruption Day
- 10. Human Rights Day

FINLAND

Disabilities

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



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Main themes 2024



Education and Know-how

Functionality and Wellbeing



ThisisFINLAND monthly theme

