



PARTNERSHIPS



COOPERATION



FINLAND

The Helsinki Cathedral, a neoclassical building with a large green dome and white columns, situated in the heart of Helsinki, Finland. The image shows the cathedral and surrounding buildings, with a boat visible in the foreground.



PROFILE OF FINLAND

Official Name	Finland
Population	5.531 million (2020) World Bank
Capital	Helsinki
Area	338,455 km ²
National Language	Finnish, Swedish
Religions	68.6% Christianity, 30.6% No religion, 0.8% others
Currency	Euro (€)
Main Export	Transportation, electronics, forestry, machinery, and chemicals
GDP	266.00 US\$ Billion (Trading Economics Global Macro, 2022)
World Organizations	The Council of Europe (CoE), the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) and the United Nations (UN)

BACKGROUND OF COOPERATION

1. Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Education and Culture of the Republic of Indonesia and the Ministry of Education and Culture of the Republic of Finland on Cooperation in the Field of Education

Signed by Anis Baswedan, the Minister of Education and Culture and Krista Kiuru, the Minister of Education and Communication on 19 March 2015. Valid until 2025 (ten years).

2. Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Republic of Indonesia and the Government of the Republic of Finland on Science, Technology, Innovation and Higher Education Cooperation

Signed by Mohamad Nasir, the Minister for Research, Technology and Higher Education and Krista Kiuru, the Minister of Education and Communication on 26 April 2015. Valid until 2025 (ten years).

Scope of Cooperation in the Field of Education

- a. Exchange of information and scientific publication and experts on early childhood education and care (ECEC), pre-primary, primary, secondary, vocational and technical education;
- b. Development of curriculum and qualifications;
- c. Assessment;
- d. Learning and teaching; including teachers' education and professional development
- e. School management and leadership and enhanced mobility including teachers, and administrative staff and students; and
- f. Any other related issues on education that can be agreed on between direct partners from both countries.

Scope of Cooperation on Science, Technology, Innovation and Higher Education

- a. Joint scientific, research and innovative projects and programs;
- b. Capacity building through exchange of students, lecturers, scientists, specialists and experts;
- c. Scientific conferences, seminars, symposia, science and technology exhibitions and other joint events;
- d. Development and assessment of curriculum and qualifications;
- e. Exchange of information on degree programs in both countries to assist processes of academic recognition of degrees and certificates granted by their educational institutions;
- f. New innovative research, development, innovation models and sharing best practices in the areas of common interests as public-private-academic partnerships;

Scope of Cooperation on Science, Technology, Innovation and Higher Education.....continued

- g. Any other related issues on science, technology, innovation on higher education (STIHE) that can be agreed between direct partners from both countries;
- h. Collaboration in STIHE organizations, basic, applied and industrial research in both countries, including new innovative research, development and innovation models, such as piloting and co-creation in the areas of common interests; and
- i. Other forms of cooperation which will be jointly decided in writing by the Participants.



Existing Partnership

- On July 29, 2019, the Indonesian Embassy in Helsinki held the Indonesia – Finland Business Forum on Education in Helsinki. This activity was to strengthen and develop collaborations and research institutions in Indonesia and the fields of Finland that are mutually beneficial to both countries. The forum was attended by 26 rectors and leaders of Indonesian private universities, members of the Association of Indonesian Private Universities (APTISI) as well as several leading universities in Finland, including the University of Helsinki, University of Lapland, Tampere University, and Hame University of Applied Science.
- Cooperation agreement between the University of Indonesia and VTT Technical Research Center Finland Ltd. regarding the theme Indonesian Maritime in the Midst of Global Environment: Competition, Propects, Challenge, and Policy, at the University of Indonesia Depok, West Java on August 20, 2019.
- The number of participants of Darmasiswa Scholarship Program up to 2019 was 33 people from Finland who took cultural arts education at universities in Indonesia. Darmasiswa participants were also actively participating in various cultural promotion events held at the Indonesian Embassy in Helsinki.



Potential Partnership

1. Develop support in Merdeka Belajar/Emancipated Learning such as IISMA and IISMAVO program. We would like to have universities in Finland participate in IISMA and IISMAVO program, since there are top rank universities in Finland, such as University of Tampere, University of Helsinki, Alto University, University of Eastern, and Finland University of Oulu.
2. Strengthen higher education research collaboration through Finland - Indonesia Center and could be expanded to establish of research of excellent in Indonesia university.
3. Develop quality of vocational high schools and higher education institutions by providing micro credentials, sharing best practices through seminar, hybrid training for teachers and lecturers, internship for students, research on vocational education and support vocational high school center of excellence (SMKPK). Both parties can have linkages between private institutions, international organizations, higher education universities in Finland and Indonesia to support vocational education and training in Indonesia. Even though TVET in Australia is under the different department, we hope that the Department of Education could support our proposal.



Potential Partnership

4. Strengthen the universities consortium in Indonesia and Finland as a platform to discuss and implement wider collaboration and partnership in higher education
5. Further collaboration with Finland on:
 - Emancipated Curriculum
 - Emancipated Learning
 - Teacher Leader
 - School Mover
4. Matching fund program between private institutions and universities in Finland with universities in Indonesia