



**GESS DUBAI**

**2023**

**FINNISH  
PAVILION**

# The Finnish Education System



## The Finnish education system consists of

- ▶ Early childhood education and care
- ▶ Pre-primary education
- ▶ Basic education
- ▶ General upper secondary education
- ▶ Vocational education
- ▶ Higher education

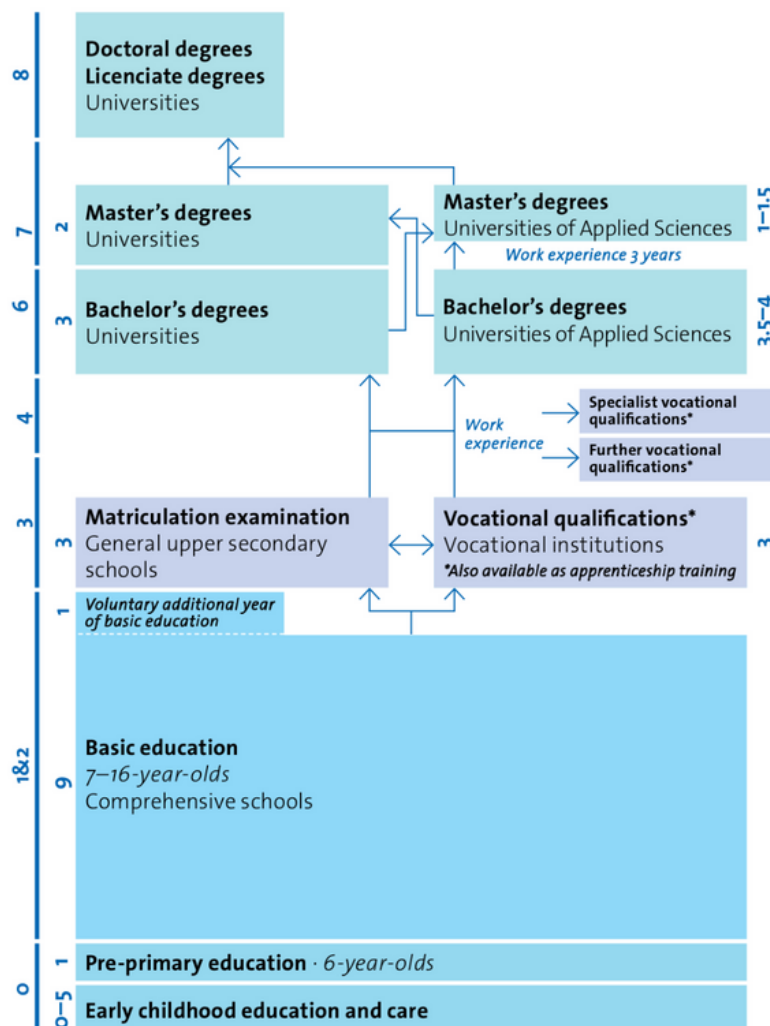
Compulsory education in Finland spans from ages 7 to 18, starting with comprehensive school (years 1-9) for children aged 7-16. After comprehensive school, students must pursue post-comprehensive education, ending at 18 or upon achieving an upper secondary or vocational qualification (appr. 3 years).

A central objective is to provide all citizens with equal opportunities. One of the basic principles of Finnish education is that all people must have equal access to high-quality education and training. The same educational opportunities should be available to all citizens irrespective of their ethnic origin, age, wealth or where they live. In Finland education is free at all levels from pre-primary to higher education.



**EDUCATION  
FINLAND**

## EDUCATION SYSTEM IN FINLAND





## WHY FINLAND

To succeed in a constantly changing world, you have to change as well. Finland has reinvented itself in just one short century - and we're still at it. Our national character and Northern heritage have boosted us to the top of all kinds of country rankings, especially in education. Certainly, you can benefit from our fresh ideas, extensive knowledge, and innovative solutions for education.

### World-leading country in education and ed-tech innovation

The Finnish excellence in education lies in the strong emphasis on lifelong learning. Thus, the aim has been to continuously develop all the levels of education.

Our early childhood and K12 core curricula have been implemented, highlighting the importance of individual approach and 21st-century skills. In vocational education and training, the collaboration with companies is stronger than ever before due to the reform launched at the beginning of 2018.

In higher education, the vision for 2030 targets world-class science, R&D, and education. Our educational institutes are ready to support the development of for example teachers' competencies, curricula, learning environments, and digitalization of the schools.

Finland enjoys one of the most advanced and expansive selection of educational technology for all levels of education, ranging from formal to extracurricular learning. Educational technology in Finland is teacherdriven, and there is a good understanding how the technology can complement innovative teaching methods. In combination with the country's strong ICT sector and a booming gaming industry this has helped to create favorable conditions for developing cutting-edge digital learning solutions that make learning fun.

## EDUCATION FINLAND



**EDUCATION FINLAND** is a governmental cluster programme supporting the best Finnish educational providers in their growth on international markets. The programme is coordinated by the Finnish National Agency for Education and funded by the Ministry of Education and Culture. To become a member, companies must meet strict membership criteria and commit to a code of conduct putting the benefit of the client in the centre. The selected members are given the opportunity to use a label of official membership.

The members represent educational institutes at all levels of education and private companies. Our members' expertise covers educational and learning products – technologies, programs, applications, digital learning suites and software, educational content and materials – to services such as teacher training, pedagogical and vocational programs.

The programme is a hub of Finnish expertise and solutions that can help your organisation and your target groups succeed.

# Finland Pavilion at GESS Dubai

**Welcome to the Finnish Pavilion V50 at GESS Dubai 2023,  
showcasing Finnish educational excellence!**

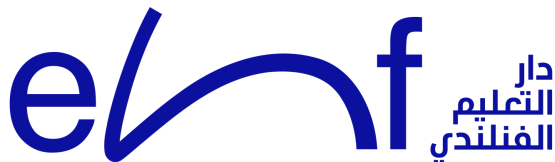
At GESS Dubai, the Finnish Pavilion unveils “Finnish Foundations, Global Collaborations: A Dialogue in Education.”

Bridging Finland’s educational expertise with global demands, visitors can connect with experts and companies spanning areas like policy advice, strategic foresight, publisher insights, coding curriculums, and teacher training.



Meet an array of companies and professionals from Finland that represent educational technologies and solutions that can be applied to your school and curriculum.

This pavilion emphasizes the flexibility and relevance of Finnish education methods in varied contexts. Beyond an exhibition, it’s a meeting place highlighting educational collaboration. Explore, engage and envision the future of education.



**EDUCATION HOUSE FINLAND**

Foresight | Strategy | Educator Professional Development | Education Events | EdTech

Our roots are grounded in Finland’s innovation and wellbeing, yet our expertise is global. We speak your language, understand your unique challenges, and are attuned to your culture, ensuring that our solutions are both relevant and practical for your aspirations.



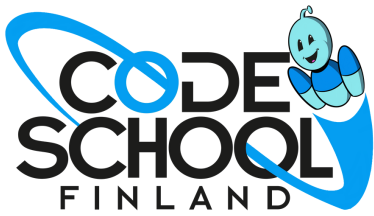
**Building the solutions for tomorrow’s challenges, today**

Education House Finland offers strategic consulting and skills development services to a wide range of organizations. We provide decision-makers with tools to navigate the future effectively.



**Knowledge is a river. We are the bridge.**





## CODE SCHOOL FINLAND

empowers K-12 schools to teach digital skills.

CODING | ROBOTICS |  
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE |  
WORKING LIFE SKILLS



**Code School Finland offers a digital skills curriculum for K-12 to grow entrepreneurial mindset and working life skills.**

We offer a digital skills curriculum for K-12 with a revolutionary design-based project learning approach to grow entrepreneurial mindset and working life skills.

With our help, educators with no background in computer science can start teaching coding, robotics, and AI to prepare their students for a digital future.

With our services, schools can confidently apply Finland's world-famous pedagogical approach and offer a wide range of cross-curricular technology projects while saving on teacher training and material acquisition.



## COUNCIL FOR CREATIVE EDUCATION (CCE) FINLAND

is a global organization originating from Tampere, Finland, with the motto of redefining education through creativity. We provide tailor-made teacher training and school development programs - from pre-primary to higher education. Our programs are based on research and expertise from Finnish universities and academia.

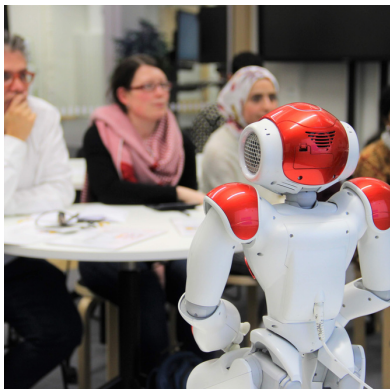


**CCE Finland -  
Redefining Education  
through Creativity.**

We provide insights into the Finnish education system through educational tours and student camps by which the participants understand how creativity is blended well within the Finnish classroom and curriculum.

SISU Preschools and schools is a Finnish curriculum-based K-12 school designed by CCE Finland and operational across South Korea, Taiwan, and India. SISU Box is a research-based pedagogical solution for the preschool owners and teachers to implement the Finnish preschool curriculum with Play N Fun Learning.

Along with Finland, CCE operates in MEA, Nigeria, America, Australia, and Asia with our collaborators and network. Team CCE Finland has already served customers and educators from more than 35 countries. For further details, kindly visit our website.



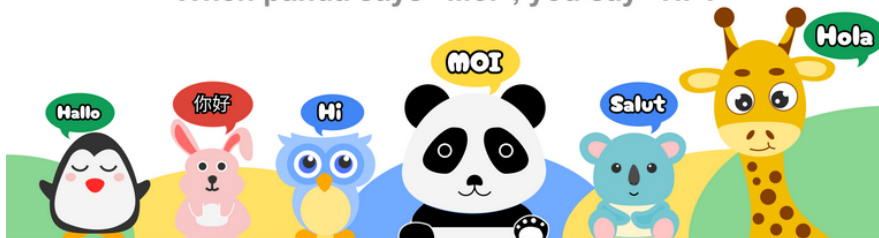


**MOI PANDA**'s mission is to help children truly become global digital citizens with competitive multilingual, multicultural and multi-subject skills for children of all ages. Moi Panda provides a safe, social, and educational app designed to foster meaningful friendships among families, both locally and globally. We built Moi Panda so our kids could have a better chance to adopt to new cultures while staying connected to their own culture root and make diverse friends all around the world.

Moi Panda is a fast growing education and social tech company offering an innovative solution that has garnered support from prestigious programs such as being the first Nordic startup selected in the Cambridge Social Ventures program, run by the Cambridge Judge Business School; UCL EdTech Labs, Tech Nordic Advocates, Business Finland, Kiuas Accelerator Program, and the Helsinki Education Hub.

**Moi Panda helps children truly become global digital citizens.**

When panda says "Moi", you say "Hi"!



EduCluster  
Finland



**EduCluster Finland (ECF), University of Jyväskylä Group shares Finnish education experience and know-how through dynamic partnerships across the globe.**

**EDUCLUSTER FINLAND (ECF)**, University of Jyväskylä Group shares Finnish education experience and know-how through dynamic partnerships across the globe. All around world, people are talking about the 'the Finnish phenomenon'. People ask how Finland can consistently top international academic rankings, while placing a profound focus on mental and physical well-being. The resounding success is evidenced by international rankings and benchmarking. From the first PISA test performed in 2000, Finland has maintained its top place in reading and science. ECF approach takes this concept, reinventing it for contexts worldwide.



ECF has been involved in 250+ international projects. Under the auspices of the University of Jyväskylä, it utilizes know-how from a pool of 5000+ experts specializing in multi-disciplinary areas. EduCluster Finland specializes in three main areas of focus, establishing Finnish International schools overseas, delivering teacher training and professional development to international institutions, and supporting and delivering innovative approaches to vocational education.





Otava  
Learning

**OTAVA PUBLISHING COMPANY LTD** is a major Finnish publishing house. We publish both printed and digital educational materials for levels ranging from preschool to adult education. Today's educational material is based on the concepts of blended learning and multichannel publishing.

The new core curriculum emphasizes problem-oriented learning, interaction and responsibility-taking. EdTech plays a major role in engaging learners in new and innovative ways. The state-of-the-art product families and digital solutions of Otava are made by over 500 teachers, tested by students and refined by 130 educational professionals at Otava. Our focus is always on better learning.



Quality learning materials have been one of the reasons behind the Finnish success in the educational field. Otava is a flexible and reliable partner also in international co-operation. We have understanding for different needs in different markets.

**Our focus is always on better learning.**

**TEKLAB** specializes in providing modular and multipurpose electric workstations and laboratories for education and industry.

More than 23 000 **TEKLAB** workstations have been delivered to more than 130 countries during our 40 years of existence. Thus, our experience provides us leading knowledge of customer requirements in demanding industrial and educational environments.

**TEKLAB**<sup>®</sup>  
Laboratories and Workshops



**TEKLAB** products are Finnish quality work. Our factory is located in Loviisa Finland.

We launch Our **NEW MULTIUSE STEM TABLE EPHELP** on Finnish pavilion.

The **TEKLAB EPHELP** workstation is a multipurpose and economical choice for training - enabling practical exercises and theory lessons in one room.

**EPHELP** workstations are an excellent solution for **STEM** engineering and physics classrooms.



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# **FINNISH EDUCATION** **EXPO MIDDLE EAST**

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## **UNLOCKING THE SECRET: IMPLEMENTING FINNISH EDUCATION PRACTICES GLOBALLY**

**Date:** Monday, October 30, 2023 at 3 pm

**Location:** Leaders in Education Conference room at GESS Dubai.

The third Finnish Education Expo Middle East is set to take place this year at the Dubai World Trade Center during GESS Dubai.

We remain committed to exploring the integration of the Finnish experience within local contexts. Topics to be discussed include lifelong learning and its role in fostering essential life skills, the significance of professional development for early years educators, constructing regional testbeds for co-creating educational innovations, and showcasing real-life implementations.

This event is exclusively curated for educational leaders and decision-makers, offering a dedicated space to connect, share ideas, and expand their knowledge.

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