

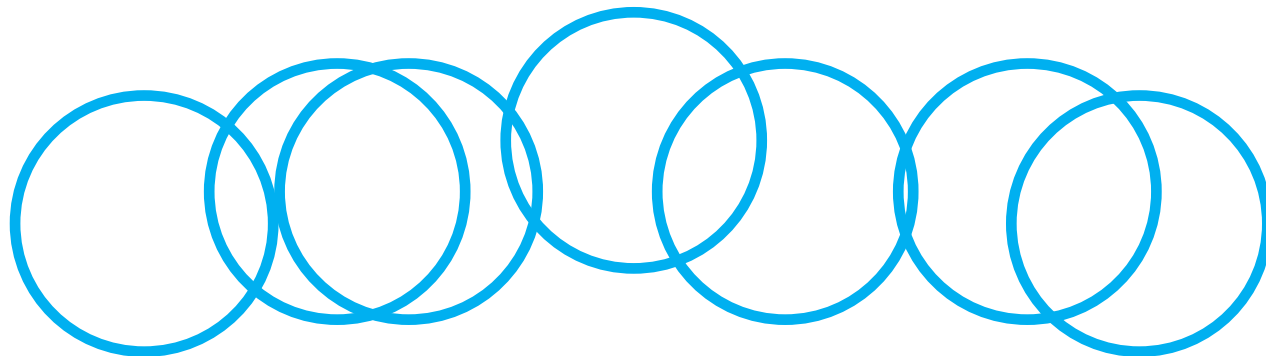
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**FIIF Event: Learn everything about Finland's EDIHs!
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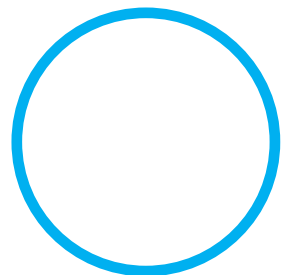


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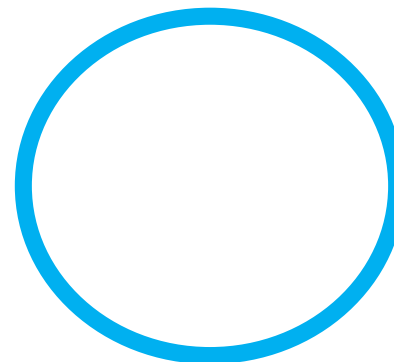
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GET GOING



BUILD IMPACT



Get going



- **The Commission wants to get the network functioning as soon as possible. Target for contracts with EDIHs September 2022.**
- **Finland will co-fund the EDIHs with 3.7 million € over the first three years. Combined budget of 4 EDIHs about 12,3 million €. Aiming at co-financing in accordance with the EU timetable. About 321 million € Europe-wide.**
- **The European network of up to 200 EDIHs is set up for 7 years. Need for this structure is seen also beyond.**
- **EDIH consortia, the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Business Finland and the European Commission are working to get the network going and the production of services underway.**

Build impact



We are certainly interested in how the EDIHs will have made a difference for the digitalization and competitiveness of SMEs and other customers by 2030.

But what will be the impact of EDIHs by 2030 in relation to for example:

- **Research, development and innovation?**

- Finland is committed to spend 4 per cents of its GDP on RDI, accelerating renewal in the economy and the society.

- **Ecosystems and partnerships?**

- Different models are being implemented and tested for supporting both research- and business-driven ecosystems, where investments are to make the biggest impact.

- **Data economy?**

- Data economy may mean a more thorough transformation of firms and the economy than digitalization so far, but what will the data economy look like in 2030?



Thank you!

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