

**What has been done between 2014 and 2017? What has been accomplished? It is time to look at what the structural funds have given the regions in Southern Finland.**



### Sustainable Growth and Jobs

You can taste, hear and feel the achievements in the towns, urban areas and in the countryside of the southern parts of Finland. The cohesion policy of the EU and the current *Sustainable growth and jobs 2014–2020 – Finland’s structural funds programme* mean that something is being improved in the life of Finns – we move on, grow, develop and find new solutions. In the southern parts of Finland the results of the programme can be seen as a better competitiveness of SMEs, innovations, new sets of skills and a fulfilling work, a better environmental state and that everyone has been given the possibility to participate.

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# Southern Finland as a Growth Platform

*– Successes in the Programme Period of the Structural Funds 2014–2020*



PÄIJÄT-HÄMEEN LIITTO



Leverage from  
**the EU**  
 2014–2020



## I Belong Here

Everyone's route to participation, a well-functioning everyday and working life can take surprising paths. Among other things, the projects have created networks, sparred working skills, developed mobile games for everyday challenges and crossed the threshold for civil servants in many ways.

## The Work is Changing, and So Are the Workers

More and more people build their careers on different bits of entrepreneurship. The financing of projects creates valuable partnerships and strong networks, strengthens entrepreneurial skills, combines work and actors. Educational institutions put more and more focus upon learning by working and entrepreneurship.

## We Welcome All Innovations!

Gladly enough, try-outs, innovations, an agile development and experimental platforms seem to be everyday phenomena in both enterprises and projects. Projects have pushed enterprises into international markets, sparred enterprises for an improved digital competence and also implemented new co-creation methods.

## Concrete Actions for the Climate are Necessary

The projects work for climate actions: for a better energy efficiency, supporting clever solutions for a well-functioning everyday life of inhabitants, further low-carbon solutions and offer innovations for productive and nature saving solutions and technology in the spirit of circular economy.

## The Future Platforms for Growth are Created Within the Projects

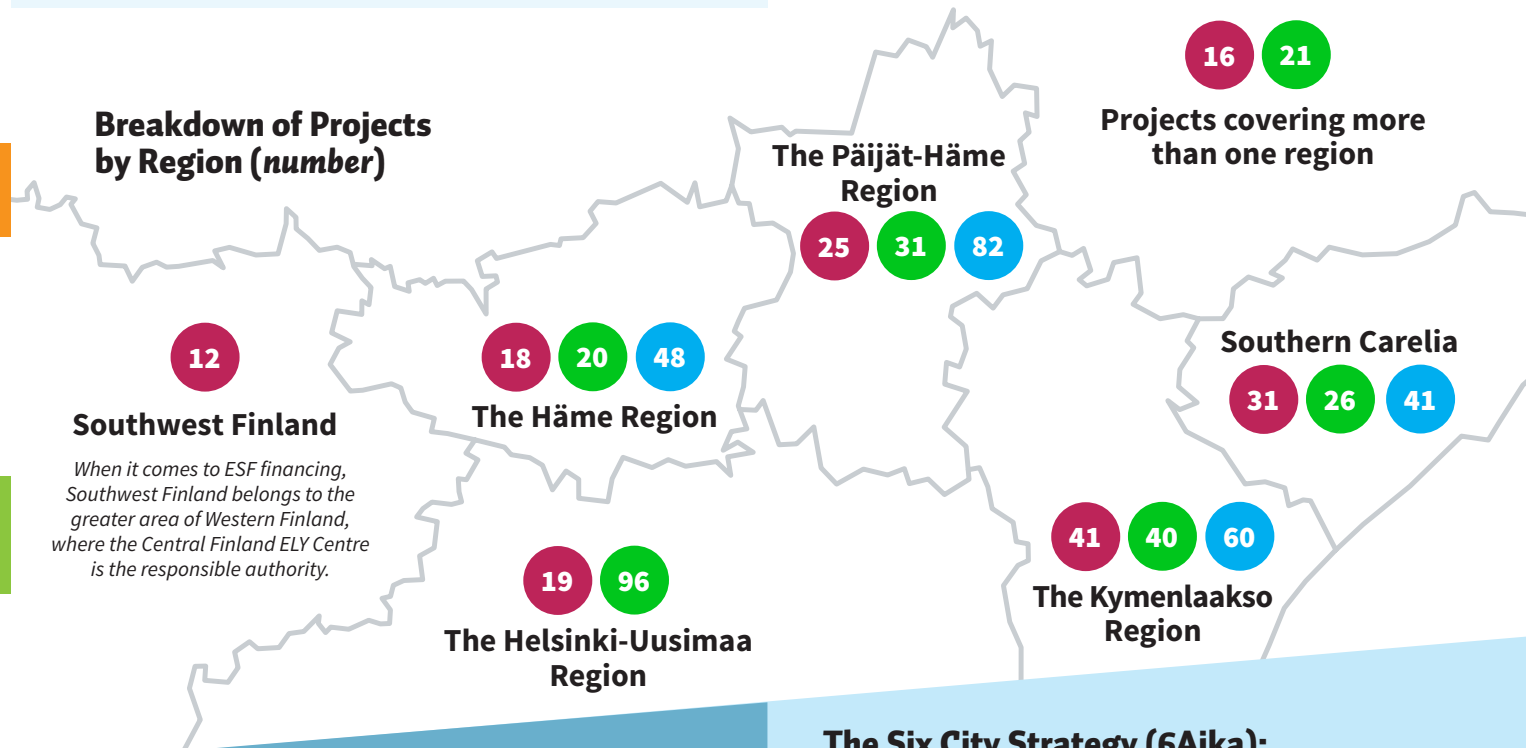
The influential projects are born within networks strong enough to bring forward large entities. These projects are excellent platforms for various concentrations of competence and regional strategies.

# Sustainable Growth and Jobs 2014–2020 – Finland's Structural Funds Programme

## Projects and Provided Funding by the End of 2017

	Million €	No.
ERDF Southern Finland	41.6	162
ESF Southern Finland	59.8	234
ERDF Funded Business Support	13.5	231
ESF National Funding	19.3	43
The Six City Strategy (6Aika)	44.4	36
<b>In All</b>	<b>178.6</b>	<b>706</b>

In the southern regions, the financing is being coordinated by the Häme Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment (ESF and ERDF Funded Business Support) and the Helsinki-Uusimaa Regional Council (ERDF). Each region makes its own decision on the ERDF funding framework and the projects to be funded.



Find the focuses and themes of Finland's structural funds programme on the net:

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## The Six City Strategy (6Aika): Sustainable Urban Development

Finland's structural funds programme offers both ERDF and ESF funding for sustainable urban development. The Six City Strategy is implemented in the six largest cities in Finland.

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