Finland

	42,159	5.5 million	3:27:70	0.883 Very high	6.38	5.98	
Flag	GDP per capita	Population	Industry structure (1st2nd:3rd)	HDI	Sustainable social index	Sustainable env. index	Geographic location



- Finland's eco-innovation capacity, supporting environment, activity and performance are high.
- Most of the ASEI indicators of Finland are higher than the average score of the same development state countries.
- Green Industry Market Size (indicator no. 4.6) of Finland is lower than the average score of the same development state countries.

National plan	Sustainability	■ Green Growth, Towards a Sustainable Future 2011-2015									
and strategy	Eco-	Climate Change and Energy Strategy (2008)									
	innovation	The Climate and Energy Strategy (2009)									
		 National waste plan until 2016 (2008) The National Resources Strategy (2009) A Natural Resource Strategy for Finland: Using natural resources intelligently (2009) The National Innovation Strategy (2009) 									
								■ Bioeconomy Strategy (2010)			
								■ Finland's Mineral Strategy (2010)			
							Programme and actions	National	Towards a Smart Resource Economy		
		- Government Report to Parliament on Natural Resources (2010)									
		■ The Programme for the Built Environment (2010)									
	Energy and eco-efficiency standards for new buildings										
	■ The ERA17 programme for an energy smart built environment 2017 (2010)										
	The Strategic Programme for Cleantech Business (2012)										
	Resolution on Sustainable public procurement (2009)										
	Proposals for Finland's national programme to promote sustainable consumption and production (2005)										
	Energy efficiency label scheme										
Legislation		Acquisition law: energy efficiency requirement in public investment									
Finance		Tekes - Finnish Funding Agency for Technology and Innovation, funded by Ministry of Transport and Communications									
		The Finnish Innovation Fund(Sitra)									
Information		Cleantech Finland Business Forum									
		■ Green Net Finland									
		The Finnish National Environmental Innovation Panel									
		■ The Energy Efficiency committee (2008)									
		■ The 11th European Forum on Eco-Innovation working with emerging economies for green growth (Oct 2011)									
		The Finnish Cleantech Cluster									
		■ SHOK (Strategic Centres for Science, Technology and Innovation)									
		 Motiva Ltd: Equipment procurements, Energy procurements and Material efficiency 									
		Wood energy advisors network									

Table 37 Eco-innovation Policy instruments of Finland

Finland established a green growth plan in order to identify new potential growth factors for a sustainable economy. The green growth plan is based on the economic activities that are designed to increase energy efficiency and the sustainable usage of natural resources (EIO, 2013d). A response to climate changes, a national plan and strategy was established to address energy policies¹¹¹, waste management¹¹², resource utilization¹¹³, and national innovation¹¹⁴. The eco-innovation market was created Based on the public acquirement regulations¹¹⁵, and the corporate participation in eco-innovation was encouraged. Finland provides economic support through venture finances¹¹⁶, public guarantee funds¹¹⁷, R&D funds¹¹⁸, joint subsidies, and tax support for the execution of eco-innovation. Finland also partakes in various support activities such as technology platform and innovation network support¹¹⁹, industrial complex group creations¹²⁰, consumer awareness increase¹²¹ and consulting support¹²². The Finland Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Transportation and Communications provide support for the establishment of a research development infrastructure.

¹¹¹ Climate Change and Energy Strategy (2008), The Climate and Energy Strategy (2009), Bioeconomy Strategy (2010)

¹¹² National waste plan until 2016 (2008)

¹¹³ The National Resources Strategy (2009), A Natural Resource Strategy for Finland: Using natural resources intelligently (2009), Finland's Mineral Strategy (2010)

¹¹⁴ The National Innovation Strategy (2009)

¹¹⁵ Acquisition law: energy efficiency requirements in public investment, which also regulate competition concerning acquisitions in accordance with sustainable development related to energy, the environment, transport, welfare and health

¹¹⁶ Finnvera (Environmental Loan): Finnvera acts according to the export guarantee act, Sitra (Finnish Innovation Fund)

¹¹⁷ Finvera: Environmental guarantee

¹¹⁸ Tekes: grants funding and subsidies, Academy of Finland

¹¹⁹ Cleantech Finland Business Forum, Green Net Finland, The Finnish National Environmental Innovation Panel, The Energy Efficiency committee (2008), The 11th European Forum on Eco-Innovation working with emerging economies for green growth (Oct 2011), Tekes: programmes: biorefine, sustainable community, green growth

¹²⁰ The Finnish Cleantech Cluster, SHOK (Strategic Centres for Science, Technology and Innovation): SHOKs related to ecoinnovations: CLEEN Ltd/ Energy and environment, forest cluster, built environment

¹²¹ Motiva Ltd: Equipment procurements, Energy procurements and Material efficiency

¹²² Tekes, Wood Biomass Advisors Network