# Finland Project Management Roundup[1]

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## INTRODUCTION

This roundup continues the coverage of Project Professionals Finland, PMI Finland Chapter and some of the key projects currently going on in Finland.

## PROJECT PROFESSIONALS FINLAND

Project Professionals Finland (PPF) is a not-for-profit organization, and the International Project Management Association (IPMA) Member Association (MA) in Finland.

Founded in 1978, PPF promotes the interaction, project-oriented thinking, and exchange and development of practical and theoretical knowledge among project management professionals with over 4000 individual and 200 organizational members. PPF organizes two annual conferences: *Projektipäivät* in late fall and *3PMO* in early summer.

The 2026 3PMO event took place on 4.6.2026 at Tampere Sokos hotel conference center *Tornin Paja*, with the theme *The value of PMO in the balance !* Projektipäivät took place on 20 … 21.10.2026 at the *Messukeskus* convention center in Helsinki with the theme *Back to the Future >>> The future of project world ?* Please navigate to www.pry.fi/en for general information on PPF, and to www.pry.fi/en/events for further information on PPF events.

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*In the photograph: Mr. Mikko Saastamoinen, PPF Chairman, and Mrs. Anna-Maria Mäkelä, PPF CEO, opening the event*

## PMI FINLAND CHAPTER

PMI Finland Chapter is a not-for-profit organization providing project practitioners in Finland continuous learning, networking and community support. The Chapter was founded in 2005. Today, with over 500 members, the chapter is increasingly recognized as a community where its members can enhance their project management and leadership skills, as well as network with other project management professionals.

PMI Finland Chapter hosts a number of events such as Breakfast Round Tables, regular meetings taking place once a month in Helsinki and occasionally also in other locations. The chapter members have the opportunity to attend events for free or with a discount and the chapter sends its members a regular newsletter with localized content on project management. Additionally, the Chapter supports its members in their professional development and training.

PMI Finland Annual Conference 2026 took place on Thursday, October 8th, 2026 in Helsinki at the *Radisson Blu Seaside Hotel*, with the theme *What does Future-Fit Project Leadership mean in practice ?*

Please navigate to https://pmi-fi.org/ for general information on the PMI Finland Chapter, and to https://pmi-fi.org/2026-annual-conference for further information on the 2026 conference.

## KRUUNUSILLAT

The Kruunusillat project is proceeding with the finalization of the string of bridges that traverse *Kruunuvuorenselkä*, a waterway east of the Helsinki downtown area, and establish a new tram line to connect the *Laajasalo*, *Korkeasaari* and *Kalasatama* areas to the downtown area by means of 10 km light rail line. The project has comprised a combination of fixed-priced and alliance contracts with a range of contractors.

The last new bridge in the sequence of three bridges – *Kruunuvuorensilta* – was opened to pedestrian and bicycle traffic in April 2026. The bridges are expected to be opened for regular tram traffic in November. The bridges have become a regular part of the Helsinki skyline, as the first graffiti stating mysterious message "*kissat veräjästä*" [cats from the gate] appeared on the Kruunuvuorensilta bridge in the last days of September. The graffiti was likely painted from a private floating platform and is expected to be costly to remove.

The project has been implemented in two phases: The first phase included the main construction works, including the bridges, at an estimated cost of 326 M€. The second phase includes extending the tram tracks to the Helsinki Central Railway Station at an estimated cost of 10 M€. Other project costs, such a new rolling stock and a new tram depot, are estimated at 214 M€, bringing the total cost to 550 M€. The alliance way of working adds to the challenge of creating an exact cost estimate for the project. Kruunusillat project implementation is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2026.




*The first graffiti on the new bridge (photo courtesy Juhani Niiranen / HS)*

## PYHÄJOKI NUCLEAR POWER PLANT PROJECT

The Pyhäjoki nuclear power plant project – formerly run by **Fennovoima** Plc, and known as **Hanhikivi 1**, may be showing signs of resurrection. The real estate investment company **Trevian** has shown signs of interest in the property at Pyhäjoki, and this may be considered as a small step towards a revival. In late summer a local newspaper *Kaleva* discovered a company **Trevian Power Ky** — established by Trevian over the 2026 summer — in the Finnish Trade Register, with nuclear power as the intended line of business. There is speculation that this company could be linked to Trevian's interest in building a nuclear power plant on the Pyhäjoki site owned by Fennovoima. All is silent at the Hanhikivi site, however, with the surge of data centers being constructed in Finland, there is a general agreement on a huge demand for electrical power in the near future.

Westinghouse Electric Company has been mentioned as a potential partner for planning and implementing the sixth nuclear power plant in Finland, and hence it appears possible the Pyhäjoki nuclear power plant project becomes a minute player in international politics: Westinghouse Electric Company is a Canadian nuclear technology company, with ties to the U.S. government. The company filed an application for a stock market listing in the United States at the end of July 2026. Once the company is listed, the U.S. government would be able to purchase its shares. Global trade politics among US, Canada and Finland might result in various negative policies including tariffs and trade embargos .

Trevian's principal owner and CEO, **Mr. Reima Södervall**, has not officially commented on the potential project, but inside closed cabinets, the company has held discussions with representatives of both the Finnish State and Fennovoima. Mr. Södervall has not commented on any possible connection between the newly established company and the Fennovoima site. Södervall did confirm via a text message that Trevian is interested in infrastructure projects and is also exploring opportunities in the Hanhikivi area.




*The Hanhikivi site gate has been closed for four years (photo courtesy Antti J. Leinonen)*

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