Overview

Innovation aid for shipbuilding

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Donor: Business Finland

Deadline: 31 December 2026

Open

Purpose and scope

Innovation Funding Agency Business Finland administers a state aid grant for shipbuilding. It supports ship or offshore-solution innovations that are new or better than the current industry state of the art.

Funding

The total funding is set by the annual state budget. The maximum grant share is 25% of eligible costs, as defined under Government Decree 364/2015.

Who can apply

Applicants must be Finnish-registered companies carrying on economic activity, regardless of legal form. Natural persons, sole traders and trade-name businesses are excluded. A company registered in Åland is excluded if it has no fixed establishment and business activity in mainland Finland. At submission, the applicant must be engaged in shipbuilding, ship repair, structural alteration of ships, or construction of floating and mobile offshore structures.

Priorities

Eligible activities include experimental development of new or improved products, processes or services, including prototypes, pilot projects and digital products, processes or services; ordinary and necessary improvement of existing products is excluded. Partners may build self-propelled commercial vessels that incorporate innovations, and innovative repair of self-propelled commercial vessels is eligible.

Sources

businessfinland.fi - Official call

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Salient One analysis. Official call documents and amendments govern the funding conditions.