

Appendix 1

Main actors in the field providing information to young people in Finland at national level:

Actor	Responsibilities
Ministry of Education	Information of studying possibilities, Youth work support in national level: participation, funding, statistics and surveys of life conditions of young people
The Advisory Council for Youth Affairs	An expert body operating in conjunction with the Ministry of Education, focuses on initiatives geared to improve young people's living conditions, working in cooperation with partners in the youth field. Facts about young people.
Ministry of Labour	Work and professional possibilities, study
Ministry of Environment and Housing	Housing
The Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	Social security, health
Centre for International Mobility CIMO	Information, tools, information service, training.
Eurodesk, CIMO	Information and training
Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi	Information, tools, international representation of youth information work, promotes participation of young people.
Network of Finnish Youth Information Centres	National coordination of youth information work, training of youth information workers.
Other national non-governmental organisations	Provide information on certain topic related to their work like the Population and Family Welfare Federation (in Finland), Health rf, the Finnish Red Cross, the Mannerheim League for Child Welfare, etc. http://www.apua.info
The Nordic Council and Council of Ministers	Valhalla – a Nordic network for child & youth culture and the Nordic schools data network: Odin.
The Association of Finnish Local and Regional Authorities	Training, information, publications
STAKES, the National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health	Facts about young people http://www.stakes.fi
Finnish Youth Research Society	Facts about young people, http://www.nuorisotutkimusseura.fi
The Association of Finnish Local and Regional Authorities	Facts about young people http://www.kuntaliitto.fi

Main actors in the field providing information to young people in Finland on the local level:

Actor	Responsibilities
Municipalities, different departments of municipalities	Youth, social, cultural, environmental. On the local level municipality youth work is accepting youth information and counselling work as one of the ways to improve living conditions of young people
Employment offices, educational institutions	All employment offices in Finland offer basic information about studying and training opportunities abroad. Information is also available from, for example, schools counsellors working at individual educational institutions.
Networking	Together with different actors in Finland, mixed local, national and European. Information is no more a vertical property of one unit. Information is having a horizontal character and with the tools of modern society, same information can be reached simultaneously on local, national and European levels. This makes the co-operation of networks so useful.
Non Governmental Organisations	Partner for work, participation of young people.
City of Helsinki Urban Facts	Facts about young people http://www.hel.fi/tietokeskus

National youth information and counselling websites /portals:

Name of the service	Information producer	Target group	Content of the Internet page	Address of Internet page
Nuoret.info (Youth information)	Finnish Youth Information Network - In Finnish - links to Swedish and English Youth Information Services	Young people, professionals working with young people	Portal of Finnish Youth Information Services for young people is on its way to be developed. First version of it is in drafts on web for testing the idea of having one national page as welcome page for youth information and counselling field. Contacts of Finnish youth information and counselling Centres and services.	http://www.nuoret.info , http://www.kompassi.lasipalatsi.fi/yhteystiedot/nuorisotiedotus/ http://www.alli.fi/allison/paikallis/index.html http://www.nettinappi.fi
Youth Info House	Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi - in Finnish	Professionals working with young people	Contains information of training, research, legal information, youth work in Finland, financing possibilities, methods of youth work, international youth work, electronic bulletin board, addresses, conversation channels.	http://www.alli.fi/tieto
Allison	Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi - in Finnish	Young people	Youth information page Allison : information about housing, work, workshops, studying, military service, civil service, nature, environment, health, sex and love, participation, leisure time and hobbies. Links.	http://www.alli.fi/allison
Pro Youth International	Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi - Mainly in English	Young people and professionals working with youth information and counselling in Europe	Information about youth work structures, mobility, European Union, Council of Europe, research, partner finding, information of different countries, regional and inter-regional co-operation, links to youth-related Internet home pages in Europe. Service is created by Allianssi together with ERYICA members 1995, has got European funding for three years time (DG X/a/5, 1995/96, 1996/97 and 1997/98).	http://www.alli.fi/euro
Euro<26 Youth Card	Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi - in Finnish	Young people	Information about Youth Card, information about other activities interesting for young people, links to youth information internet pages	http://herkules.alli.fi/
CIMO	Centre for International Mobility CIMO - In Finnish, Swedish and in English	Young people, youth intermediaries and professionals with the focus on education and training, work and culture.	Information about EU's education, training, youth and cultural programmes. Information about scholarships for post-graduate studies and Finnish language learning as well as international work placements for trainees.	http://www.cimo.fi/

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Discover Finland	Centre for International Mobility CIMO - In English	For those who are interested in studying or training in Finland	Information about education, training and youth issues in Finland.	http://finland.cimo.fi
Eurodesk	Centre for International Mobility CIMO - In English	Professionals working in youth information field, young people	Information relevant to the education, training and youth fields, and the involvement of young people in European activities. Easily read summaries of EU programmes targeted specifically to young people and youth intermediaries. Useful contacts, relevant organisations and catalogues in the above-mentioned areas.	http://www.cimo.fi , http://www.eurodesk.org
Ministry of Labour	Ministry of Labour - In Finnish, Swedish and in English	People interested about work related issues	Information about open work places in Finland and links to abroad, work law, descriptions of professions, information about schools and possibility to study, immigrants related information about work etc. Member of the EURES network.	http://www.mol.fi/
Valtikka.net	Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi with the Ministry of Education - in Finnish	Young people	Participation of the young people: - Decision-making in Finland, News, Internet link library, Where and how to participate, Guide for participating, Discuss and read. Links to local youth councils.	http://www.valtikka.net/
Youth Policy administration	Ministry of Education: Youth work means measures for improving young people's living conditions and creating conditions for young people's civic activities. - In Finnish, Swedish and English	Professionals, people working with young people	Information about: The overall direction and development of youth work is the responsibility of the Youth Division. The Ministry coordinates youth policy and relevant measures in the state administration. The Advisory Council for Youth Affairs, which is an expert body operating in conjunction with the Ministry of Education, focuses on initiatives geared to improve young people's living conditions, working in cooperation with partners in the youth field. The Youth Organisation Subsidy Committee gives its opinion to the Ministry concerning the funds to be allocated to national youth organisations.	http://www.minedu.fi/ http://www.minedu.fi/nuora/index.html

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INFOmobil - Finland	Finnish Youth Co-operation Allianssi - in English and French - In Co-operation with ERYICA members (23 countries)	Young people interested in coming to Finland	Starting page to look for information about mobility possibilities in Finland: Study, Work, Formation, Housing, Culture and Sport, Leisure time, Health, Youth Information Services, Social Services, Transports.	http://www.ervica.org/info/mobil/
Helppimesta	Helppimesta ry, - In Finnish	Young people	Guidance hotline and discussion forum on Internet	http://www.helppimesta.fi
Libraries.fi	The Finnish Library Services	All ages	Generalist information about libraries in Finland, links to the Fennica – the Finnish National Bibliography and the FinELib - the National Electronic Library.	http://www.kirjastot.fi/ http://www.folkbiblioteke.fi/
Apua.info	Finnish national non governmental organisations	Young people, all ages	15 national NGO's from social- and health sector open their services on internet, support and guidance with information difficult life situations.	http://www.apua.info
Opintoluotsi	Ministry of Education: - In Finnish, Swedish and English (www.opintoluotsi.fi) is part of the Opintoluotsi development project set up by the Ministry of Education with European Social Fund backing.	Young people in Finland, interested in studying in Finland	Opintoluotsi's aim is to help people to find information on education and training and its availability in Finland. Opintoluotsi helps people to discover and use education and training opportunities in a way that suits their individual needs. The English-language site is designed specifically for foreigners and immigrants, providing for instance information on the study opportunities for non-Finnish speakers in Finland.	http://www.opintoluotsi.fi
EDU.fi	The National Board of Education	Teachers, school administration, policy makers and working life actors	EDU.fi is an educational portal for non-academic education and training in Finland. The portal gathers together services categorized according to the different levels, fields and themes of our education and training system. Portal provides a gateway also to services by other actors in Finland or abroad	http://www.edu.fi http://www.oph.fi

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Suomi.fi The portal for Finland's public sector services and related information	The Ministry of Finance - The editorial team is based in the Government Information Management Unit - In Finnish, Swedish and English	Citizens All ages	12 different subject areas group the main services. Only the section on immigrants and emigrants is included in English from the Finnish version of this website. It gathers together links and information on services, which are given under separate subject areas on the Finnish pages, such as information on the Finnish school system and social security, and it only includes links to websites containing information in English.	http://www.suomi.fi
Aarresaari	Academic Career Services in Finland - In Finnish, Swedish and English	Students, graduates, employers	While operating in all the Finnish universities and institutions of higher education, Academic Career Services is offering different kinds of services.	http://www.aarresaari.net

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