



Friendly Finnish - Toisto Method in Schools Project



The Finnish Federation of Graduate Women received co-funding for the Friendly Finnish – Toisto Method in Schools project from the European Union's Asylum, Migration, and Integration Fund for the period Feb 17, 2025 – Feb 16, 2028.

The project supports the learning of Finnish language at a beginner level, cooperation between home and school, and integration in a family-oriented and communal way. In practice, the project introduces the Toisto Method into preparatory education in comprehensive schools and into peer groups for guardians.

The target groups are families from countries outside of Europe who do not yet speak Finnish, as well as professionals in comprehensive schools and Finnish-speaking guardians.

The project will develop the Friends in Finnish Model and the Toisto for Guardians Model, which enable the use of the Toisto Method in schools. Education professionals and Finnish-speaking volunteer guardians will be trained to use the Toisto Method. The project also supports the organization of Toisto groups for guardians and the implementation of Friends in Finnish sessions in preparatory education.

To ensure the sustainability of the Friends in Finnish and Toisto for Guardians models, Toisto trainers will also be trained. Each model will also include a free 10-session material package for teachers and volunteer guides. All Toisto materials are intended for non-commercial use and will be published at: <https://luetaanyhdessa.fi/toisto-menetelma-kouluihin/>.

During 2025 the activities will be piloted in selected schools in the Uusimaa region. For 2026-27 partner schools in four different municipalities are welcomed.



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