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**Letter of Collaboration for Strategic Research Council funding application (HAPPY LAND)**

This letter confirms the interest and commitment of the City of Tampere to collaborate in the following project under the Strategic Research Council 2026 call: “Fractures in Happy Land: Tackling Social Mechanisms Behind Public Mental Health Challenges in Finland (HAPPY LAND)”.

The HAPPY LAND project develops a systemic approach to addressing public mental health challenges in Finland by reorienting research away from an emphasis on individual symptoms and treatments and toward the social and institutional mechanisms that shape everyday life, as well as the broader frameworks that underpin wellbeing. The project’s societal objective is to support systemic renewal in public mental health by developing and implementing new formal and informal rules of the game that shape mental health in people’s daily lives.

As a project collaborator, the City of Tampere is prepared to appoint a representative to the project’s Interaction Advisory Board. In this role, we will support and provide strategic guidance to the consortium in achieving its overall impact goals and assist in communicating and disseminating the research findings to relevant stakeholders and decision-making processes. The City of Tampere will also participate in the project’s research activities, with the scope and modalities of cooperation to be agreed in more detail after the funding decision.

We look forward to collaborating on the HAPPY LAND project.

Sincerely

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