

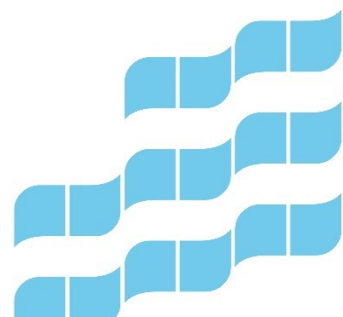
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**Letter of Collaboration for Strategic Research Council Funding Application (MyWork)**

We are pleased to confirm our support for the following research project under the Strategic Research Council 2025 call: “Migrant Youth’s Social and Mental Capital - Enhancing Sustainable Work Preparedness (MyWork).” This project, which aims to develop sustainable solutions for young immigrants’ integration into the Finnish labour market and society, is of significant interest to the City of Tampere—particularly in relation to the objectives and future development of the city’s employment and growth services. Through this letter, we formally express the City of Tampere’s commitment to collaborating with the proposed consortium, comprising Tampere University (TAU), the University of Turku (UTU), and the University of Helsinki (HU).

In particular, we recognize the potential for fruitful cooperation in the following areas:

- Collaborating in the collective production of knowledge regarding immigrant youth’s opportunities to enter the labour market
- Co-developing AI solutions to facilitate the integration of young immigrants into working life
- Strengthening research-based and impactful decision-making on matters related to immigrant youth’s access to education and employment
- Creating networking opportunities among key stakeholders
- Advancing new understandings and insights from high-quality research



The City of Tampere employment and growth services promotes responsible employment and entrepreneurship policies, facilitates the creation and growth of businesses, ensures the availability of skilled labor force both nationally and internationally, supports the skills development of workforce and works actively to prevent exclusion from the labor market.

International talent attraction and migration services supports the integration, education, skills development, employment and entrepreneurship of internationals and provides services for employers interested in international recruitment.

The Youth Employment Program enhances young people's employment opportunities and entrepreneurship. The program creates a coherent career education path for youth, supports the initiation of their careers, builds pathways to employment, and engages young people in the development of the program.

We firmly believe that collaboration between the City of Tampere and the “MyWork” research project will be mutually beneficial. It will generate valuable new research knowledge and practical solutions to enhance young immigrants’ integration into the labour market and, more broadly, Finnish society.

Sincerely,

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City of Tampere

