

Few facts before applying for an event at Finland's pavilion.

### **Who can apply for an event?**

Invitation is extended to all potential stakeholders of the UNFCCC, including NGOs, academic institutions, municipalities, and government ministries, both from within Finland and abroad, to submit their applications. To participate in our events, organizers are required to adhere to the pavilion's code of conduct and endorse its objectives.

### **Do we need access to COP28 to be able to apply for an event?**

Finland's pavilion is located in the Blue Zone. Please note that this area requires an official accreditation to COP28. The accreditations for the event organizers and speakers of the pavilion program are under the decision-making of the Ministry of the Environment of Finland. The number of accreditations may be limited. In every case, accreditations are for the organizers and speakers of the event, not for the audience. So, the audience must have accreditations from other sources.

### **Who finances this operation and events?**

The pavilion is financed by partner organizations and Business Finland. This covers the space and technical facilities in the room and some international communication. Please note that all the costs of the events are the responsibility of the organizer of the individual events. Business Finland does not have a budget to offer financial support to cover event costs.

### **What is the duration of an event?**

The standard duration of an event is 45 minutes. In special cases, the event may occupy two slots, lasting a maximum of 100 minutes. Evening receptions scheduled after 17:00 are exceptions to this structure, with their duration decided on a case-by-case basis. After each event there will be 10 minutes break and room for short discussions 'of stage'.

### **Should we organize an event together with someone?**

The events hosted at the pavilion aim to inspire the audience through a meticulously curated agenda and a roster of distinguished speakers. Furthermore, the calibre and quantity of event organizers can significantly influence the overall appeal of the occasion. Hence, we strongly encourage you to explore the possibility of engaging international partners to enhance the event's prestige. It is also worth noting that Business Finland may recommend collaboration opportunities with select organizers to further elevate the event's impact.

### **Are the events streamed?**

The plan is to stream all the events which should allow distant participation of the audience, but also speakers. However, it's good to remember that it is a COP, it's chaotic in many ways and only when we are there, we know how everything is working.