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ABSTRACT

Title	The Finnish example: the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on gender equality in Finland
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The impact of the COVID-19 crisis on gender equality in Finland is a research project that provides information on the gendered impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on different sociodemographic groups of women and men and its consequences for gender equality in Finland. The project started in December 2020 and will end in May 2022.

The aim of this research project is to 1) provide information for policy makers to help to minimize the negative impacts of the COVID-19 crisis on gender equality, 2) provide information for labour organizations and companies on gendered impacts of COVID-19 at work place, and 3) disseminate knowledge on questions related to COVID-19 and gender equality for wider public audience.

The project is divided into four work packages: 1) Health, wellbeing and services, 2) Employment, labour market and working conditions, 3) Gender impacts of economic policy and 4) Families, children and youth.

The project is a joint collaboration between the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare (THL), Social Insurance Institution Finland (Kela), Statistics Finland and University of Tampere. The consortium is led by the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare and the project is funded by the Prime Minister's Office.

The information generated by the project enables the promotion of gender equality and minimization of negative equality impacts, as well as providing an updated snapshot of the needs of equality policy. The results support the efforts of equality actors, provide information on the gendered impacts of the COVID-19 crisis in the workforce, and raise awareness of the common public about the COVID-19 crisis as a gender equality issue.

The presentation gives an overview of the project and some first results, points out the importance of the collaboration between different data producers and researchers and what is the impact of this project.