

Fingo
Balloting Committee
Lintulahdenkuja 10
00500 HELSINKI

TO MEMBER ORGANISATIONS
Fingo's Autumn AGM 2025
Election of the new Board for 2026-2027

11.6.2025

THE NEW BOARD WILL BE ELECTED IN FINGO'S AUTUMN AGM FOR THE TERM OF 2026-2027

Dear Representatives of Fingo's Member Organisation

Fingo's autumn meeting is on Monday the 24th November 2025. In accordance with Section 17 of the Rules, the members elect a Chair, two Vice-Chairs and six to eight (6 – 8) other members of the Board for the term 2026–2027.

The Balloting Committee (VVK is the abbreviation in Finnish), elected at Fingo's Spring Meeting on 12 May 2025, is responsible for preparing and arranging the elections. The Balloting Committee's task is to present its well-argued proposal for the autumn meeting of the election year on the Chair, Vice-Chairs, and other members of the Board. Before this, the Balloting Committee must ask Fingo members for proposals for positions of trust to be filled. This in accordance with the Rules § 13. In addition, the work of the Balloting Committee is guided by Fingo's instructions on Electoral Proceedings.

Any member organisation that has been registered with Fingo's register on March 31, 2025 of the election year may present its candidates for a member of the Board, Vice-Chair or Chair by informing the Balloting Committee. Member organisations are invited to consult with one another and to consider the possibility of making joint proposals for candidates. Fingo has about 260 member organisations, so only a small number can be directly represented in Fingo's Board.

The Balloting Committee encourages Fingo's member organisations to propose for the Board work people who have versatile experience and insight into social influence and decision-making and the courage to be a visible part of it. Candidates are also expected to have good familiarity with promoting and defending the work of NGOs and development policy. The development of Fingo's operations and the preparation of a strategy are part of the Board's tasks, so experience in strategic management is useful. Candidates are expected to be ready to commit to Board work.

Eva Biaudet, the current Chair, is available also for the term 2026-2027. Elina Korhonen, the other current Vice-Chair, is available for the term 2026-2027 whereas Ilkka Kantola, the current Vice-Chair, has served two terms and is no longer eligible for the next term.

Each member can be elected a maximum of two times in a row.
However, a Board member can be elected Chair twice in a row, even if she/he had been a Board member before the election to Chair.

Nominations 4.8. – 3.10.2025

Member organisations have the right to nominate candidates even after the above-mentioned nomination period, including at the Autumn Meeting. However, it is up to the Balloting Committee to prepare a reasoned proposal at least two weeks before the Autumn Meeting. Proposals made by the member organisations by the requested deadline will help this work.

The candidate proposal and its attachments are requested to be sent by 3.10.2025 by 23:59 to the email address fingovaalit@fingo.fi.

The candidate proposal of **the Board member and Vice-Chair candidate** must include:

- candidate's name
- the grounds for his/her selection
- the signature of the person with the right to sign the name of the proposing organisation.

The candidate proposal of **the Chair candidate** must include:

- candidate's name
- the member organisation that nominated him/her and any other parties with the signatures of a person with signature rights
- the candidate's connections
- possible party and other social affiliations
- social activity

The Balloting Committee also asks **all candidates** to provide:

- a CV for Balloting Committee's use
- a short introduction and photo for Fingo's website

Presentation of the candidates

According to the Electoral proceedings the documents submitted to the Balloting Committee are public. The documents are available also on Fingo's website.

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The list of candidates will be updated as proposals are sent to the Balloting Committee.

The Chair candidate/candidates will present themselves at the public event in Fingo, organised after the nomination period has ended. The dates and other details for the event will be shared with the member organizations closer to the event.

On behalf of the Balloting Committee

Maiju Korpela
Chair of the Balloting Committee

ATTACHMENTS

Attachments can be read on the election page at

<https://fingo.fi/hallitusvaalit2025/>

- Composition of the Balloting Committee
- Composition of the current Board
- Instructions on Electoral Proceedings (in Finnish)
- Fingo's Rules