

Location Innovation Hub (LIH) Annual event plan 2026-2027-to-18-month, regional activities

Date and Location	Name of the event	Organiser	Responsible person	Target audience	Expected participants	Links
12.-13.2.2026 University of Helsinki	Geospatial Challenge Camp Kick-off Event	University of Turku, University of Helsinki, Aalto University, Geoportti RI, Fiuginet	Niina Käyhkö, Antero Järvi, Tytti Tengström	Master's students, doctoral researchers, and postdoctoral researchers in Finnish universities	52	https://challenge-camp.geoportti.fi/en/dev2026/index.html#
5.3.2026 online	Dataklubi	Lounaistieto, University of Turku	Maiju Kähärä, Niina Käyhkö	Companies and public organizations interested to use open data	30	https://www.lounaistieto.fi/kartoista-koodiin-dataklubi-avaa-paikkatiedon-mahdollisuuksia/
24.3.2026 Mauno Koivisto -keskus, Presidentti-auditorio (BioCity, Tykistökatu 6, Turku)	Aluetietofoorumi 2026	Lounaistieto, University of Turku	Maiju Kähärä, Niina Käyhkö	Companies and public organizations interested to use open data and discuss how information can be used to create sustainable futures	150	https://www.lounaistieto.fi/alu-etietofoorumi-2026-tiedollakestavaan-tulevaisuuteen/
25.3.2026 Entrepreneurial Hub Konttori	Geospatial Challenge Camp Midterm Event	University of Turku, University of Helsinki, Aalto University, Geoportti RI, Fiuginet	Niina Käyhkö, Antero Järvi, Tytti Tengström	Master's students, doctoral researchers, and postdoctoral researchers in Finnish universities	35	https://challenge-camp.geoportti.fi/en/dev2026/index.html#
23.4.26, Ylivieska	Oivallus - Tule, näe, ja koe teknologia	Centria	Jonna Björk, Heidi Kaartinen - Liuska	MSMEs, SMEs and Mid-caps	50-100	
11.5.2026 University of Helsinki	Geospatial Challenge Camp Final Event	University of Turku, University of Helsinki, Aalto University, Geoportti RI, Fiuginet	Niina Käyhkö, Antero Järvi, Tytti Tengström	Master's students, doctoral researchers, and postdoctoral researchers in Finnish universities	45	https://challenge-camp.geoportti.fi/en/dev2026/index.html#
May, Turku?	SHIFT Business Festival?	University of Turku, Lounaistieto?	Niina Käyhkö, Tytti Tengström, Maiju Kähärä?	TBA	TBA	TBA
May, Kokkola	Datatalouskasvattamo. Datapaja / loppuseminaari	Centria	Leni Forsberg, Jonna Björk	MSMEs, SMEs and Mid-caps	50	

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June 2026	OIA-olkkari	OIA Oulu, Oamk	Jaakko Palmunen	SMEs, Public sector and research institutions	50-100	TBA
Fall 2026, Turku	Dataklubi	Lounaistieto, University of Turku	Maiju Kähärä, Niina Käyhkö	Companies and public organizations interested to use open data	TBA	TBA
Fall 2026	Research to Business	LIH	Nanji Yahaya, Maria Vilppola	Researchers, Business developers and investors		
29.9-1.10.2026, Tampereen Urheilu- ja messukeskus	Alihankinta 2026 side event, panel discussion "Datavetoiset teolliset ekosysteemit – Miten paikkatieto, tekoäly ja data-avaruudet vauhdittavat suomalaisen valmistavan teollisuuden kansainvälistä kasvua?"	TAMK	Pirita Ihamäki	SME and larges companies	50	https://alihankinta.fi/newfront
October 2026	RDI Open Doors	Centria	Jonna Björk	(M)SMEs and students	200+	https://net.centria.fi/95946/
October 2026	Sustainable aviation conference	Oamk	Kimmo Paajanen, Timo Hyvonen	SMEs, Public sector	50+	TBA
27.11.-29.11.2026	12thCASSINI Hackathon: EU Space for Peace and Resilience	FuturetournamentsOy (Ultrahack)	Olli Rantanen	Students, Researchers, Investors, SMEs	?	
December 2026	OIA-olkkari	OIA Oulu, Oamk	Jaakko Palmunen	SMEs, Public sector and research institutions	50-100	TBA
9-10.6.2027, Tampere City Hall	Manufacturing Performance Days, panel discussion "Human-Centric AI & Location-Aware Manufacturing: How Spatial Intelligence Transforms Factory Work"	TAMK	Pirita Ihamäki	SME and large companies	40	https://www.mpdays.com/