

Finland– national procedures for mutual legal assistance on laundering,
search, seizure and confiscation of proceeds of crime (ETS No. 141)
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The information contained in this table should be updated on a yearly basis.

Procedure for search (asset-tracing) and seizure	
The Central Authority (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available) responsible for mutual legal assistance (including freezing and seizure):	<p>Central authority responsible for freezing and seizure:</p> <p>National Bureau of Investigation, International Affairs, BOP 285, FI-01301 Vantaa, Finland</p> <p>Urgent cases requiring immediate measures:</p> <p>Sirene Finland (24/7): tel: +358 295 418612, email: sirene.krp (at) poliisi.fi</p>
If different from the Central Authority, the authority to which the request should be sent (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available):	<p>Central authority responsible for confiscation:</p> <p>Ministry of Justice</p> <p>International Judicial Administration</p> <p>POB 25</p> <p>FI-00023 Government</p> <p>tel: +358 1606 7628</p> <p>fax: +358 1606 7524</p> <p>email: central.authority (at) om.fi</p>
Channels of communication for the request for mutual legal assistance (directly, or other):	A request may be sent directly to the Central Authority

Means of communication (e.g. by post, fax, e-mail ¹):	Mail, fax, email
Language requirements:	Accepted languages: Finnish, Swedish, English
Double criminality requirement, if applicable:	Required
Other requirements: for example a link between the proceeds and the criminal offence, or that a request for the confiscation judgment or measure will be made later, or that leave is given by a judge for the seizure of assets/goods:	Property may be frozen at the request of a foreign state if it has been forfeited to the state or can reasonably be assumed to be orderd forfeited to the state.
Modalities/requirements for the execution of MLA requests for investigative assistance (search, tracing, special investigative techniques), existence of a central register of real estate/ bank accounts, duration of preservation of bank data, etc.:	
Limitation of use of evidence obtained:	May be used for requested purpose and any other legitimate purpose
Modalities/requirements related to the execution of provisional measures (freezing, prejudgment seizing) including lifting of these measures (possibilities to seize (im)movable properties) and applicable time	

¹ Please indicate if encryption or electronic signature is required.

limits, if any:	
Available asset management system including preservative measures, (for example prejudgment selling), concerning the seized goods:	
Procedure for confiscation/ Recognition of foreign decisions. Recovery of confiscated assets.	
The Central Authority (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available) responsible for Confiscation/ recognition of foreign judgments/decisions/measures:	Ministry of Justice International Judicial Administration POB 25 FI-00023 Government tel: +358 1606 7628 fax: +358 1606 7524 email: central.authority (at) om.fi
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Language requirements:	Accepted languages: Finnish, Swedish, English
Document requirements and modalities/requirements for the procedure of confiscation:	The request shall include an enforceable court decision/order.
Other requirements, if applicable: For example: a link between the proceeds and the criminal offence. In case of money laundering, what are the requirements for the predicate offence(s):	
Procedure /possibilities to trace assets/proceeds when a (foreign) confiscation order is already given:	
Procedure for sharing of assets, if applicable:	By application proceeds may be shared with or rendered in their entirety to the requesting state.
Where applicable, limitations to the possibility for the requesting state to serve judicial documents directly to the persons concerned:	
Other particularly relevant information on special types of assistance	
Non Conviction Based Confiscation:	

MLA regarding liability of legal persons (criminal, civil or administrative):	
Other information (for example, extended confiscation, confiscation for the purpose of victims):	
Links to national legislation, national guides on procedure:	