



# Welcome to Salo

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The place you've been looking for.



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# A truly rich, balanced life is what you get at Salo.

The best opportunities are not always found in the biggest cities.

Sometimes they are found in places where you don't have to choose between professional growth and enjoyable living.

This guide introduces Salo's career opportunities, international community, everyday services, and the support available to help you build your life here.

**Welcome!**

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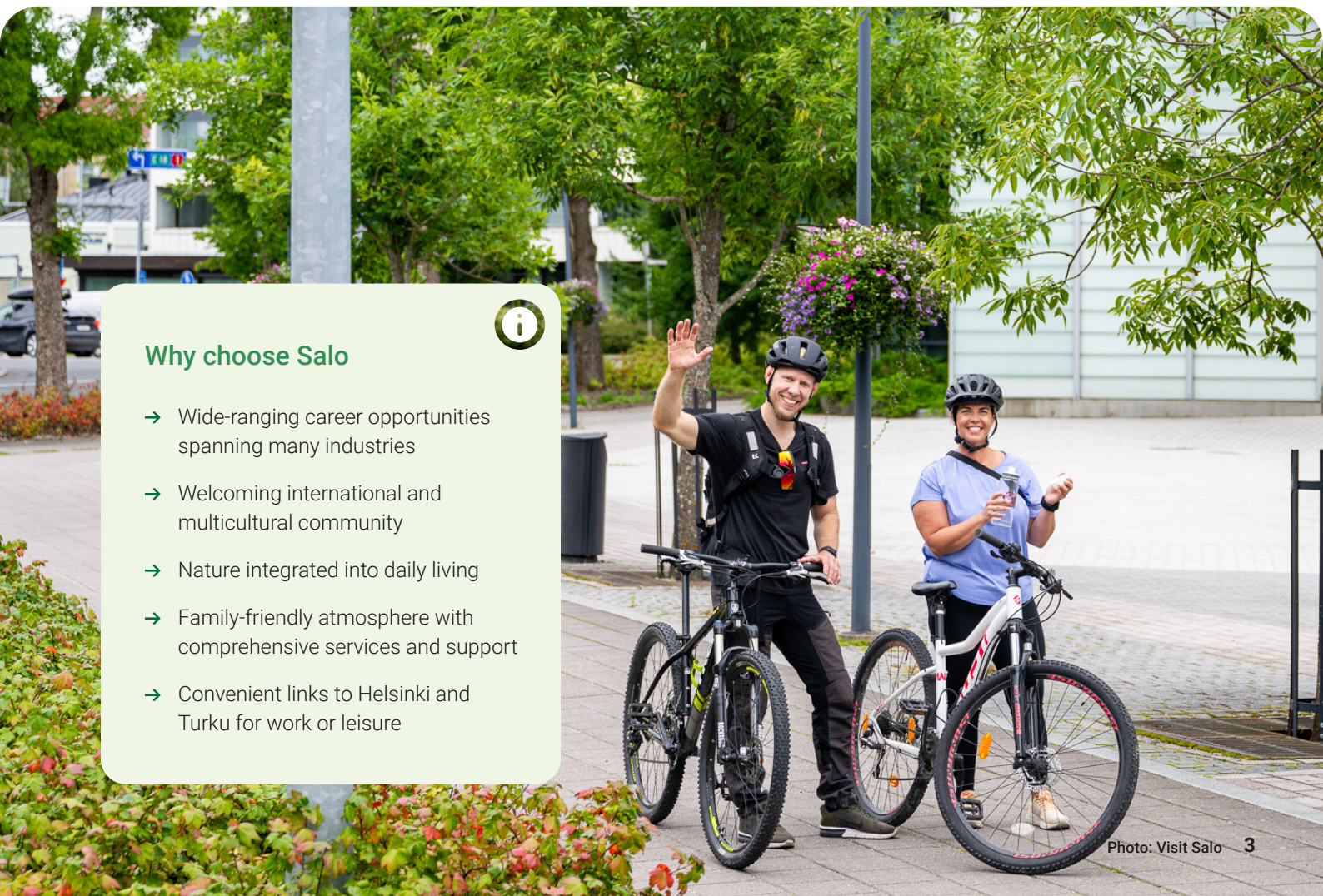
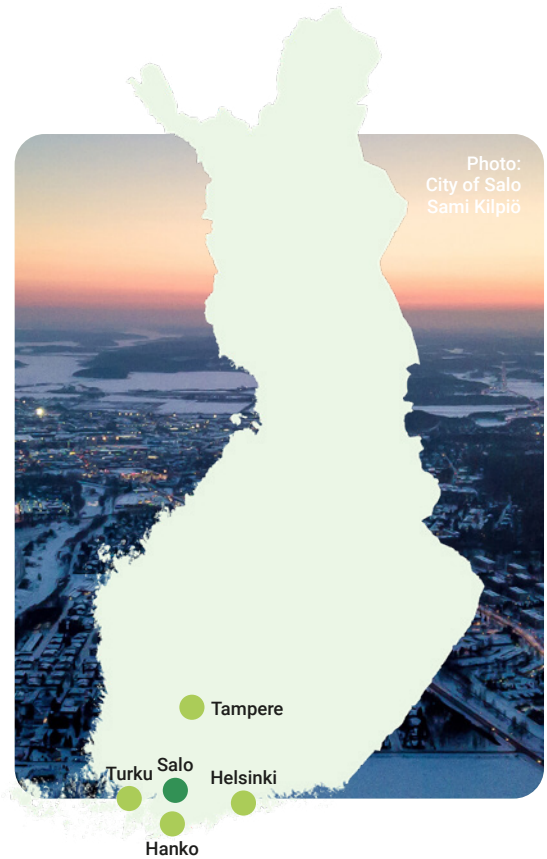
# Discover Salo

**Salo is a city shaped by people like you. People with new beginnings. People who build new: careers, businesses, communities and lives.**

Between Helsinki and Turku, Salo offers easy access to both cities: 115 km to Helsinki (1.5 hours by train), 55 km to Turku (30 minutes by train).

Salo is known for innovation and thriving careers in technology, digitalisation, manufacturing, agriculture and entrepreneurship, offering you diverse professional opportunities. People in Salo speak more than 30 languages. International students, professionals, and families enrich local businesses, schools, organisations, and communities.

Forests, lakes, coastline, and urban services shape daily life here. You'll make nature part of routines, not just holidays.



## Why choose Salo

- Wide-ranging career opportunities spanning many industries
- Welcoming international and multicultural community
- Nature integrated into daily living
- Family-friendly atmosphere with comprehensive services and support
- Convenient links to Helsinki and Turku for work or leisure

# Building your future at Salo

Many international students have discovered Salo through their studies. They stay because they've built careers, formed valuable connections and found a place where everyday life works. Whether you are seeking a job, starting a business, or building your career, we've got you covered.

Local companies, educational institutions, and public organisations collaborate to help students gain experience, build networks, and explore career opportunities:

## Technology & digital innovation

Technology plays a major role in Salo. Companies such as Ledil, Lounea and Evondos develop products and services used worldwide. The Salo IoT Campus brings together students, researchers and businesses working on future technologies.

## Manufacturing & engineering

Manufacturing continues to strengthen the region. Companies like Marine Alutech, Wipro Infrastructure

Engineering, and Jame-Shaft design, manufacture, and export products worldwide.

## Health & life sciences

The health and well-being sector creates career opportunities across several fields. Orion employs many people in the region.

## Green transition & circular economy

Companies like Finnfoam and Ioncor create sustainable products, materials, and solutions.



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## Thinking about starting a business? Thrive with Yrityssalo.

→ Yrityssalo provides advice, local expertise and practical support for entrepreneurs. We connect you with employers, networks, and business opportunities across the region.

Learn more about business services, networking events, employers and industries in the region:

[www.yrityssalo.fi](http://www.yrityssalo.fi)

# A life you'll love

Life outside work matters too. People, hobbies, and favourite places make Salo feel like home.



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## Looking for something to do?



- Find concerts, festivals, exhibitions, sports events and local activities: [salo.fi/tapahtumakalenteri/](https://salo.fi/tapahtumakalenteri/)
- Explore the region: [visitsalo.fi/en/](https://visitsalo.fi/en/)

## Getting around

- Salon Paikku buses connect different parts of the city. Rail and long-distance bus services provide easy access to Helsinki, Turku and the rest of Finland.

### Useful links:

- [www.salonpaikku.fi/en](https://www.salonpaikku.fi/en)
- [www.vr.fi/en](https://www.vr.fi/en)
- [www.matkahuolto.fi/en](https://www.matkahuolto.fi/en)

## Room to grow

Many people planning their future also think about their partner, children and everyday life beyond work. Salo offers daycare, schools and healthcare services that support families through different stages of life. From city-centre apartments to homes in nature, Salo suits a range of lifestyles and life stages.

### Learn more:

[salo.fi/en/education-and-early-childhood-education-and-care/sskky.fi](https://salo.fi/en/education-and-early-childhood-education-and-care/sskky.fi)

### International life in Salo

Moving to a new city comes with questions. You do not have to find all the answers alone. International House Salo, and integration services help you settle and connect locally: <https://salo.fi/hyvinvointi-ja-osallisuus/maahanmuuttajalle-for-immigrants/>

## Social & health services

Our social and health services support you every step of the way: <https://www.varha.fi/en>

In addition, private healthcare providers include, for example, Mehiläinen, Pihlajalinna and Terveystalo.

## Nature within reach

A walk by the sea. A hike through the forest. A quiet moment by the lake.

In Salo, these experiences are never far away.

Teijo National Park, the archipelago, cycling and trails offer ways to enjoy your free time—locals enjoy the same places as visitors.

## Community, culture & leisure

Salo is known for its entrepreneurial mindset, strong technology heritage and active community life.

Every summer, thousands of people gather at Salo's famous Iltatori. Music, food, local businesses and community spirit fill the city centre.

Sports, fitness, libraries, museums and events help you meet people and enjoy life outside work.

Popular destinations include Teijo, Mathildedal, Vuohensaari and Wiurila. Together with outdoor experiences, events and local attractions, they help make Salo one of Finland's notable tourism destinations.

## Ready to call Salo home?

You can build your future more easily when you know where to find help and whom to contact. Whether seeking work, entrepreneurship, family life or info, support is here.

Find out more about Salo's services and decision making at city's website: [www.salo.fi](http://www.salo.fi)

**Let's start a conversation today to open your possibilities of tomorrow.**



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### Discover KOHTA:

[projects.tuni.fi/kohta/](http://projects.tuni.fi/kohta/)



### KOHTA project

→ KOHTA helps international students find internships, employment opportunities, and professional networks in regional cities. The project strengthens cooperation between students, employers, and educational institutions and helps international talent build careers in Finland.



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