

THE FINNISH GEODETIC INSTITUTE'S ACTIVITIES

This audit evaluated the effectiveness of the Finnish Geodetic Institute's activities, the relevance of the implementation process and the regularity of administrative procedures. The audit indicated that the Finnish Geodetic Institute's activities have been arranged regularly in essential respects and that preconditions for effectiveness exist. The oversight relationship between the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and the Finnish Geodetic Institute is also logical and clear.

Research work conducted with outside funds has made it more difficult for the Institute to fulfil its basic tasks, however. The State Audit Office emphasizes that outside research work should not restrict the performance of basic tasks. Furthermore, effectiveness reporting has not distinguished between budget activities and activities conducted with outside funds.

The application of funds by the Finnish Geodetic Institute was in line with the budget commentary. The annual nature of appropriations was not always respected in research investments, however.

The audit was conducted with the help of a structured audit model developed by the State Audit Office.