



Bio – Mr Janne Känkänen, Chief Executive Officer of the National Emergency Supply Agency (NESA)



Janne Känkänen was appointed Chief Executive Officer for the National Emergency Supply Agency (NESA) on September 1, 2020. Känkänen has occupied the position as acting CEO since April 2020. In addition to long leadership experience, Känkänen has experience in demanding special government projects (bail-out of distressed companies, financial restructuring, etc.) in the field of industrial policy as well as EU affairs.

Before his current position, Känkänen has served in several positions at the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment and has held several BoD positions since 2008. He holds a Master's degree in Economics from the University of Helsinki.

NESA is an independent central government organisation operating a 2 billion EUR National Emergency Supply Fund and coordinating a broad network of Finnish companies deemed critical for national resilience. The Agency is responsible for maintaining Finland's strategic stockpiles and involved in running programs aimed at ensuring resilience of critical infrastructure.

Work experience

- Chief Executive Officer of NESA, September 2020–
- Interim Chief Executive Officer of NESA, April 2020–September 2020
- Director for EU and International Affairs at the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, 2016–2020
- Director-General at the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, 2016
- Head of Unit at Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, 2011–2015
- Director at Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, 2008–2010
- Deputy Director-General at the Ministry of Trade and Industry, 2005–2007
- Administrator at the European Commission, 1996–2005.