# Maahanmuuttovirasto Migrationsverket Finnish Immigration Service

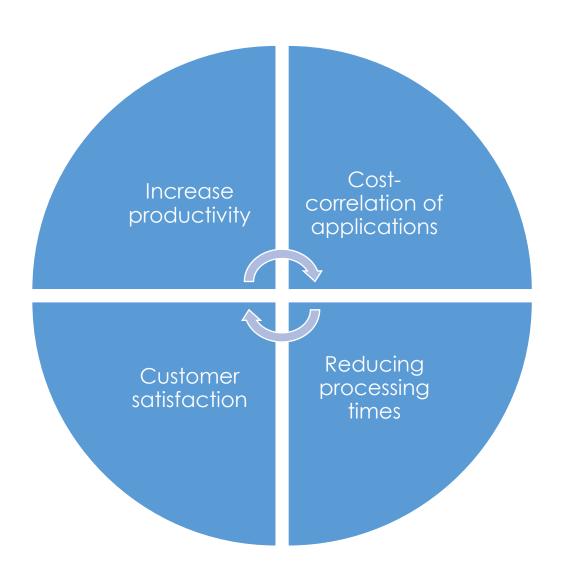


# Data driven approach to automating permit and citizenship processes at the Finnish Immigration Services

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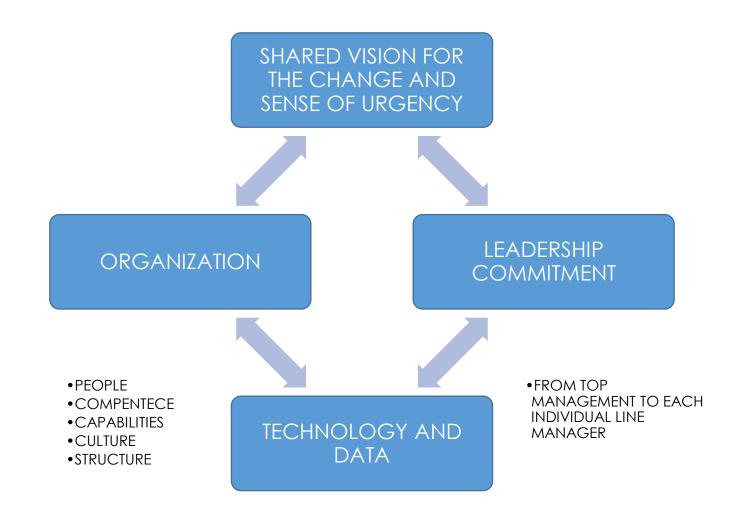


# Objectives behind the development of automation





# Digital transformation requires capabilities, readiness and commitment





# **Development of automation**

AUTOMATED DECISIONS, NEW OPERATING MODELS FOR CASE HANDLING – 2023 and beyond

ENHACED TASK BASED PROCESSING EXPERIMENTS, NEW PROCESSES TO PARTIAL AUTOMATION, AUTOMATED INITIATIONS – 2021 - 2022

WIDE INTRODUCTION OF AUTOMATED PRE-REQUISITES AND PARTIAL AUTOMATION IN CITIZENSHIP AND PERMIT PROCESSES — 2020

AUTOMATION OF ROUTINE TASKS, EXPERIMENTS WITH PRE-REQUISITE AUTOMATION AND PARTIAL DECISION AUTOMATION – 2019

TASK BASED CASE PROCESSING - 2018

RULE ENGINE AND STRUCTURED DATA, CONFIGURABLE RULES – 2017

NEW UI AND STRUCTURE, ACTIONS ("UMA4") - 2016

PRE-REQUISITE DASHBOARD – 2015

AUTOMATION OF REGISTER CHECKS - 2012-



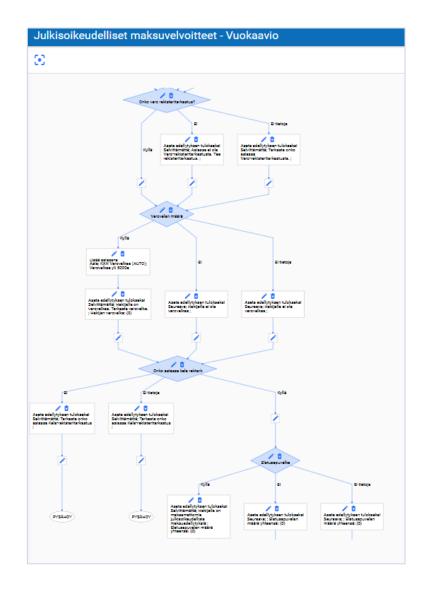
## Where do we gather our data

• Electronic case management system Previous applications **UMA**  Employer register Customer data • Over 10 automatic registry checks are run in every case • Police's case management system, Population information system, Student Integrations register, SIS II, National Certificates of Language Proficiency, Company's obligation compliance report, Social support register, Income register (2022) Electronic web service Enter Finland Application forms **Enter Finland** • Employer forms Notes from initiation



# Electronic case management system UMA

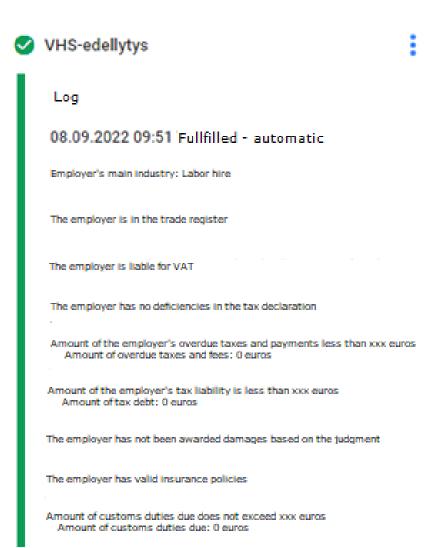
- UMA is the registration and case management system for all asylum, residence permit and citizenship applications, and the management system for return decision and prohibitions of entry.
- Automated pre-requisites are currently the basis of case handling
- The requirements for an application can be "broken down" into logical "true/false" or "larger/smaller than" operations within a rule
- Rules are created and maintained by the process owner in rule engine within UMA system (not e.g. the UMA system provider).
- We don't use machine learning.





### **Integrations**

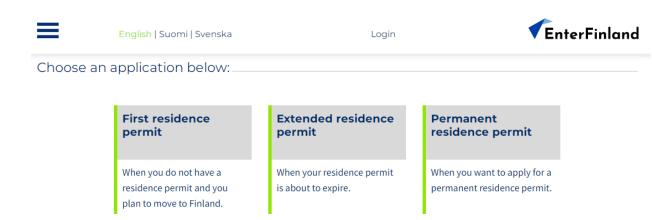
- Over 10 automatic registry checks in every case
- Most used integrations
  - Police's case management system
  - Population information system
  - Student register
  - SIS II
  - National Certificates of Language Proficiency
  - Company's obligation compliance report
  - Social support register
  - Income register (2023)
- The results of every registry checks are analyzed automatically
  - Only if there are something discretionary in the results, they need to evaluated manually



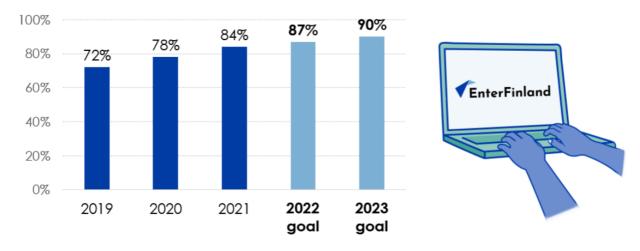


#### **Enter Finland**

- Enter Finland is an electronic web service, which was first taken into use in 2013.
- The aim of Migri is to have Enter Finland as the main channel for applications and other communication.
- Enter Finland is used by both applicants and employers.
- The data received from Enter Finland is transferred to electronic case management system UMA, where it is used in automatic decision-making and prerequisite checks.

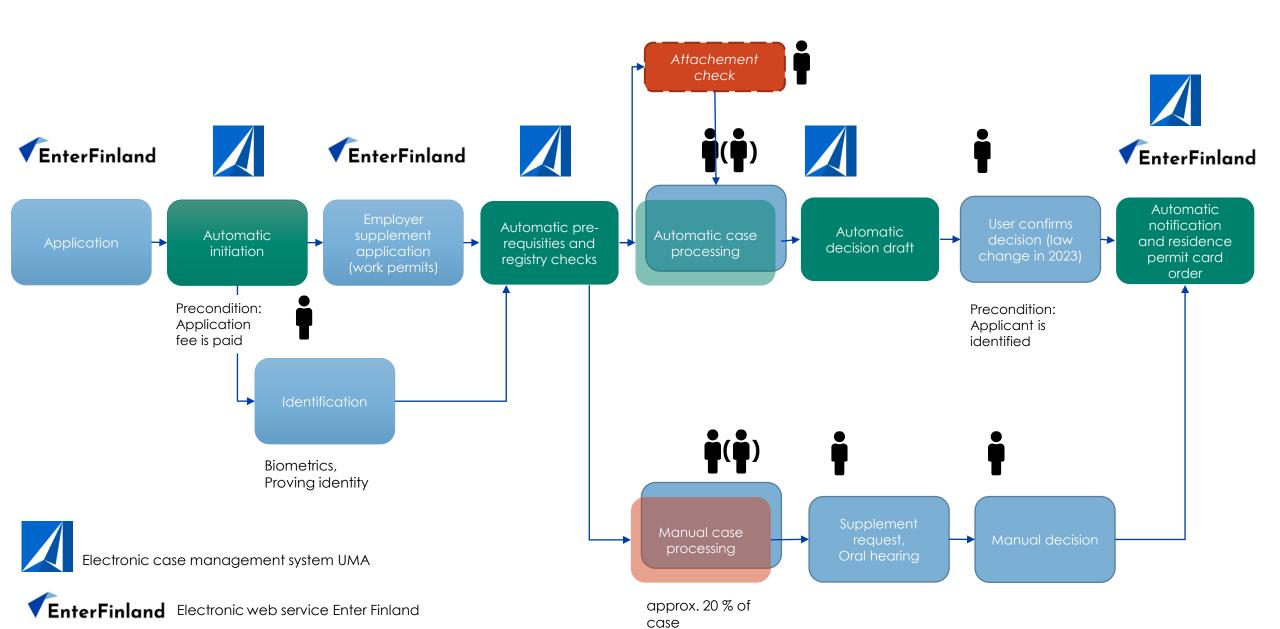


# Online applications' percentage in the application types, which can be applied online



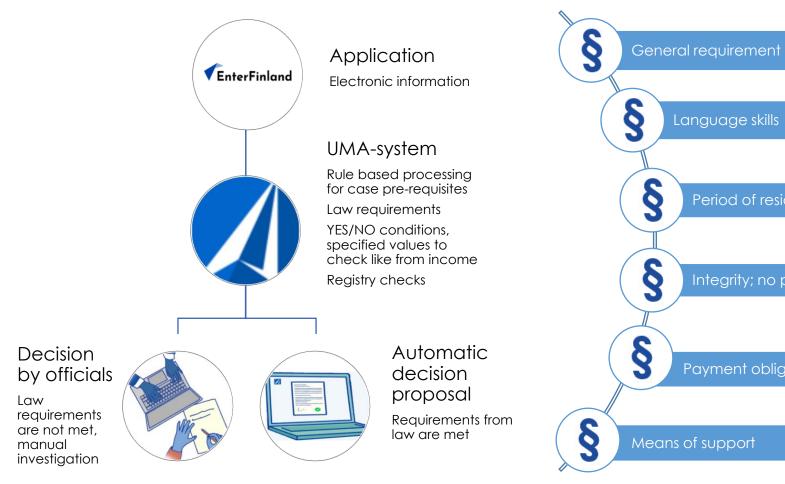


# Operating model for case handling





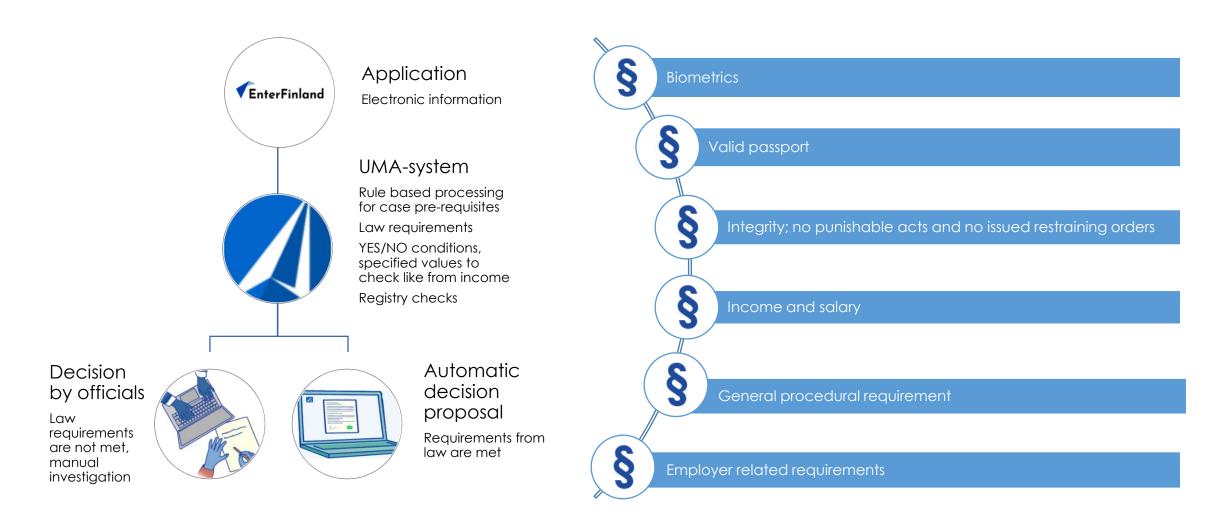
### Case example: Citizenship application







## Case example: Special expert





#### **UMA** in numbers





32 000

**2**300 **2** 

**%**35

Measures per day
(> 11 000 automatic per day)

Daily users (>8000 unique users this year)

Integrations

E 16 500

Customers visiting Enter Finland

>230 000

Automatic pre-requisite calculations per day

= 22 462

daily

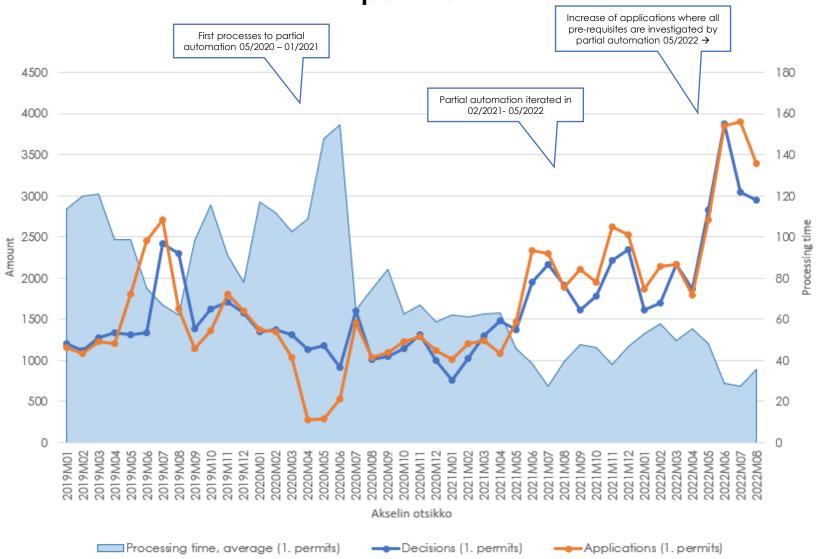
Amount of data in UMA database (gigabytes)

**\$** >6 000 000

Automatic rule evaluations per day



Case example: Impacts of automation to first study and work permits



Applications +74%

1-8/22 vs. 1-8/21



# Thank you!

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