

Timetable for the European Capital of Culture 2026 application procedure

Application stage	Date
Call for submission of applications published on the Ministry of Education and Culture's website	1 April 2019
Info session for applicants	2 April 2019
Applications for the European Capital of Culture submitted by	5 May 2020
Pre-selection meeting in Helsinki	June 2020
Pre-selection report published on the Ministry of Education and Culture's website	July 2020
Completed and revised applications submitted by	To be confirmed
Possible visits to the candidate cities	Spring 2021
Designation of the European Capital of Culture	Summer 2021