

Curriculum Vitae

1. **Personal details and date of CV:** Jari Ojala; ORCID ID: orcid.org/0000-0002-4348-8857. Dec 5, 2025
2. **Degrees:** Ph.D. (history) 1999, MA 1994, University of Jyväskylä.
3. **Current employment:** Rector (President), University of Jyväskylä (JYU), Finland (2023–2028)
4. **Previous work experience:** Different positions at JYU since 1995 from doctoral student to professorships (2004–); head of department (2008–2017); Vice-Dean (2018–2021); dean (2022–2023). Journalist 1987–1995 (various periods & newspapers); Research visits: Sweden, Denmark, Australia
5. **Research funding and grants:** Total funding of projects as PI roughly 7.3 million € (2000–2023).
6. **Research leadership and supervision:** 23 PhD:s as main (8) or secondary (15) supervisor.
7. **Teaching merits:** Supervised MAs: 52 & BAs: 63. Teaching at the Universities of Jyväskylä (1995–2023), Tampere (2002–), Turku (1999), Oulu (2003), Joensuu (2008), Helsinki (2003–), Tampere University of Technology (2000, 2001), Helsinki School of Business (2008), Helsinki University of Technology (2003–2009), Kyoto Sangyo University (Japan) 2008, and Appalachian State University (NC, USA). Teacher's certificate (1994), various university pedagogy courses.
8. **Awards, prizes and honours:** *Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, Eino Jutikkala History Prize* for outstanding research 2016; *Ellen and Artturi Nyssönen foundation* award for Pahtbreaking comparative research, 2010; Winner of the 2009 *Academy of Management Carolyn Dexter Award* (“best foreign paper”, together with J-A Lamberg, J. Järvinen and JP Murmann) 2009.
9. **Other Academic merits:** Over 300 conference presentations (c. 200 international), several keynote-presentations, several organized conferences and international workshops; Pre-examiner in 13 dissertations and opponent in 8 dissertations; Statements of professorships (9) and lecturerships; Member on assessment committees for funding applications in Finland, Sweden, Chile and Croatia.
10. **Journal editor & reviewer:** Editor-in-Chief *Scandinavian Economic History Review* 2015–2018 (member of editorial Board 2005–2014); Editor-in-Chief *Scandinavian Journal of History* 2004–2009 (editor 2001–2009); Member of the Editorial Board: *Essays in Economic & Business History*, 2013 – 2023; *International Journal of Maritime History*, 2008–2023 *Forum Navale*, 2015–2023; *Annales Mercatoria*, 2019 –2023; Dozens of reviewer reports to over 20 different journals in various fields and to 5 publishing houses (reviews on monographs and edited anthologies)
11. **Administrative responsibilities at higher education institutions or research organizations:** The *Council of Rectors of Finnish Universities* (Unifi), member of board 2024-2025 and chair of the board 2026-2027; Vice-president of *The Scandinavian Society for Economic and Social History* 2018–2022; Board of the Finnish Academy of Science and Letters 2020-2022; Various administrative positions at JYU since 2000 (including external faculty board member at the faculty of Natural Sciences 2017–2021; Faculty board member, Faculty of Humanities, 2005–2008); Uppsala University, evaluation of research and research environments 2017; Chair of the *Advisory Board of Finnish National Archives* 2017–2025; Board of *Finnish Historical Society* 2018–2020, and *Finnish Economic History Association* 2004–2020; *Council of Finnish Institute of Migration*, member 2013–2023; Member of the Council, *The Scandinavian Society for Economic and Social History*, 2005–2020
12. **Other positions of trust:** *Central Finland Wellbeing Service County RDI-Group* 2023-; The Chair of the Administrative Council 2015-2021 of *OP-Bank Toholampi*, Member of merger committee 2020-2021 of *OP Jokilaaksot*; *Federation of Finnish Learned Societies* (TSV), Publication Forum Evaluation panel 16 2010–2017; Member of the *Steering group of Private Archives within the National Archives of Finland* 2006-2016; Member of the editorial board and steering group of *Anders Chydenius compiled works* 2006-2016; Member of the executive team of *Consortium for virtual studies in history in Finland* 2003-2010; Several positions of trust at JYU 2001–2025
13. **Military rank, decorations and national defence course:** Staff Sergeant 2007; Knight, First Class, of the Order of the White Rose of Finland FWR K I (2019); National defence course 253 (2025)
14. **Publications:** Total number of publications: 288. Refereed articles: 101. Books (edited compilations & single authored): 20. Citations in Google Scholar: 2,028, h-index in Google Scholar: 24, i10 index: 54 (Dec 5, 2025). The all-time most downloaded article in *Business History*, 115,497 views (Dec 5, 2025).