

*"The beer and beerculture is borderfree. It is good, that Russia is also a part of global wave of craftbrewing with raising interest in new variations of beers and competitions".*

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Born in 1956.

Education:

Master of Science; M.Sc (Econ.) from Helsinki School of Economics 1987

1971 Starting hobbybrewing of Sahti-beer

1985 Founder of Lammin Sahti –brewery (oldest microbrewery in Finland) [www.sahti.fi](http://www.sahti.fi)

2013 Founder of Bryggeri Helsinki –brewery-restaurant, [www.bryggeri.fi](http://www.bryggeri.fi)

1989 Founder of Finnish Sahtisociety and the national Sahticompetition, [www.sahti.org](http://www.sahti.org)

1992-2014 Founder and a longtime chairman of the Finnish Smallbrewery Association, [www.pienpanimoliitto.fi](http://www.pienpanimoliitto.fi)

2002 Founder of the biggest finnish beerfestival –Great Beers-Small Breweries, [www.suuretluet.fi](http://www.suuretluet.fi)

Many times awarded by beer sector in Finland

Judge in many competitions:

- Sahti (Finland)
- Gotlands Drikku competition (Sweden) 2 times
- European Beer Star (Germany) 5 times
- Brazilian Beer Contest (2016)