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Aleks Randell is a prominent figure in the Finnish business life and society. He is currently the Director General and CEO of the Confederation of Finnish Construction Industries RT (CFCI), a position he has held since the end of 2017.

The Confederation of Finnish Construction Industries RT represents the entire construction sector in Finland: building contractors, Infra and special contractors and the construction product industry. Its aim is to firm up the cooperation of industrial players and to strengthen the supervision of the interests and importance of the construction industry both in Finland and in the strongly internationally-oriented business environment.

The RT (CFCI) has about 3 000 member companies including all the biggest companies in the industry. The joint turnover of the member companies was over 22 billion euros in 2022, whereas the entire construction turnover in Finland was about 42 billion euros.

The RT (CFCI) is also the arranging organization for the so called pre-prepared construction arrangements, which means construction by civil companies for the purpose of national defense in peacetime and in disruptions and wartime. This work is done in very close co-operation with the Finnish Defense Forces.

Randell acts also as member of the Executive committee of the Confederation of Finnish Industries EK and a chairman of the National Real estate and Construction Forum steering committee. He is currently also chairman of two major real estate companies in Finland.

Prior to his current position, Randell was in 2009-2017 the Mayor of Turku and before the chairman of the Turku City Board for a total period of six years, while also serving a term as special advisor to the minister at the Ministry of Transport and Communications. At the time, Randell was considered exceptionally young for these above mentioned positions and he is considered one of the most appreciated experts in urban policy and development in Finland.

Randell was born in Turku and grew up in a family of construction entrepreneurs. He graduated from the Luostarivuori High School in 1994, did his military service serving in the Finnish Navy and started his university studies right after. He graduated with a MSc. degree in economics from the University of Turku in 2006. In 2017, he was awarded the highest honorary decoration from the University of Turku Foundation and in 2018 he was nominated Alumni of the Year of the University of Turku. He continues to serve his home university as a member of the University of Turku Foundation committee.

Randell is married to Liisa Ketomäki, who is the CEO of the Turku Music Festival Foundation. They have a boy and a girl together. The entire family enjoys the arts and cultural activities and spends a big part of their free time at their holiday homes in the Turku archipelago and in Lapland. Randell enjoys outdoor activities such as hunting, road bicycle riding and cross-country skiing.