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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

Build a compliance-secure workforce marketplace + payment agent that connects companies to pre-verified independent freelancers (starting Finland → Nordic/EU), with escrowed pass-through payments, documented contractor compliance, and an upskilling pathway. CodFleet is not an employer and not a staffing agency.

1.2 Intended Audience

Founders/execs, product & engineering, compliance/legal counsel, security & data protection officers, operations, external auditors, government liaison partners, and enterprise clients.

1.3 Intended Use

Define functional, legal, security and performance requirements for a phased delivery (Phase 1–6), serve as acceptance criteria for vendors, and as the baseline for DPIA/SoA (GDPR).

1.4 Scope

Web application (responsive) with consoles for Freelancer, Company, Admin/Compliance, Support, Field Master, and a read-only Government Viewer (upon MOU). Escrowed payment rails (PSP), compliance verification, task posting with coverage windows (no shifts), matching, invoicing, and upskilling.

1.5 Definitions & Acronyms



- **Freelancer** = independent contractor with Business ID (Y-tunnus).
- Company = client posting tasks.
- PSP = Payment Service Provider (licensed in EU).
- **KYC/AML/PEP** = identity & sanctions screening.
- GDPR/DPIA/DPA = EU privacy regime / impact assessment / data processing agreement.
- YEL = self-employed pension; TyEL = employee pension (not applicable to freelancers).
- **TES** = sectoral collective agreement (reference only; CodFleet not an employer).
- Coverage Window = voluntary time window a freelancer chooses to be available (no scheduling control).
- Pass-through = client funds held in escrow, then forwarded to freelancers; CodFleet retains only its service fees.

2. Overall Description

2.1 User Needs

- **Companies**: fast access to **pre-verified**, legally eligible freelancers; one auditable invoice; contractor-obligations proof.
- **Freelancers**: legal work opportunities, **escrowed, on-time payouts**, transparent fees, document vault, optional upskilling.
- CodFleet: automated compliance, audit trails, risk flags, fair matching, dispute workflows.
- Government: optional read-only access to compliance dashboards (upon request/MOU).

2.2 Assumptions & Dependencies

- GDPR compliance & EU data residency.
- Payments via EU-licensed PSP (e.g., Stripe/Adyen/Paytrail) escrow accounts.
- Identity/document verification via KYC vendors (e.g., Veriff/Onfido) and Suomi.fi/elDAS where available.



- Registry checks: YTJ (Business ID), VERO (tax status APIs/exports), optional Migri status (consent-based), insurance proof (policy docs).
- Initial focus: **Finland** (Phase 1–3) then Nordic/Baltics (Phase 4–6).

3. Functional Requirements

3.1 User Roles & Authentication

Roles

- Freelancer
- Company: Org Admin, Hiring Manager, Finance
- CodFleet: Admin, Compliance Officer, Support Agent, Field Master (ops)
- Government Viewer (read-only; optional, gated by MOU)

Auth

- Email + OTP/password; optional **MFA** (TOTP/SMS).
- SSO (Google/Microsoft) optional for companies.
- eID (Suomi.fi/eIDAS) for high-assurance actions (contracting, bank updates).
- RBAC with least-privilege.
- Session management via JWT + short-lived tokens; refresh rotation.

Freelancer KYC & Compliance Gate (hard block)

- Mandatory: passport/ID, residence/visa, Y-tunnus, Tax number/certificate, YEL status, accident insurance policy, bank IBAN, consent to data sharing with authorities when legally required.
- Status engine: Pending → Verified → Active (or Rejected/Hold).
- Monthly "green light" check: prior-month tax/YEL/insurance receipts uploaded before payout.



3.2 Company Features

- Org profile, legal entity details, billing info, DPA acceptance.
- Create Tasks: title, description, coverage window(s), location, skills/certifications, language, PPE/safety, sector tag, rate range (CodFleet suggests market rate; company sets, freelancer accepts).
- **Compliance Checklist** auto-attached to each task (Contractor's Obligations Act proof pack).
- Matching: shortlist of eligible, verified freelancers only.
- Invite / accept / cancel (with fair-use policy).
- Escrow invoice generation (pre-fund in advance or rolling terms).
- Approve completions (deliverable-based or time-boxed window completion).
- Reporting: spend, fulfillment, compliance proof export (PDF/CSV).
- Messaging with freelancers (monitored for safety; no shift control).
- Dispute creation, evidence upload, structured resolution SLAs.

3.3 Freelancer Features

- Profile: bio, skills, languages, location radius, certifications (e.g., Hygiene, Hot Work, Forklift), preferred coverage windows.
- Document Vault: ID, visa, Y-tunnus, YEL proof, insurance, tax cert; expiry reminders.
- Discovery: browse/apply to tasks; no assignment—only volunteer/accept.
- Availability: choose/update coverage windows; request swap (peer replacement) if needed.
- **Payouts**: wallet view, earnings, CodFleet fee shown, escrow status, payout schedule; invoices auto-generated by the platform in freelancer's name to CodFleet.
- Compliance meter: monthly status (Green/Amber/Red) with required actions.
- Upskilling: course catalog, enrollments, certificate upload, skill badges.

3.4 Matching & Search



- Filters: legal eligibility, documents verified, skills/certs, distance, language, past ratings, coverage windows overlap, hour-cap guard (e.g., students 30h/week).
- Ranking: compliance first, then proximity/skills/fairness.
- Fairness & explainability: show why a freelancer was eligible/matched (non-discriminatory).

3.5 Payment & Contract

• Payment Flow (pass-through)

- Company accepts candidates → system issues escrow invoice to Company (PSP).
- o Funds settle in escrow ledger (client sub-account).
- Upon completion/confirmation, CodFleet forwards payouts to freelancers from escrow.
- CodFleet retains service fees (subject to VAT) and issues invoice to Company for client-side fee.
- Freelancer invoice (platform-generated) to CodFleet; payout = gross task value Freelancer service fee (X% delivery / X% skilled).

Contracts

- Platform ToS + Service Agreement (Freelancer ← CodFleet) stating independent contractor status; no shifts, no wage setting, no exclusivity.
- Company MSA (Company ↔ CodFleet) with DPA, contractor-obligations clause, escrow terms, dispute SLA.
- Task Confirmation: scope, rate, coverage window(s), safety, docs list.

Taxes

- CodFleet charges VAT on CodFleet fees (e.g., 24% in FI).
- Freelancer tax/YEL/insurance remain freelancer's responsibility; monthly proof upload is a payout prerequisite.
- System flags VAT threshold crossings for freelancers.

3.6 Communication



- In-app messaging, email/SMS/push notifications (task invites, doc expiry, payouts).
- Broadcast notices (policy, safety).
- Audit trail of all communications.
- No performance control language; messages are informational & safety-only.

4. External Interface Requirements

4.1 User Interface

- Responsive web (desktop-first; mobile optimized).
- Languages: EN & FI at launch; SV/ET/EE optional later.
- WCAG 2.1 AA accessibility.
- Branding: clean Nordic UI; CodFleet red accents; compliance trust badges.

4.2 Hardware & Software Interfaces

- PSP (escrow sub-accounts, payouts, reconciliation webhooks).
- **KYC** providers (OCR/face match, liveness).
- **Suomi.fi/elDAS** for high-assurance actions (optional).
- YTJ lookup (Business ID); VERO tax number/validation (API or periodic export);
 Insurance proof (policy upload/API when available).
- Cloud email/SMS (SendGrid/Twilio), object storage (EU), monitoring (APM), logging (SIEM).



5. Non-Functional Requirements

5.1 Performance

- P95 page load < 2.5s (EU).
- Match generation < 3s for 5k eligible freelancers.
- Reconciliation jobs complete within T+1 business day.

5.2 Security

- GDPR by design; EU data residency.
- Encryption at rest (AES-256) & in transit (TLS 1.2+).
- RBAC, MFA for privileged roles, IP allow-listing for Admin/Compliance.
- Audit logs: all auth, document, payout, contract actions (immutable).
- **DPIA** & **RoPA** maintained; DPAs with all processors.
- Secrets in HSM/secret manager; OWASP Top-10 controls; rate limiting; WAF; DDoS.
- Incident response runbook (72-hour breach notification readiness).

5.3 Usability

- Guided onboarding, clear status (Pending/Verified/Active), tooltips, checklists.
- Self-serve document re-upload, track progress to payout.

5.4 Reliability & Availability

- 99.9% uptime target.
- Backups daily (RPO ≤ 24h), DR RTO ≤ 8h, multi-AZ.
- Blue/green deploys, featuring flags.



6. Admin Panel

- **User management** (search, status changes, KYC view, locks).
- Document review queue (4-eyes approval for exceptions).
- Compliance dashboard: green/amber/red by user & company; exportable proof packs.
- Tasks oversight: abuse flags, cancellations, fill-rate metrics.
- Payments: escrow balances, payout queues, fee capture, chargeback handling.
- **Disputes**: triage, evidence, resolution outcomes, templates.
- Content & CMS: policies, course catalog, announcements.
- Reporting: finance, ops KPIs, authority reports.
- Government Viewer provisioning: read-only scopes per MOU.

7. Future Enhancements (Phased Roadmap)

Phase 1 (Weeks 0-6) - Launch Web Presence & Intake

- Marketing site, About/Legal.
- Freelancer & Company signup, document collection, basic verification, counters.
- Manual payouts (no escrow yet). KPI: 500 signups, 50 verified.

Phase 2 (Weeks 7-12) - Core Marketplace

- Task posting with coverage windows, eligibility filters, matching.
- In-app messaging, notifications.
- Admin review queues, monthly compliance proof uploads. KPI: 100 active freelancers, 5 companies.



Phase 3 (Weeks 13-20) - Escrow & Invoicing

- PSP escrow sub-accounts, invoice generator, automated payouts (T+1/T+7).
- Pass-through ledger, fee capture, VAT invoices. KPI: 1st month €50k GMV.

Phase 4 (Weeks 21–28) – Compliance Automation

- eIDAS for high-assurance events; VERO/YTJ integrations (API/exports).
- Hour-cap guardrails (student 30h/week), visa expiry auto-freeze.
- Government Viewer beta. KPI: 90% green monthly compliance.

Phase 5 (Weeks 29-40) - Upskilling & Sector Depth

- Course catalog, badges, client-required cert mapping.
- Sector modules (construction/logistics/cleaning).
- SLA & safety packs per sector. KPI: 25% freelancers upskilling.

Phase 6 (Weeks 41–60) – Scale & SaaS Option

- Multi-country configs (VAT, languages), SOC 2 Type I prep.
- Offer Compliance-as-a-Service white-label to platforms. KPI: 3 enterprise MOUs.

8. Dependencies

- Cloud: AWS (eu-north-1/eu-central-1) or GCP in EU; object storage + RDS/Cloud SQL.
- PSP: Stripe/Adyen/Paytrail (escrow/marketplace payouts).
- KYC: Veriff/Onfido; Address/IBAN validation.
- Email/SMS: SendGrid/Twilio.
- Monitoring: Datadog/New Relic; SIEM (Elastic/Splunk).
- Map/Geo: Mapbox/Google Maps (radius, heatmaps).



9. Appendix

9.1 Core Entities (simplified)

- **User**(id, role, contact, MFA, status)
- FreelancerProfile(user_id, skills[], certs[], radius, availability[])
- **ComplianceDoc**(user_id, type, number, issuer, expiry, file_url, status)
- **Company**(id, legal_name, reg_no, VAT, billing, DPA_flags)
- Task(id, company_id, sector, description, location, rate_range, coverage_windows[], required_docs[])
- Match(task_id, freelancer_id, status)
- **Contract**(party_a, party_b, terms_hash, signed_at, version)
- **EscrowLedger**(company_subacct, task_id, amount_gross, fees, VAT, payouts[])
- **Invoice**(issuer, recipient, lines[], VAT, status)
- **Dispute**(task_id, party, reason, status, outcome)
- AuditLog(actor, action, entity, timestamp, hash)

9.2 Key Legal Controls (snapshot)

- No shifts / no wage setting / no exclusivity → only coverage windows & freelancer-accepted rates.
- Monthly proof-before-payout: tax/YEL/insurance receipts.
- Pass-through escrow: CodFleet acts as payment agent, not payroll.
- Contractor Obligations Pack downloadable per task/company.
- Hour-cap enforcement: students 30h/week (average).
- Automated freezes: visa expiry & document expiry trigger account suspension.



 Comms & audit: immutable logs; export-ready for AVI / VERO / Migri upon lawful request.

9.3 KPIs (Phase gates)

- Verification rate
- Fill-rate
- Time-to-fill
- Payout timeliness
- Green-status % (all docs validated)
- Dispute rate
- Authority requests SLA (<5 days)
- Churn
- NPS (Net Promoter Score)

9.4 / Gaps / Improvements Needed

1. Regulatory Alignment

- Add explicit mapping of AVI (Labour Inspectorate), Verohallinto (Tax), Migri (Immigration), Contractor's Obligations Act.
- o Insert Legal Risk Matrix: $Law \rightarrow Potential \ Risk \rightarrow CodFleet \ Control \ Measure$.

2. Upward Path (Skill Development)

- Add features for course linking, certification uploads, and skill-based job matching.
- Note integration with **TE Offices/VET colleges** for legitimacy.

3. Payment System



- Clarify workflow: Freelancer invoices CodFleet → CodFleet invoices client → Escrow payout.
- Specify PSP integration (Stripe, Paytrail, Holvi).

4. Company Compliance Proof

- Auto-generate compliance pack (Visa, Y-tunnus, Tax ID, YEL, Insurance) attached to every invoice.
- Ensures clients meet obligations under the Contractor's Obligations Act.

5. Risk & Abuse Controls

- Add fraud detection, misuse alerts, violation flags, blacklist system, misuse reporting.
- Include PR/union/media crisis-handling protocols.

6. Future Roadmap

- o Add Govt Console for data-sharing with Migri, Vero, AVI.
- Position as proactive compliance infrastructure for long-term credibility.

Acceptance Criteria (high-level)

- **Legal posture**: All UIs, contracts, and flows avoid employer-like control; ToS/MSA approved by counsel before Phase 2.
- **Compliance gate**: Users cannot become Active without a full document set; monthly proof locks payouts if missing.
- Payments: Funds flow only via PSP escrow; CodFleet retains fees + VAT; net payouts auto-reconciled.
- Privacy: DPIA complete; DPAs signed; data residency enforced; access logged.
- Uptime & Security: ≥99.9% uptime; MFA for admins; penetration test before Phase 3 cutover.



CodFleet Requirements Matrix

ID	Requirement	Category	Priority	Acceptance Criteria	Phase
FR-001	User roles: Freelancer, Company, Admin, Support, Field Master, Govt Viewer	Functional	High	Each role created with RBAC permissions	Phase 1
FR-002	Freelancer KYC: Passport/ID, Visa, Y-tunnus, Tax ID, YEL proof, Insurance, IBAN	Functional	High	Cannot activate profile unless all docs uploaded and verified	Phase 1
FR-003	Monthly compliance proof: tax/YEL/insurance receipts before payout	Functional	High	System blocks payouts if proof not uploaded	Phase 2
FR-004	Company console: Create task (coverage windows, description, rate, sector, safety reqs)	Functional	High	Task creation flow available; task contains compliance checklist	Phase 2
FR-005	Escrow invoice issued to company before task start	Payment	High	Funds visible in escrow ledger; payout blocked until confirmation	Phase 3
FR-006	Freelancer invoice auto-generated (platform in freelancer's name)	Payment	High	Freelancer can download PDF invoice; visible in wallet	Phase 3



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FR-007	CodFleet invoices company for service fees (VAT applied)	Payment	High	Company receives PDF invoice; reconciles with PSP webhook	Phase 3
FR-008	Hour cap enforcement: 30h/week for students, 160h/month for full-time	Legal Guard	High	Auto cutoff when cap hit; task not assignable beyond	Phase 4
FR-009	Visa expiry auto-freeze	Legal Guard	High	System freezes account if visa expiry date < today	Phase 4
FR-010	Company invoice = one consolidated pack (all freelancer docs attached)	Compliance	High	Company can download Contractor Obligations Pack (PDF)	Phase 2
FR-011	Al-assisted matching (optional)	Functional	Medium	System recommends freelancers based on compliance, skills, coverage	Phase 4
FR-012	Coverage windows (not shifts) for freelancer availability	Legal Guard	High	Freelancer selects voluntary windows; system only matches on these	Phase 2
FR-013	Ratings & feedback loop (company ↔ freelancer)	Functional	Medium	Profiles show rating history; <2.5 stars flagged for compliance review	Phase 4



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Government Viewer console (read-only)	Functional	Medium	Authority account shows compliance dashboards without edit rights	Phase 5
Upskilling module (Hygiene, Forklift, Finnish, etc.)	Functional	Medium	Freelancers can enroll & upload certificates; badge shown in profile	Phase 5
Dispute workflow (task rejection, fraud, misconduct)	Functional	High	Evidence upload, CodFleet admin triage, SLA resolution within 7 days	Phase 3
Messaging + notifications (email/SMS/app)	Communication	High	All critical events (doc expiry, payouts, disputes) trigger notification	Phase 2
Multi-language UI (EN, FI at launch; SV later)	UI/UX	Medium	Toggle language in profile; strings translated	Phase 2
GDPR compliance: DPIA, RoPA, DPA with PSP/KYC vendors	Security	High	Legal confirmation before go-live; privacy policy published	Phase 1
Payment rails: PSP escrow sub-accounts	Payment	High	Escrow accounts created; CodFleet retains service fee; payouts auto-forward	Phase 3
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NFR-001	Performance: P95 < 2.5s page load	Non-Functional	High	Monitored in APM; alert if >2.5s	Phase 2
NFR-002	Security: MFA for admins, encryption at rest & transit	Non-Functional	High	Pen-test passed; MFA enforced	Phase 1
NFR-003	Reliability: 99.9% uptime, daily backups	Non-Functional	High	SLA monitoring dashboard available	Phase 2
NFR-004	Usability: Mobile responsive	Non-Functional	High	Tested on mobile browsers; no broken views	Phase 1



Legal Risk Matrix

Law / Authority	Risk if Ignored	CodFleet Control / Action
Employment Contracts Act (Työsopimuslaki)	Freelancers may be reclassified as employees → liability for wages, holidays, pensions.	CodFleet operates as a marketplace only: no shifts, no wage-setting, no employer obligations. All freelancers contract independently with CodFleet as invoicing agent.
Contractor's Obligations Act (Laki tilaajan selvitysvelvollisuudesta)	Client companies are fined if subcontractors lack valid tax, insurance, or permits.	Every invoice includes an auto-attached compliance pack (Visa, Y-tunnus, Tax ID, YEL, Insurance). Clients automatically get proof of compliance.
Working Hours Act (Työaikalaki)	Students exceeding 30h/week, or freelancers over 160h/month → violation.	Platform auto-tracks tasks → converts to hours. Automatic cut-offs when caps are reached.
Tax Administration (Verohallinto)	Risk of tax evasion, missing VAT/YEL payments.	Mandatory Vero ID verification at registration. Monthly proof of tax/YEL payments uploaded before payouts. Escrow ensures full audit trail.
Immigration Service (Migri)	Expired residence permits or visa abuse.	All freelancers upload valid permits. Automatic expiry alerts + freeze if visa lapses. Optional monthly compliance report to Migri.



Occupational Safety Act	Liability if a freelancer has an accident without proper insurance.	Insurance certificate required at registration. CodFleet validates coverage and flags expiry.
GDPR / Data Protection Act	Mishandling freelancer or client data.	Full GDPR compliance: encrypted storage, role-based access, consent logs, data portability.
EU Platform Work Directive (2025)	Reclassification if 2/7 criteria met (e.g., control over work, exclusivity).	CodFleet avoids all triggers: no shifts, no exclusivity, freelancers free to multi-app. CodFleet = compliance & invoicing facilitator.