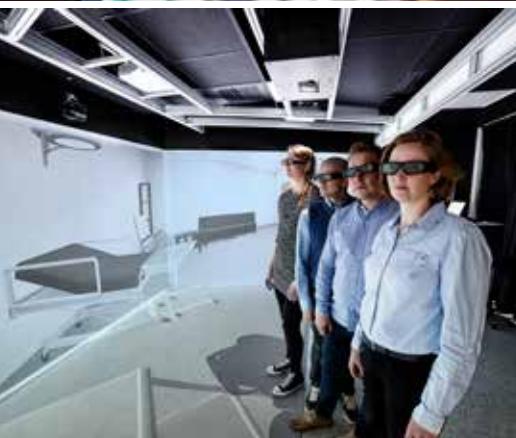
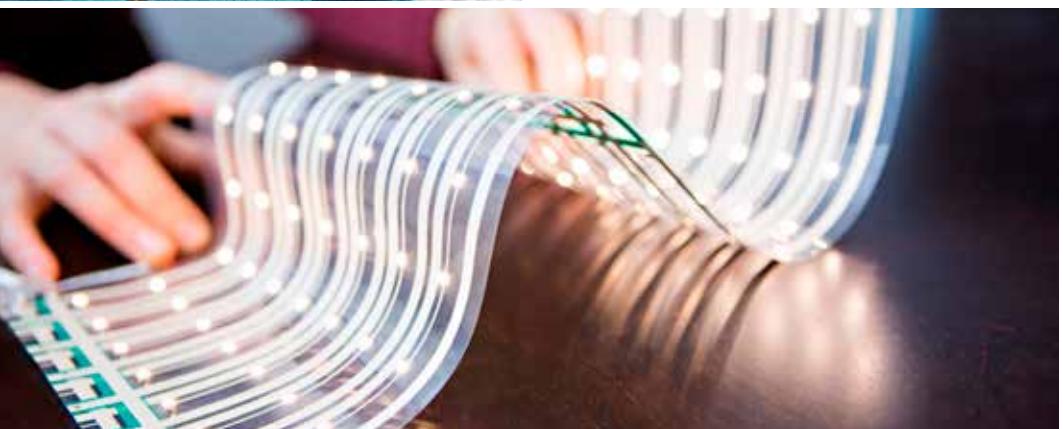




OULU TECHNICAL AND EDUCATIONAL VISITS PROGRAM

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For further information about Oulu Technical and Educational Visits Program in general and price list for tour operators please contact: **BusinessOulu / Oulu Convention Bureau, conventionoulu@oulu.com**.

For more information about a particular visit or program, please contact the service provider directly. This brochure can also be downloaded at www.businessoulu.com/tech-edu-visits. Information about Oulu Travel Region: www.visitoulu.fi

 = website

 = Duration of presentation/visit

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FINLAND'S LEADING TECHNICAL AND EDUCATIONAL VISITS DESTINATION

Oulu is the fastest growing city in Arctic Europe – a cool city with hot business in the middle of a large market area between Sweden, Norway and Russia, just an hour's flight from Helsinki. Being the most important commercial, logistic and cultural hub of northern Finland, Oulu is also called the Capital of Northern Scandinavia, where some 25,000 students attend the city's two universities.

Driven by Innovation

Oulu has the leading edge on research in key ICT-based industries, such as health technology, printed intelligence, and cleantech. Oulu is also the home of 5G and the Internet of Things: the local Nokia factory builds base stations for the future, and a revolutionary 5G hospital is being designed and built in Oulu. As far as creative industries go, also the game scene is booming in Oulu..

International Business

Located near the Arctic Circle, Oulu is one of Finland's most enjoyable cities to visit. Here green environment and northern hospitality are combined with modern technology and the city attracts tens of international meetings yearly. Oulu offers a relaxed atmosphere to network and do international business. Venues accommodate up to thousands of guests.

Leading City of Education

Finland is world-famous for its high quality education system. This is proven by, for example, the OECD Pisa assessment. Oulu is the leading city of education in northern Finland, the most popular student city and also the centre and innovative forerunner of new teaching philosophies..

Oulu Technical and Educational Visits offer guided tours to professionals, students, groups and individuals. We give you an opportunity to experience an exciting, deeper look behind the scenes. Welcome to the cool North!



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1. OULU TECHNICAL VISITS

The vibrant city of Oulu is the most populous city in Northern Finland and the fifth most populous city in the country. Oulu is located just an hour's flight from Helsinki, it buzzes with innovations and opportunities. It is also considered one of Europe's "living labs", where residents experiment with new technology at a communitywide scale. Oulu attracts a lot of visitors and is worldwide known as a city of high technology.

Oulu's ecosystems for new technologies and practical cooperation between companies, research organizations, universities, and the public sectors are being continuously developed. Today, Oulu is aiming to be the global forerunner in the development of 5G.

Technical Visits offer guided tours to professionals, students, groups or individuals looking for an experience out of the ordinary. We give you an opportunity to experience an exciting, deeper look behind the scenes. BusinessOulu and the partner companies are offering Technical Visits for different fields, e.g. ICT, HealthCare and Cleantech.



1.1 BUSINESSOULU VISITS

BUSINESSOULU BASIC PRESENTATION

Oulu is one of Finland's fastest growing cities, where new innovative companies are constantly growing and entering the global market. BusinessOulu is the business development entity of the City of Oulu and its purpose is to create an operating environment for business and entrepreneurship that promotes employment and the creation, operation, growth and competitiveness of companies. In addition to promoting the internationalisation of companies, BusinessOulu is in charge of the international business marketing of the city.

 www.businessoulu.com

 All Business Oulu lectures are 1–2 hour presentations

 Visiting time between 9 am–4 pm from Monday to Friday. Due to the holiday season from June until the end of August, some of the visiting programs may be difficult to arrange for that period or immediately after it.

 (available on request): English, Finnish, Swedish, Norwegian, Russian, Arabic, Kurdish, Assyrian, Turkish and Japanese

 2–200

 Anyone interested in BusinessOulu and its topics

 More information and bookings:
conventionoulu@oulu.com

BUSINESSOULU: ICT

With 40 years of experience, Oulu is the world leader in information and communication technologies and related operations. More than 2.6 billion people use ICT technology developed in Oulu every day. In the recent years, the ecosystem of the technology industry of Oulu has changed into a hub of tens of global product development units. ICT knowledge also generates totally new solutions and ideas for other business sectors, e.g. the user-driven design method for architecture.

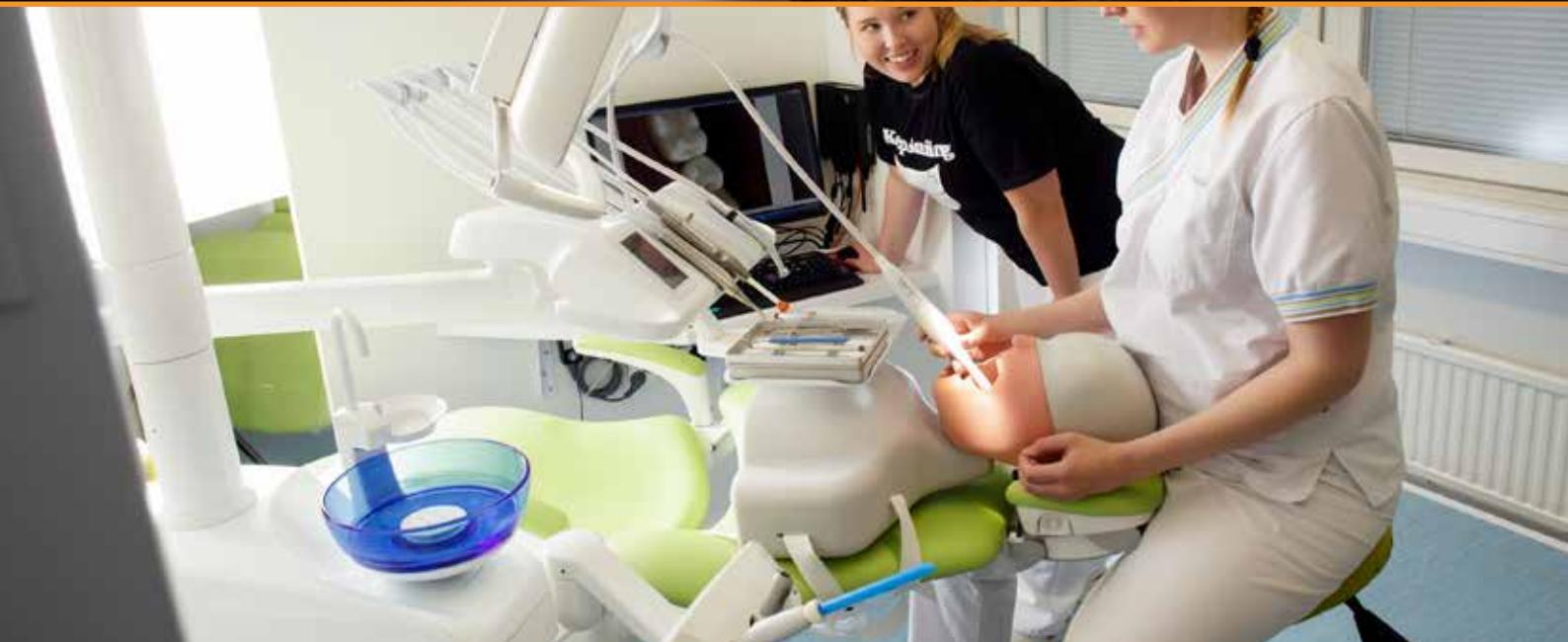
BUSINESSOULU: OULUHEALTH

OuluHealth is an advanced public/private ecosystem of health sector stakeholders. Together with our stakeholders, we work to transform healthcare and create innovative solutions. By combining resources, talent and experience, OuluHealth enhances the opportunities for companies to accelerate innovation and reach new markets.

The region of Oulu boasts a thriving life science sector with about 240 hi-tech companies from bio, e-health, and medtech fields. The companies address global needs and aim for international markets. What is more, operational 5G test networks will contribute to the creation of new types of wireless services and business models.

OuluHealth Labs offer companies for example a digital integration platform for modelling future health solutions. It is built on the basis of an open, modular architecture approach. In October 2016, we reached an important milestone: a successful integration between three EHRs provided by different vendors.

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BUSINESSOULU: OULU CLEANTECH

Finland has often been rated as one of the world's leading countries in the environmental sector. Cleantech is rapidly becoming the cornerstone of Finnish economy and it is one of Finland's economic policy priorities.

There are approx. 10,000 cleantech companies in Finland. Many Finnish companies are already global leaders in energy efficiency, clean industrial processes, and bioenergy. Other key sectors include analysis and automation, renewable energy, water and wastewater treatment, waste management, and emissions reduction.

Oulu is located in the middle of major Arctic European cleantech and industrial investments. Strong industries in the Oulu region include metal, construction, food, and chemical industries. The ICT expertise of the area is utilised in cleantech applications, including smart energy, resource efficiency and emission control solutions. The Oulu region is also the most significant hub of wind power construction in Finland.

BUSINESSOULU: 5G

Oulu is a forerunner in the development of 5G, and 5G will most certainly be the next chapter in Oulu's wireless wonder story. VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland, the University of Oulu and Oulu University Hospital have set up 5G test networks in Oulu for R&D and testing in a realistic 5G network environment. 5G technology enables wireless data transfer a hundred times faster than currently and a huge number of intercommunicating devices can be connected to the network. The small data transfer delay of the network enables, for example, remote robot control and autonomous cars. Oulu researchers are participating in an international consortium which implements 5G demos for the Olympic Winter Games in Pyeongchang in 2018.

BUSINESSOULU: OULU CONVENTION BUREAU –SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS

We at Oulu Convention Bureau in the city's convention and marketing unit provide help seeking for meetings as well as offer variety of marketing materials. We also offer consultancy on planning and carrying out events by means of local networks of service providers. All our services are free of charge. Oulu was the third most popular congress city in Finland in 2017 by international congresses.

 www.ocb.fi
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1.2 VISITS TO BUSINESSOULU PARTNER COMPANIES

BusinessOulu is well connected with the local business community. Company visits can be arranged to companies operating in various fields, for example Cleantech, ICT, HealthCare, and 5G.

 (available on request): English and Finnish

Visiting time is between 9 am–4 pm from Monday to Friday. Due to the holiday season from June until the end of August, some of the visiting programs may be difficult to arrange for the period or immediately after it. Receiving companies have the right to limit the number of visiting groups and evaluate the status of the visitor group prior to accepting the visit request.

Technical Visit requests to companies are coordinated by BusinessOulu.

For company visit inquiries, please contact conventionoulu@oulu.com

NOKIA

Oulu is one of Nokia's key locations with over 40 years of experience. The site is a radio research, development and production centre that is one of a kind in the world. Currently the main focus in Oulu is in 5G research and development. Oulu area is one of the leading radio research hot spots globally. The Oulu site uses the radio ecosystem in trailing the latest technologies and solutions with the customers. The site cooperates actively with other technology centres and further improves its quality, productivity and attractiveness in the long term. The site, located at the Rusko campus, has around 2,300 employees in different functions.

 www.nokia.com

 1–2 hour lecture including the company visit

 10–15

 Professional background or with influential status in the field

Show room presentation

One-hour Nokia Company presentation in show room. This presentation is also available for students..

Technical visit at Nokia

Two-hour technical visit at Nokia Company. The visitors will see the testing room and laboratories and get a Nokia company presentation. It is also possible to include BusinessOulu ICT presentation in this package. In that case, the duration will be 2 hours 45 minutes.

OYS TESTLAB

One- or two-hour visit of OYS TestLab. The OYS TestLab is an advanced testing laboratory for specialized healthcare solutions, located conveniently inside the heart of its owner, Oulu University Hospital. With the assistance of healthcare professionals, OYS TestLab provides an advanced and realistic hospital environment for companies that have the need to test their experimental prototypes in the healthcare sector. The visit includes a presentation of OuluHealth Labs.

 www.ouluhealth.fi/labs

 1–1.5 hour lecture including the company visit

 Max 30

 Professional background or with influential status in the field and representatives of the press and media.



OLU WELFARELAB

Oulu WelfareLab provides companies and other parties with the means to experiment with their prototypes or products that are meant to be used in customers' own homes or in basic welfare and healthcare.

Oulu WelfareLab promotes co-operation between companies and the residents of the city of Oulu, to allow testing of prototypes or products on different scales, varying from small experiments involving just a few participants to large-scale deployments. The visit includes a presentation of OuluHealth Labs.



www.ouluhealth.fi/labs



1–1.5 hour lecture including the company visit



Max 30



Professional background or with influential status in the field and representatives of the press and media

OAMK SIMLAB

Oulu University of Applied Sciences has a versatile simulation and studio environment ecosystem – Oamk SimLab, which can be used as a testing and development environment in the product development of health technology and welfare services.

Oamk SimLab covers bioanalytics, nursing and emergency care, optometry, oral health care, radiography and radiation therapy as well as rehabilitation learning, testing and development environments with related equipment. The environments have, for example, high fidelity patient simulators with all vital human functions, guided with computer. It is possible to simulate different maladies and diseases as well as examine and treat a manikin in different in and out hospital environments. Oamk SimLab covers also UsabilityLab which supports usability testing of health technology devices and software.



www.ouluhealth.fi/labs



1–1.5 hour lecture including the company visit



10-20



Professional background or with influential status in the field and representatives of the press and media

ULUN PALVELUSAATIO

Oulun Palvelusäätiö foundation produces accommodation and related services for the elderly, pensioners, disabled, and other comparable groups with special needs. The foundation fulfils their purpose by maintaining sheltered housing and centres as well as intensified shelter housing units. In them, the foundation produces care and aid services, as well as home care services to support independence, mental ability, and rehabilitation.

Oulun Palvelusäätiö has 491 regular sheltered housing units and 81 intensified shelter housing units (around the clock staff) and 6 home care centres – services include meals, activities, exercise, etc. Home care produced additionally. The foundation has a permanent staff of 153 people.



www.oulunpalvelusaatio.fi



1.5 - 2 hour



(available on request): English and Finnish.



5-10



For those interested in services for the elderly (students, company representatives)

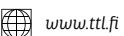


FINNISH INSTITUTE OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

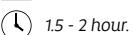
The Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH) is a multidisciplinary research and specialist organization. FIOH promotes occupational health, safety and wellbeing at work through research, services, training and disseminating information.

FIOH has five regional offices, of which the regional office in Oulu is specialised in Arctic work conditions. Special knowledge of the personnel includes thermal properties of cold protective clothing, survival suit tests, cold and heat stress measurements and education covering these topics. The facilities in Oulu include cold/heat exposure room and a wind tunnel (up to 10 m/s) with cold and immersion pools (cold water).

Arctic laboratory package – The visitors will hear a short lecture about the effects of cold on a human being and how to protect oneself wisely against cold in Arctic conditions. The visitors may get a personal experience of cold and windy conditions (temperature -40 C and wind 10 m/s). Visitors are also able to test the cold protection properties of their own clothing.



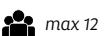
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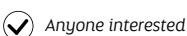
1.5 - 2 hour.



(available on request): English and Finnish.



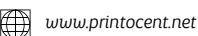
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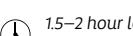
Anyone interested

PRINTOCENT

The visitors will have a lecture and interactive discussion on the development of Printed Intelligence technologies and how these technologies will change the world by enabling future disposable diagnostics healthcare, lighting and information systems, autonomous energy harvesting, wearable technologies and the Internet of Things. Demonstrators related to the mentioned topics are available and visitors are allowed to have a close look and feel things for themselves. A guided visit to PrintoCent Pilot Factory environment is organised – no photos allowed. Examples of new products and related companies are presented.



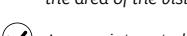
www.printocent.net



1.5–2 hour lecture including the PrintoCent (Printed Intelligence Innovation Center) Pilot Factory visit.



Max 15–20 persons – if professionals, 30 persons. PrintoCent has to be informed beforehand about the area of the visit.



Anyone interested

LUDOCRAFT

An Evening with LudoCraft

LudoCraft is a northern game studio with over ten years of experience in making games. We invite you to spend an evening at our office, our playground, and to be inspired by what games are all about. As a part of the experience you can take part in building an 18,000-piece puzzle, jam in our studio or lay in our sea of Legos (possibility to be buried in Legos available, too). Or just come and play with us in our game dungeon!

Naturally we also present a showcase of our selected works and there is a possibility to discuss games and other deep issues with a glass of wine in your hand. And don't forget to taste the LudoCraft special mana potion! In addition to all the candy and ice cream, we have food that replenishes weary travellers (please let us know special dietary requests beforehand). We also have the possibility to heat up the sauna!



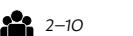
www.ludocraft.com



Approx. 2 hours



English and Finnish



2–10



Come as you are



HALTIAN

One-hour technical visit at Haltian Company: a visionary engineering house with world-class talent in high technology electronics design and productization. The visitors will hear the amazing growth story of Haltian, see the latest Haltian-made wireless products and demos, and get a view of the industry prospects. Haltian can design and develop any kind of connected device, from miniaturized mechanics combined with sensors and radio technology to high quality software, all incorporated in a beautiful user experience.



www.haltian.com



45 min. lecture including the company visit



Max 15



Professional background or with influential status in the field

VERKOTAN

Customer's mobile phone performance measurement

The customer's mobile phone is measured in an anechoic RF OTA (Over-the-Air) chamber. The customer can be inside the chamber during the measurement. Measurement time: 5–10 minutes / customer. As a result, the customer receives his/her own mobile phone performance measurement report, which can be compared to the reports displayed by Verkotan.



www.verkotan.com



1–2 hour lecture including the company visit.



Max 10. If bigger, the group should be split into smaller groups.



Anyone interested

Watching the RF signals

The customer has an opportunity to see a 3D video of RF signal behaviour. The video shows how RF signals are moving in the real world and how, for example, buildings affect mobile phone activities. The customer can follow signal movements from an active monitor screen (it is possible to stop the video, turn the viewing point, etc.).

NORTHERN FINLAND WORK SAFETY PARK

The Northern Finland Work Safety Park is a training environment for work safety training. The training park consists of setups of real world working situations demonstrating risks, accidents and good working environments. People visiting the Northern Finland Safety Park learn to observe the risks of working situations and how the personal attitude is pivotal for obtaining safe behaviour for people, teams and work places.

The Northern Finland Work Safety Park is operated by an association. The members of the association consist of more than 80 companies, schools and organizations active in Finland and internationally. The Safety Park is used to train people from students to seasoned skilled professionals and managers. The annual count of visitors is around 5,000 people. There is a number of scientific papers concerning the influence of the Training Park. These can be found for example at:

1. http://injuryprevention.bmj.com/content/22/Suppl_2/A229.2
2. <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/15578771.2017.1325793>
3. https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-13180-1_10

The concept of the Work Safety Park is novel and the groups visiting get to experience different training spots to observe the way how experimental learning is utilised in work safety training. During the visit, also the planning and construction project of such a training park is presented.



www.pohjois-suomenturvapuisto.fi



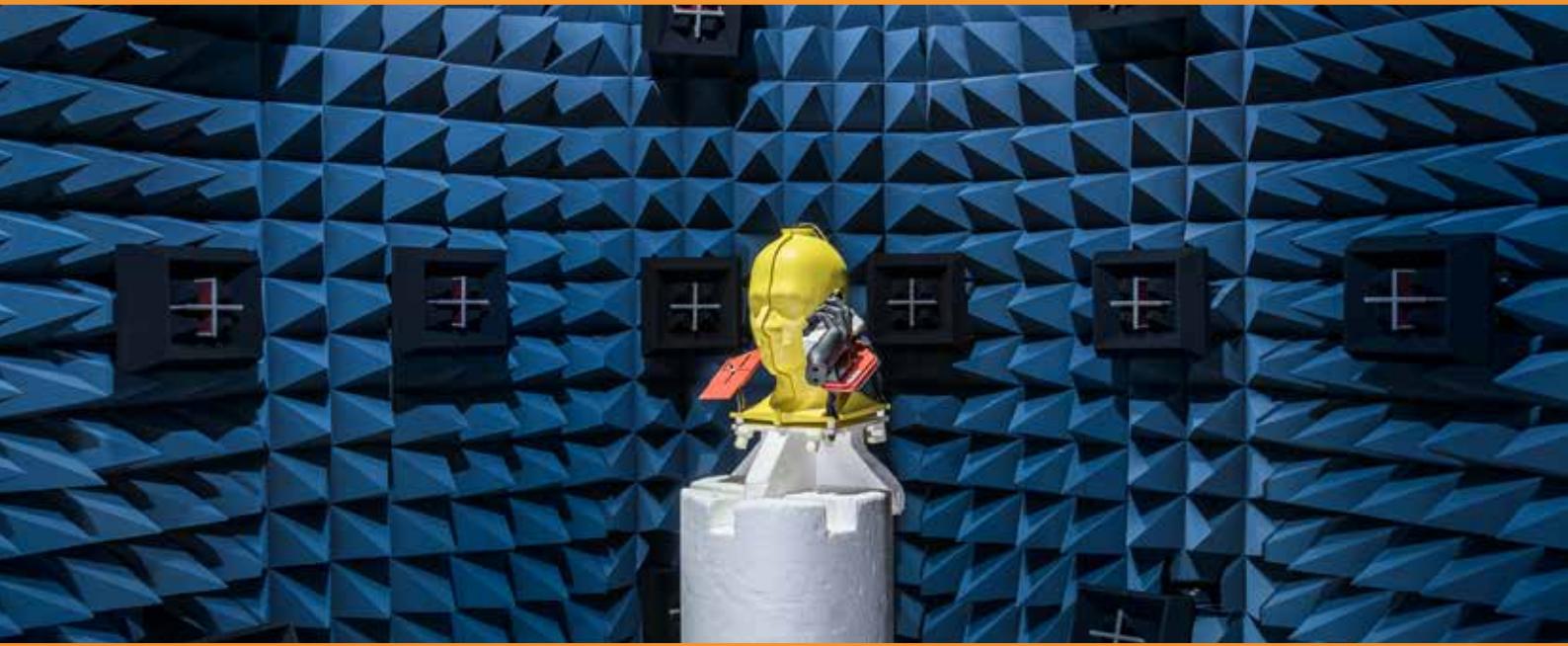
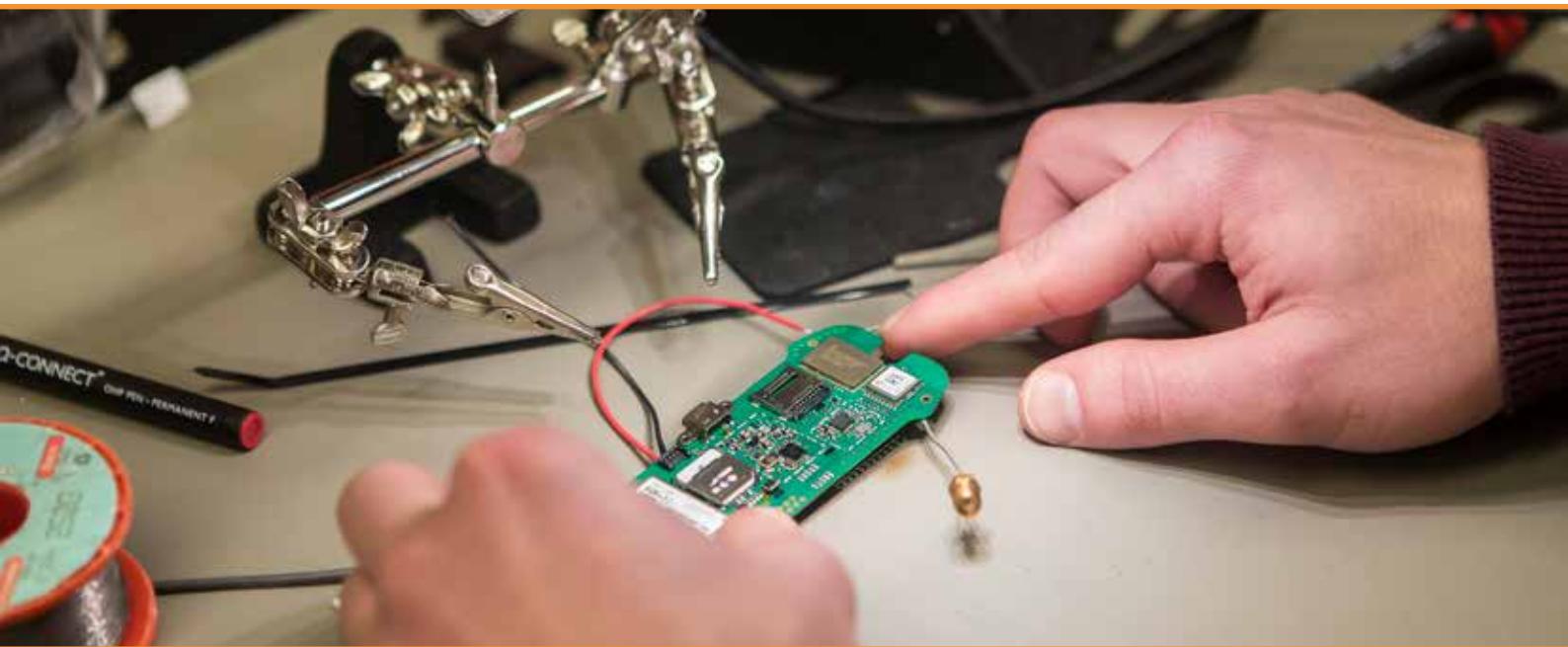
1–2 hour including company visit.



Max 40



Anyone interested



PLANORA

Planora Oy was established in 1987 and it specialises in energy sector design. The company has deep knowledge and experience in the entire energy field, including energy production, distribution and consumption, industrial planning, project management, and consulting activities.

Special knowledge of the personnel includes, but is not limited to, district heating and utilisation of biofuels (e.g. peat and wood chips) in energy production. Numerous energy supply objects designed, delivered and supervised by Planora Oy are operated nowadays across Finland, Russia, Rwanda and other countries.

 www.planora.fi

 2 hour lecture including the company visit

 Visiting time between 9:00–16:00 from Monday to Friday all year round

 (available on request): English and Finnish

 1–15

 Professional background or with influential status in the field

 CEO Esa Teppo, esa.teppo@planora.fi or via BusinessOulu

EUROPE'S BEST CLIMATE WORK – PERFECT TEST PLATFORM FOR CLEANTECH SOLUTIONS

If you come to downtown Ii, you will find an ordinary Finnish city. Nice Old Harbour beside the river Ii is a peaceful place to go for a walk. If you go further, you will find wind power plants: now there are 51, but there are ready plans for many more to come. The city is ranked number one in terms of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Finland - emissions have more than halved since 2007. The input of companies and citizens puts Ii on track to achieve even greater savings: an 80 % reduction by 2020.

Ii municipality has long traditions in utilising hydro power and biomass but it is also committed to solar, thermal and wind energy. Ii is completely energy self-sufficient – the municipality produces four times more renewable energy than it consumes. The switching of all public buildings to renewables has generated savings, now about 600,000 €/a, i.e. 60 €/capita.

The visitors are introduced to the award-winning innovative concept of citizen involvement in planning low-carbon solutions right from the start, and methods on how to switch to renewable energy, cleaner transport, and systematic approach of energy savings.

 www.ii.fi/en

 1,5 hour presentation + 1,5 hour optional company visit

 English and Finnish

 Max. 20

 professionals, developers

1. Citizen engagement in climate actions

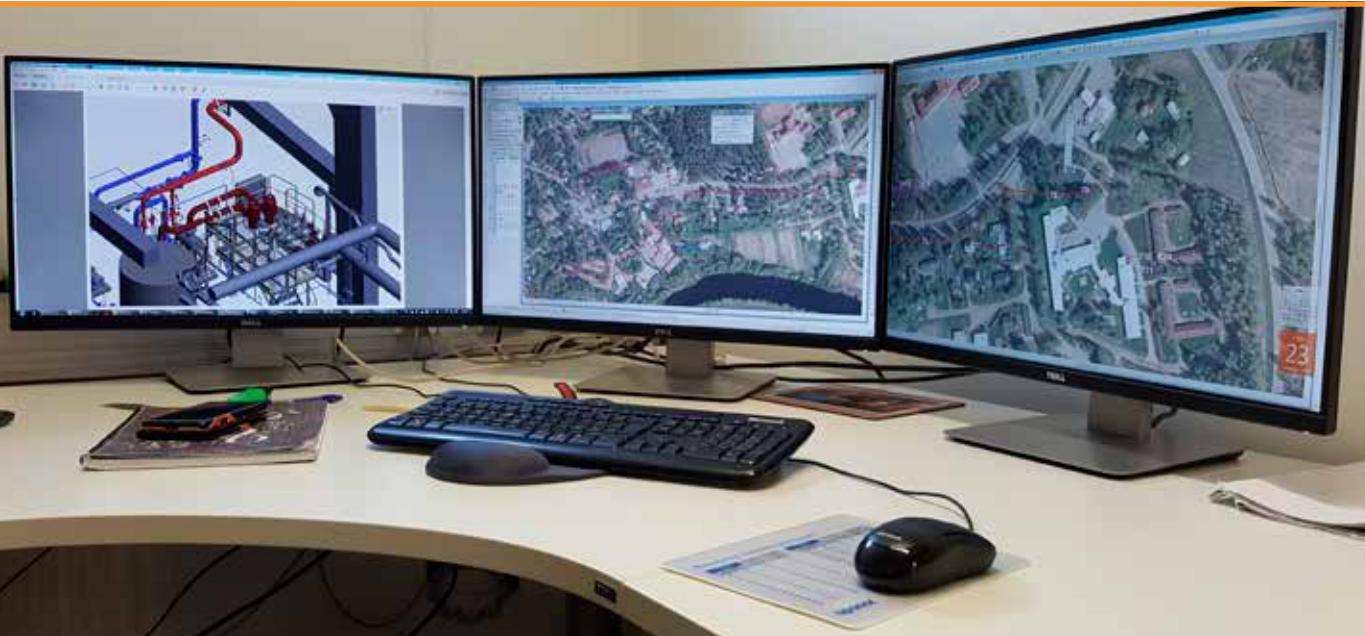
Award-winning concept of piloting and achieving savings through incorporating citizen-driven service design with low carbon services and digitalization.

2. Renewable energies and energy efficiency

Systematic methods on how to approach energy savings through switching to renewable energies and wireless measuring. The city has developed a remote control system for collecting real-time data on electricity, heat and water consumption used for monitoring and motivating energy savings in the public buildings.

3. 50/50 model for energy savings in schools and day care

All schools and day care centres teach pupils how to save energy by changing their behaviour and get additional financial resources, the local authority has lower energy costs and the local community gets cleaner local environment. As a result, everybody wins!



OLU BUILDING SUPERVISION

The Future Buildings and Renewable Energy – Project and Proactive Guidance

Visit will contain an introduction to nearly zero-energy construction and risk management related to future buildings. Themes such as moisture management, building automation, energy efficiency, and renewable energy will be included.

Visit will be arranged by Oulu Building Supervision and the project Future Buildings and Renewable Energy will be presented. The project took place 2014–2016 and a block of energy-efficient single-family homes and row houses was built in Hiukkavaara Living Lab area. Also the proactive guidance given by Oulu Building Supervision will be presented.

Technical visits at Hiukkavaara area

Possibility for site visit (additional transportation fee, availability must be checked beforehand).

 2–3 hours

 Visiting time between 9:00–16:00 from Monday to Friday

 (available on request): English and Finnish

 5–20

 Anyone interested. Visit will contain an introduction to nearly zero-energy construction and risk management related to future buildings. Themes such as moisture management, building automation, energy efficiency, and renewable energy will be included.

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PÖYRY

Pöyry is an international consulting and engineering company that serves clients globally across the energy, industry and infrastructure sectors. We provide services across the whole project lifecycle, from Management Consulting to Engineering, Project Management to Operations, with expertise in Environmental Consulting.

Mining and Metals industry in Finland – In Finland, the mines are mainly located in Northern Finland. Thus it has been natural to centralise the mining and metals know-how to Oulu. Under this topic, you get a chance to gain an overview to Finnish mining and minerals processing industry and discuss it with our minerals processing experts.

Clean Water and Environmental Services – Finland is known as a country where fresh water and clean air are available to everyone. Our engineers and environmental consultants work daily with challenges related to water supply and treatment, waste management, or industrial pollution. Under this topic, you get a chance to hear details about our recent water and environmental challenges and hear about the latest cleantech solutions used in Finland.

Arctic Construction package – In Finland and especially in the northern region, the ambient temperature can in winter time sink as low as -40°C. On the other hand, the summer temperature can be +30°C. Construction works in such an environment require carefully engineered structural solutions and frost protection. Under this topic, you get a chance to hear details about Arctic construction projects and engineering challenges in cold regions.

Technical visit packages from other Pöyry expertise fields (Energy, Chemicals & Biorefining, Pulp & Paper) can also be arranged by request.

 www.poyry.com

 45 min.–2 hour lecture including the company visit

 Visiting time between 9:00–16:00 from Monday to Friday

 (available on request): English and Finnish

 Max 10. If bigger, it should be split into smaller groups

 Professional background or with influential status in the field



SONNISAARI BREWERY

The visitors will have a presentation about Sonnisaari Brewery and a production visit with samples of ingredients and description of the process. The lecture will give you some facts about brewing in Finland. We also answer all questions! Sonnisaari is a modern, small microbrewery, established in 2014. Large portfolio of different brews.



www.sonnisaari.com



1–1, 5 hour brewery visit



Visiting time between 17:00–23:00 from Monday to Friday, 12:00–23:00 during weekends.

Contact minimum two weeks before coming time and check if a visit is possible to arrange.



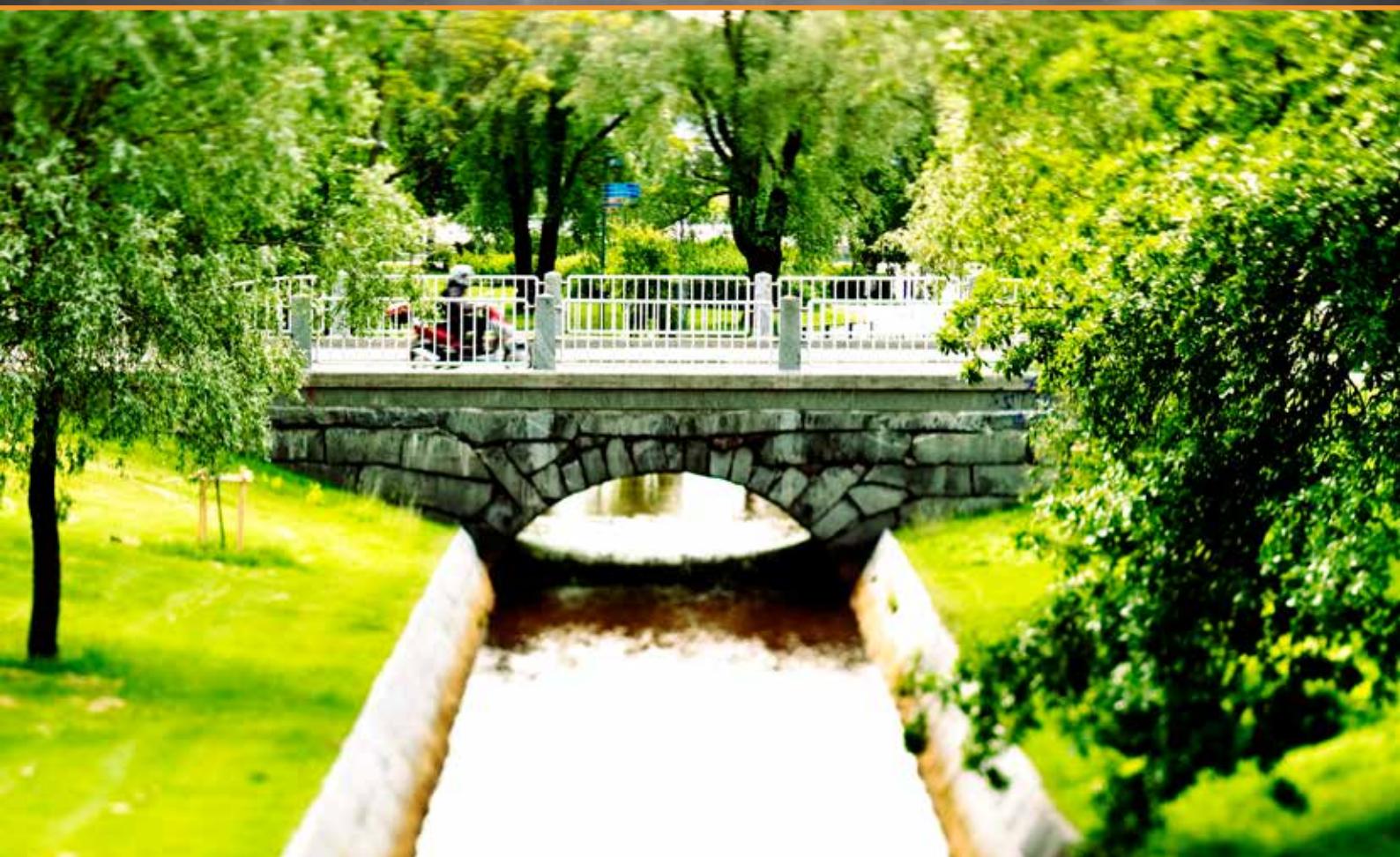
(available on request): English and Finnish



10–15



Anyone interested



1.3 OTHER VISITS IN OULU

LECTURE ON THE FINNISH LIFESTYLE

Non-fiction writer and Finnish lifestyle expert Monika Luukkonen gives a lecture on the Finnish lifestyle. She talks about Finnish homes, sauna, summer holidays, the nature and the Finnish diet.

Monika Luukkonen



Monika Luukkonen is a Finnish lifestyle expert and published non-fiction author. Monika writes books about the Finnish lifestyle for the Japanese market. Her first book, ふだん着のフィンランド was published by Graphicshain January 2015. Her second book, フィンランド人が教えるほんとうのシンプル was published by Diamond in Japan in September 2016.

Monika has a near 20 years' experience dealing with the Japanese market. She has a background in international marketing and sales (e.g. in telecoms, medtech and electronics industries) and she is currently working on her third book.

www.graphicsha.co.jp/detail.html?p=31593

www.diamond.co.jp/book/9784478069233.html

1-2 hour

All year round

(available on request): English and Finnish.
Available with interpretation, with a separate fee.

2–30

Professional background or with influential status in the field

Location (in Oulu): Any location chosen by the organizer

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GO ARCTIC! GUIDED TOURS IN OULU REGION

Oulu Region Tourist Guides are at your service when you or your guests want to familiarise yourselves with the City of Oulu.

Excursions and site visits get new content and become much more rewarding when you have an expert guide telling you the hidden stories from the past and present! The tours can be done in ten different languages. Starting time and starting location of the tour as agreed. The program is available all year-round.

Guided bus tour

Today the people of Oulu design software, produce the finest paper in the world, do business all over the world and provide high quality services for each other and tourists. This tour takes you to the river, seaside, marshlands and woods.

You will visit the old and new monumental centres of Oulu, the sites of culture and technology. During the tour, you will hear stories about tar merchants, ship builders, sea farers and salmon fishers during the history of Oulu. Sightseeing tours by bus to neighbouring municipalities are also available!

Guided walk

Something old, something new, a little bit of blue. A walk of an hour and a half to two hours takes you from the old monumental centre to the new one. The guide will tell you about the persons and events of the past, show you where the long narrow boats full of tar barrels landed and lead you to the old storehouses and to the market hall guarded by the statue of a policeman. You will be revealed the humorous stories behind this figure loved by everyone.

OLOKOTO: NATURE AS AN INSPIRATION – MEET THE ARTIST

Olokoto

This product takes you to the roots of **Olokoto** that is modern small log house and innovative design of **Ilmari Mäenpää**, whose multitalented work as designer, composer and artist is deeply affected by nature.

The day begins at **Mammuthirsi company** that manufactures Olokoto. You will meet Ilmari Mäenpää there and hear about Olokoto production from the designer. The journey continues at the beautiful rapid area of Koiteli with an atmospheric lunch. After the lunch you are guided to delve even deeper into the nature during Sound & Silence forest walk by Hanna Aarrekorpi. Silence walk includes being in silence in the nature surrounded by old trees and the sound of running water. You are guided to delve into nature by listening to it and feeling it. There is also a small snack and local tar liqueur served at campfire afterwards.

In the afternoon you have a very unique possibility to visit Ilmari Mäenpää's home. Ilmari is also a composer and deeply affected by nature. He is living in **an old loghouse** which has been built in 1877. The house has been renovated 2004–2007 and it has been the home for his family after that. There is also a small local history museum at his home. Ilmari will tell you about nature as an inspiration. You get to talk with the artist and ask questions. You will hear about design and about composing music. At Ilmari's home, you also have the possibility to see a lighter version of Olokoto that is called **Olokolo**. Olokolo is a light, modern and also very innovative dwelling designed for seeing and experiencing the nature.

This day is a great opportunity to spend almost a whole day with the talented designer and delve into the world of art and inspirational nature.

 2 hours

 Finnish and English

 Kirsikka Eskola, Go Arctic Events, Go Arctic DMC, Ohjelmatoimisto Groove Thing, kirsikka.eskola@goarctic.fi. Mobile +358 44 4333151

 December, January, February, March, June, July, August, September. One group/month.

 8 h

 8–20 (minimum charge for 8 persons)

 Finnish and English

 Sound & Silence, Hanna Aarrekorpi, +358 44 980 1073, info@soundsilence.fi, hanna@soundsilence.fi



LOVI FOREST AS AN INSPIRATION – MEET THE ARTIST

This product takes you to the roots of LOVI creatures inspired by forests and nature. It also gives you the possibility to talk with designer Anne Paso about nature, inspiration and the designing process surrounded by the nature she loves.

The journey starts with a company info that includes a 'LOVI from past to present' exhibition, tea/coffee and the possibility for outlet shopping. It continues at the beautiful rapid area of Koiteli with an atmospheric lunch. Designer Anne Paso loves Koiteli area and after lunch she tells you about the forest as an inspiration, being surrounded by old trees and the sound of running water. You get to talk with the designer, take photos and ask questions. After time spent with Anne you are guided to delve even deeper into the nature during Sound & Silence forest walk by Hanna Aarrekorpi. This walk includes being in the nature in silence, listening to it and feeling it. There is also a small snack and local tar liqueur served at campfire afterwards.

In the afternoon, there will be a visit to Kiiiminki church (1760) that is an excellent Christmas church and a well preserved example of old log architecture. You'll hear about the joinery, wood construction, history and use of wood design in old Finnish wooden churches. Silence and unhurried time continues throughout the day and there's also time for silence and tranquillity in the church yard.

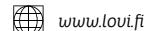
LOVI: WORKSHOP

Welcome to the creative LOVI world! You get to spend unforgettable time with loved Lovi creatures.

The workshop begins with an introduction to LOVI company and the designing process of LOVI products via 'LOVI from past to present' exhibition. After that you get to choose your favourite figure from amongst a few choices and start your artistic process of turning a LOVI character into your own. Use your imagination and enjoy the joy of doing!

The LOV workshop includes painting and assembling LOVI figures. It also includes a coffee and tea break with traditional Finnish pastries. There's a possibility for outlet shopping afterwards.

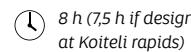
Lovi workshop suits LOVI fans of all ages... families, adults and elderly people. There are several levels of difficulty depending on the chosen LOVI figure. Lovi puzzles for kids are suitable for younger children from 3 years on.



www.lovi.fi



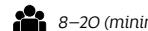
All seasons



8 h (7.5 h if designer Anne Paso is not available at Koiteli rapids)



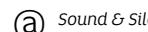
Availability: With designer Anne Paso 2 groups / month, without designer Anne Paso available daily



8–20 (minimum charge for 8 persons)



Finnish and English



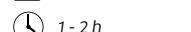
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LOVI FROM PAST TO PRESENT

LOVI from past to present includes a company introduction via 'LOVI from past to present' exhibition (30min) and the possibility for outlet shopping. 'LOVI from past to present' exhibition introduces LOVI's history from the very first idea and prototype to the present variety of creatures. It also shows how the designing process has developed by the time. You have a great opportunity to get a closer look into the LOVI world through the exhibition. After the exhibition there is a possibility for outlet shopping. Coffee/tea included.



All seasons



1 - 2 h



Max. 35



English



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1.4 PUDASJÄRVI – FINNISH CAPITAL OF LOG ARCHITECTURE

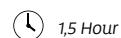
The City of Pudasjärvi is located in Northern Finland, a 1-hour drive from the airport of Oulu. In Pudasjärvi, you will find the world's largest log school campus (2016), world's biggest log kindergarten (2013), log houses with assistance for seniors (2016) and the world's biggest log house factory "Kontio". Syöte Visitor Centre (2002) is an excellent example of modern log architecture which is in perfect balance with the surrounding nature.

Technical visits are aimed at log builders and planners as well as the staff and planners of these sectors: day care, preschool and school, care of the elderly; housing and wellness; decision makers. Technical visits are tailored according to interest from one destination (Log Campus, Pikk-Paavali day care centre, Log Mansion service home for the elderly, Kontio log houses, Log capital bus tour, and others) to any combination for a full day program.

@ For more information about possibilities for visits, please contact:
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Tel. +358 40 621 3140
www.logcapital.fi/en

THE LOG CAPITAL TOUR: 1,5-HOUR GUIDED TOUR

Bus tour



The tour includes a visit to the Pudasjärvi log church from the year 1781 and the world's longest covered log fence from the 19th century, Kontio log house headquarters and factory, the Karhukunnas research quarter built in 2009–2012, the world's biggest children's day care centre made of log, and the world's biggest log school Pudasjärvi Log Campus – the winner of the Wood Award 2016 and several other prizes for wood architecture and wood engineering.

PUDASJÄRVI LOG CAMPUS

The Pudasjärvi Log Campus – the world's biggest log school campus, opened 8/2016

Visiting preschool, elementary school, gymnasium and folk high school for over 850 daily users. Award-winning modern learning environment of almost 10,000 m².

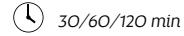




Image: City of Pudasjärvi/Juha Nyman

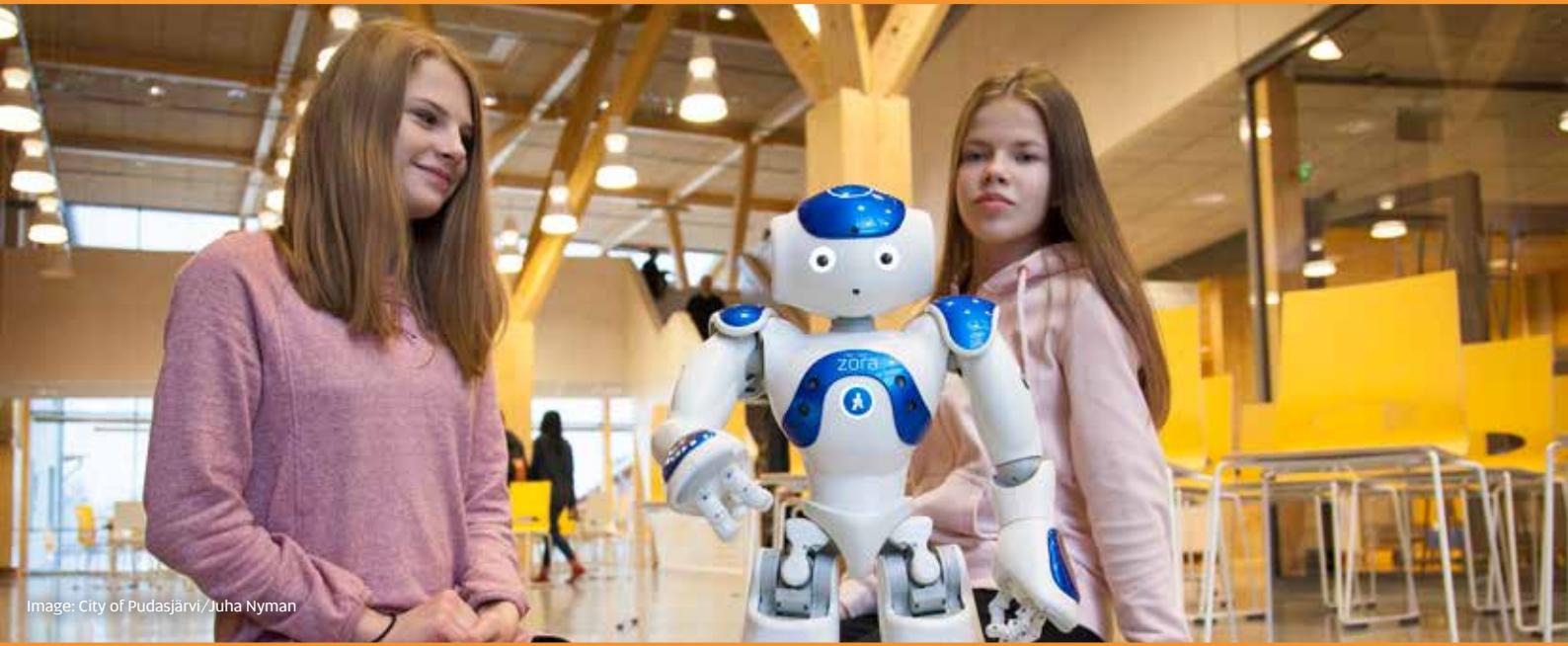


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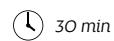
Image: City of Pudasjärvi/Juha Nyman

PUDASJÄRVI LOG MANSION

Pudasjärvi Log Mansion, the world's biggest log-made assisted living home for the elderly, opened 12/2016, 54 inhabitants, 2,700 m².



Mon–Fri 13–15



30 min



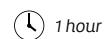
Max 12



Visits reserved for health care professionals and professionals of care environments

KONTIO LOG HOUSES

Visit at Kontio Log houses, the world's biggest log house manufacturer, with advanced technology and architecture. Kontio has export to 20 countries and they are the manufacturer of the log buildings mentioned above.



1 hour



Max 16

PIKKU-PAAVALI DAY CARE CENTER

Pikku-Paavali is the world's biggest log kindergarten, 100 children, 1300 m², opened 8/2013.



Mon–Fri 13–16, excluding July and holidays



30 min



Max 60

RECOMMENDED EDU VISIT PACKAGE

Early childhood education and comprehensive school education: functions and facilities.

Visiting at Pikku-Paavali day care center 1 h, Pudasjärvi Log Campus 1 h, Kontio Log houses 1 h.



Image: City of Pudasjärvi/Juha Nyman

1.5 TECHICAL VISITS IN KALAJOKI

Kalajoki is situated on the seaside of the Gulf of Bothnia via Route 8 and has only a bit more than 12,000 inhabitants but entrepreneurs account for over 20 % of the entire workforce and the municipality is home to almost 900 companies. Kalajoki is located 133 km / a two-hour drive from Oulu. The strongest business sectors in Kalajoki are the metal and wood processing industries, transport and logistics, construction, primary production, tourism and energy industry.

Companies of interest for technical visits programs in or close to Kalajoki:

PORT OF KALAJOKI

Sawn timber is the main export product. 70 % of the traffic from the Port of Kalajoki is export.
portofkalajoki.fi/en/

JUNNIKKALAN SAHA

Saw mill.
junnikkala.com/index.php/en/

CENT-LISTAT OY

Wooden decorative mouldings and panels.
cent-listat.fi/en/

STEEL-KAMET OY

Developer and supplier of concrete production systems.
steelkamet.com/eng/

FERRAL COMPONENTS OY

Metal components and contract manufacturing.
ferral.fi/en/

FORTACO OY

Manufacturing of complete machine assembly, operator cabins, machining services and welded steel components.
www.fortacogroup.com/operations/manufacturing-footprint.html

KATI OY

Diamond drilling.
oykatiaab.com/en/home.html

TUULIWATTI OY

Wind energy plant. Mustilankangas in Kalajoki is the biggest wind energy plant in Finland.
tuuliwatti.fi/tuulipuistot

FENNOVOIMA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT (in Pyhäjoki)

Estimated start of construction: 2018
fennovoima.fi/en/hanhikivi-1-project

ANDAMENT GROUP OY

*Energy construction: wind parks, solar and nuclear energy, hydrothermal power plants
Construction traffic routes and railroads and harbours.
Industrial construction: water supply and waste treatment plants, commercial and industrial buildings, steel and concrete structures, mineral aggregates.*
andamentgroup.fi/en/andament-group-ltd/

TOPI KEITTIÖT OY

Kitchen modules and furniture
topi-keittiot.fi/



www.kalajokikeskusvaraamo.fi



For inquiries of the technical visits programs,

please contact:

Kalajoki Booking Centre

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KENSAPUU OY

Furniture doors
kensapuu.fi/en/company.html

SIIPOTEC OY

Sustainable solutions for production automation
siipotec.fi/en/

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY OF CITY OF KALAJOKI

E.g. new marina concept, hotel development projects.
kalajoki.fi/en/

ISO-PAHKALAN KERAMIINKA

Ceramics studio.
iso-pahkala.fi/

PISA DESIGN

Traditional handicraft with modern design and recycled materials.
pisadesign.fi/language/en/

GS-FUR OY

Fur farming.

BULLSTOP OY / ISOPAHKALA FARM

Cattle breeding.

MÄKELÄN PERUNA

Potato farming, processing and packaging.
makelanperuna.fi/

VÄHÄ-SARJA OY KALA-KALLE

Fish refining company, wholesaler.
kalakalle.com/company.php

NAUTOR'S SWAN (in Pietarsaari)

oatbuilding yard, luxury sailing yachts.
nautorswan.com/en/nautor-swan/swan-world/company/

BALTIC YACHTS OY (in Pietarsaari)

Boatbuilding yard, luxury sailing yachts.
balticyachts.fi/about-us/

FINN-MARIN OY (in Kokkola)

Production of Grandezza boats.
grandezza.fi/



2. OULU EDUCATIONAL VISITS

2.1 PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS AND PROFESSIONALS

Finland is world-famous for its high-quality education system. This is proven by, for example, the OECD Pisa assessment. Oulu is the leading city of education in northern Finland, the most popular student city and also the centre and innovative forerunner of new teaching philosophies.

Oulu Educational Visits comprises visits and training programs for adults and professionals in the field of education, and programs suitable for camp schools and school excursions.

CITY OF OULU EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES

EDUpacks

EDUpacks are technical visits for school and day care unit staff and education administrators. The themes are operational culture, school management, multi-disciplinary staff collaboration, the use of ICT at schools, pupil and student welfare and CLIL, methodology for Content and Language Integrated Teaching (in English).

The visits are mainly targeted to education administrators, supervisors/inspectors, researchers, head teachers, heads of day care units, teachers and other staff members at schools, day care units and education development centres and organisations.

The content of a visit is usually as follows:

Day care (children aged 0–6): Presentation of the Finnish day care system, including preschool (children aged 6), insight in special features of children's activities and a possibility to visit day care groups in action.

Basic education for age group 7 to 16 and upper secondary education for age group 16–19:

- Presentation of the Finnish education system
- Information about the particular school
- A round tour in the school facilities
- The guests may in some cases also attend lessons to observe and/or take part in the lesson activities.

Other types of visits to the day care and school administration/expertise services and/or lectures or seminars on Finnish education can be negotiated separately.

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 For more information on the schools and day care units receiving visitors (subject to change) please go to our website: www.ouka.fi/educationalvisits

 1–30

 1–6 h hours

 English, Finnish

 Education administrators and policy makers, heads/directors and other staff members of schools and day care units, researches

 August–May



EDUpacks (continued)

The visitors to **day care centres and schools** in Oulu get to know some of the best practices of the local implementation of the Finnish core curricula. They can interact with local directors/principals, teachers, children and young people. A presentation on childcare and/or education is followed by a tour in the early education groups and/or school classes. The visitors can observe some of the daily activities during the tour, ie. the staff, children and young people in action!

The aim of the EDUpack visits is to show some of the special features of the particular day care centres and schools in Oulu and to discuss them. The special features for each day care centre and school are described on our website (www.ouka.fi/educationalvisits). Have a look!

Oulu International School (OIS) is an IB (International Baccalaureate) world school owned by the City of Oulu. It is a "Content and Language Integrated learning" school providing education mainly in English. This is the school where visitors may also attend lessons of variable subjects. In the upper grades they have an opportunity to observe the teaching of interdisciplinary units.

There is a trend towards designing multi-functional buildings that are centres for education, leisure and cultural activities. The concept is unique and we welcome visitors to find out more about it during a EDUpack visit.

The City of Oulu also hosts a **nature school**. Timosenkoski nature school is the northernmost nature school of Finland. There is a wide selection of outdoor education activities in the nature school. It is used by all the primary schools of Oulu during different times of the year. During the visit, there will be a presentation of the nature school concept, the facility and hands-on research methods. Please note that there is a unique possibility to arrange a short session in a Lappish hut in the yard.

OLU CITY LIBRARY – CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, INFORMATION AND CULTURE, OPEN FOR EVERYONE

General library introduction: educational and cultural services, self-service libraries, mobile libraries.

Introduction of the culture and technology showroom space created in collaboration with BusinessOulu and library services: **Showroom** offers library visitors, tourists and other guests opportunities to explore innovative new products and services, cultural events, and exhibitions in the library space.

Inspiring children to read and search for information

Educational services: Kirjastoreitti can be translated as **Library Route**. Kirjastoreitti involves systematic collaboration with schools in the City of Oulu in Northern Finland. There are 24 public libraries and 50 comprehensive schools in Oulu. Each school has a designated library it collaborates with. Introduction of the reading diploma mobile application.

Short presentation of library projects such as **Viides tila** which is a project that explores library services in virtual environment.

Koha is an open source integrated library system (ILS) maintained and used by libraries all over the world. Open source software enables libraries to access the source code and customise it according to their needs. With Koha, the developers are very open to suggestions from those using the ILS and always use these suggestions as the building blocks for the next release.

 www.ouka.fi/kirjasto

 Maximum of 2 hours

 English and Finnish

 Administrators, supervisors, teachers, head teachers, heads of day care units and heads of library services

 culture, learning, arts, information services, reading, library and school collaboration, e-services, e-learning, educational technology, showroom

 info.kirjasto@ouka.fi



OLU VOCATIONAL COLLEGE AND OSAO EDU OY

Oulu Vocational College OSAO is a multidisciplinary vocational college, training competent professionals for the labour market. OSAO provides up-to-date education that is in line with the needs of work life. In terms of its appeal, the extent of its operations and results, OSAO is one of the leading vocational colleges in Finland. With 14 000 students and 920 staff members OSAO is the largest vocational college in Northern Finland.

On behalf of OSAO, OSAO Edu Oy provides visit and training packages to individual professionals and groups who are interested in Finnish vocational education and training. The themes are, for example, operational culture, school management, learning environments, entrepreneurship, English language, work life collaboration, and teaching and learning methods.

OSAO Edu Oy offers also visit and training packages to student groups who are interested in vocational education, English language and cultural exchanges in northern Finland.

We can offer tailored visits and training in various fields:

- Culture
- Business and Administration
- Social Services; Health and Sports
- Technology, Communication and Transport Sector
- Tourism
- Catering and Domestic Services
- Natural Sciences

 www.osao.fi

 Mr. Antti Rovamo, CEO of OSAO Edu Oy: antti.rovamo@osao.fi, +358 50 560 8392
Kiviharjuntie 6, 90220 Oulu, Finland

 English and Finnish. Chinese/Japanese translators can be provided for an additional fee.

 Education and Industry Professionals, who are interested in Finnish vocational education and students.

 www.facebook.com/osaobook/

Visits to Oulu Vocational College provided by OSAO Edu Oy

A. Haukipudas unit

OSAO Haukipudas unit provides vocational education and training both for young people coming from comprehensive school and adults who want to have new vocational qualifications or develop their competence by doing further or specialised vocational qualifications. The unit provides commercially tailor-made vocational training for employers and private people, too. The fields in vocational education and training are:

- Vehicle Technology
- Construction including Earthworks and Treatment Technology
- Electrical Engineering and Automation Technology
- Catering and Restaurant Services



B. Kaukovainio unit, Services

OSAO Services unit offers vocational education in Business and Administration, Information Technology, Tourism, and Catering. We offer working life based education and training in Food Production, Confectionery, Cooking, Hotel and Restaurant Services, Tourism Services, IT Support Services, Programming, Customer Service and Sales, and Finance and Office Services. In Business and Administration, we offer an International IB Career related program. This program is taught entirely in English.

C. Kaukovainio unit, Technology

OSAO Technology unit provides education in the fields of Construction, HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning), Electricity, Metalwork and Machinery, Processing, ICT, Media, Chemistry, Restauration and Design (jewelry, furniture, handicrafts, clothes).

Construction studies are famous for building single-family homes for new areas in Oulu. The homes are made by students under the supervision and guidance of teachers. Once completed they are sold to the general public.

The Metalwork and Machinery education program is a forerunner in the field of digitalisation and automation. Students use robots and automation with machine vision, as well as 3D modelling, simulation and printing technologies in their studies.

D. Kempele - Liminka unit

Kempele-Liminka unit is located in close proximity to Oulu. Security guard's vocational qualification is organised in Liminka approximately 30 km from Oulu. Security guard's training has been certified according to ISO 14001.

Vocational education of Logistics, Gardening, Catering, and Hotel and Restaurant Services is organised in Kempele which is located 15 km from Oulu. The unit has three modern learning kitchens, a number of training simulators, a fleet of lorries and other vehicles which are used in education under the supervision and guidance of teachers. Gardening tuition takes place in the unit's own greenhouse and floral shop. Students are also fulfilling customers' orders.



E. Kontinkangas unit

Kontinkangas Unit is the biggest and most versatile school in northern Finland offering education in Social Services, Health and Sports. We also arrange preparatory education for vocational training.

We offer training in the following vocational qualifications: Beauty Care, Hairdressing, Pharmaceutics, Social and Health Care (Practical Nurses), and Maintenance of Equipment.

We also offer Apprenticeship training, Labour market training, Management and Entrepreneurship training, Personnel training, and short courses on the above mentioned fields of study.

F. Muhos unit

Muhos unit offers training for four different vocational qualifications.

The unit has a modern car repair shop as a learning environment for Vehicle Technology students and a training kitchen for Catering students. In Agricultural training, the unit has 120 ha of arable land, a cowshed with a milking robot and a pet attending house with a wide range of small animals. In Forestry training, the unit has many logging machines and forestry tractors. There are also forest machine simulators to assist in the training.

G. Pudasjärvi unit

Pudasjärvi unit is located one hour's drive from Oulu and only 60 kilometres from the southernmost fell area Iso-Syöte in Finland. Pudasjärvi is well-known as a modern log city. The world's biggest log factory Kontio is also located in Pudasjärvi.

We offer studies next to the pure nature, wilderness and snow. The Pudasjärvi unit provides education in Business Administration, Tourism Services, Social and Health Care, Electricity, and Wood Technology.

Studies in the Pudasjärvi unit are more than vocational training and education: you are gathering once-in-a-lifetime experiences in the middle of Finnish nature.



H. Taivalkoski unit

Taivalkoski Unit provides vocational education and training both for young people coming from comprehensive school and adults who want to have new vocational qualifications or develop their competence by doing further or special vocational qualifications. The fields in vocational education and training are currently:

- Vocational Qualification in Mining: Miner
- Vocational Qualification In Forestry: Forest Machine Operation
- Vocational Qualification In Social And Health Care, Practical Nurse
- Vocational Qualification in Construction: Earthmover Operator

I. Apprenticeship Training Unit

The main task of the Apprenticeship Training Unit is to co-ordinate the processes of apprenticeship training programs. In year 2017, the number of training contracts is about 1,800 in every field of working life.

An apprenticeship contract includes practical training at the workplace in connection with ordinary work assignments, and theoretical studies at OSAO or some other institution. Every student has a work place combined with an individual study program. The employer is compensated for providing training, while the student gets a wage when working as an apprentice and a grant during the theoretical studies.

In year 2018, an even greater part of the studies will be organised in working life. This means more studying and assessment in real working life situations. In addition to apprenticeships there will be a new training contract possibility for students.



OLU UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

Oulu UAS is a strong and multidisciplinary University of Applied Sciences, founded in 1996 and occupying 640 employees. We educate competent and innovative professionals and do active research and development. In co-operation with our partner institutions we create new vitality to the northern region.

Oulu University of Applied Sciences is the largest university of applied sciences in northern Finland. We have a wide range of higher education degree programs and a strategic focus on industries such as ICT, health and wellbeing, and energy. Our university has a strong background in ICT, innovation development, and collaboration with business and industry.

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 Visiting time between 9:00–15:00 from Monday to Friday. Products available 5.1.2017 – 15.6.2017, 10.8.2017 – 15.12.2017.

 English and Finnish. Chinese/Japanese translators can be provided for an additional fee

 Education and Industry Professionals, Adults, Children / Families. Minimum age is 18

 www.facebook.com/oamk.ouas/
Instagram: oamk-ouas

 Meals and transportation are not included, but can be organized for an additional fee.

A. The Finnish Education System

Innovation and entrepreneurship in Higher Education in Finland

A short theoretical and practical overview of the Finnish education system, focusing on tertiary education, and the functions and roles of universities and/or universities of applied sciences in Finland.

 From 2 hours to one day

 Service provider: EDULAB in cooperation with the University of Oulu

Programs can be tailored to focus on:

- Art and Culture
- Business
- Natural Sciences
- Engineering
- Environmental Engineering

B. Entrepreneurship

Adult education entrepreneurship initiatives in Oulu

Visit to Business Kitchen (www.businesskitchen.fi) with an Introduction to Finnish Adult education entrepreneurship initiatives, such as Demola (<http://oulu.demola.net/>), and the Oulu Entrepreneurship Society (<http://oulues.com/>)

 1–2 hours

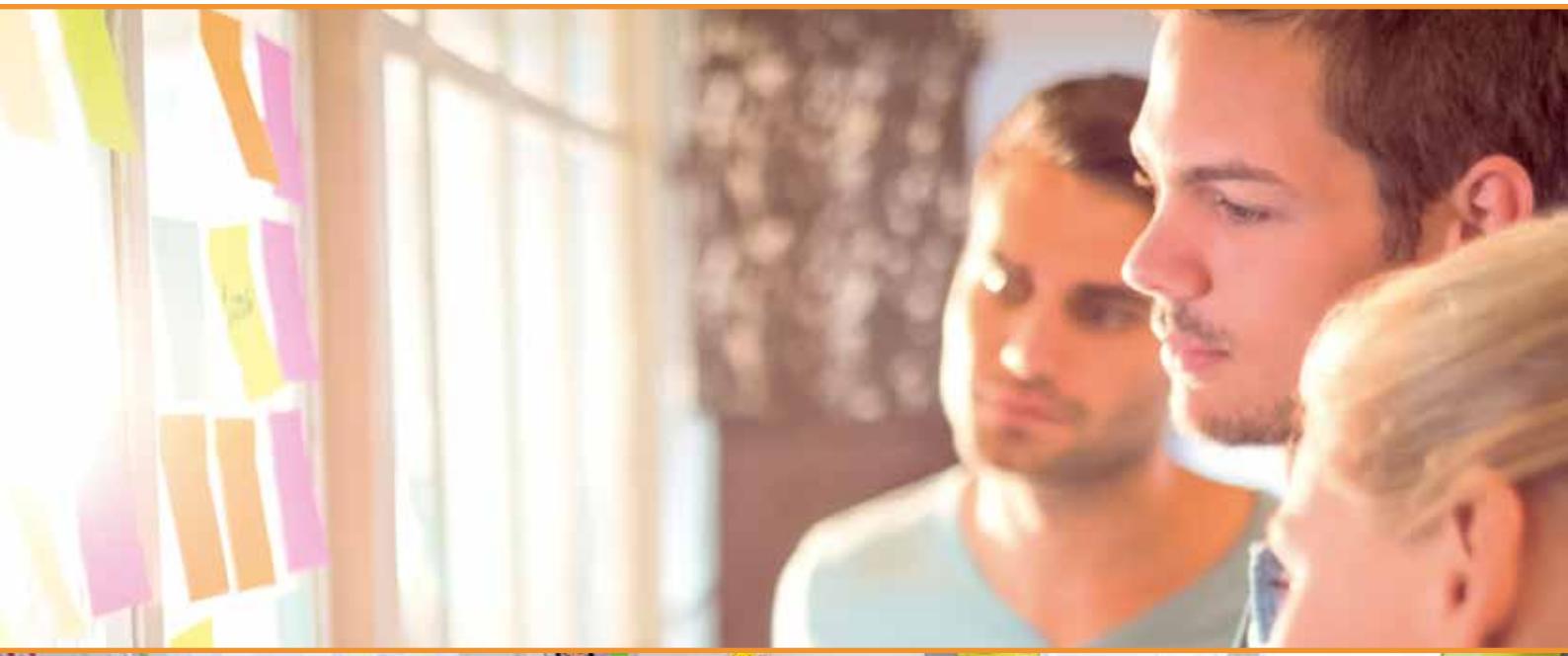
 Service provider: EDULAB in cooperation with Business Kitchen, the University of Oulu and the City of Oulu

Entrepreneurship in Finnish Higher Education

A visit to Oulu University of Applied Sciences with an introduction to entrepreneurship practices and methods implemented in Finnish higher education.

 From 2 hours to half a day

 Service provider: Oulu University of Applied Sciences



C. Educational and Gaming Start Up Incubation (Oamk Labs)

EduLAB

An introduction to and tour of the EduLAB environment. Oulu EduLAB focuses on supporting the development of interdisciplinary professional teams in order to create software-based innovations, and a wide range of other products targeting the global Educational Technology (Edutech) industry (www.oamklabs.fi/ouluedulab/).

 1–2 hours

 Service provider: Oamk LABS

Oulu Game LAB: Finland's most innovative game development program

The Oulu Game LAB is a globally recognised game education program in Oulu, Finland. This tour will allow visitors to learn about this program's unique and innovative structure first-hand from staff who are daily involved in helping teams from around the world to create new games and start-up companies. For over five years, Oulu Game LAB has been expanding and is now located in the city's new 'Game Campus' which includes offices from some of the region's largest games companies.

 1–2 hours

 Service provider: Oamk LABS

 Target group: Individuals, groups and families

Recently, graduating teams from Oulu Game LAB have also been visiting the Tokyo Game Show to present their new products to the Japanese games market. As a result, you can see how this innovative Finnish higher education program connects with Asian markets and builds

strong collaboration with countries from around the world. The activities can include tours of the facilities as well as taking part in meetings with some of the newest teams who will demonstrate and encourage visitors to test their prototype games. These games are often being made for mobile devices, or virtual and augmented reality. As a result, visitors will be able to see how new technologies are being connected with new game design.

DevLAB

An introduction to and tour of the DevLAB training program. DevLAB focuses on the development of interdisciplinary teams and start-ups aimed at solving problems from a variety of industries including:

 1–2 hours

 Service provider: Oamk LABS

Natural resources and sustainability:

- Tourism
- Health and wellbeing and ICT
- Logistics and supply chains

D. Vocational Higher Education

Visits to technical departments at the Oulu University of Applied Sciences

 Timing: 2.5 - 3.0 hour slots

Examples of the expertise areas and training topics at Oulu University of Applied Sciences:

- Pedagogic Model in Agricultural and Rural Industries Studies
- Open Innovation Approach in IT Studies at Oulu UAS
- Studying and evidence based practices in working life in Health Care
- Simulation Training in Health care
- Entrepreneurship Studies:
 - Entrepreneurship as a strategic development area in Oulu UAS
 - Commerzialisierung ecosystem of Oulu Innovation Alliance
 - Business Kitchen Universities, entrepreneurship hub
 - Demola- Students solving real life challenges with Companies
 - Terwa-Academy - Putting Entrepreneurship to Practice
- Vocational Teacher Education



UNIVERSITY OF OULU, EXTENSION SCHOOL TOPIK

Educational Services and Training Programs

The University of Oulu, on the shore of the Bothnian Bay in northern Finland, has been successful in many areas including education, biosciences, health, information technology, culture and environment.

Every faculty and department at the university is involved in educational export concerning a number of countries all over the world.

At the University of Oulu, the Extension School TOPIK supports, coordinates and develops the education export operations in collaboration with university departments and regional partners.

The University of Oulu Extension School TOPIK has a long experience in organising national and international training programs. TOPIK offers short and long term courses, consultation, exchange programs and customised visits in the education sector. The services are based on the know-how and expertise of the multidisciplinary university and its broad network of experts.

The training services are typically conducted in cooperation with the university departments and local, national and international partners. All the services are planned and tailored with and for the client.

- ✓ Professionals on Educational Sector (E.g. administrators, developers, researchers, principals and teachers of primary / middle / upper / comprehensive / high schools and universities.)

- 1–50

Length of the training programs and visits:

- ⌚ Training programs from one day forward (e.g. normal program 1 week / 5 days), University visits 1 h–1 day

- 🗣 English (interpreted to other languages if needed).

- ❗ Trainers/instructors: Experts from the university, Oulu city school administration, teachers from the local schools, other experts

- ❗ Certificate: Certificates from training programs given by the University of Oulu, Extension school, TOPIK, In English, by request translated to the language of the customer

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Examples of the expertise areas and training topics in the educational sector:

University of Oulu Extension School, TOPIK, areas in the field of continuing and supplementary education for teachers

- Assessment and evaluation in different educational contexts
- Coaching and mentoring in education
- Coding and pedagogy
- Creating and organizing modern learning environments in synchronous and asynchronous models
- Curriculum development and instructional techniques and methods
- Developing cross disciplinary courses
- Educational leadership and management
- Essential ICT skills and pedagogy in education
- Learning materials in online courses
- Perspectives to STEM education (LUMA)
- Teaching methods and strategies (in different subjects)
- Technologies for online education and
- Technology in the classroom
- Virtual learning environments
- English as medium of instruction (EMI)
- Summer courses

University of Oulu, Faculty of Education, credit courses of which TOPIK modifies continuing and supplementary education for teachers

Educational Sciences and Teacher Education

- Collaborative Learning
- Computer Supported Collaborative Learning (CSCL)
- Curriculum, Planning and Evaluation
- Designing Technology–Enhanced Learning
- Digital media in teaching and learning
- Educational policy, planning and leadership
- Finnish culture and educational systems
- Introduction to Learning and Educational Technology
- Learning Theory and Pedagogical use of ICT
- Nordic education in the European and global context

Inclusive Education and Special Education

- Current Issues in special education
- Inclusion as a policy and practice
- International development goals (UN, UNESCO)
- Special education as a profession
- Special education in early years
- Special educational needs

Early Childhood Education

- Collaboration in early childhood education
- Cultural environments of early childhood
- Early Childhood Education and Care in Finland and in Other Countries
- Early childhood education in local and global environments
- Early childhood teacher as a pedagogical expert
- Leadership and developmental work in changing contexts of early childhood education
- Multiculturalism in early childhood education
- Pedagogical Trends in Early Childhood Education



FINPEDA: FINNISH EDUCATION STUDY TOUR

TECHNICAL VISITS

How to Create the School of the Future

The School of the Future is not just a building; it is a cycle of change that includes leadership, pedagogy, architecture, technology, change of operational culture, and assessment. This presentation describes the steps and factors of the development process needed to change a school's operational culture towards the School of the Future.

Technology enhanced learning environment (example Finpeda Virtual Space)

Digitalisation demands the use of technology in learning and teaching. This presentation provides information regarding a technology-enhanced learning environment through inspiring examples

School Architecture and Design

The presentation offers basic information about the latest trends in Finnish school architecture and learning environment design. Includes inspiring examples from Finnish school construction projects

Finnish Education System

General introduction to the Finnish Education System and its specific features. The presentation can also have a specific focus on some theme or area (e.g. early childhood education, higher education) according to the needs of the customer.



www.finpeda.fi



1 – 2 hours depending from the need of the customer



Educators, teachers, principals and all interested in topics below.



English and Finnish. Interpretation in other languages can be provided at an additional fee.



1-30



From Monday to Friday 9 - 17, 8.1.–21.6.2018, 1.8.–21.12.2018



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Service provider: Finpeda is a Finnish company with a strong background in education and learning. It has a long experience in school development work and it offers innovative solutions for school architecture, pedagogy and educational technology. Finpeda also organizes Finnish Education Study Tours in Oulu and Helsinki.

FINNISH EDUCATION STUDY TOURS (FEST)

Description:

Would you like to learn the secrets behind Finnish education? Choose your season and join us for the Finnish Education Study Tour (FEST)!

The Finnish school system has demonstrated outstanding educational achievement. Its learners rate among the highest achievers in PISA, the survey of learner attainment at the age of 15 in mathematics, science and literacy across the member countries of OECD. The most impressive aspect of Finnish success is that there is very little difference in attainment across social and economic divides.

These ready-made FESTs give you an inclusive picture of the Finnish educational system and have an innovative focus on learning spaces, school architecture and technology. During the FEST you will have an opportunity to meet Finnish experts in education, have discussions with headmasters, teachers and students, visit schools and classrooms, see innovative learning spaces and technology solutions and, at the same time, have a taste of Finnish culture. You will also visit Rovaniemi and the Arctic Circle where you will have a chance to meet Santa Claus and see the beautiful Arctic nature. The study tour will end with a farewell dinner at a reindeer farm. Guides from Finpeda will accompany you for the whole week!



Winter FEST January 22-26, 2018

Spring FEST March 19-23, 2018

Summer FEST June 4-8, 2018 *

Autumn FEST September 17-21, 2018



*Summer FEST is organized during the summer holiday. This means that we are able to visit schools and discuss with staff but there are no students or lessons during this time.



Finnish Education Study Tours are meant for all those who are interested in the Finnish education system (teachers, school principals, decision makers, management, administrators etc.).



5–30



English and Finnish. Interpretation in other languages can be provided at an additional fee.



Finland Education Study Tour (Fest) Program

Day 1, Monday, LESS IS MORE – Introduction to Finnish education system

8.30 am Transport from hotels to Pohto **
9.00 am The opening of the Finnish Education Study Tour (FEST)
10.00 am Introduction to Finnish Education System and its specific features
11.30 am Lunch
0.30 pm Education in Oulu region and new curriculum
2.00 pm Finpeda presentation: How to create the School of the Future
3.00 pm Transport to hotels

Day 2, Tuesday, EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL - Getting familiar with the basic education

8.30 am Transport from hotels to school visits
9.00 am School visit at a kindergarten or a comprehensive school
11.30 am Lunch
0.30 pm School visit at a comprehensive school
3.00 pm Transport to hotels

Day 3, Wednesday, SETTING THE DIRECTION FOR LIFE - Overview to general upper secondary school and vocational education

8.30 am Transport from hotels to school visits
9.00 am School visit at the upper secondary school
11.30 am Lunch
1.00 pm School visit at vocational school
3.00 pm Transport to hotels

Day 4, Thursday, WHAT ARE FINNISH TEACHERS MADE OF? - A peak to teacher training and university studies

8.30 am Transport from hotels to University of Oulu
9.00 am Introduction to Finnish teacher training and university studies
11.30 am Lunch
0.30 pm Tour at the university, innovative technology and spaces
3.00 pm Transport to hotels

Day 5, Friday, THE EXPEDITION TO ARCTIC CIRCLE - the biggest log school in the world and Santa Claus Village

8.00 am Transport from Oulu to Pudasjärvi
9.30 am Visit at Pudasjärvi log school
11.30 am Transportation from Pudasjärvi to Rovaniemi, lunch on the road
2.00 pm Santa Claus Village
4.30 pm Visit at the reindeer farm and farewell dinner
6.00 pm Transport from Rovaniemi to Oulu

* Transportation:Finpeda will provide bus transportation during the FEST activities. In the morning bus will pick up the participants from hotel or other given place and take them to visits. After daily program, bus will take participants back to hotel/other given place.

** These visits are EDUpacks, theme-based packages from city of Oulu.

TAILOR-MADE STUDY TOURS

Finpeda also organises tailor-made Finnish Education Study Tours and technical visits for those who are looking for more specific program. You can visit schools, educational institutions and companies in Helsinki, Oulu and Rovaniemi, in three different Finnish regions. Each tour has a general part plus a specific focus on some of the following areas:

- Strategic leadership and Innovations
- Living Labs and Pilot projects
- Teacher training
- Kindergarten and comprehensive schools
- Vocational and Higher Education
- Finnish school design
- Technology development and Education technology solutions



ROS COOPER – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

Ros Cooper – Professional Development Workshops emphasise a participatory, collaborative learning approach leading to post-workshop actions. Our team of content specialists plan and facilitate workshops according to the duration and the group's specific requirements. A certificate of attendance is presented to participants on completion of a workshop.

Professional Development Workshop themes include Teaching English, Education for Sustainable Development, and Transforming Education. Workshops are arranged from half-a-day to multiple days, focusing on one or more themes.

Presentations and discussions about characteristics of Finnish Education are available on request.

Teaching English

Professional Development Workshop for English language teachers who would like to refresh their English language skills and explore creative ideas for producing materials and teaching English.

Examples of workshop topics:

- learner-centered activities for speaking and listening
- improving pronunciation and intonation
- providing authentic reading and writing practice
- building confidence and motivating language learners
- teaching grammar
- assessing language skills
- relationships between language and culture
- English language teaching in the Finnish curriculum and context

Education for Sustainable Development

Professional Development Workshop for teachers, principals, and educational administrators who already include, or will be introducing, education for sustainable development (ESD) in their teaching, school practices and policies.

Examples of workshop topics:

- approaches to education for sustainable development
- pedagogies fostering leadership towards sustainable societies
- motivating and engaging learners
- developing knowledge, competencies and attitudes
- UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (Sustainable Development Goals)
- integrating ESD in all subjects
- whole school initiatives
- rural-urban differences and regional variations
- ESD in the Finnish curriculum and context.

Transforming Education

Professional Development Workshop for teachers, principals, and educational administrators undertaking educational reform, for example, introducing new teaching methods, developing the curriculum, improving practices in schools and classrooms, increasing local community contact.

Examples of workshop topics:

- action research as a tool for agents of change
- identifying priorities, obstacles and possibilities
- action planning and implementation
- evaluation procedures
- post-workshop actions and support
- communicating change to stakeholders and a wider audience
- transforming education in the Finnish context.

 www.roscooper.com

 Ros Cooper, ros@roscooper.com, +358 40 535 1267

 From a half-day (3 hours) to multiple days (6 hours per day)

 All year round

 English. Translators may be available for an additional fee

 Max. 12

 Teachers, head teachers, and educational administrators



SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION IN OR CLOSE TO KALAJOKI

KALAJOKI has only a bit more than 12,000 inhabitants but entrepreneurs account for over 20% of the entire workforce and the municipality is home to almost 900 companies. Kalajoki's education services have many years of experience in various international projects and they are active in school exchange programs, e.g. with Japan and Hungary.

KALAJOKI BASIC AND UPPER SECONDARY EDUCATION

- kalajoki.fi/en/education/upper-secondary-school/
- lukio.kalajoki.fi/muut/lukioengl.html

Long tradition with school exchange programs with Japan.

DAY CARE CENTRE, KINDERGARDEN

There are many day care centres operated by City of Kalajoki. An example of a private day care centre:

- paivakotiarkeki.fi/index.php

KALAJOKI ACADEMY

- kalajoki.fi/en/leisure-and-sports/kalajoki-academy/

Kalajoki Academy is a unit of the City of Kalajoki that is in charge of the city's leisure activities, basic education in art, and sports institute and culture academy operations.

JEDU

- jedu.fi/

Federation of education of vocational schools in Jokilaakso area. Consists of 7 vocational colleges and adult education and apprenticeship training centers.

VOCATIONAL COLLEGE IN KANNUS

- kpedu.fi/docs/default-source/kv-asiakirjat/kpedu_brochure.pdf?sfvrsn=OÄN

Vocational qualification in forestry, agriculture, kennels sector and breeding of domestic animals. One of the few places in Europe for education in fur farming.



www.kalajokikeskusvaraamo.fi



For enquiries of the technical visit programs and educational tours, please contact:
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tel. +358-8-466 691



UTAJÄRVI SCHOOL VISIT

Visit to Utajärvi school. A guided tour around the school facilities introducing Utajärvi school and the Finnish school system.

- Founded: 1945
- There are approx. 420 students and 45 teachers in Utajärvi school.
- School cafeteria. Possibility to have lunch, 5.00 €/person.
- Education – comprehensive school (grades 0-9) and upper secondary school
- Specialities: IT, internationality, entrepreneurship

Packages:

1,5h visit to Utajärvi school. A guided tour around the school facilities introducing Utajärvi school and the Finnish school system. The tour is given by upper secondary school tutor students and accompanied by a few teachers and the headmasters.

 www.utaj.fi

 1,5h

 English, Finnish, Swedish, German

Season: school year: August-May

Opening hours: 8:30-15:00

 Number and type of restaurants/ bars: School cafeteria. Possibility to have lunch, 5€/person.

 Dogs allowed No

Distance to next supermarket: 30 m

Parking places: Yes

Airport: Oulunsalo airport in Oulu

Railway station: Yes

 Utajärvi school
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2.2 PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL GROUPS

CITY OF OULU EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES

City of Oulu, Department of Educational and Cultural Services is in charge of early education, basic education and upper secondary education as well as services related to youth, culture, sports and leisure activities.

Through its different functions, Educational and Cultural Services can offer various programs that are suitable for visiting school groups. Below are some examples.

A. Visits to Schools in the City of Oulu

For information about school group visits to the schools in the City of Oulu, please contact:

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B. Valve Film Workshop for Children and Young People

Valve Film School for Children and Young People is a special film education unit of the Cultural Centre Valve in Oulu. Valve Film School organises courses and workshops for children, youth and adults. Valve Film School encourages children to express their own thoughts creatively through the language of cinema. One of the pedagogical goals is to inspire children's curiosity towards art and culture.

Lights...Camera...ACTION!

Create new cinema masterpieces at Valve Film School's one-day workshop. The theme of the workshop can be stop-motion animation or live-action filming. Professional teachers from Valve Film School guide the participants to the secrets of film making. It is also possible to organise a workshop together with Finnish participants to share views of different customs and cultures.

Films are made in small groups. The workshop includes 5 steps: brainstorming, scriptwriting, shooting, acting and editing. Groups have access to the filming equipment, green screen studio, computers for editing, costumes and make-up. It is possible to make a film in four hours, but going through all 5 steps in filmmaking requires at least one day (8 hours).

The highlight of the workshop is a real premiere. The workshop films are screened in actual cinema on a big screen. Film snacks will be provided, and more elaborate service or catering can be arranged. Each participant receives the workshop films in the required format.

 [www.kulttuurivalve.fi/siuu/fi/elokuvakoulu/
english/](http://www.kulttuurivalve.fi/siuu/fi/elokuvakoulu/english/)

 4–8 hours

 01.01.–31.12.

 (available on request): English and Finnish.

 6–25

 Minimum age: 7

 Cultural Centre Valve, Valve Film School,
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C. Oulu Museum of Art OMA

Art workshops

Painting with arctic berries, 1,5 h

What happens if you do not eat the blueberry? And if lingonberry kisel (desert) is served as material for painting? In this workshop, you can smell and taste traditional Finnish berries and other materials like liquorice. In the end, all the material is used as painting ingredients and they end up on paper, forming incredible colour combinations. Making art in the workshop is free and hilarious – you can paint with your hands, feet or brushes, however you like! The workshop is suitable for all from babies to adults. You will get your own painting with you to bring back home.

You should be prepared for paint splashes; we offer aprons to protect your clothes.

 1.5–2 hour

 During museum opening hours Tue–Sun 10–17

 (available on request): English and Finnish.

 5–20

 Suitable for all, minimum age: 7

 Oulu Museum of Art OMA,
peda.taidemuseo@ouka.fi

Finnish scenery

How does the forest smell? What kind of sounds do you hear, what kind of flavours do you taste?

In this workshop, you will become familiar with different materials from the Finnish nature and how they can be used to make art. We will compose and build our own vision of the Finnish nature. We will use tree branches, cones, seeds, dried berries, lichen and so on as materials. Your piece of art is built in a small box, which you can take home with you as a memory.

 Appr. 2 hours

 Suitable both for children and adults.

D. Science Centre Tietomaa

Science Workshops for school groups

Technical workshops, product examples

Rocket Factory, 1,5–2 hours

In the Rocket Factory workshop, we learn about the history of space rockets and their mechanics and operating principle. Each participant will build his or her own paper roll rocket, which is launched to the heights at the Nahkuriatori square outdoors.

 www.tietomaa.fi

 1.5–2 hour, 8 hours divided for two days, 4 h/day

 Rocket Factory: Early autumn and end of spring (weather permitting)

 (available on request): English and Finnish

 Workshops have been designed primarily for primary school students. The contents of the workshops can be modified according to the age of the students.

 Science Centre Tietomaa, Tuija Hoikka,
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Dragsters, 8 hours divided for two days, 4 h/day

The workshop has a strong link to technology education. We will discuss and ponder different features that have an effect on the speed of a vehicle. We will plan, build and test vehicles that use CO₂ capsules as their power source. Testing is done with circuit equipment that is unique in Finland, having both manual and automatic launch feature.

Chemistry and Physics workshops, product examples

In these workshops, we will choose a chemical or physical phenomenon and learn about it through our own experiments. Duration 1–2 hours.

- Making of liquorice (ammonium chloride): What is liquorice actually?
- History of liquorice. Theory: acids and bases, titrating, equivalence point.
- Making of soap: History of soap; making soap of coconut.



E. Explore and Learn in Turkansaari

- Guided Tour into the history of North Ostrobothnian life in Turkansaari Open-Air Museum

Turkansaari Open-Air Museum has a collection of buildings from the 17th to the 20th century. Turkansaari Island is an old trading centre and place of salmon fishing. The museum area includes a traditional farmyard complex, complete with all the relevant buildings and equipment characteristic of the Northern Ostrobothnia region. In Turkansaari, a visitor will get exciting insights into Finnish cultural heritage and livelihoods, such as farming, pinewood tar-making, salmon fishing, lumbering and log floating.

The history of Turkansaari as an open-air museum dates back to 1922 when the old church, from the year 1694, was restored to its original site. Turkansaari church is the oldest wooden building on the Oulu city area. The open-air museum is alive all summer: special events include the popular Midsummer celebration complete with the ignition of the tar pit, traditional folk music performances, and work demonstrations. The traditional autumn market fair and the pre-Christmas events crown the year in the autumn and early winter.

Turkansaari Open-Air Museum is rich in cultural heritage and has a strong spirit of authenticity. The museum is located on a beautiful island in the Oulu River, in the middle of pure countryside nature.

A 2-hour programme is divided into two parts, approximately 1 hour each. In the first part, visitors follow a guided walk in Turkansaari museum area with an experienced Oulu guide. During the walk along a traditional farmyard building complex, forest area and tar-making pit, our visitors are introduced to typical livelihoods, equipment and traditions characteristic to the Northern Ostrobothnia region right from the 17th century. The visitors learn about things like salmon fishing, log floating and the history of pinewood tar making.

In the latter part, the guide leads the visitors to activity spots in the museum farmyard area and a nearby building where elf guides instruct visitors with traditional activities and handicraft. Tar elves are fictional characters and their story, created by a local writer, is inspired by the tar history of Turkansaari. The activities are folk dance "jenkka", in which visitors learn the basic steps of a traditional dance and handicraft in which visitors learn how to make their own woollen tassel, usable e.g. as a keyring or a decoration. The last activity is horseshoe throwing, a challenging game to test one's accuracy. In horseshoe throwing, the instructions are given on an information board.

Turkansaari and Siikasaari island terrain is grass, farmyard, gravel and forest paths. The length of the walk is approximately 2 kilometres, in total.

 www.ouka.fi/oulu/ppm/turkansaari-in-english

 2 hours

 05 June – 08 September, 10am-5pm on Mon-Sat

 English, Interpretation services Chinese and Japanese: ask for more information.

 15–25

 Groups, minimum age: 7

 Starting place: Turkansaari Open-Air Museum entrance

Starting time: With prior agreement

Customers own equipment needed: Outdoor clothing compatible with weather and walking shoes

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Pinterest: @luuppi



F. Kierikki Stone Age Centre: Excavation Camp In Stone Age Dwellings Site

Kierikki Stone Age Centre and Stone Age Village, located on the banks of River Iijoki, form a unique combination of Finnish prehistory. Ongoing international excavations with finds dating up to 4,000 BC. The main building is an award-winning huge log house with exhibition and restaurant. Kierikki is located 53 km from Oulu.

Possibility for hands-on activities at the living Stone Age village. Research-based guidance and exhibition. Long, international experience in researching (excavating) an authentic Stone Age dwelling site next to the main building. Excellent hotel and restaurant services.

Excavation in Stone Age dwelling site and hands-on activities at Stone Age Village

Excavation camp at Kierikki, duration three days, including possibility for activities at Stone Age Village and tour to nearby Stone Age sites.

 www.kierikki.fi

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Kierikki Stone Age Centre, Pahkalantie 447, FI-91200 YLI-II

 10–20

 Individuals, groups, families

 From July 1st to the 15th of September

 (available on request): English and Finnish

 3 days

G. Stone Age Tribal Competition

The competition between different tribes takes place in the Kierikki prehistoric site and the Stone Age Village. The programme is well-suited for team building or just as a day of recreation. The tribes compete in different Stone Age tasks that can be solved with quick reasoning and good imagination. Right delegation of tasks and the ability to cooperate are also essential elements of success!

The participants get to wear Stone Age style clothes provided by the Kierikki Centre.

 3 hours

H. Camp School of Museum and Science Centre Luuppi

DAY 1

- Arrival at Kierikki Stone Age Centre
- Guided tour in archaeological exhibition, tribal competition in Stone Age Village (includes learning ancient skills with the help of a Stone Age guide)
- Night in Hotel KierikinHovi

 2 days

 All the year round from Monday to Friday, Turkansaari Museum. From mid-May to end of September. During weekend the program is more expensive, but possible to arrange.

DAY 2

- Drive to Oulu, guided walk in the park where Oulu Castle used to be, getting to know the history of Oulu in Northern Ostrobothnia Museum
- Art Workshop in Oulu Museum of Art
- Lunch in Science Centre Tietomaa or in Turkansaari Open-Air Museum
- 3D super screen film, a science workshop and visiting the exhibitions of Science Centre Tietomaa or participating in various seasonal activities of an old farm-house in Turkansaari Open-Air Museum
- Return to Hotel KierikinHovi for another night

 English and Finnish

 10-30

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2 nights in Hotel KierikinHovi



GO ARCTIC! CAMP SCHOOL IN OULU REGION

Go Arctic! is a strong northern tour operator that offers travel and program services in Oulu Region and the whole of Finland. We are specialised in Northern and Arctic experiences. We are happy to build the program packages for your customers whether it is a leisure trip, camp school, educational trip or technical visit. The Go Arctic DMC has a long experience in serving international customers in Oulu Region.

 www.goarctic.fi

 15.5. – 30.10. (without M/S Oulu available throughout the year)

 (available on request): English and Finnish

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DAY 1

- Arrival
- Accommodation in Nallikari Holiday Village

Nallikari Holiday Village is a year-round holiday resort just a stone's throw away from the centre of Oulu. The most beautiful sandy beach on the shores of the Bothnian Bay, maybe even in the whole of Finland, lies by Nallikari Holiday Village.

Nallikari Holiday Village has 24 high-quality villas and 28 holiday cottages. They also have modern maintenance buildings, sauna and conference room facilities and a café on site.

Poiju Villas

The Nallikari flagship of Poiju Villas was opened in summer 2016. The site houses 24 modern villas for year-round use, most of them sleeping 2 to 4. All villas facilitate kitchen, dining space, sauna, two bedrooms, roomy kitchen and living-room area, open fireplace and large patio. Some of the villas are semi-detached and two of them may be connected to the adjoining villa to house up to 8 + 4 persons. All villas are located conveniently for daylight and sunshine on the patio all year round. Poiju Villas are modern and built in the traditional island cottage style. Large windows allow nature to enter the rooms

Pooki Cottages

There are 18 yellow Pooki Cottages with facilities, for year-round use in Nallikari. All Pooki cottages have a kitchenette and beds for five persons. Larger cottages have a separate bedroom.

Facilities: Bathroom, kitchenette (with kitchenware, hotplate, microwave, fridge, coffeemaker) and TV. Dinner at Nallikari Holiday Village.

DAY 2

- Breakfast
- Guided tour in Oulu

Today the people of Oulu design software, produce the finest paper in the world, do business all over the globe, and provide high quality services for each other and tourists.

This tour takes you to the river, seaside, marshlands and woods. You will visit the old and new monumental centres of Oulu, the sites of culture and technology. During the tour you will hear stories about tar merchants, ship builders, sea farers and salmon fishers during the history of Oulu.

Tietomaa workshops

- Tietomaa workshops
- Tietomaa is Finland's first science centre and it is an ideal place for group visits for schools.
- The changing theme exhibitions consist of over 150 exhibits, and there is also a magnificent super screen theatre and a glass elevator with a view over Oulu.
- Technical workshop in the morning: Rocket Factory
- Lunch at Tietomaa
- Chemistry workshop in the afternoon
- See the detailed descriptions of the Tietomaa workshops under section Science Centre Tietomaa (page 68).
- Free time to explore Tietomaa's exhibitions
- Dinner at Nallikari Holiday Village



DAY 3

- Breakfast

Art workshops at Oulu Museum of Art

- Morning workshop - Painting with arctic berries
- Lunch at Rauhala and learning about Finnish cuisine
- Afternoon Art Workshop - Finnish scenery
- See the detailed descriptions of the Oulu Museum of Art workshops under section Oulu Museum of Art OMA (page 66).
- Dinner at Nallikari Holiday Village

DAY 4**Nature day program in Koiteli**

Welcome to Koiteli located by river Kieminkijoki to spend a wonderful outdoors day in a good company! The word "Koiteli" comes from Sami language and means "in the middle". You get to enjoy fun outdoor activities in an island located in the middle of two rapids.

Beautiful surroundings, ancient trees and the silence surrounding you will give you the feeling of being also in the centre of yourself. This will be a very delightful day filled with traditional Finnish tasks.

In the morning, you will have the opportunity to test and learn some wilderness skills. You can carve wood and make your own bark boat and light a campfire.

- Lunch
- Guided walk in the forest

You have a great opportunity to explore Finnish forest and find out what kind of treasures you will find from there. Your task is to gather handicraft material from the forest and if it is the right time of the year, also berries or mushrooms.

In Tunnelmatupa hut, you get to bake some traditional Finnish buns. If you found berries from the forest, you can add self-picked berries to the buns. You can save some of the dough for later and bake them by open fire. This is called a stick-bun.

Dinner will be enjoyed by open fire and you get to enjoy an exciting evening with a 3-course dinner; salmon cooked by open fire as main course.

DAY 5**Education and Nature Activities in m/s Oulu**

Education camp takes place on the vessel M/S Oulu. See the detailed description of the M/S Oulu education camps under section M/S Oulu,

Merellinen Oulu Association: Education and Nature Activities on M/S Oulu, Education Camps (page 86).

- Arriving to M/S Oulu in the morning
- Welcome gathering, presentation of the crew, safety instructions
- Off to the sea, accommodating into cabins
- Guided tours on ship
- Buffet lunch
- Tea and light refreshments available in the mess at all times
- Nautical activities at sea
- Arriving to the island of Röyttä, landing on the island
- Light walk and activities in northern island nature
- Dinner on ship
- Social gathering and entertainment on the shore over a camp fire

DAY 6

- Breakfast on board after a good night's sleep
- Off to the sea, sailor's bends
- Arriving to home port at mid-morning, farewell and see you next time!
- Free time and souvenir shopping in the city centre
- Flight back home
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Other options for a day program:

Visiting Finnish school.

Options for half a day or full day visit. Or several visits during the stay to different schools.

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Other options for a day program (continued)

Visiting Stone Age Center Kierikki

Kierikki Stone Age Centre and Stone Age village, located on the banks of river Iijoki, form a unique combination of Finnish prehistory. Ongoing international excavations with finds dating up to 4,000 BC. The main building is an award-winning huge log house with exhibition and restaurant.

Kierikki is located 53 km from Oulu. Possibility for hands-on activities at the living Stone Age village. Research-based guidance and exhibition. Long, international experience in researching (excavating) an authentic Stone Age dwelling site next to the main building.

Valve Film workshop

See the detailed description of the Valve Film workshop under section Valve Film Workshop for Children and Young People (p. 64).

Options for short activity programs for example for the evenings:

Summer/autumn:

- Guided cycling tour in town
- Guided canoe trip
- White water rafting
- Midnight sun nature trip

Winter:

- Snowshoe trip
- Winter fishing
- Northern lights trip
- Husky safariVisiting reindeer farm



SANTA CLAUS ACADEMY FINLAND – CAMP SCHOOL PROGRAM IN OULU, PUDASJÄRVI OR TAIVALKOSKI

Meet Santa Claus and learn the Finnish lifestyle, a natural and sustainable way of living, learning and doing in Oulu, Pudasjärvi or Taivalkoski!

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Oulu Vocational College provides unique Finnish experiences in arctic nature. School groups are welcome to learn traditional Finnish skills related to pure nature, wilderness, snow, berries & mushrooms and Northern Lights. All the activities are done in the cleanest air and nature in the world.

Camp school learners have the possibility to get to know Finnish students and interact with them in school environment.

Santa Claus Academy consists of English language and academic lessons and activities of your choice. At the end of the program, Santa Claus will hand out Official Santa Claus Academy Certificates to camp school learners.

The following activities are available to participants of Santa Claus Academy. Please note that some activities are seasonal (winter/summer only).

Cross-country skiing

Learn cross-country skiing with professional ski instructor. Skiing is a very traditional form of exercise and every child learns it at pre-school in Finland.

Downhill skiing

Learn downhill skiing with professional ski instructor.

Snowshoeing

Learn to snowshoe between snow-covered trees. You can go to places like never before by using your own body. Snowshoeing is good exercise for everyone.

Snow sculpting

Make sculptures from snow cubes using different kinds of tools. Let yourself be a real artist.

Fat biking

Fat bike in snowy conditions along nature trails. There are trails for winter and summer – this sport is a wonderful way to see the landscape at any time of the year.

Spotting Northern Lights

Learn about Northern Lights and, with a bit of luck, see them shine across the sky while taking a walk in the wilderness.

Snowmobiling

Take a snowmobile ride in a sledge in the snow-covered landscape. If it is night time with a clear sky, we will stop the engines and watch the Northern Lights.

'Every man's rights' lesson

Learn about every man's rights and how Finns interact with nature.

Wilderness skills

Learn how to make a campfire, cook food in the wilderness, ski, use snowshoes or kick sledges and learn the basics of orienteering.

Dog sledge driving

Take a dog sledge safari with Husky dogs. You will get a chance to interact with the animals and hear the Husky mama telling about the way of life in the wilderness. We will also have a cup of coffee and a Finnish pastry by the campfire.

Indoor wall climbing

Learn indoor climbing with a professional instructor. This sport is as exciting as you want, depending on how high you are willing to climb!

Log school visit

Visit the world's biggest log school Pudasjärvi Log Campus, a log church and the world's biggest children's day care centre made of logs. This visit will give you a definite wow-effect and make you want to stay in school.

Reindeer farm visit

Visit a real Finnish reindeer farm and learn the history of reindeer herding in a traditional kota hut with warm drinks and snacks. You will have the opportunity to feed the reindeers and have a short reindeer ride at the farm.

Picking berries or herbs & bake a pie

Pick wild berries or herbs in fresh air. After the berry picking session we will bake traditional Finnish pies and enjoy them with coffee or juice.

Fishing

Learn how to fish or icefish and then try it yourself. Fishing is an easy and natural way of having free, clean and healthy food.

Making a product from natural ingredients

Learn how to recognize plants, collect them and make a product (e.g. lipstick) by yourself. This will be the purest and most beloved product you will ever have!



ROKUA HEALTH & SPA HOTEL IN COOPERATION WITH HUMANPOLIS OY: ROKUA GEO CAMP SCHOOL

Rokua Geopark is Finland's first and most northern site in the world included in an international network of unique geologic sites. It is an official UNESCO Geopark and relates the story of the most recent Ice Age – when the melting ice and receding sea shore shaped the landscapes of Rokua, Lake Oulujärvi and Oulujoki River valley. Rokua is located approx. 90 km / one-hour drive from Oulu airport.

Rokua Health & Spa Hotel provides holiday and congress services for different groups and individuals, adults, children and both young and senior guests. Our guests can enjoy a pleasant stay combined to different programs and activities during all seasons. Our diverse hotel services and the unique natural setting cater to all tastes! A diverse selection of activities is available all year round.

The purpose of Rokua Geo Camp School is to understand the values of natural and cultural diversity and the different ways in which we can improve the quality of our environment and make it better for the next generations: the sustainable way of living. The program includes basic information about our surrounding nature and its meaning for human beings. Rokua Unesco Global Geopark offers ideal settings to encounter these topics from different points of view while enjoying the pureness and beauty of Nordic nature at the same time.

Rokua Geo Camp School Program

Day 1

Arrival to airport and drive to Rokua. Check in, evening meal. Hotel pools and saunas are available free of charge.

Day 2

Includes program to get to know each other. There are also lessons to familiarise yourself with the Finnish nature and culture and with Rokua Geopark. The program is quite light after the long day of travelling. Hotel pools and saunas are available free of charge.

Day 3

The aim of day 3 is to understand the large processes shaping our Earth. The large-scale environmental processes will be encountered by exploring the local phenomena and the natural and cultural history of Rokua Geopark. These processes include nature and human induced climate change, global warming and landform processes. Hotel pools and saunas are available free of charge.

Day 4

The aim of day 4 is to understand the importance of ground water and surface water for the environmental processes and for the wellbeing of people. During the day, the different factors affecting water quality will be studied and methods to assess water quality will be demonstrated.

The meaning (very basics) of biodiversity and the methods to assess biodiversity will be studied and practised in different habitats. The importance of diverse nature will be pondered. Hotel pools and saunas are available free of charge.

Day 5

The aim of day 5 is to understand the origin and genesis of different natural resources that we use in our everyday life and to understand our dependence on the different resources. During the day, the industrial and food resources as well as the recreational values and touristic potential of a diverse environment will be explored. The important aim is to understand the meaning of sustainable use of natural resources and the importance of protecting the diversity of Earth's living and non-living environment. Hotel pools and saunas are available free of charge.

Day 6

Breakfast, packing up and checking out. Drive to the Oulu airport.



www.rokua.com



20–40 (app 11–15 yrs. + 2–3 guides)



Groups, families, school groups.



Services: Program as described.
Meals: As described in the program (breakfast, buffet or camp lunch, dinner).



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HOTEL PIKKU-SYÖTE CAMP SCHOOL

Syöte, the southernmost fell in Finland provides Lapland-like scenery, attractive accommodation and a range of year-round activities in Syöte National Park.

The two ski centres Iso-Syöte and Pikku-Syöte are family-friendly resorts with slopes that will challenge even the more experienced skiers. Syöte is easily accessed by public transport. Oulu, the second busiest airport in Finland, is relatively close, enabling easy travel from all over the world.

Syöte offers 120 kilometres of well-maintained, scenic tracks for cross-country skiers. The designated campfire spots in Syöte National Park help the skiers enjoy their breaks. The skiing tracks of Syöte have plenty of room even in the busiest seasons. Syöte is a traditional skiing resort in the best possible sense. In the summertime, you can explore the region by bike, during a hike or by mountain bike. The Syöte visitor centre offers you all the relevant information about possible activities in the region.

Syöte is located 150 km / a two-hour drive from Oulu, 90 km from Kuusamo, and 150 km from Rovaniemi.

Hotel Pikku-Syöte Camp School, example program (winter)

Day 1

10.30	Arrival at Pikku-Syöte, accommodation
11.00	Lunch
12.00	Camp welcome and briefing
12.30	Start of the camp school! GameGame (all)
13.30	Archery
15.30	Indoor wall climbing
18.00	Dinner
19.00	Magic Forest and after sauna
20.30	Evening snack
22.00	Bed time (silence 23.00)

Day 3

8.30	Breakfast
9.30	Snowshoe trip
11.30	Lunch
12.30	Possibility to visit the Nature Centre, transportation needed
15.30	Snow sculpting and snow art (maybe you can even build a snow castle)
16.30	Possibility to play team sports (floor ball and others) in Syötesali gym
18.00	Dinner
19.00	Last evening's disco at Syötesali gym
22.00	Bed time (silence 23.00)

Day 2

8.30	Breakfast
9.30	Gathering at the hotel lobby and start of the day's trip
10.00	Husky farm visit (with coffee, tea and sweet coffee bread at Lappish hut or at open fire), transportation needed
12.30	Lunch
13.30	Possibility to play team sports (floor ball and others) in Syötesali gym
17.00	Dinner and free time
19.00	Evening snack at the Lappish hut with pancakes
22.00	Bed time (silence 23.00)

Day 4

8.30	Breakfast
9.30 F	Feedback, farewells and check out from rooms
11.30	Lunch and departure

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CODE SCHOOL FINLAND

Code School Finland is the leading private company in Finland teaching programming to children (5–16 years) and adults in Finland. Our programming classes started in 2014 and our course contents have been approved by the Finnish National Agency for Education to match the objectives set by the criteria for programming in the Finnish national core curriculum for primary education. Our offering is based on advanced pedagogical approach and a wide content portfolio.

Every semester, Code School Finland teaches hundreds of students in our classes, camps and workshops in Oulu and Helsinki region. We operate in our own premises, school classrooms and play parks. In addition, we run remote teaching classes internationally with the help of a state-of-the-art video presence system. We utilise our classroom course contents modified to suit different culture and markets.

Based on our wide class curriculum and international teaching experience we are in a position to easily customise our offering to match different cultures, group needs, ages and schedules.

Our Teachers

Code School Finland has a pool of well-educated and experienced teaching staff in all our locations. All teachers have long experience in running clubs and teaching classes for children and youngsters of different ages. Teachers are typically students pursuing their Master's Degree in Computer Science or Education with personal interest/experience in programming, or they are former IT professionals who are now utilising their skills in teaching. All our teachers are fluent in English and many have international teaching experience.

Courses

All the courses focus on hands-on work with teachers who have practical experience with the subject matter. Maximum group size is 32 persons. Bigger groups are possible when booked well in advance. Minimum group size is 4.

All the courses can be tailored to fit the interests of the group as well as the length of the workshop.

Longer duration allows more depth while shorter ones work well as introductions to a subject matter.



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Agenda examples

 Age groups: Minimum 8 years, suitable for any age group

 one day, minimum 2 hours

 Target: Creation of an own 3D game
Learning objectives: Basics of algorithmic thinking and basics of programming

Introduction to game programming in a 3D environment

Intro to algorithmic thinking, practical exercises in visual programming environment.

 Age groups: Minimum 10 years, suitable for any age group

 one and a half days, minimum 4 hours

 Target: Creation of an advanced game
Learning objectives: Basics of algorithmic thinking, basics of programming, basics of game design, basics of mobile devices and hardware sensors.

Game/App programming

Students get an introduction to tools and methods to make a game/app alongside a set of ready-made barebone games to choose from. Most of the game projects are for mobile devices, some use VR glasses. Example project: Pokémon Go style game where players find and capture monsters using their GPS-enabled mobile phones.

 Age groups: Minimum 8 years, suitable for any age group

 two days, minimum 4 hours

 Target: Creation of an autonomous robot
Learning objectives: Basics of robotics, basics of programming, basics of IoT

Robotics and Internet of Things

Students get an introduction to tools needed to build and program robots with sensors and actuators. The sensors and actuators (robots) are connected to the Internet to enable various service scenarios. Example project: small security robot that patrols an area, notifies owner when sees motion.

 Age groups: Minimum 10 years, suitable for any age group

 Recommended length: six days, minimum three days

 Target: Playing a set of cover songs with a band
Learning objectives: Improvement in own instrument, playing as a part of a band

 Date for the next open camp: 23rd to 28th of July, 2018. Camps can be set up any time if a minimum of 4 persons attend.

Metal/rock/pop/jazz music band camp

Students are arranged to bands according to their existing skill level and music taste. Each band is assigned to an experienced music teacher and a co-teacher. Every student receives also one or two private lessons. Bands select and practice together cover songs to play on a final day concert. The final day concert will be outdoors in Finnish summer time (June-August), otherwise indoors. One of the teachers will be an established known artist from internationally famous bands (for example Sonata Arctica, Nightwish, Stratovarius). Each player and band receives videos from their show and personal feedback.

M/S OULU, MERELLINEN OULU ASSOCIATION: EDUCATION AND NATURE ACTIVITIES IN M/S OULU, EDUCATION CAMPS

Education and Nature Activities on M/S Oulu is an education camp designed for children and adolescents between ages 7 and 18. The education camp takes place aboard the vessel M/S Oulu. Her home port is Toppila Harbour in Oulu. The address to the ship is Pitkämöläntie 26, Oulu, which is located 4 kilometres from the city centre and 20 kilometres from Oulu Airport.

M/S Oulu was built in 1963 in Finland as a merchant ship. The association Merellinen Oulu got possession of the ship in 2007 with the aim of maintaining the ship in sailing register, promoting nautical culture, and training and educating in various nautical activities. M/S Oulu offers cruising on sea as requested between May and October, from one hour to weeks. The ship also offers marine training for active seamen and general audience. The ship comes with a qualified crew and a sufficient number of catering personnel.

For the purposes of Education and Nature Activities in M/S Oulu education camp we are able to offer cruising on sea, nautical activities on sea and shore, various nature activities in the archipelago of Oulu, and full catering and accommodation. The ship also boasts modern

information technology facilities for education, as well as classroom and group work spaces including WiFi at ports.

Example programs

1. Education and Nature Activities on M/S Oulu, a one-night education camp

First day:

- arriving to M/S Oulu in the morning
- welcome gathering, presentation of the crew, safety instructions
- off to the sea, accommodating into cabins
- guided tours on ship
- buffet lunch
- tea and light refreshments available in the mess at all times
- nautical activities at sea
- arriving to the island of Röyttä, landing on the island
- light walk and activities in northern island nature
- dinner on ship
- social gathering and entertainment on shore over a camp fire

Second day:

- breakfast on board after a good night's sleep
- off to the sea, sailor's bends
- arriving to home port at mid-morning, farewell and see you next time!

2. Education and Nature Activities in m/s Oulu, a two-night education camp

First day:

- arriving to M/S Oulu at noon
- welcome gathering, presentation of the crew, safety instructions
- off to the sea, accommodating into cabins
- buffet lunch
- guided tours on ship
- tea and light refreshments available in the mess at all times
- nautical activities at sea
- arriving to the island of Hailuoto, landing on the island
- transportation by bus across the island to the old fishing and pilot village with a lighthouse
- back to ship for dinner
- social gathering and entertainment on shore over a camp fire

Second day:

- breakfast on board after a good night's sleep
- transportation to a little zoo for domestic animals, learning about the animals, petting and feeding them
- Chinese picnic lunch in a hut with open fire
- light hike on nature trail, learning about local moss and lichen, refreshments in nature
- back to ship for pre-dinner activity, learning about Arctic food
- Finnish dinner on ship
- social gathering and entertainment

Third day:

- breakfast on board after a good night's sleep
- off to the sea, nautical activities at sea, sailor's bends
- arriving to home port at noon, farewell and see you next time!

 10–22 (app 7–18 years)

 Groups, families, school groups

 We provide catering and accommodation. In case no accommodation is needed we may take 44 passengers. However, in that case we can offer only cruises in the archipelago. We offer also Chinese and Japanese meals. We provide various nautical and nature activities on board and in the archipelago of Oulu.

Other: Transportation to and from the city center and the airport is available on request

 From May 15th to the end of October

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 (available on request): English and Finnish



METSÄHALLITUS: LIMINKA BAY VISITOR CENTER: GUIDED BIRDWATCHING TOUR FOR SCHOOL GROUPS

Experience nature on wings on Finland's finest wetland! The evening flights of the geese, the spring dance of the ruffs and the autumn migration of the common cranes are absolutely amazing.

Step into the Visitor Centre's exhibition and find yourself in the thrilling world of birds! The exhibition reveals the secrets of our feathered friends and lets you experience them with all your senses. You can watch live video from the Liminka Bay and see summertime activities of birds from a close range. At the Virkkula observation platform situated close to the Visitor Centre, you will see birds from morning till night. Around Liminka Bay, you will find many bird-watching towers, duckboards and structures serving visitors, such as campfire sites.

The Visitor Centre and its surroundings are suitable for the disabled. The Visitor Centre is open all year round. There is no entrance fee to the Visitor Centre. Located in Liminka, 35 km / 30 min drive from the centre of Oulu and 25 km from the Oulu airport.

1. Guided Birdwatching Tour for School Groups

You will get more out of your birdwatching tour with the assistance of an expert bird guide. The soaring flight of the white-tailed eagle will make you green with envy, the mating dance of the ruffs will make you smile, the colours of the northern shoveller will catch your eye. During the migration season in the spring and autumn, you can experience a symphony of trilling, honking and cackling accompanied by the hum of thousands of pairs of wings, in addition to witnessing a fantastic spectrum of shapes, colours and flight patterns. This guided excursion for pupils to the bird-watching tower is suitable for 1st–6th graders, 7th–9th graders and those at upper secondary school. The nature trail (0.6 km) to the birdwatching tower starts from the Visitor Centre's yard. The wide trail running to the birdwatching tower is accessible by wheelchair and pram.

There are two campfire sites next to the Visitor Centre. The guide has a telescope with him/her, and the Visitor Centre lends 20 binoculars to the school group.

2. Guided Tour at the Eight Seasons of Bird's Year Exhibition

We organise guided tours in the Visitor Centre's exhibition 'The Eight Seasons of a Bird's Year'. Our expert guides will introduce you to the diverse world of birds with the aid of stories and examples. The Eight Seasons of Birds exhibition presents the annual cycle from the birds' perspective. The exhibition itself is free of charge, but for the guided tours we charge 50 €/hour. If the idea of a guide ruffles your feathers, you can familiarise yourself with everything the nature centre has to offer on your own. A multimedia presentation entitled 'Life at Liminka Bay' is shown in the auditorium; the presentation lasts 20 minutes and shows viewers what goes on in the bird habitat over the year. The presentation is free of charge.



nationalparks.fi/en/liminkabayvisitorcentre



1 hour



1–25, larger groups will be divided. One group can tour the exhibition while the other group visits the bird-watching tower



Individuals, groups, families and School groups, minimum age: 5



Starting time 10 am–4 pm. Summer package 1 is available April – September, Summer package 2 is available all the year round.
Starting place is Liminka Bay Visitor Center.



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METSÄHALLITUS: SYÖTE VISITOR CENTRE

Syöte Visitor Centre is a handsome log castle by the gates of Syöte National Park. With the help of the up-to-date hiking tips that are provided by the visitor centre's staff, it is easy to enjoy an active holiday amongst the wooded hills. At the temporary exhibition, you can sense the presence of history and hear the whispering spruces.

Syöte is located 150 km / a two-hour drive from Oulu, 90 km from Kuusamo, and 150 km from Rovaniemi.

 www.nationalparks.fi/syotemp

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 www.facebook.com/syotteenkansallispuisto/

 Starting time: 10-15
Starting place: www.nationalparks.fi/en/syotevisitorcentre

An excursion to Syöte Visitor Centre and nature trail

Syöte Visitor Centre's exhibition will soon reopen in a new way, with guides. Our expert guides will introduce you to the 'Tales from the Backwoods' exhibition presenting the natural features and history of Syöte National Park. During the guided tour, you will see high-quality images and panoramas of nature. The exhibition tour takes about 30 minutes. After the exhibition, the tour group will head out on a guided excursion along the 'Salojen siivekkääät' ("Wingbeats in the wilderness") trail. The participants will explore the life of stationary birds in the ancient forests of Syöte. The guided tour ends at the visitor centre's lean-to shelter where the group will have a cup of hot coffee or tea under the snow-covered trees. Trail length is 0.5 km and it takes about 30 minutes

 Customers' own equipment needed: outdoor outfit

 Individuals, groups, families

 1–20

 1 hour

A guided excursion along the Naavaparta Trail

A guided excursion along the Naavaparta Trail for school groups. The participants explore the natural features and species by familiarising themselves with the tales of Naavaparta ("the bearded old man"). First of all, the group will learn navigation skills and how to use a compass. During the trip, the guide will tell the group about the beautiful surrounding nature. Half way through the nature trail, the hiking group will stop for a snack break at Annintupa Day Trip Hut. At the hut, the group will learn some wilderness skills, for example how to make a fire. On the way back to Syöte Visitor Centre, the guide will give an introduction to the biodiversity, animals and history of the area. The trail length is 3 km and the duration is 2 hours. The excursion can be made also in wintertime. Bring a pair of good shoes, a bottle of water, and some snacks for the trip

 Customers' own equipment needed: outdoor outfit

 Individuals, groups, families, school groups

 1–20, minimum age: 7

 2 hours

 Starting time: 10-15
Starting place: Syöte Visitor Centre



METSÄHALLITUS: SCHOOL CAMP PROGRAMS AT KALAJOKI VISITOR CENTRE

Kalajoki with its sand dunes is a well-known and popular holiday area in northern Finland. Kalajoki is situated on the seaside of the Bothnian Bay via Route 8. You will fall in love with the unique sea nature surrounding Kalajoki Tourism Centre. Kalajoki is located 133 km / a two-hour drive from Oulu.

Let the sea wind tousle your hair. Conquer the dunes as the sun rises. Listen to the seagulls screeching and the wind whistling in birch trees on the shore. Feel safe in the middle of the sea nature and walk through the shoreline landscape of the sand dunes using the duckboards. High standard services and activities.

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 (available on request): English and Finnish

1. Bothnian Bay, part of the Baltic Sea

(Guided tour at the Exhibition) 2 hours

- We learn about the structure and most important facts about the Baltic Sea and name the biggest islands and name different sea areas on the map.
- We learn about the drainage area of the Baltic Sea and name the countries and their capitals on the map.
- We watch a film about the Baltic Sea.
- We get to know special characteristics of the main species on the Baltic Sea and the Bothnian Bay.
- We learn and study the history of the Bothnian Bay Coast.

2. Coastal walking tour and sand dune nature, 2 hours

- We walk along the coastline and take measurements of the temperature and pH of the water.
- We catch some algae and insects from the sea with a hand net and try to recognise species.
- We also try to measure and calculate how fast the land uplift will change the coastline.

3. Coastal walking tour Vihaslahti (4,2 km one direction) 3 hours

- We walk from the Visitor Centre through the sand dune area to a large coastal meadow Vihaslahti on a duckboard trail. At Vihaslahti we learn to make an open fire. There is also a bird-watching tower and a Lapp hut. There is an opportunity to get a bus to drive the group back to the Centre.



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2.3 PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL GROUPS WITH HOMESTAY

SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN LIMINKA WITH HOMESTAY OR HOTEL-LIKE ACCOMMODATION



Liminka is a municipality of 10 000 inhabitants just 20 minutes from the city and the airport of Oulu. Liminka is known for the birds, nature, culture and children. It is the fastest growing and also the youngest municipality in Finland, even though the municipality itself is 541 years old. Over 40% of our inhabitants are age 19 or under and we are number 8 on the list of highest educated workforce in Finland (there are 311 municipalities in Finland in total). Welcome to wonderful Liminka!

Activities related to sports education and physical skills:

Snowshoeing (guided, 2-3 hours)

This popular winter time activity offers a possibility to make the most out of the wintry landscape. After learning few techniques you are ready to explore the winter forest and get some exercise. Depending on the time of the visit, there is also a possibility to walk on the frozen sea.

Frisbee golf lesson (guided, 1-2h)

Liminka has one of the best disc golf courses in Finland. After learning few techniques (such as different throwing styles and how to use the different discs) you will have a chance to play 9 holes on the course.

Fatbike safari (guided, 2 hours)

Hop on a fatbike and start exploring beautiful nature of Liminka (open also on winter time!). Guided fatbike tour takes you to the beautiful nature of Rantakylä, Liminka. On the way, there will be a cosy break at a heart of the Finnish forest, where you can enjoy some juice and Finnish sausages heated on an open fire.

Wall climbing lesson (guided, 1-2 hours)

Liminka offers an indoor climbing wall for safe practice. Guided lesson will include lesson for techniques for climbing and safety and a good time for test the climbing wall.

Not available during schools holidays: summer holidays (beginning of June until mid of August) and Christmas holidays (weeks 51-02)

5-20 persons at a time

School: Liminka upper secondary school, Liminka (basic upper secondary school studies & 2 special lines: sports and entrepreneurship)

School program: School lessons app. 6 hours per day: school days Mon-Fri (Sat-Sun off)

Lessons to visit: International studies, English, sports, arts, household, economic and entrepreneurial studies. Educational visits to local kindergarten and elementary school. Studying and doing homework together with host families' own school children or with hotel-like accommodation guided sessions for homework and studying.

Notes: Visits to the school building during weekends and holidays is not possible

Accommodation & meals:

Single homestay accommodation in local families:

- One week or two weeks homestay in local family including all meals with host family (breakfast, lunch, dinner, evening snack) and guidance by parents and school children of the family. School lunch served every school day.

Hotel-like accommodation:

- One week or two weeks accommodation at the breathtaking Liminganlahti Naturum Center including all meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner, evening snack). Guidance by local people (parents & children). School lunch served every school day.

Transfers: Guided transfer from Oulu Airport and back

Optional activities: Examples of activities that can be booked for the whole student group for the leisure time (accordingly to the season and weather conditions). Transfer from the school or accommodation location to the activity and back available on request.

A diploma of participation in the different activities will be delivered to the students.

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Activities related to history and culture:

Smoked salmon on an open fire experience (guided, 3-4 hours)

Fish plays an important role in traditional Finnish dishes. It is also common to smoke the fish while cooking it. With the help of a guide you will learn more about how to cook on an open bonfire. Together with the whole group you will prepare delicious smoked salmon and some sweet buns on open fire.



Visit and an adventure activity in the Liisanlinna castle (guided, 3-4 hours)

There is a new-built wooden castle called Liisanlinna (Liisa's castle) in Liminka that offers an outdoors castle adventure for the youth. Visit teaches you about the Finnish history and includes a playful castle conquest activity in the labyrinth-like wooden castle. Activity includes a small evening snack with juice and sausage or stuffed bread for you to enjoy.

Walking tour in the old Liminka (guided, 1-2 hours)

A guided walking tour in the old Liminka teaches you about the history of Liminka. Old Liminka is located next to the Liminka river and depending on the season there are few museums to visit on the way. E.g. the home museum of one of the most famous old-time opera singer Abraham Ojanperä and an art museum with changing exhibition, located in the oldest stone school in Northern Finland.

Activities related to biology, geography and environmental education:

Tour in Alakestilä arboretum (guided, 1-2 hours)

Explore the botanical collection of over 250 trees and shrubs in the arboretum of Liminka. Visit the arboretum with a guide who will show you the highlights of the season.

Tour in Liminka Bay Visitor Centre (guided, 2-3 hours)

The Liminka Bay is the most important wetland for birds in Finland. The guided tour in Liminka Bay Visitor Centre introduces you the eight seasons of bird's life. After visiting the exhibition you will have a guided birdwatching tour in the two-storey bird tower nearby.

Visit to Escurial Zoo and Flower Park (guided, 2-3 hours)

Escurial Zoo and Flower Park introduces local animals tuned up with some exotic animals for Finland such as llamas and parrots. The small zoo has some exceptional animals like black swans. A small cafeteria is located on the premises.

Bat excursion in old Liminka (guided, 2 hours)

A guided tour with a bat expert in old Liminka, where you can spot real-life bats. The excursion can only be arranged at certain time of the year (August-September).

Butterfly and insect excursion (guided, 2 hours)

A guided tour with a butterfly and insect expert, where you can spot different real-life butterflies and insects. The excursion can only be arranged at certain time of the year (early summer time).



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Activities related to sports education and physical skills:

Horseback riding (with a walking guide, 2 hours)

Nice hacks in nature and pleasant cross-country rides in beautiful surroundings and forests on experienced, reliable & well-trained horses.

 Not available during the school holidays:
summer holidays (beginning of June until mid of August) and Christmas holidays (weeks 51 - O2)

 up to 10 persons at a time

 School: School of Merenoja, Kalajoki (junior high school & upper secondary school)

 School program: School lessons app. 6 hours per day: school days Mon-Fri (Sat-Sun off).

 Lessons to visit: International studies, English, sports, arts, household. Educational visits to local kindergarten and elementary school. Studying and doing homework together with host families' own school children.

Notes: Visits to the school building is not possible during weekends and holidays

Accommodation & meals: Single home stay accommodation in local families:

For example: one week or two weeks homestay in local family incl. all meals with host family (breakfast, lunch, dinner, evening snack) & guidance by parents and school children of the family. School lunch served in every school day

Transfers: Guided transfer from Kokkola or Oulu airport and back.

Optional activities: Examples of activities that can be booked for the whole student group for the leisure time (accordingly the season and weather conditions). Transfer e.g. from school to the activity place and back available on request.

A diploma of a participation in the different activities will be delivered to the students.

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Adventure Park Pakka (2-4 hours)

Safe rope climbing on 27 different challenges spread across four courses that take you to heights of up to six metres. You can move from one challenge to another by crossing a hanging bridge or taking an exciting zipline ride.

Guided fatbike safari (1-2 hours)

Put on a helmet, jump on the fatbike, and follow the guide along the sand dunes and wooden duckboards. Let the sea wind tousle your hair. Conquer the dunes as the sun rises. Listen to the seagulls screeching and the wind whistling in the birch trees on the shore.

SUP lesson (1-2 hours)

SUP, Stand Up Paddling, is a form of surfing and one of the fastest growing water sports in the world; they say the sports started in Hawaii. In SUP, you paddle with a long paddle standing on a longboard-style SUP board. The coastline of Kalajoki is a safe place to learn SUP due to its shallow waters.

Golf lesson (2-3 hours)

The Kalajoki Golf Park has an extensive training area with a driving range and putting and pitching greens in addition to the 18-hole course. The resort has a 9-hole "Pay and Play" course for beginners or people wanting to try out golf for the first time.

Visiting Spa at Santa's Resort & Spa Hotel Sani (2-3 hours)

At the spa, you can find a tropical pool and a whirling river (+30°C), jacuzzis, Finnish sauna, massaging water beams, paddle pool, water slide, cold well, Turkish steam bath and also a 25-metre long swimming pool with diving board, aqua jogging belts, etc.



Activities related to biology, geography and environmental education:

Coastal walking tour and sand dune nature from Kalajoki Visitor Centre (2 hours)

- We walk along the coastline and take measurements of the temperature and pH of the water.
- We catch some algae and insects from the sea with a hand net and try to recognise species.
- We also try to measure and calculate how fast the land uplift will change the coastline.

"Bothnian Bay, part of the Baltic Sea": guided tour at the Exhibition of Kalajoki Visitor Centre (2 hours)

We learn about the structure and most important facts about the Baltic Sea, its biggest islands and different sea areas on the map and watch a film about the Baltic Sea. We learn about the drainage area of the Baltic Sea and name the countries and their capitals on the map. We learn and study the history of the Bothnian Bay Coast. We get to know special characteristics of the main species on the Baltic Sea and the Bothnian Bay and learn about land rising and other influences of the Ice Age.

Coastal walking tour Vihaslahti (3 hours)

We walk from the Kalajoki Visitor Centre through the sand dune area to a large coastal meadow Vihaslahti on the duckboard trail. At Vihaslahti we learn to make an open fire. There is also a tower for birdwatching.

Geocaching (1-2 hours)

Guided geocaching in the sand dune and beach area. Find some caches next to the duckboards and the coastline. Get to know the landscape and surroundings with its beautiful nature at the same time.

Activities related to history and culture:

Guided visit to Old Town Plassi & Pottery Isopahkala (3 hours)

The guide will take you to Kalajoki's old town Plassi and manor house Havula. Villa Havula was built to serve as a permanent home by the sawmill manager in 1912. After Plassi we will visit Iso-Pahkala pottery. The owner will tell us about the history of pottery and the stages of designing clay. After the visit, there is a possibility to do some shopping and buy souvenirs.

Finnish smoke sauna experience (3-4 hours)

The traditional form of Finnish sauna that is built out of logs and heated slowly over several hours. You can enjoy the mild heat of the sauna and enjoy the relaxed and peaceful experience.



3. SERVICE PROVIDERS

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LIILAK, founded in 2010. We offer customized educational training programs student camps for different age groups company matchmaking especially in the fields of education and health care sector professional business translation and interpretation services

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Nordic Node Oy Ltd. is a company headquartered in Oulu. It offers both trading and business consulting services related to China's market. Their strength is to help companies enter China's market with developing right marketing strategies, building connections with trustful partners and wide networks in China. Partnered with many Finnish and Chinese companies, Nordic Node has helped them reach the goals. The knowledge of both Finnish and Chinese culture, consumers' buying habits, as well as good communication and strategically working style are the keys to success.

Nordic Node is specialized in design products, tourism and education related areas. It also arranges summer/winter camp in Oulu for children aged 10 to 16 based on request. Additionally company provides translation services for companies or visitors (Finnish to Chinese and English to Chinese).



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FCIE is short for Finland International Communication Center.

Our service is to provide an international collaboration and communication platform which covers various aspects including as education, culture, traveling, commercial and trading.

We are aiming at enhancing the collaboration and communication between China and Finland throughout the whole process, so that we can achieve the long term strategy in economic field.

- FCIE Founded in 2013
- Established in the capital city of north Scandinavia - Oulu
- One of the founders is Matti Vanhanen (Former Finnish Prime Minister, Central Party Chairman, Finland presidential candidate of 2018)
- FCIE has high-level expert and consultants resources between China and Finland with cooperation experiences Finland Center of International Exchange
- FICE is a high- level international exchange and cooperation platform between China and Finland
- FICE services to promote the sustainable development and cycle of international projects

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Hohot Consulting Oy consists of a group of Chinese professionals located in Oulu Finland, who are well connected with local businesses and educational institutes, and their fields of expertise include (but not limited to): education, marketing, Finnish language, legislation, logistics, accounting and academic research. Since company's establishment, the Hohot team has been dedicated in assisting successful collaborations between Finland and China, both business-wise and culture-wise.

- For your visit to Oulu, we are keen to help in the following areas:
- Chinese - English/Finnish interpretation and translation
- Academic and industrial collaborations
- Education travel management
- Cross-cultural promotion and negotiation
- Public relation and event organizing in Nordic countries
- Meeting and visiting local businesses

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As a tour operator, Luominen Co., Ltd., provides a good care of service for group tour as well as individual tour to make their stay smoothly and enjoyable one.

We offer consultation / co-ordination on educational tours, school trips, school camps, local optional tours etc., go along with the customer's wishes.

Luominen is specialized in Japanese, so you can make inquiries in Japanese.

Interpretation / translation & guide services are available in both English and Japanese.

Finnish language service can be negotiated separately.

Nanako Oshima founder of Luominen had visited Finland seven times before she moved to Oulu. She lived in four countries and has been raising her daughter in three countries. She knows the education system in different countries and cultures. Her daughter is taking National curriculum at the local high school.

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Our services:

We offer custom coordination for educational and cultural visits with interpretation (Japanese or English) and are available for consultation and partners for educational program planning.

Learning at its best starts with the need to change and progresses through joint inquiry and experiencing the authentic.

We start with a thorough hearing of the client to design a learning experience that allows going deep into Finnish education and culture and you to see your country of origin in a new light.

Visits may include excursions into educational institutions of all levels from daycare to university, cultural and educational facilities (museums, science parks), cultural activities, lectures, meetings with personnel from private sector and so forth. Only our joint creative imagination sets the limits.

Target group: Anyone interested in a deep-probing learning experience of Finnish education and culture, especially individuals and groups from various educational or research institutions, government organisations and such.

Fee/rates: Please contact us directly with your wishes/ideas for an estimate of the costs for the custom visit.

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Go Arctic! is a strong northern tour operator and DMC that offers travel and program services in Oulu Region and whole Finland. We are specialist of North and arctic experiences.

We are happy to build the program packages for your customers whether it is a leisure trip, camp school, educational or technical visit. Go Arctic DMC has a long experience in serving international customers in Oulu Region.

If you just need leisure activities to complete your program in our area, Go Arctic! program services cover city tour guidings as well as nature activities winter and summer. For something very unique; come and experience Arctic floating -program in frozen sea – with luck together with northern lights!

We offer pre- and post tours for your events in whole Finland. And when needed together with our excellent network of partners we can build you the whole package in Oulu Region covering all the services from the airport to the airport. We are your local specialist and here to help you to find the best options for your customers to have a profitable work visit in Finland together with arctic experiences!

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