

## EVENTS RELATED TO FINLAND'S EU PRESIDENCY

Date:	Event:	Venue:	Estimated number of participants:	Organiser(s):
1. – 4.7.	Young Active Citizenships	Hyvinkää, Hotel Rantasipi Sveitsi	200	Ministry of Education, Finnish Youth Co-Operation - Allianssi, Finnish Youth Research Network and City of Helsinki
3. – 4.7.	Conference on European Development Education	Helsinki, Congress Paasitorni	120	Finnish NGDO Platform to the EU, Ministry for Foreign Affairs
4. – 5.7.	EU eLearning Conference 2006 – Catalyst for Change and Innovation	Espoo, Dipoli	500	Commission, Ministry of Education, TKK Dipoli
6. – 7.7.	Competent Authorities for Medical Devices	Tampere	70	National Authority for Medicines
17.7.	European Construction Network (ECN)	Helsinki	80	Ministry of the Environment
17. – 21.7.	Living with Climate Variability and Change: Understanding the uncertainties and Managing the Risks	Espoo, Dipoli Congress Centre	250	World Meteorological Organization, Finnish Meteorological Institute International Research Institute for Climate and Society
Autumn	MARDIM (Maritime Dimension)	Brussels	50	Ministry of Defence

30.8. – 1.9.	European Productivity Conference EPC 2006 – Competitiveness through Productivity	Espoo, Dipoli Congress Centre	500	Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ministry of Finance, central business and public services organisations in Finland, universities of technology, Finnish Employers' Management Development Institution FEMDI and European Association of National Productivity Centres (EANPC)
4. – 5.9.	Committee for Medicinal Products for Veterinary Use, Veterinary Co-ordination Group for Mutual Recognition and Decentralised Procedure	Helsinki	60	National Authority for Medicines
6. – 7.9.	Heads of Medicines Agencies	Helsinki	50	National Authority for Medicines
7.9.	Eurooppa 2050 – Challenges of the Future and the Heritage of the Past	Rome, Italy (Villa Lante)	50 - 60	Institutum Romanum Finlandiae (Council of the Finnish Institute in Rome), Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Edita Publishing Ltd
8.9.	CMCO seminar	Brussels	130	Ministry of Defence
11. – 13.9.	International Energy Audit Conference	Lahti, Sibelius Hall	200 - 300	Motiva, Ministry of Trade and Industry
12. – 13.9.	Meeting of the Joint Commission on the New Zealand - EU Veterinary Agreement	Helsinki	15 - 20	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
13. – 15.9.	International Design For All Conference	Rovaniemi	150	National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health STAKES, University of Lapland, Finnish Design for All Network, European Design for All e-Accessibility Network EDeAN
14. – 15.9.	Research Benefits for Ageing Population: Dissemination Conference for	Helsinki, National Research	100	National Research and Development

	European Research Results	and Development Centre for Welfare and Health (STAKES)		Centre for Welfare and Health, Commission
14. – 15.9.	Nanotechnologies – Safety for Success	Espoo, Innopolis	100-150	Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Technopolis Ventures Ltd.
15. – 16.9.	NEEL- Network of EU Environmental Lawyers	Helsinki	50 - 60	Supreme Administrative Court
18. – 19.9.	Conference on EU-Russian Higher Education Cooperation: Mobility of Students and Academic Staff	Helsinki, University of Helsinki	150	Centre for International Mobility CIMO, University of Helsinki, Ministry of Education
18. – 19.9.	Housing as a Fundamental Social Right	Helsinki, House of the Estates	100	Ministry of the Environment
18. – 19.9.	EUMC “Away Day”		50	Ministry of Defence
21. – 23.9.	Heads of SIRENE Meeting	Helsinki	60	National Bureau of Investigation
26.9.	Decade of Finnish in the EU	Helsinki, House of Sciences (Tieteiden talo)	50 - 100	Research Institute for the Languages of Finland (Kotus)
27. – 28.9.	International Conference on Civilian Crisis Management and Engaging Civil Society in the Prevention of Crises	Helsinki, Ostrobothnia	60	Civil Society Conflict Prevention Network - KATU, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Crisis Management Initiative, European Peace Building Liaison Office EPLO
28.9.	Meeting of the Commission for Culture and Education of the Committee of the Regions	Helsinki, Finlandia Hall	150	Committee of the Regions (CoR)
28. – 29.9.	EU-US Workshop on Financial Sanctions to Combat Terrorism	Helsinki	70	Ministry for Foreign Affairs
28. – 29.9.	At the Sources of Knowledge – Competitiveness Through Basic Education)	Helsinki, Finlandia Hall	200	City of Helsinki, The Association of Finnish Local and Regional Authorities

29.9.	Action against Impunity in the External Relations of the European Union – the Western Balkans as an Example	Helsinki	100-130	Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finnish Section of Amnesty International
2.10.	European Credit Transfer in Vocational Education and Training (ECVET) - working group meeting	Espoo, Hanasaari	70	Ministry of Education
2. – 3.10.	The Future of Employment in Social Care in Europe	Helsinki, National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health (STAKES)	100	Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health, European Foundation
2. – 3.10.	Call for Coherence – International Conference on Policy Coherence for Development	Helsinki, Hotel Scandic Continental	250	Finnish NGDO Platform to the EU, European Confederation for Relief and Development (Concord), Development Policy Committee of Finland, European Commission, Ministry for Foreign Affairs
3. – 4.10.	ICTAC meeting	Helsinki, High Tech Center	40	Finnish Environment Institute
3. – 4.10.	Simplification of the Legislation on the Common Agricultural Policy	Brussels	tbc	European Commission, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
4.10.	Men and Families pre-seminar	Helsinki, Hotel Haaga	100	COFACE, the Family Federation of Finland
4. – 5.10.	eInfrastructures Reflection Group (eIRG)	Espoo, Otaniemi	80	CSC, the Finnish IT Center for Science, Ministry of Education
5. – 8.10.	European Forum for Arts and Heritage	Helsinki, Kaapelitehdas	150	Cultural Office, EFAH, Trans Europe Halles
9. – 10.10.	2006 Manufuture Conference	Tampere, Tampere Hall	300 - 400	The Finnish Funding Agency for Technology and Innovation Tekes

9. – 11.10.	EU Meets Latin America on Renewable Energy	Panama	to be confirmed	Ministry for Foreign Affairs
9. – 11.10.	Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP), Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products (COMP), Coordination Group for Mutual Recognition and Decentralised Procedures (Human) (CMD(h9))	Helsinki	100	National Authority for Medicines
9. – 12.10.	European Week of Regions and Cities - Open Days 2006	Brussels	3000	Commission, Committee of the Regions, Ministry of the Interior
12. – 13.10.	"Why Digitise? Who Benefits? Impact Assessment of Digital Cultural Heritage Content and Services"; Conference and the 11 <sup>th</sup> NRG Meeting	Helsinki, National Theatre auditorium/Ministry of Education, meeting room Jukola	70 (meeting) + 200 (seminar)	Ministry of Education, National Board of Antiquities
12. – 13.10.	European Seminar; Healthy Ageing	Helsinki, Folkhälsans Seniorhus		Folkhälsan
13. – 14.10.	EU-LAC Senior Officials Meeting	St Kitts and Nevis	to be confirmed	Ministry for Foreign Affairs
16. – 17.10.	Informal meeting of the EU Eco-Labeling Board	Helsinki, House of the Estates	60	Ministry of the Environment, Finnish Body of European Union Eco-label, Ecolabelling Body of Finnish Standards Association (SFS), SFS Ecolabelling
17. – 18.10.	Social Rights and Market Freedoms – is a Better Balance Possible?	Tampere, Tampere Hall	150	The Finnish Federation for Social Welfare and Health, the Social Platform, The European Anti-Poverty Network, The Observatory for the Development of Social Services in Europe
18. – 21.10.	WHO European Healthy Cities Network Meeting: Local Governments for Health and Equity	Turku	250 - 300	National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health, City of Turku

19. – 20.10.	NAPLE – National Authorities for Public Libraries in Europe	Helsinki, National Theatre, auditorium	60	Ministry of Education
19. – 20.10.	European Conference on Biorefinery Research	Helsinki	300 - 400	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Trade and Industry, the Finnish Funding Agency, for Technology and Innovation TEKES, European Commission
19. – 20.10.	Sciences Meets Policy “SMP” 8th European Workshop on Environmental Research and Environmental Policy Interface	Helsinki	100	Academy of Finland
19. – 21.10.	Conference on Architectural Policies – Celebrating the Everyday	Helsinki, Finlandia Hall, HTC building, Ruoholahti	200 - 240	Ministry of Education, National Council for Architecture, The Finnish Association of Architects, SAFA
29. – 31.10.	High Level Conference of the Baltic Development Forum	Helsinki	500	Baltic Development Forum
2.11.	Renewable Resources – Sustainable Future Cross-sectoral Forum on Forests and Wood in Society	Kirkkonummi, Majvik	50	Finnish Forest Association
2. – 3.11.	The 10th Porvoo Group Conference	Porvoo, Hotel Haikon Kartano	100	Population Register Centre, Ministry of the Interior, City of Porvoo
6. – 7.11.	Conference and Methodological Workshop on Comparative EU Statistics on Income and Living Conditions: Issues and Challenges	Helsinki, Statistics Finland, auditorium	120	Statistics Finland, Statistical Office of the European Communities Eurostat
7.11.	Conference on the EU Animal Health Strategy 2007-2013	Brussels	430	European Commission, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
8. – 10.11.	Workshop on the Impacts of Endocrine Disrupters	Helsinki, Radisson SAS Royal Hotel	100	Academy of Finland

13. – 14.11.	European Employment Services (EURES) Project Managers' Meeting	Helsinki, Marina Congress Center	45	European Commission's Employment and Social Affairs Directorate-General, EURESco, Ministry of Labour
16. - 17.11.	European Tourist Forum 2006	Cyprus, Limassol	400	Ministry of Trade and Industry
16. – 17.11.	Directors-General of EU Archives Services	Helsinki	40	National Archives Service, Ministry of Education
16. – 19.11.	Actions for the 2010 Biodiversity Target in Europe – How does research contribute to halting the biodiversity loss? – XVI European Platform for Biodiversity Research Strategy (EPBRS)	Espoo, Hanasaari	80	Academy of Finland, University of Helsinki
20.11.	eInfrastructures Reflection Group (eIRG)	Helsinki	40	CSC, the Finnish IT center for science, Ministry of Education
20.11.	Seminar on the Importance of Cross-border Cooperation in the North	Inari, Saariselkä	200	Municipality of Inari, Regional Council of Lapland
21.11.	Commission for External Relations and Decentralised Cooperation (RELEX) of the Committee of the Regions	Inari, Saariselkä	150	Committee of the Regions (CoR)
22. – 24.11.	Humanities in the European Research Area (ERA)	Helsinki	80	Academy of Finland
23. – 24.11.	Directors of National Institutes of Public Health	Helsinki, National Institute of Public Health	30	National Public Health Institute
28.11.	Seminar on the Sustainable Use of Renewable Natural Resources contributing to competitiveness and Well-being in Europe	Brussels	200 - 250	Finnish Forest Industries Federation, Prime Minister's Office
28.11.	Joint Research Centre (JRC) Info Day Finland	Espoo, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland	70	Joint Research Center, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland
29.11.	EU Lawyers Network	Helsinki, House of the Estates	80	Ministry of the Environment

29. – 30.11.	Heads of Medicines Agencies	Helsinki	50	National Authority for Medicines
29. – 30.11.	Seminar “Strategic Deployment”	Helsinki	80	European Union Military Staff (EUMS), Ministry of Defence
30.11.	Seminar on the Emerging Challenges in Risk Assessment	Helsinki, Viikki	150	Finnish Food Safety Authority
30.11. – 1.12.	Meeting of the Cultural Contact Points	Helsinki, Suomenlinna Fortress	66	Ministry of Education
30.11. – 2.12.	12th Culture Forum: “Religions and Cultures – from Confrontation to Genuine Dialogue	Espoo, Dipoli Congress Centre	800	Union for Christian Culture, Church Resources Agency, Espoo Diocese, Federation of Espoo parishes, City of Espoo, Church Training College and the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission
1.12.	Meeting of the Heads of European Food Safety Agencies	Helsinki, Viikki	50	Finnish Food Safety Authority
4. – 5.12.	Conference on Pensioner Poverty	Helsinki	100	National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health, European Centre for Social Policy and Research, Social Insurance Institution of Finland, Central Pension Security Institute, Commission
4. – 5.12.	Meeting and Workshop of the Helsinki Group on Women and Science	Helsinki	100	Academy of Finland, Ministry of Education
7.12.	European Enterprise Award Ceremony	Brussels, Committee of the Regions	150 - 200	European Commission, Committee of Regions, Ministry of Trade and Industry
11.12.	Commission for Territorial Cohesion Policy (COTER) of the Committee of	Tampere, Tampere Hall	150	Committee of the Regions (CoR)

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12.12.	Seminar on "Europe and its urban future"	Tampere, Tampere Hall	200	City of Tampere, Council of Tampere Region, Uusimaa Regional Council
tbc	NARTUS First Forum Conference	Helsinki	75 - 100	European Commission, Helsinki University of Technology (HUT)