

EU-US High Level Dialogue on Climate Change, Clean Energy and Sustainable Development

Helsinki, Finland, 24-25 October 2006



Information on media arrangements

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Information on the themes of the meeting

Helsinki

Ministry of the Environment

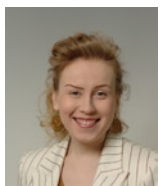


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Accreditation

Access to the venue is limited to accredited media representatives. On-line accreditation is possible on the EU Presidency website at www.eu2006.fi/accreditation. Accreditation must take place by 20 October the latest. Accreditation desk is located at the Ministry of the Environment (address: Kasarmikatu 25, Helsinki) Badges can be collected from the accreditation desk on 24 October from 13.00-18.00 and 25 October 9.00-10.30.



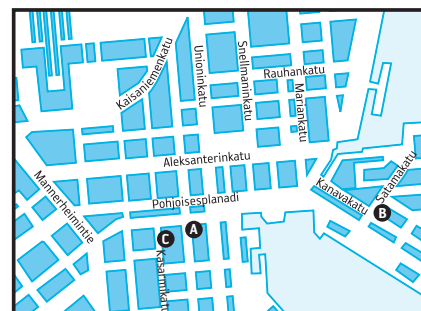
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Accommodation

Media representatives are requested to make their own accommodation reservations. A list of hotels can be found e.g. at www.hel.fi/tourism.

Meeting venue

The meeting and the press conferences will take place at The Government Banquet Hall, Smolna (address: Fabianinkatu 25, 00130 Helsinki)



- A Smolna, Accreditation and Meeting Venue
- B UM Press Centre
- C Accreditation desk, Ministry of Environment

Visas

Media representatives from outside the EU may be required to present a visa when entering Finland. For information on visa requirements please contact the Finnish embassy in your country. A list of Finnish diplomatic missions abroad is available at www.formin.fi/english.

Customs regulations

General information on Finnish customs regulations can be found at www.tulli.fi/en. The ATA Carnet is an international customs document that permits duty-free and tax-free temporary importation of professional equipment in events like the ASEM 6 Summit.
www.iccwbo.org/ata/id2965/index.html

Arrivals and transport

Information on flights to and from Helsinki can be found at www.helsinki-vantaa.fi/home.

Finnair City Bus (www.finnair.com/filecontent/com/citybus_com.txt) and buses 415, 615 and 615T run between the airport and central Helsinki. Journey time is about 30 minutes.

Media centre

The press conferences are held at the meeting venue, Government Banquet Hall. Working facilities for media representatives are available the Press Centre of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (UM Press Centre).

Address: Kanavakatu 3 B, 00160 Helsinki

Opening hours of UM Press Centre:

Tuesday 24 October 08.00-16.00

Wednesday 25 October 08.00-16.00

Connections to the media centre

The meeting venue is a 10 minute walk from the central railway station.

The UM press centre is a 20 minute walk away from the central railway station and a 10 minute walk from the meeting venue.

Interviews

For one-to-one interviews with delegates, please call Ms. Taina Pieski, Communications Manager, Ministry of the Environment, mobile +358 40 506 1173.

Webcasting

The Presidency press conferences can be followed later as a recording on the web at www.eu2006.fi/webcasts.

Pools

Registration is required for media pools and can be done at media accreditation desk.

Host photographer

The Presidency will provide a limited number of photographs by the host photographer at www.eu2006.fi/photos. The photographs are free of charge for use by the media.

Information on Helsinki

at www.hel.fi/tourism

Information on Finland



at www.virtual.finland.fi

Feedback


We are happy to receive your comments and suggestions. E-mail: media@eu2006.fi

Media programme

Tuesday 24 October

-  14.00 Working session, tour de table, photo opportunity (pool)
Assembly in the meeting venue lobby at 13.30
Government Banquet Hall, Fabianinkatu 25. Access: back door
-  15.45 Family photo, photo opportunity (pool)
Assembly in the meeting venue lobby at 15.15
Government Banquet Hall, Fabianinkatu 25. Access: back door
- 18.15 Interview opportunities by advance request
For interview requests the contact persons are as follows:
EU Presidency and the European Commission delegates: Ms Taina Pieski, Communications Manager, Tel. +358 40 506 1173
U.S. delegates: Ms Anne Laanti, Public Affairs Assistant, Tel. +358 50 548 0340

Wednesday 25 October

-  10.15 Final Press Conference
To avoid queues at the security check media representatives are asked to arrive at the meeting venue 30 minutes prior to the press conference
Government Banquet Hall, Fabianinkatu 25. Access: back door