



European Innovation Partnership on Smart Cities and Communities
Building a Market for Smart Cities and Communities
Action Cluster on Sustainable Districts and Built Environment

*INVITATION to a field visit of Smart Districts demonstrating Near
Zero Energy, Deep Retrofitting and Nature Based Solutions*

Tampere FINLAND - Thursday September 21st, 2017

Brussels, 31/07/2017

Dear Sir, Madam,

European cities are at the centre of most of our challenges for this century. Being the living environment for a large majority of EU citizens, they must satisfy energy and mobility demands on top of offering a liveable and sustainable environment. Cities are also key in our response to global issues like employment, security or climate change. Facing this, we have to consider that *the time has come to reinvent the city*.

Following two successful visits to Lyon Confluence in France, the [Action Cluster on Sustainable Districts and Built Environment](#) is joining with the Tampere Smart City Program to invite you to an exceptional field day on September 21st, 2017. We will celebrate this equinox day with three field visits:

- . The EU Gule Deep Retrofitting project,
- . The Vuores eco-efficient district, featuring Nature Based Solutions,
- . The Härmälänranta Near Zero Energy District

Our Action Cluster brings together the public authorities at all levels and stakeholders from civil society, industry and academia. Our overall objective is to contribute to sustainable urban development and regeneration through the promotion of innovative solutions from the ICT, energy, materials, bio and social sciences. These are implemented in and around the EU with two leading initiatives: The Positive Energy Blocks (PEB) and Deep Retrofitting (DR).

Travel and accommodation are to be covered by participants. The group size will be limited to ensure safety and conviviality.

We are looking forward for your reply ideally by September 14th, 2017 at

<https://goo.gl/forms/Hf69hvSu05A00ZFz1>

We will be delighted to welcome you in Tampere.

Yours sincerely,

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TAMPERE SMART CITY, FINLAND

Date: 21st September 2017

Venue: Tampere, Finland

Aleksis Kiven katu 14-16

Agenda

9:30 Grouping at the New City Hall (Aleksis Kiven katu 14-16)
Tampere Smart City Strategy and initiatives, Smart City program Director Tero Blomqvist
EC perspectives to building energy efficiency, European Commission DG Energy Policy Officer
Jens Bartholmes Status of SCC Marketplace, Overview of the site visits

10:00 Energy retrofiting, EU GUGLE
The visited sites include deep renovation (facades, windows, heat pump integration and PV)
and two-way district heating (windows, exhaust air & ground heat pumps, two way district
heating, PV)

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Vuores eco-efficient district with nature based solutions for smart cities, UNALAB
Energy and eco-efficient buildings where focus is in wood construction and nature based
solutions for urban water management and recreational areas. All buildings are low energy
buildings connected to renewable energy sources.

15:00 Härmälänranta close to zero energy district, STARDUST
Urban transformation area from old industrial area to mixed use area. The district has very
efficient energy systems. Buildings have smart automation and smart metering

16:00 End of visit

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- Holiday Inn Tampere Central Station
<http://www.finland.holidayinn.com/>
- Cumulus Tampere City
www.cumulus.fi/
- Omena Hotels Tampere
<https://www.omenahotels.com/>
- Radisson Blu Tampere Grand Hotel Tammer
<https://www.radissonblu.com/en/hotel-tampere>
- Scandic Hotels Tampere City or Tampere Station
<https://www.scandichotels.com/>
- Sokos Hotels Tampere Torni or Ilves
<https://www.sokshotels.fi/>

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Tampere-Pirkkala Airport

Tampere is located in Southern Finland, 175 km north of Helsinki. Tampere has an international airport, served by Finnair (One World Alliance), SAS (Star Alliance), AirBaltic and Ryanair. They have frequent direct flights to Tampere from Helsinki, Stockholm and Riga.

The best options for getting to city centre from the Airport, depending on arrival time, are the Flybus shuttle and the Airport Taxi.

Shuttle service is available to passengers traveling on Finnair, SAS and AirBaltic morning and night flights. Flybus-marked Liuttu shuttle vehicles are waiting for arriving passengers outside the airport terminal. Passengers leaving Tampere can reserve a ride from the hotel reception. The price of the shuttle service is 10 euros.

Airport Taxi fare is 19 euros per person. A regular taxi costs around 30-40 euros.

At the airport the first taxi at the taxi stand in front of Terminal 1 acts as Airport Taxi, when needed. You can go to the first available taxi in the taxi queue and request an airport taxi ride. You will then pay only the airport taxi fee but might have to wait for other possible passengers wanting an airport taxi as well.

When you are leaving Tampere it is recommended that you book your airport taxi in advance. Please, call +358 100 4131 and inform your name, date of departure, airline and flight departure time. You can ask for hotel reception to serve you on booking. The taxi centre then informs you the time of the pick-up.



Helsinki-Vantaa Airport

You can also fly to Helsinki-Vantaa Airport. There is a direct bus connection to Tampere from Helsinki-Vantaa Airport. For more information go to <http://www.helsinki-vantaa.fi/home>. You can check the bus timetables and fares from <http://www.matkahuolto.fi/en/>. From Helsinki-Vantaa airport it takes 2h15 min - 2h 45min to Tampere. You can buy your ticket from the coach driver.

Another option is to take a train from Helsinki-Vantaa Airport to Tampere (transfer in Tikkurila).

Information on Tampere

More useful information about Tampere can be found on these websites:

Visitor information www.visittampere.fi

<https://visittampere.fi/article/getting-to-and-around-tampere>

Business information www.investtampere.fi