



Third European IRPA Congress

NSFS

Radiation protection – science, safety and security

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INVITATION

Invitation to the Third European IRPA Congress

The Nordic Society for Radiation Protection cordially invites you to attend the Third European IRPA Congress on Radiation Protection, which will take place in Helsinki on 14–18 June 2010.

The congress will bring together colleagues from all over Europe, from East to West, from South to North, to share the latest news and aspects of all branches of radiation protection.

The Finnish and Nordic hosts will do their best in cooperation with the international scientific committee to offer the delegates a high quality programme and make the congress a memorable event both professionally and socially.

Sincerely,



Tor Wøhni
NRPA, Norway
President of NSFS

Organisers

Hosting society

NSFS – Nordic Society for Radiation Protection, associate society of IRPA – International Radiation Protection Association

Congress president

Professor Lars-Erik Holm

Scientific programme committee

Chair	Sisko Salomaa
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Local organising committee

Chair	Raimo Mustonen
Secretary General	Wendla Paile

Local host

STUK – Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority, Finland

Nordic support

All Nordic radiation protection authorities have declared their support for the congress. Financial support has also been received from the Nordic Nuclear Safety Research funding.

Welcome to Finland

The Nordic Society – your host

The Nordic Society for Radiation Protection, NSFS, is the regional IRPA Associate Society for the Nordic countries, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, and it has also members from the Baltic States. The society will act as host for the congress and wishes you warmly welcome.

Finland – your host country

Finland is one of the most popular congress countries in the world. The country's beautiful nature, its tidy towns and unpolluted environment, its versatile culture and friendly people make it an ideal venue for international events. Finland is a member of the European Union and has adopted the common currency, Euro. Finland is also one of the Schengen countries.

The weather in June is mostly sunny with only occasional rainy days. The daytime temperature is about +15–25°C. There are 20 hours of daylight in Helsinki, and in the northernmost part of the country the sun stays over the horizon for several weeks, day and night. The IRPA Congress delegates will have the opportunity to enjoy the exotic white nights, typical for all Nordic countries this time of the year.

Welcome to Helsinki

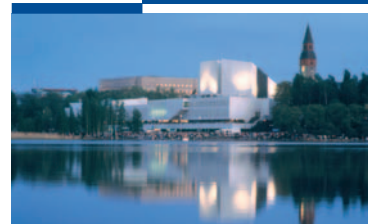
A recognised congress city

Helsinki is well-equipped to arrange large meetings. Over the past decades Helsinki has gained a reputation as an interesting, safe and clean host town of numerous international congresses. Helsinki is large enough to provide all the services that a major congress may require, yet small enough to make delegates and their families feel at home during their stay.

Within easy reach

There are excellent flight connections to Helsinki from all parts of Europe. Helsinki is only two hours from Berlin and three from Paris, London and Brussels. Helsinki-Vantaa Airport is located only 20 km (20–30 minutes) from Helsinki city center.

An alternative route to Helsinki is by sea. Several cruise ships arrive each day from Stockholm and Tallinn right into the city centre. The beautiful seaside panorama explains why Helsinki has been named the Daughter of the Baltic Sea.



Congress venue

Congress venue and accommodation

The venue for the Third European IRPA Congress will be the Finlandia Hall, perhaps the most famous congress and concert centre in Finland, designed by the world-renown architect Alvar Aalto.

Finlandia Hall has hosted numerous international meetings of world-wide importance. It is ideally situated in a beautiful park in the very heart of the city, a short walking distance from the major hotels.

There are 70 hotels in the Helsinki area with a total of more than 10 000 rooms. Rooms are available in different price categories, from first-class hotels to less expensive accommodation.

Social programme and tours

Proximity to the sea, the many well-kept parks, museums and art galleries, the colourful Market Place, cafés and restaurants make Helsinki a pleasant destination for any visitor. The surrounding countryside and the lovely archipelago offer ample opportunities for excursions and for relaxation in privacy. A site visit to the new NPP, a French-German-Finnish co-project scheduled to start producing power in 2011, will be arranged as a pre-congress tour for interested IRPA congress delegates.

Further information

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