

European Training and Cooperation Activities (TCA) Erasmus+ Seminar

“Promoting VET Excellence through Skills Competitions”

May 8th – 11th 2023, Finland

PROGRAMME

Venues of the Seminar:

Hotel Hilton Kalastajatorppa <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/helkji-hilton-helsinki-kalastajatorppa/>

Omnia, the Joint *Authority of Education* in the Espoo region www.omnia.fi

Taitaja2023 Championships of professional skills in Espoo <https://taitaja2023.fi/en/>

Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma <https://kiasma.fi/en/>

Bar and Bistro Gillet <https://www.gillet.fi/en/gillet-bar-bistro-good-living/>

Information and enquiries about the agenda and practical arrangements:

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Monday, 8th May

<i>Travel to Finland</i>		
10:00 – 18:00	Welcome and registration of the participants at the Hotel Kalastajatorppa (Kalastajatorpantie 1, 00330 Helsinki)	Registration stand at the hotel lobby
20:00	Official Opening Reception Opening words	Ms. Päivi Korhonen, Director of Public Affairs, Omnia
20:05	Ms. Sari Turunen-Zwinger, Head of Unit, Finnish National Agency for Education Ms. Maria Ekroth, CEO, Skills Finland Ms. Tuula Antola, General Director, Omnia and Mr. Thomas Vasenius, Taitaja2023 Competition Director	
20:20	Dinner; Get Together Buffet	
21:15	Networking	Ms. Sari Rehell and Mr. Mika Heino, International Affairs Specialists, Omnia
21:30	Dessert	
22:00	End of the Reception	

Tuesday, 9th May

07.30 – 08.30	<i>Breakfast at the Hotel</i>	
08.30	Bus leaves from the hotel to Omnia	Please, be on time!
09.15 – 09.30	Welcome and Opening words of the Seminar	Ms. Kati Valtonen, Head of International and project Services, Omnia
09.30 – 09.45	Presentation of the seminar objectives and the agenda	Ms. Sari Rehèll and Mr. Mika Heino, International Affairs Specialists, Omnia
09:45 – 10:45	Keynote: Future needs of Skills in the Transformation of working life	Mr. Perttu Pölönen, a futurist, inventor and author
10:45 – 11.00	Reflection to the Keynote: The point of view from the vocational education perspective	Ms. Hanna Autere, Counsellor of Education at Finnish Agency for Education
11.00 – 11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:15 – 12:30	Building excellence through Skills Competitions and individual experiences of learning benefits and skills development: Presenting the perspectives of the educational institution as well of the teacher and the learner	Teija Ripattila, Chair of the Board, World Skills Europe Maria Ekroth, CEO, Skills Finland ry Marja Hemmi, Director of Hospitality and Culinary Education at Perho Ms. Margit Tennosaar, Helsinki Business College Mr. Heikki Miinalainen, Competitor of Web Technology
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch at Restaurant Henricus</i>	
14:00 – 15:15	Tour of SEVE/n Learning Environments of Omnia: Skills development of VET excellence	Team of International Affairs Specialists
15.15 – 15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15:30 – 15:40	Success Plan, the New Strategy of Omnia: Enhancing the development of skills and cooperation with working life for the future skills	Ms. Tuula Antola, General Director, Omnia
15:40 – 16:00	Individual Learning Pathways to VET Excellence: Addressing the key element of Finnish vocational education system including the Study Unit of “Working as a Top Performer”	Mr. Mika Heino, International Affairs Specialist, Omnia

16:00 – 16:30	Skills development and Job Market Needs of the future	Mr. Kari Nyysölä, Foresight Unit, Finnish National Agency for Education
16:30 – 17:15	Vocational Education and Needs for Future Skills in Ukraine	Ms. Viktoriia Karbysheva, Head of the Expert Group on Education Content and Quality Assurance, VET Directorate, Ministry of Education and Science Ms. Valeriia Shmatova, Senior specialist on public relations and press, Association of Enterprises Ukrmetallurgprom
17:15 – 17:20	Thank you for the day and information about the evening	
17:30	Bus leaves from Omnia to the hotel	
19.00 – 22.00	<i>Social Dinner at the Hotel with Finnish Archipelago Buffet and Cultural Programme</i>	

Wednesday, 10th March

07.30 – 08.30	<i>Breakfast at the Hotel</i>	
08:30	Bus leaves from the hotel to the Skills Competitions of the Taitaja2023	Please, be on time!
09.00 – 12.30	Taitaja2023: Visits to two different locations; Automobile Technology at Suomenoja and other Skills Categories at Tapiola Sports Park.	
	<i>We will use the bus trips for collecting thoughts and ideas.</i>	
12:30	Bus leaves from Tapiola Sports Park to the Hotel	
13.00 – 14.00	<i>Lunch at Kalastajatorppa</i>	
14:30	Bus leaves from the Hotel to the Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma, the Venue for the afternoon	
15:00 – 15:10	Introduction to the Programme	
15:10 – 16:00	TaitajaPLUS: Skills categories, aimed at students in need of special support, the competition length is slightly shorter than usual, and the competitor's special needs are considered	Mr. Petteri Ora, Development Director of Kiipula Foundation and a member of the board of IAF EXCO and Mr. Jussi Väisänen, Coach

16:00 – 16:30	Keynote: Meta Skills and Entrepreneurship	Ms. Satu Järvinen, Founder of SkillsSafari
16:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
16:45 – 17:00	Governance for Inclusive VET Excellence (GIVE): Teachable practices of Transition to Work for Inclusive Vocational Excellence	Ms. Sari Rehèll, Unit Coordinator of GIVE project
17:00 – 17:30	Collective Exercise for Future Cooperation and Project Ideas	Ms. Sari Rehèll and Mr. Mika Heino, International Affairs Specialists, Omnia
17:30	<i>Closing statements and the end of the Seminar</i>	
	<i>Free time in the city centre of Helsinki</i>	
19:30 – 21:30	<i>Dinner at Bar and Bistro Gillet (Kasarmikatu 23, Helsinki)</i>	