



## Practicalities

Espoo is a city with **5 distinct city centers**. Last spring, we spent time in the **Tapiola and Matinkylä areas**, and this time, we will explore **Espoon Keskus and Leppävaara**, discovering their cultural and urban landscapes.



Venues	Venues
	<p><b>Kannusali – Espoon Keskus – 19<sup>th</sup> of March</b></p> <p>📍 Kannusillankatu 4, 02770 Espoo</p> <p>The meeting on Wednesday, 19 March, starts with lunch at Kannusali, a cultural venue located in Espoon Keskus area. The venue includes a concert hall that doubles as a civil protection shelter.</p> <p><b>Sello Library &amp; GLO Hotel, Leppävaara – 20<sup>th</sup> of March</b></p> <p>📍 Leppävaarankatu 9, 02600 Espoo (Sello Library)</p> <p>📍 Leppävaarankatu 4, 02600 Espoo (GLO Hotel)</p> <p>On Thursday, 20 March, the sessions and workshops will be held at Sello Library, one of Espoo’s key cultural centers, followed by activities at GLO Hotel in Leppävaara.</p>

	<p><b>Study Visit in Helsinki – 21<sup>st</sup> of March</b> The final day includes a study visit to Helsinki, details of which will be confirmed.</p>
<p><b>Hotels</b></p>	<p>We recommend staying in the following hotels for convenience:</p> <p><b>1. GLO Hotel Leppävaara</b>   Leppävaarankatu 4, 02600 Espoo  Hotels is located near bus and train <b>station Leppävaara</b>.  Hotel offers special prices:  125€ / Standard single room / night  145 € / Standard double/twin room / night  <b>All reservations from the allotment are to be made latest Feb 26, 2025.</b> After this day, all unreserved rooms will be released from the allotment.  Reservations are to be made via the following reservation link: <a href="https://app.mews.com/distributor/9556cb17-014d-4ad6-957e-af9a00a6c7fd?mewsAvailabilityBlockId=8ecf95c4-076f-4c92-9a90-b27c00e00b81&amp;mewsStart=2025-03-19&amp;mewsEnd=2025-03-21">https://app.mews.com/distributor/9556cb17-014d-4ad6-957e-af9a00a6c7fd?mewsAvailabilityBlockId=8ecf95c4-076f-4c92-9a90-b27c00e00b81&amp;mewsStart=2025-03-19&amp;mewsEnd=2025-03-21</a></p> <p>If you book room after 26.02 use code EVENTSHELKINKI . The code entitles for a 15% discount from their daily flexible rate.  <a href="#">GLO Hotelli Sello Espoon Leppävaarassa   GLO Hotels</a></p> <p>GLO Hotel is <b>conveniently located near Sello Library</b>, the venue for the second-day workshops on Thursday. Also there is shopping mall on the station.  You can easily get to <b>Espoon Keskus</b> and <b>Helsinki city center</b> by <b>train</b>.</p> <p><b>2. Forenom Aparthotel Espoo Leppävaara</b>  <a href="#">Forenom Aparthotel Espoo Leppävaara   Forenom</a>  This aparthotel is located quite close to previous option.</p> <p><b>3. Noli Studios Otaniemi</b>  <a href="#">Noli Otaniemi, Espoo   Noli Studios</a></p> <p>To get from <b>Noli Otaniemi to Espoon Keskus</b>, total travel time of <b>45–75 minutes</b> depending on the route. (Using metro+train connection)  The way to <b>Sello library</b> is about <b>10-15 minutes</b> by <b>train 15 or bus 550</b> from Tekniikantie (Otaniemi) to Leppävaara Station.</p>

	<p>The way to <b>Helsinki city center</b> is by metro (M1 or M2) from Aalto University station directly to Helsinki Central Railway Station in about <b>15 minutes</b>.</p>
<b>Getting around</b>	<p>Helsinki and Espoo are closely connected with a network of public transport. It is also safe to travel with a taxi.</p> <p><b>Train</b> Train is the quickest and easiest way to travel to Helsinki center and Espoon Keskus and Leppävaara station, where the program will take place.</p> <p><b>Buses</b> Bus is another good option for travelling around, but it should be noted that buses especially from Helsinki to Espoo often take a long time.</p> <p><b>Taxis</b> Taxis in Finland are safe, but it should be noted that taxi fares are often very high. Bolt and Uber are also operating in Espoo and Helsinki.</p> <p><b>Routes from Helsinki to Espoo</b> Find routes most suitable to you by consulting <a href="#">the HSL website</a>. Listed below are some of the most common routes. <b>Note! The tickets must be purchased in advance</b> on an <a href="#">HSL app</a> or from a ticket machine or a sales point. These are usually located on the stations before the escalators to metro (ticket machines or R-kioskis). </p> <p><b>From Helsinki-Vantaa airport to Espoo</b> Trains I and P go from the airport to the Central Railway Station (Rautatieasema) in Helsinki. Train is the fastest way to travel to Leppävaara and Espoon keskus, where the programme takes place. Hotel Glo train stop: Leppävaara station Kannusali train stop: Espoon keskus</p> <p><b>From Länsisatama Port to Espoo</b> Take tram 7 (Meilahden sairaala) or tram 9 (Ilmala) to <b>Rautatientori (Helsinki Central Railway station)</b>. Take a <b>commuter train ( U or E )</b> towards <b>Leppävaara</b>.</p> <p><b>From Katajanokan terminaali Port to Espoo</b> Take tram 4 (towards Munkkiniemi) from Vyökatu stop to Lasipalatsi. Walk to <b>Rautatientori (Helsinki Central Railway station)</b>, and take a train towards Leppävaara if you are going to Glo Hotel or Forenom Aparthotel.</p>

	<p>Hotel Glo train stop: Leppävaara station Kannusali train stop: Espoon keskus</p> <p><b>From Olympiaterminaali Port to Espoo</b> Take tram 2 (towards Messukeskus) to Helsinki Central Railway station and take a train towards Leppävaara if you are going to Glo Hotel or Forenom Aparthotel. Hotel Glo train stop: Leppävaara station Kannusali train stop: Espoon keskus</p> <p><b>Tickets and routes for getting around in Espoo and Helsinki</b> Purchase an <b>ABC-Day ticket for 3 days</b> (€ 24.50). With this ticket you can get to an airport by train as well as use it for other trips during your stay with no extra fee. You can buy the ticket on an <a href="#">HSL app</a>, from a ticket machine, or a sales point; you can find the locations from <a href="#">the HSL website section on sales points</a>. <a href="#">The HSL website</a> and app are great tools for finding the best and most up-to-date routes.</p>
<p><b>Accessibility</b></p>	<p><b>If you have questions regarding accessibility in other locations, please contact</b> the hotel or <a href="mailto:sofiia.yakovyshyna@espoo.fi">sofiia.yakovyshyna@espoo.fi</a></p>