

NordDesign2026 information

Welcome to the NordDesign2026

Dear participants

Welcome to NordDesign 2026 in Tampere, Finland!

We are delighted to have you join us for a week of inspiring discussions, new insights, and meaningful connections within the design research and engineering design community. NordDesign has always been a place where academic excellence meets openness and collaboration, and we hope this year's conference continues that tradition.

While we are proud to present a rich scientific programme, we also encourage you to embrace the relaxed and friendly spirit of the conference. Take the opportunity to engage with colleagues, exchange ideas, build new collaborations, and enjoy conversations beyond the conference sessions.

We also hope you will find time to experience Tampere in its most beautiful season. Summer offers long bright days, vibrant city life, peaceful lakeside scenery, and the unique Finnish atmosphere that makes this city such a special place to visit. We wish you an enjoyable, inspiring, and memorable NordDesign 2026.

Welcome, and enjoy both the conference and your stay in Tampere!

Smoke, Fragrance, and Perfume free campus

- **Smoke-free campus**

- All the campuses of Tampere University and Tampere University of Applied Sciences (city centre campus, Hervanta campus, Kauppi campus, TAMK main campus) are smoke-free as of 1 January 2019. The smoke-free policy applies to all staff, students, visitors and contractors. Tampere Universities have adopted the smoke-free policy to support the health and wellbeing of staff, students and other members of our community.

- **Fragrance and perfume free campus**

- Fragrances and scents affect us all. They are a source of both delight and anger, and they evoke many memories. The Organisation for Respiratory Health in Finland has launched the #tuoksutON campaign for promoting fragrance-free living as a positive lifestyle choice.
- We encourage you to think about your relationship with fragrances and how you use them. Once you understand how much you use fragrances during the day and how these fragrances affect other people, it will be easier to change your habits.

Wifi instructions

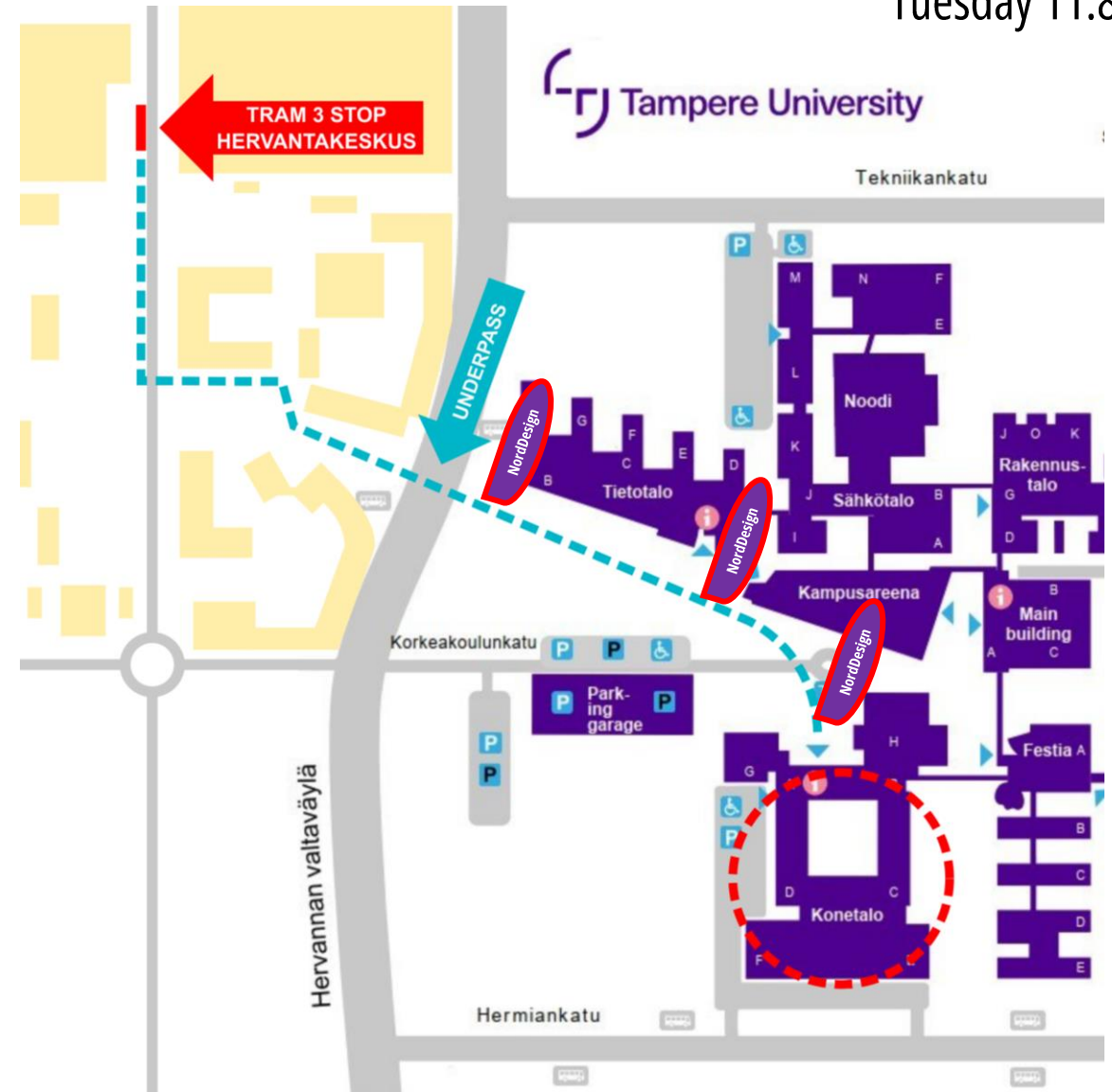
- You can log in as a visitor to the TUNI-GUEST visitor network, if your community has not joined [eduroam](#) or [roam.fi](#) roaming services.
- **TUNI-GUEST**
 - Connect to the TUNI-GUEST network with your device.
 - Select Visitor.
 - Choose your e-mail address or phone number as the means to sign in. You can also select eduroam, which works in most academic organizations around the world with one setup.
 - Fill in the information required in the activation form (e-mail address or phone number).
 - Familiarise yourself with the Terms of use in the activation form and tick the box where you commit to adhering to the terms.
 - Choose Proceed.
 - Review that the information is correct. You will receive the activation link by e-mail or text message.
 - Choose Start temporary 15 min access to open network connection, so you can activate your connection for longer time.
 - By opening the activation link you have access to the TUNI-GUEST visitor network for 12 hours.
 - After the time is up, you can repeat the above steps to get connection working again.

Tuesday 11.8.

At Tampere University, Hervanta campus

How to get to Hervanta campus, Konetalo

- The tram line 3 to Hervanta is most convenient way to travel
- The recommended stop is "hervantakeskus"
- The walk from the stop to the Hervanta campus Konetalo is about 600m
 - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/4vtXpHEuyNR1zNNh9>

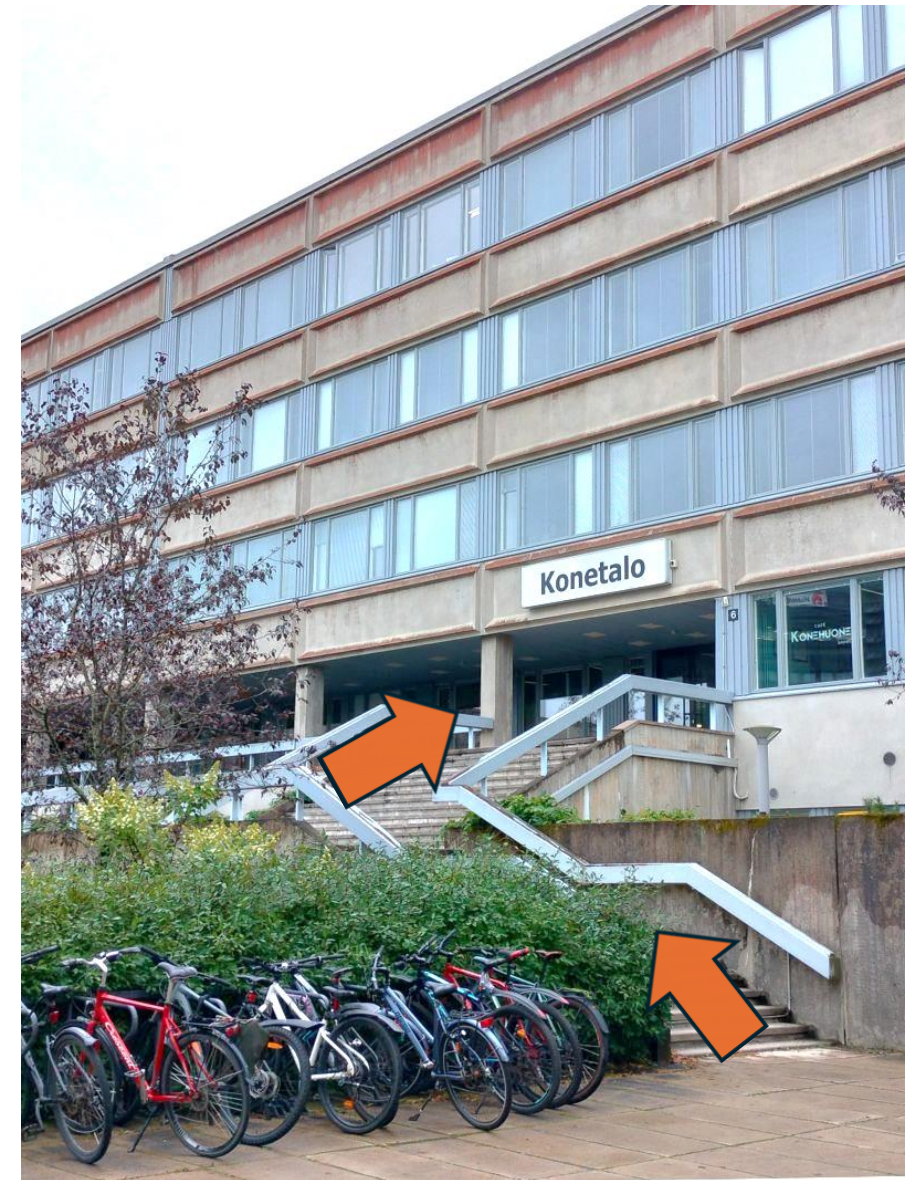


Traveling by Tram

- Before you travel, decide how you'll pay (contactless card or Nysse app). When you board the tram, validate or purchase your ticket using the ticket reader, then enjoy the ride.
- Purchase or activate your ticket before boarding.
 - Contactless payment: When you board, tap your contactless bank card or phone on the ticket device, select AB zones, and your ticket is issued. If you transfer, tap the same card again.
 - OR Nysse Mobiili app: Buy an AB 90-minute ticket in the app before boarding, then scan the QR code at the reader when you get on <https://www.nysse.fi/en/nysse-mobiili-manual.html>
- Trams run frequently, typically every 7–8 minutes during the day. Nysse Journey Planner <https://reittiopas.tampere.fi/?locale=en>
- Board Tram 3 towards Hervanta.
- Convenient city centre stops include Sorin aukio, Koskipuisto, and Rautatieasema (Railway Station).
- Travel time approximately 20–25 minutes.

Tampere university – Hervanta campus – Konetalo

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/SCea1ZevTS54dS8Q6>



Agenda

- WS1 Design Practice and Processes in the age of AI
 - at room K1703
- WS2 Sustainable Design and Sustainable Manufacturing
 - at room K1703
- Get-together party
 - 16.30 Introduction at room K1702
 - 17.00 Dean Martti Kauranen welcome speech at room K1702
 - 17.30 – 20.00
 - tours at Design science LABS
 - tours at RoboLab

Wednesday 12.8.

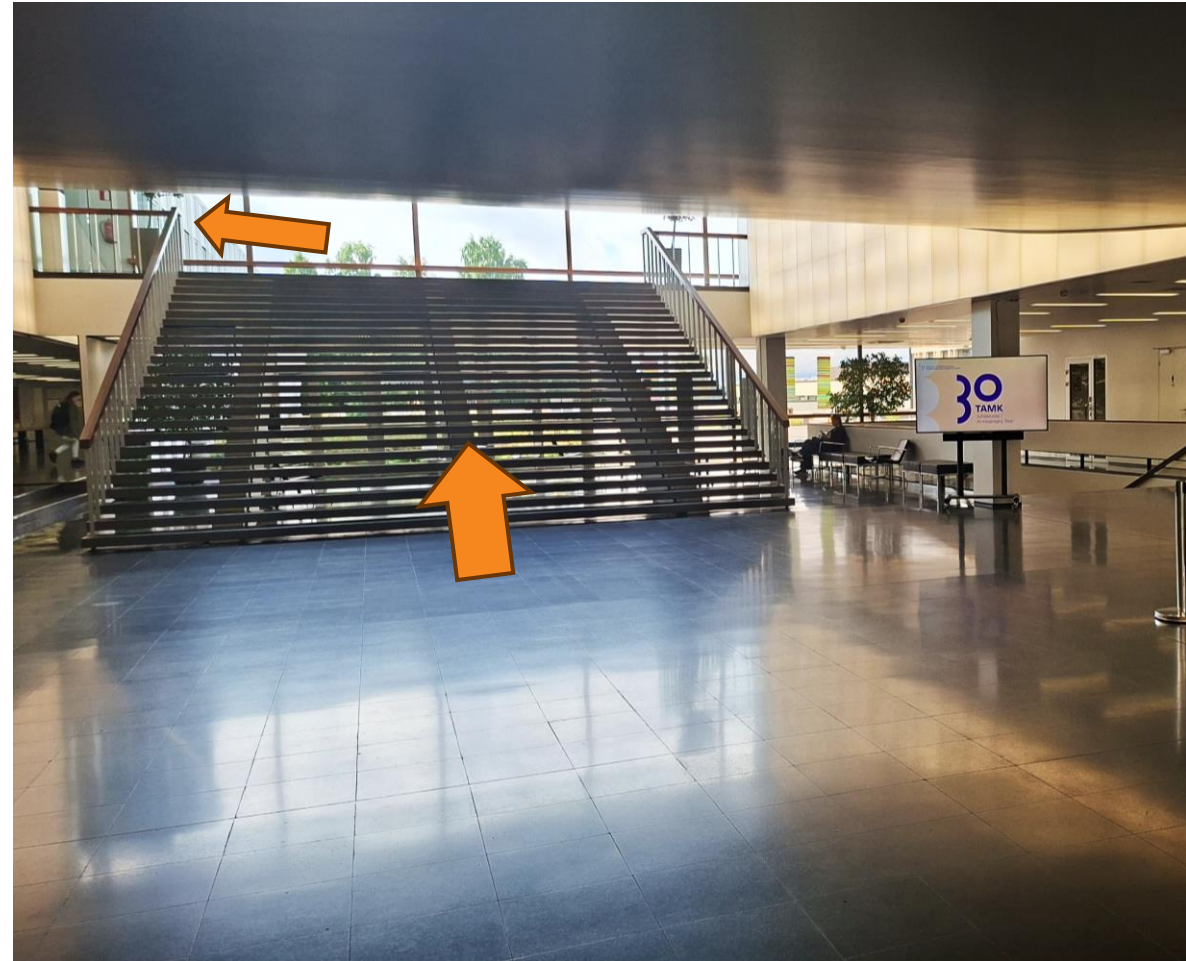
At City centre campus

- <https://maps.app.goo.gl/tedKowQNiJci9FWL8>



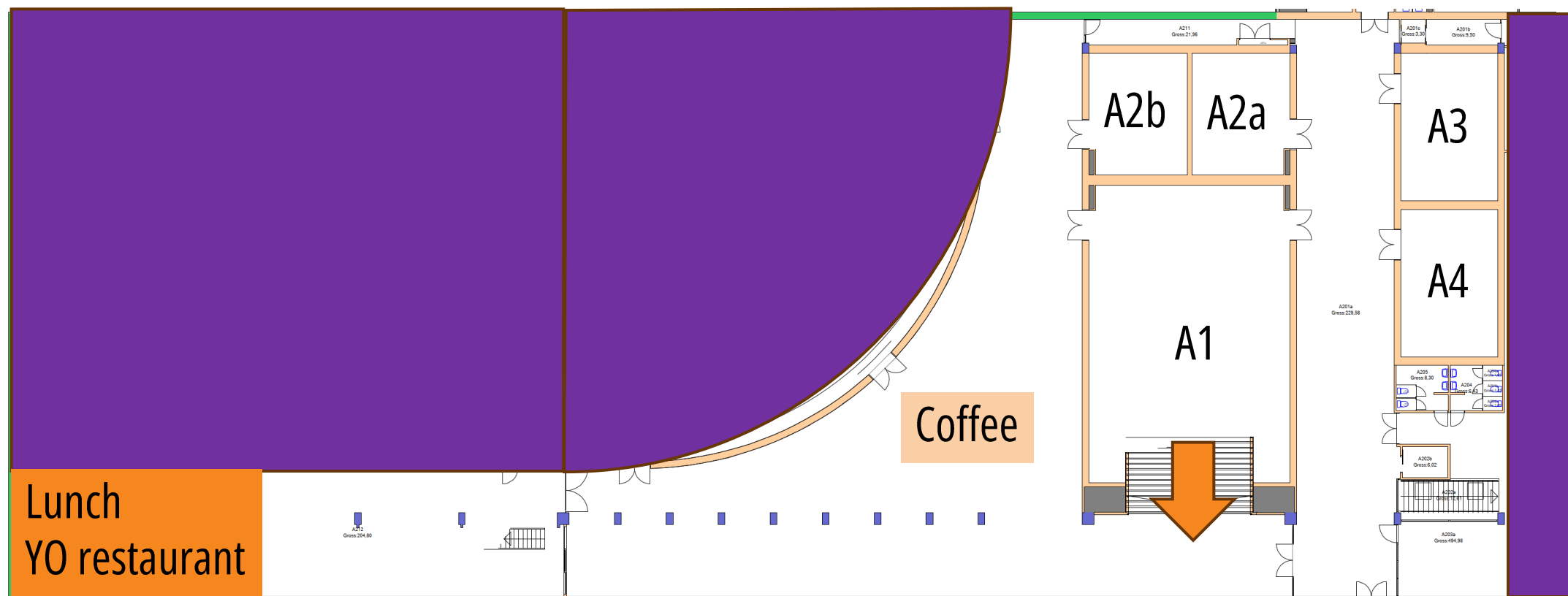
Lobby

- The registration will be at the lobby at the ground level.
- The sessions, coffees, and lunches will be on the second floor.



Tampere University – Centre campus

The rooms for the sessions
The A2b is reserved for working



Presentations

- Presenters are kindly requested to report to the Session Chair 15 minutes before the start of their session. Before the session begins, presenters should either:
 - Test that their own computer works properly with the presentation equipment,
 - or upload their presentation to the session computer as a PowerPoint file (.pptx).
 - This will help ensure a smooth transition between presentations and keep the session on schedule.
- Presentation time 15 min
- 5 min time for questions

Agenda

- 8.00 registration
- 9.00
 - Welcome, Professor Tero Juuti
 - Welcome, Professor Ola Isaksson
 - Keynote, CTO, Mika Laurilehto, Rauma Marine Construction
- 10.30 – 16.30 conference sessions
- 17.00 – 18.30 PhD forum
- 19.00 – 20.30 Tampere city reception

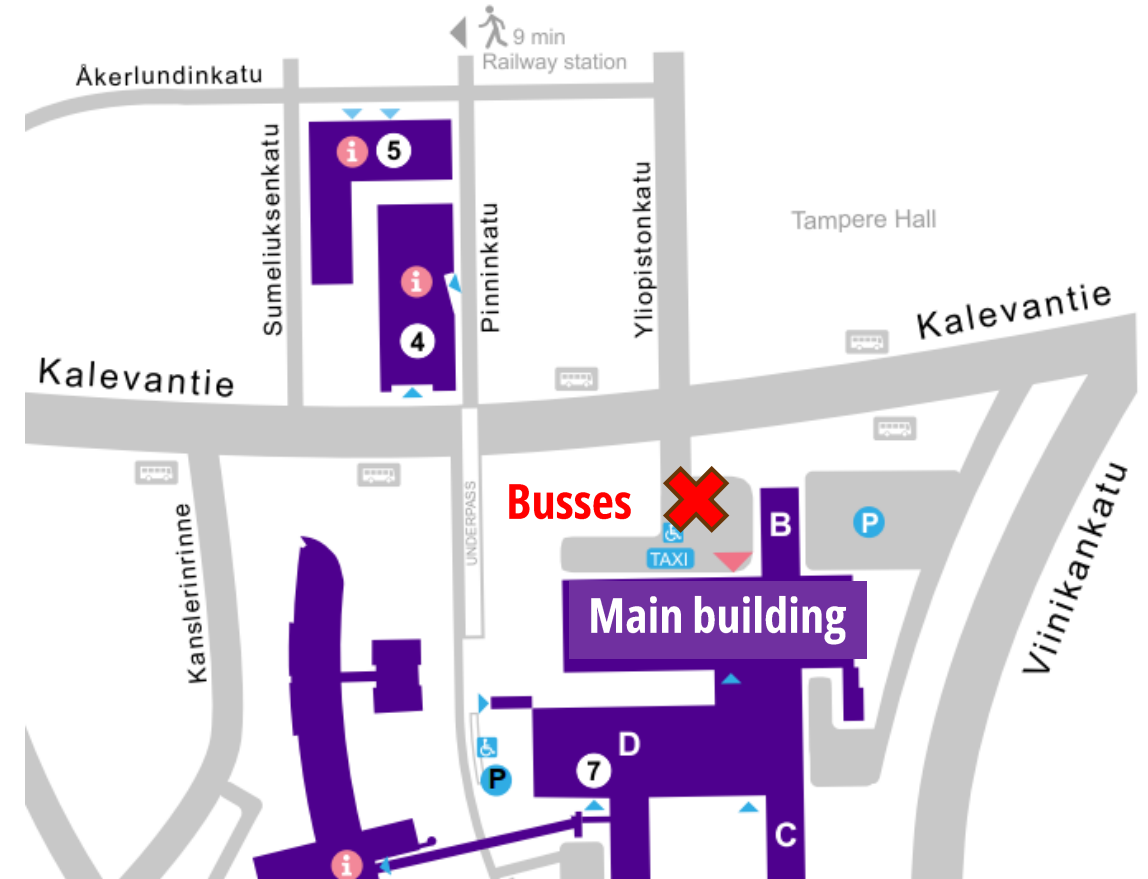
Tampere city reception

- Cocktail event at the Old City Hall of Tampere
 - <https://visittampere.fi/en/destination/tampere-city-hall/>
 - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/vBkxup7STngMEQh16>
- time 19.00 – 20.30
- Dress code casual

Thursday 13.8. at city centre campus

Agenda

- 8.00 registration
- 9.00 Keynote CEO, Veli-Matti Hakala, Cimcorp oyj
- 10.30 – 16.30 conference sessions
- 17.30 busses departs to the Conference dinner in front of the City centre campus



Conference dinner

- At Mobilia
 - <https://mobilia.fi/en/>
 - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/tmYfRRWtY52P8BJg9>
- Busses leaves in front of City centre campus main building at **17.30.**



Conference dinner details

- 18.00 Welcome
 - 18.30 Appetizers
 - 19.00 Exploring the museum's exhibitions
 - 20.00 Main course
 - 21.00 Exploring the museum's exhibitions
 - 21.30 Dessert
 - 22.00 First bus leaves back to City centre campus (travel time 30 min)
 - 22.00 Exploring the museum's exhibitions
 - 23.30 Final busses back to City centre campus (travel time 30 min)
- Dress code is casual
 - The Mobilia is by a lake and there is a beach next to the Mobilia, so you have option to go for a swim.



Friday 14.8. at City centre campus

City centre campus

Agenda

- 9.00 – 10.30 conference sessions
- 11.00 – 12.00 Closing session
- 12.00 – 13.00 Lunch
- End of conference