

**Practical information on the international course
FINNISH LESSONS FOR EUROPEAN SCHOOLS
KA1 Erasmusplus Course**



Sunday 22 January – Thursday 26 January 2017 (residential seminar)
Joensuu (Finland)

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Dear participant,

You are welcome to our course '**Finnish Lessons for European Schools**' that will take place in Joensuu, Finland.

The course is a cooperation between Eekhout Academy (BE) and PKKY (FI).



The group consists of 53 teachers and school leaders from EU countries.

The course will include 5 elements:

1. General discussions about the school and its quality elements
2. Focus on the key aspects of the Finnish success in the educational system and transfer to local context
3. Visiting schools to see those key aspects
4. Discussions and lectures with teachers and management staff
5. Cultural interaction with the teachers and exchange of ideas within the international group



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Venue

During this international course, you will learn all about the Finnish educational system by visiting schools with an outstanding quality development plan in Joensuu.

The participants who have chosen the full package will be staying in **Hotel Cumulus City Joensuu**.

Address:

Kirkkokatu 20, 80100 Joensuu, Finland

<https://www.cumulus.fi/en/hotels/cumulus-joensuu>



When does the course start?

The introduction will start on **Sunday 22 January 2016 at 18.00 sharp** and will take place in **Hotel Cumulus City Joensuu**. We will welcome the participants at 17.30.

The course will be announced on the announcement boards.



Address:

Kirkkokatu 20
80100 Joensuu
Finland

How to get there?

By bus

There is a regular bus connection between Joensuu Airport and the city centre operated by Savo-Karjalan Linja Oy.

For schedules, please visit their website: <http://sklfi.asiakkaat.sigmatic.fi/aikataulut/#en>

By taxi

Taxis are on call at the taxi stand in front of the airport during the scheduled arrival times.

After the welcome session, we will enjoy the welcome dinner all together.

Day by day planning:


The group will be divided into 3 smaller groups (group A, group B and group C).

Sunday 22 January 2017			
18.00 – 20.00	Welcome Introduction session to Finnish Educational System	Hotel Cumulus City Joensuu	All groups
20.00 – 22.00	Welcome dinner	Restaurant	All groups
Monday 23 January 2017			
09.00 – 14.00	Study visit Pre-school and comprehensive school Basic education 1-6	Utran koulu Miilunpolttajantie 3	Group A
09.00 – 15.00	Study visit Intermediate level Lower secondary Basic education 7-9	Joensuun Lyseon peruskoulu Koskikatu 10	Group B
09.00 – 15.00	Study visit High school/matriculation Upper secondary	United High School of Joensuu Papinkatu 3	Group C
The lunch will be organized by the hosting school.			
15.15 – 16.30	Joensuu tour, organized by Tourism students		All groups
16.30 – 18.00	Free time		
18.00 – 20.00	Dinner and cultural evening, meet and greet with teachers	Kiesa Niskala – college restaurant (walking distance from hotel)	All groups
Tuesday 24 January 2017			
08.00 – 08.30	Quick reflections Instructions for workshop/group work	North Karelia College Joensuu Niskala campus (walking distance from hotel)	All groups
08.30 – 09.00	Workshop	Niskala campus	Group A
	Workshop		Group B
	Workshop		Group C
09.00 – 09.45	Reflections and summary of school visits	Niskala campus	All groups
Short break			
10.00 – 12.00	Quality management in education (including the education reform in Finland)	Niskala campus	All groups



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12.00 – 13.00	Lunch	Kiesa Niskala	All groups
13.30 – 15.30	VET education campus tour	North Karelia College Joensuu Peltola campus Peltolankatu 4 (bus transportation)	All groups
Free time			
17.30 – 22.00	Ice swimming and dinner	Polar Bears club (bus transportation)	All groups
Wednesday 25 January 2017			
08.30 – 09.30	Reflections from the first two days	North Karelia College Joensuu Niskala campus	All groups
09.30 – 11.00	Teacher education and education reform in Finland  UNIVERSITY OF EASTERN FINLAND	North Karelia College Joensuu Niskala campus	All groups
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch	Kiesa Niskala	All groups
13.00 – 15.30	Lecture 'Innovation in education' (Peter Van de Moortel)	North Karelia College Joensuu Niskala campus	All groups
Thursday 26 January 2017			
08.30 – 11.30	Wrap-up session Questions and reflections Conclusions	North Karelia College Joensuu Niskala campus	All groups

The programme can still change slightly.

Pre-task:

We invite you to read the brochure 'Finnish Education in a nutshell' before arriving at the course.

Europass document:

Please read the information about the Europass document carefully.

At the end of the course, your Europass document will be signed by the course director. The Europass document is very important because it is part of your end report. You need a valid Europass document in order to receive the remaining part of your funding.

1. What is Europass Mobility?

The Europass Mobility is a personal document, which is used to record an organised period of time (a mobility experience) that a person spends in another European country for the purpose of learning or training. [Click here](#) for some examples.

The Europass Mobility is intended for any person undergoing a mobility experience in a European country, whatever their age or level of education. Europass Mobility might be helpful to you if you are undertaking any of the following: a work placement in a company abroad, a student undertaking a term abroad as part of a higher education programme, a worker undertaking a voluntary placement in an NGO, someone taking an international course.

The Europass Mobility document contains information regarding the individual, the purpose and duration of the mobility experience, the training and skills acquired abroad etc.

2. Who?

The Europass Mobility is monitored by two partner organisations, one in the country of origin (your school or organisation) and the other in the host country (we, being the course provider).

In every participating country on Erasmusplus a National Europass Centre coordinates all activities related to the Europass documents. It is the first point of contact for any person or organisation interested in using or learning more about Europass. Click here for an [overview of all national Europass centres](#).

3. How?

It means that your school has to take contact with your national Europass Centre and activate a school account. Then the school creates the Europass document for each course participant.

We provide you with the needed information that you have to fill in.

You add this information into the corresponding fields, print the document and bring it to the course. At the end of the course this document will be signed by the course director.

List of participants

N°	Last name	First name	Country
1	Alexis	Nathalie	Reunion Island (France)
2	Ana Cristina	Jales de Oliveira Afonso	Portugal
3	Baltazar	Rui	Portugal
4	BEN-CONSTENLA	MARIA JESUS	Spain
5	Chiriac	Cristina	Romania
6	Ciobanu	Loredana	Romania
7	Coene	Els	Belgium
8	de Boer	Suzanne	The Netherlands
9	de Jonge	Rudy	Belgium
10	De Praitere	Herwig	Belgium
11	Debooserie	Lies	Belgium
12	Demeulemeester	Karel	Belgium
13	Demolie	Caroline	Belgium
14	Derie	Liesbeth	Belgium
15	Deweer	Emmy	Belgium
16	DIAKOURTIS	SOTIRIS	Cyprus
17	Eeckhout	Stijn	Belgium
18	ESPERT ARBONA	ROSA MARIA	Spain
19	Goeminne	Trees	Belgium
20	GONZALEZ-MARQUEZ	ANGELES	Spain
21	Halaček	Marija	Croatia
22	Himpe	Alain	Belgium
23	João Alberto	Coelho de Sousa	Portugal
24	Laevens	Ann	Belgium
25	LIZ-LOSADA	CLARA E.	Spain
26	Moerman	Miet	Belgium
27	Naboudet	Vincent	Reunion Island (France)
28	Neidig	Harmen	The Netherlands
29	Nuyts	Pool	Belgium



30	Paula	Gomes da Lage	Portugal
31	Peers	An	Belgium
32	Pereira	Bruno	Portugal
33	Petrea	Mariana	Romania
34	Rabaey	Katrien	Belgium
35	Saraga	Miroslav	Croatia
36	Valdi	Virge	Estonia
37	Van de Moortel	Hans	Belgium
38	Van Doninck	Tinne	Belgium
39	Van Eenoo	Thomas	Belgium
40	Van Kerckhove	Ann	Belgium
41	Van Wuytswinkel	Nancy	Belgium
42	Vancraeynest	Dominique	Belgium
43	Vandemoortele	Tjorvina	Belgium
44	Vanden Broucke	Pascal	Belgium
45	Vandepitte	Hannelore	Belgium
46	Vandeputte	Veerle	Belgium
47	Verbeke	Nancy	Belgium
48	Vercaigne	Ergi	Belgium
49	Vercoutter	Annelies	Belgium
50	Vercruysse	Philip	Belgium
51	Verhaegen	Gerd	Belgium
52	Vlieghe	Olivier	Belgium
53	Wolff	Matthijs	The Netherlands

Practicalities

- Laptop/tablet/smartphone is not needed, but can be useful for own interest.
- The atmosphere is as informal as the dress code is: no suits and ties needed.
- Keep in mind that it can be very cold. Warm clothes and good shoes are needed.
- Bring along your swimming suit for Tuesday evening in the sauna, an unforgettable experience of typical Finnish culture.
- The activities will take place in the school PKKY and in the host schools for study visits. We will provide transport to the different locations.
- In schools, pictures can be taken after asking and only as group or activity shooting. Individual pictures are not allowed in schools.
- Do not forget to bring your Europass document to the course.
- For schools/persons who want to cooperate in the future, it is nice to bring along some information, leaflets, contact information of your school to distribute during the course.

What is included in the course fee?

All the participants have chosen the full package

Full package (Participant uses all hotel accommodation offered by the course organizer)

- The tuition fee covers: course material, use of the conference room, use of ICT in the conference room and the costs of the trainers.
- The accommodation cost covers: the hotel rooms during the course period, the breakfasts during the course days, the coffee breaks, the refreshments during the course, the midday lunches during the course days (except last half course day), costs and fees of study visits and transport for course activities planned by the organizers.
- This also includes the welcome supper and the farewell supper.

We look forward to meeting you in Joensuu!

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions.

Kind regards

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