

Practicalities for the APRIORA Final Conference

14–15 September 2026 in Helsinki, Finland



Conference programme

The meeting agenda is provided separately. You can find the up-to-date agenda [here](#).

Registration and check-in

Registration is available [here](#). Registration will remain open until 30.8.2026.

Check-in opens at 12:30 on 14th September outside Jugend Hall. Participants are encouraged to arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of the programme. Name badges and conference materials will be distributed at the Conference check-in.

Meals and Dietary requirements

Coffee, refreshments, and lunch will be provided on both conference days, along with a casual dinner on Monday evening. Please indicate any dietary requirements when registering.

Accessibility

Home Hotel Jugend is accessible for visitors with reduced mobility. If you require specific accessibility arrangements or other support, please indicate this during registration or contact the organisers.

Event venue

Home Hotel Jugend, Lönnrotinkatu 29, 00180 Helsinki

The conference plenary sessions will take place in Jugend Hall. The workshop programme on Day 2 will be held in Meeting Room Dahlia.

The venue is located approximately 1 km from Helsinki Central Railway Station and can be reached on foot in around 15 minutes or by tram lines 6, 7, and 9.

More information about the venue: [Home Hotel Jugend homepage](#)

Data protection & photography

The conference presentations will be distributed to registrants after the event.

Photographs will be taken during the event. They may be used for project communication and dissemination activities.

Language

The language of the event is English.

Participation fee

The event is free of charge for the participants.

About Helsinki

Helsinki is the capital of Finland and is known for its walkable city centre, seaside location, and extensive public transport network. Most city-centre services can be reached on foot or by tram. The weather in mid-September is generally mild but can be variable. Daytime temperatures are typically around 10–15 °C, while evenings and mornings may feel cooler. Rain is not uncommon.



Travel recommendations

- By plane:** Helsinki-Vantaa Airport (HEL) is the main international gateway to Helsinki. The airport is connected to the city centre by commuter train (I and P lines), with a journey time of approximately 30 minutes to Helsinki Central Railway Station.
- By ferry:** Helsinki can be reached by ferry from Tallinn (Estonia), Stockholm (Sweden), and Travemünde (Germany).
- By train:** Participants travelling from within Finland can conveniently reach Helsinki by train. Long-distance services arrive at Helsinki Central Railway Station.
- By car:** Travelling by car is possible, but parking in the city centre may be limited and expensive. Participants are encouraged to verify parking options with their accommodation provider in advance.

Public transport is extensive and reliable in Helsinki region, and it covers also the Helsinki-Vantaa Airport. See information on the prices and practical tips at the [HSL company homepage](#).

HSL app:

If you load the HSL app to your mobile, you can buy tickets, find the best route to your destination and get up-to-date information about service changes.

The HSL app's map and route planning works also well for walkers!

Accommodation

Participants are responsible for arranging their own accommodation unless otherwise agreed with the organisers.

Some hotel suggestions within a 500 m walking distance from the conference venue are listed below:

Home Hotel Jugend (conference venue)

Lönnrotinkatu 29, Helsinki

Participants can receive a 20% discount on the daily room rate by using the booking code EVENTSHELSINKI when making a reservation.

Original Sokos Hotel Albert

Albertinkatu 30, Helsinki

Radisson Blu Seaside Hotel

Ruoholahdenranta 3, Helsinki

Scandic Helsinki Hub

Annankatu 15, Helsinki

Hotel Indigo Helsinki Boulevard

Bulevardi 26, Helsinki

Omena Hotel Lönnrotinkatu

Lönnrotinkatu 13, Helsinki

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