**Practical information**

**2011**

HOW TO GET TO JYVÄSKYLÄ

Jyväskylä can be accessed by 3 airports:

**Helsinki-Vantaa** - often the most inexpensive alternative, but requires coach or train

travel to Jyväskylä.

Express coaches leave directly from the airport and have departures almost around the

clock. Coach travel takes 4-5hrs depending on the route.

The nearest railway station to Helsinki Airport is Tikkurila (15-20 mins by local bus no. 6 or

taxi ) and the journey (via Tampere, possible change of trains) to Jyväskylä takes about

3hrs. The last train from Helsinki (Tikkurila) to Jyväskylä leaves around 20.00 (8pm) in the

evening.

**Tampere - Pirkkala**– serviced by RyanAir, Finnair, Finncomm, SAS and Blue1.

Express coaches from Tampere coach station to Jyväskylä (2hrs) leave roughly every

hour or so starting at 06.00 in the morning and the last coach to Jyväskylä leaves around

21.00 (9pm.). The last train (1,5hrs) from Tampere to Jyväskylä leaves at 22:05,

RyanAir has a shuttle service from terminal 2 (12eur return) to and from the railway station

but if you use any of the other airlines (terminal 1) you are recommended to take a taxi.

**Jyväskylä-Tikkakoski** - serviced by Finnair and FlyBe, 30min by public transport

or taxi to Jyväskylä centre.

**Approximate rates**

Local bus, single ticket, Helsinki airport – Tikkurila train station 2,5€ (cash only)

Express coach, return, Helsinki airport – Jyväskylä: 84€

Train, return, Tikkurila – Jyväskylä: 105€

RyanAir shuttle bus, return, Tampere airport (terminal 2)– Tampere coach station or

railway station: 12€ (cash only)

Airport taxi Tampere airport (terminal 1) – Tampere coach station or railway station: 17€

Regular taxi Tampere airport (terminal 1) – Tampere coach station or railway station: 35€

Express coach return Tampere coach station – Jyväskylä 40€

Train, return, Tampere – Jyväskylä: 45-60€

Local bus, single ticket, Jyväskylä airport – Jyväskylä centre 5€ (cash only)

Taxi Jyväskylä airport – Jyväskylä centre 40€

**Purchase of tickets**

All forms of transport within the country issue printed tickets (incl. VAT number and

amount) including taxis and local buses.

**Long-distance coaches:** Tickets can be purchased from the driver in cash or by credit

card.

**Trains:** Tickets can be purchased from the conductor on the train by credit card but those

bought in advance at the station either at the ticket office or the vending machines are

several euros cheaper.

**Local buses**: Cash only (and no larger than 20€ notes).

**Taxis:** Cash or credit card payments, all taxis with yellow sign on the roof are metered and

thus safe to use.

NOTE! Visa Electron cards are usually not accepted on coaches or trains.

**More travel information**

Bus and taxi services from Helsinki-Vantaa airport

<http://www.helsinki-vantaa.fi/to-and-from/bus-and-taxi-service>

Local bus no. 61 <http://aikataulut.hsl.fi/linjat/en/v61.html>

Transport connections from Tampere airport

<http://www.finavia.fi/airports/airport_tampere-pirkkala?pg=1091732>

Transport connections from Jyväskylä airport

<http://www.finavia.fi/airports/airport_jyvaskyla?pg=1091653>

Express coach timetables and rates (in English) <http://matkahuolto.fi>

(Note! Helsinki airport is called Helsinki-Vantaa in the search engine.)

Train timetables and rates <http://www.vr.fi/eng/>

WEATHER AND CLOTHING

You can read more about the weather in Finland here:

<http://www.fmi.fi/weather/climate_4.html>

Closer to the meeting you’ll find current weather information in English here:

<http://www.fmi.fi/weather/local.html>

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corner).

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT JYVÄSKYLÄ AND FINLAND

<http://www.humantechnology.fi>

<http://jyvaskylanseutu.fi/travel> (e.g. tourist broschure in pdf format)

<http://www.keskisuomi.fi> (information on regional development etc.)

<http://www.visitfinland.com> (National Tourist Board website in several languages)