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**Invitation to Congress and General Assembly**

International Congress  
Road Safety in the Armed Forces  
12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
Helsinki (Finland)

**Main topic :**

Driving and road safety under demanding conditions with focus on driving under winter conditions and off-road driving

**Subtopics:**

- Road Safety Networking in ECRAF countries
- Road Safety Statistics in ECRAF Countries



Organisation:

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Finnish Defence Forces

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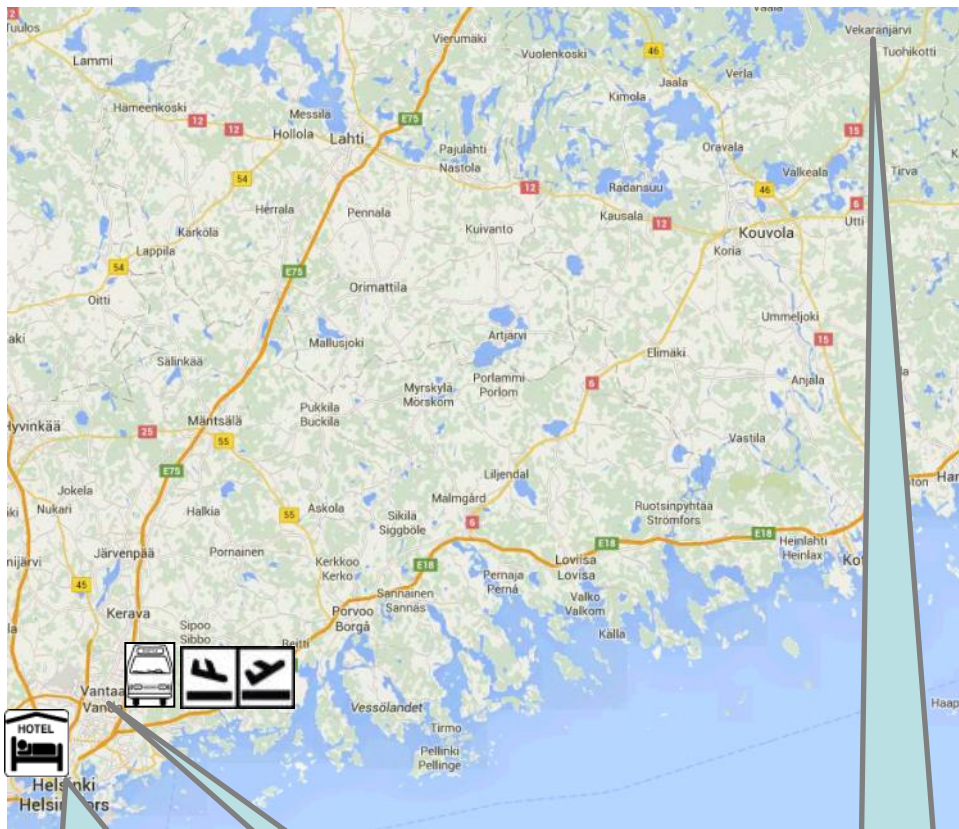
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**Hotel Katajanokka**  
Helsinki, Finland  
[www.hotelkatajanokka.fi](http://www.hotelkatajanokka.fi)

**Helsinki-Vantaa Airport**  
- Commuter train to Helsinki

**Karelia Logistics Battalion**  
Karelia Brigade  
Vekaranjärvi, Kouvola



**Hotel reservation (Hotel Katajanokka, Helsinki):**

It is recommended that rooms should be booked well in advance of the Congress. Please send the enclosed form "Room reservation 2016" by email back to the organizing committee **not later than 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016**. Cancellation of room reservation is possible **up to 24 hours** before arrival day without charging of costs. **Later cancellation will be charged .**

**Congress announcement and costs:**

Please send the enclosed "Registration form 2016" by email back to the organizing committee **not later than 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016**.

The Congress fee is 150 Euro. You are requested to transfer the amount **not later than 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016** to the following account:

Account number	115 0381652950895 43
IBAN electronics	RS35115038165295089543
BIC Code	AAAARSBG
Receiver bank	Telenor banka ad Belgrade, Serbia

**A receipt of wired payment has to be shown during registration.**

If it's not possible to pay the congress fee by wired transfer, a cash payment will be accepted during the inprocessing (first day).

Hotel costs are to be paid by the participants on the ground.

**Airport transfer:**

Take commuter train I or P from Airport Station to the Helsinki Main Railway Station. Take tram 4 from front of the Helsinki Main Railway Station (2<sup>nd</sup> rail from station) to **Katajanokka**. Delegates have to be at Hotel NLT 1700 hrs on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

The detailed transport plan will be provided later to delegates via email.

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### Administrative Information

#### Objectives of the Congress

Driving and road safety under demanding conditions with focus on driving under winter conditions and off-road driving.  
Exchange experience and knowledge in road safety networking and statistics.

#### Language

Official congress language is English.

#### Clothes

At the congress, the participants will wear casual civilian clothes.  
At the congress dinner, business suit with ECRAF pin is mandatory.

#### Accommodation

You find information about accommodation under the following link: [www.hotelkatajanokka.fi](http://www.hotelkatajanokka.fi)

#### Registration

For organizational reasons, you are requested to register **not later than 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016.**

Please send the enclosed forms by email back to the Secretary of ECRAF, for the attention of LTC Aleksandar GOSIC

#### Currency

Currency in Finland is EURO (EUR),  
Exchange rates can be found out on the website of Bank of Finland: [www.suomenpankki.fi](http://www.suomenpankki.fi)

It is suggested that delegates exchange money to Euros in their home countries.

#### Other instructions:

A valid driving license (civilian) is needed to be shown for the practical part of congress. Please take it with you.

## Welcome to ECRAF Congress 2016 in Helsinki !

This year the ECRAF annual Congress will be hosted by the Finnish Defense Forces in the historical city of Helsinki.

Finnish Defense Forces has kindly invited the ECRAF family to their country for one of the most important events for the organization – the ECRAF Annual Congress. I express my sincere thanks to our host, and on behalf of the ECRAF family I am grateful for them giving us the opportunity to have a taste of the Finnish way of living.

The main topic for Congress 2016 is:

***Driving and road safety under demanding conditions with focus on driving under winter conditions and off-road driving.***

Subtopics are:

- ***Road Safety Networking in ECRAF countries***
- ***Road safety Statistics in ECRAF Countries***

Besides interesting main topic and sub-topics for this congress which will give opportunity to delegates for exchange practice, knowledge and experiences, this Congress will be extremely important, as General Assembly will elect **new ECRAF President and Vice President**. In addition, General Assembly will make changes within important documents: **ECRAF Statutes, Strategy and Action Plan, Election Guide, Directive on ECRAF Statistics**, etc.

It is my hope that this year's Congress will give all participants time to discuss, share experiences, and extend their professional and personal network. And most important, we hope you will find the Congress to be the meeting place we all want it to be. Sharing experiences and having the opportunity to discuss important questions among friends to the benefit of better Road Safety in our national Armed Forces, is what the work of ECRAF and the annual congress is all about.

I wish you all welcome to the Congress 2016 in Helsinki !

Ernes HELEG  
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ECRAF Acting President  
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**Monday, 12th September 2016**

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## NLT

- 1600: Transportation from Helsinki-Vantaa Airport to Hotel Katajanokka, Helsinki  
- Commuter trains I & P from Airport to Helsinki Railway Station  
- Tram 4 from the front of Helsinki Railway Station to Hotel Katajanokka  
- Accommodation, Hotel Katajanokka, Helsinki
- 1900: Welcome / informal event / ice breaking  
- Hosted by Finnish Defense Staff, J4

**Tuesday, 13th September 2016**

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- 0830: Opening of the event by the Acting President of ECRAF Ernes Heleg, BIH  
- administrative information / Arto Purkunen, FIN
- 0840: ECRAF between two Congresses / Acting President of ECRAF Ernes Heleg, BIH
- 0850: Presentation of FDF and the Joint Logistics System of FDF  
- presented by BG Timo Kakkola, FIN
- 0930: "Driver Training and Road Safety Management in FDF"  
- presented by MAJ Arto Purkunen, FIN
- 1010: Coffee Break
- 1040: "Proactive Driving training program in winter and summer"  
- presented by Mr. Antero Lammi, Development Manager,  
Finnish Traffic Safety Council
- 1120: Intro to National presentations
- 1125: National presentations- part 1  
- Guided discussions
- 1200: Lunch
- 1300: National presentations- part 2  
- Guided discussions
- 1500: Coffee Break
- 1530: National presentation – part 3  
- Guided discussions
- 1800: Conclusions of Topics / Hot Wash Up  
Closing remarks for 2nd day & Free Time

**Wednesday, 14th September 2016**

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- 0730: Transportation from Hotel to Karelia Brigade
- 09:15: Coffee Break / Refreshment / 1<sup>st</sup> Log Coy
- 0945: Welcome / Presentation by Karelian Brigade
- 1010: Presentation of driver training  
- Theoretical training  
- Field training  
- Off-Road Driving  
- Discussion and exchanging experiences
- 1200: Lunch
- 1300: Presentation of driver training  
- Practical training
- 1630: Transportation to Hotel Katajanokka, Helsinki
- 2000: Official Congress Dinner (Hotel Katajanokka)

**Thursday, 15th September 2016**

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- 0830: General Assembly (Separate program)
- 1200: Lunch
- 1300: Guided sightseeing Helsinki
- 1800: Free time

**Friday, 16th September 2016**

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Homeward journey

