



**COLLOQUIUM AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ORGANISED BY THE SUPREME ADMINISTRATIVE COURT OF FINLAND
IN COOPERATION WITH ACA-EUROPE
HELSINKI 25–27 MAY 2025**

**DIALOGUE WITH THE EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS –
THE IMPACT OF THE COURT'S JUDGMENTS AND ADVISORY OPINIONS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL**

PROGRAMME

SUNDAY 25 MAY

16:00	Meeting of the Board (Board members only) Great Hall, the Supreme Administrative Court, Fabianinkatu 15
18:45	Departure on foot from Hotel U14, Unioninkatu 14
19:00	Welcome reception The Government Banquet Hall





MONDAY 26 MAY

- 9:00 Arrival of the delegates
Great Hall, the Supreme Administrative Court, Fabianinkatu 15
- 9:30 Opening of the colloquium by Mr Kari Kuusiniemi,
President of ACA-Europe
- 9:40 Keynote address by Ms Pauliine Koskelo,
Former Judge at the European Court of Human Rights:

Climate Change and European Human Rights Protection –
The Challenge and the ECtHR Contribution
- 10:20 Group photo and coffee
- 11:00 Working session 1:
Summary returns of migrants and asylum-seekers (“pushbacks”)
Moderators: Mr Petri Helander, Justice, and
Ms Kaisa Pärssinen-Knight, Referendary Counsellor,
Supreme Administrative Court of Finland
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:15 Working session 2:
Climate change litigation
Moderators: Ms Riitta Mutikainen, Justice, and Mr Jaakko Autio, Justice,
Supreme Administrative Court of Finland
- 16:00 Reflections on the advisory opinion mechanism by Ms Pauliine Koskelo
- 16:30 Concluding remarks by President Kari Kuusiniemi

ONE HOUR BREAK

- 17:40 Departure on foot from hotel U14, Unioninkatu 14
Practical Note: The programme will include some light walking on
Suomenlinna Island. Although the programme is not strenuous as such, the
streets are cobbled and challenging to walk in with high heels.
- 18:00 Sightseeing by boat and guided tour by Mr Jussi Nuorteva, Dr., Former
Chancellor of the Orders of Finland’s White Rose and the Lion of
Finland, and Former Director General of Finland’s National Archives
- 19:30 Dinner on Suomenlinna Island
- 22:00 Return by boat





TUESDAY 27 MAY

- 8:30 Departure on foot from the Supreme Administrative Court to the Presidential Palace. Please be prepared to show identification.
- 9:00 Meeting with the President of the Republic of Finland Alexander Stubb
- 10:30 General Assembly
Great Hall, the Supreme Administrative Court
- 12:45 – 13:45 Lunch at the court

END OF OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

- 13:45 Departure on foot to the Faculty of Law of the University of Helsinki (By invitation only), Yliopistonkatu 3
- 14:00 – 16:00 Dissemination of ACA-Europe activities:

Seminar discussing the topics of the colloquium, the rule of law and the independence of the courts

The event is hosted by Ms Johanna Niemi, Dean, together with Mr Toomas Kotkas and Ms Ida Koivisto, Professors and supervisors of the doctoral programme.





PROGRAMME FOR PARTNERS

SUNDAY 25 MAY

Please see the programme for delegates.

MONDAY 26 MAY

9:30	Departure on foot from Hotel U14, Unioninkatu 14
10:00 – 11:30	Guided tour at the Helsinki Central Library Oodi – Discover the extraordinary Oodi and the unique library institution Töölönlahdenkatu 4 (English-speaking guide)
12:00 – 13:00	Guided visit to the exhibition at the Art Museum Amos Rex Mannerheimintie 22–24 (English-speaking guide)
Evening	Please see the programme for delegates.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The Colloquium will take place at the Supreme Administrative Court in the centre of Helsinki (address: Fabianinkatu 15).

Helsinki Airport Train Station is located under the terminal. Local trains marked with **letters I or P** operate between the airport and Helsinki city centre. The journey takes about 30 minutes and a zone ABC-ticket costs 4,40 euros. Tickets can be purchased using the Helsinki Region Transport's mobile app called the HSL app, or the ticket machine at the train platform. [HSL website](#)

Helsinki Airport Bus Station is located outside the arrivals hall. Bus route 600 operates between the airport and Helsinki city centre. The journey takes about 40 minutes. Bus route 600 is operated by Helsinki Region Transport and you can purchase the ticket (zone ABC) using the HSL app, or the bus station's ticket machine. [HSL website](#)

The final stop for the local train and the airport bus is Helsinki Central Railway Station. From there, it is only 1,1 km to the Supreme Administrative Court.

