

## **Floating Peripheries Conference 2019 – Sites and Situations**

University of Lapland  
Rovaniemi, Finland  
14 – 16 January 2019

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **Venue**

The conference is held at the University of Lapland, Rovaniemi, Finland (street address is Yliopistonkatu 8). The meeting room is lecture hall LS2, with entrance from the university main lobby. The university is located about two kilometers (20-30 min walk) from the city centre and the hotels.

The city of Rovaniemi is the vibrant capital of Lapland. Rovaniemi, called the Gate of Lapland, is located at the northern Arctic in the northernmost part of Finland, at the Arctic Circle. With a land area of 8016 km<sup>2</sup> it is Finland's and Europe's largest town, with a population of over 60,000. This small but modern city offers a unique combination of urban services and the beautiful natural environment of Lapland, and is located at the junction of the Kemijoki and Ounasjoki rivers. It is a university city, the commercial centre for the area and a city of sport and culture. Four different seasons are strongly present in the peoples' day life and they give a rhythm for living and activities.

#### **Language**

English is the official language of the conference.

#### **Getting to Rovaniemi**

It is very easy to get to Rovaniemi. There are frequent direct flights from all over Europe to Helsinki, and also easy connections from major cities on the other continents. Helsinki airport has regularly been voted as one of the best in the world. There are several daily flights from Helsinki to Rovaniemi, the capital of Lapland. By air it takes only about one hour from Helsinki to Rovaniemi. Check for flights: [Finnair](#) and [Norwegian](#).

You can also travel from Helsinki to Rovaniemi by train and see how the nature changes from south to north. Overnight trains with sleeping cabins offer a comfortable way of traveling at night. From Helsinki to Rovaniemi it takes about 12–13 hours. Check for train connections: [VR](#).

#### **From the Rovaniemi airport and railway station to the city centre**

Airport Express – bus from Airport to the city centre and back – drives to all the centre hotels as well as the bus station, ca. 15 minutes, price 7 €/person. Airport Express departs from the airport after every flight arrival. At departure, check your hotel reception about the pickup time from your hotel back to the airport. For further information call +358 (0)16 362 222.

Normal Taxi: Price from the airport to the city centre ca. 25 €. For several persons in the same taxi the fee is € 9/person. Phone +358 (0)200 88 000.

The railway station is located about 1,5 kilometres from the city centre. There is no direct bus connection. The easiest way to get to the hotel is to either walk or to take a taxi.

#### **Local connections**

There will not be any organized bus transfer from hotels to university. Check local public transport: <http://international.rovaniemi.fi/en/Services/Transportation>. Price 3,50 €/trip. Bus stops in city centre are on Ruokasenkatu street.