

Nordisk Kalkforum 2023 - Finland

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Summary:

The program starts with a bus excursion from Helsinki to Turku early in the morning on **August 25th**. There are a few stops along the way. On **August 25-26th** the seminar is held in the Turku Castle.

On **August 25th** there is a dinner / get together directly after the seminar, dress code: casual.

On **August 27th** there will be an optional excursion day taking all those participating from Turku back to Helsinki city centre or directly to the airport to catch evening flights leaving after 18.00.

If you do not participate in the excursion day, the most convenient way to travel back to Helsinki is by train.

Cooperation hotel in Turku: **Hotel Kakola**

You can find more detailed instructions on the following pages.

1. Hotels in Helsinki

The program starts with a bus excursion from Helsinki to Turku early in the morning on **August 25th**. You may need to take a flight to Helsinki the day before (**August 24th**) and reserve a hotel room in Helsinki.

There are many hotels in Helsinki, couple of them near the Helsinki Railway station:

- Original Sokos Hotel Vaakuna
- Scandic Grand Central Helsinki
- Original Sokos Hotel Presidentti
- Radisson Blu Royal Hotel Helsinki
- Hotel Arthur

2. Independent program for Thursday, August 24th in Sveaborg / Suomenlinna

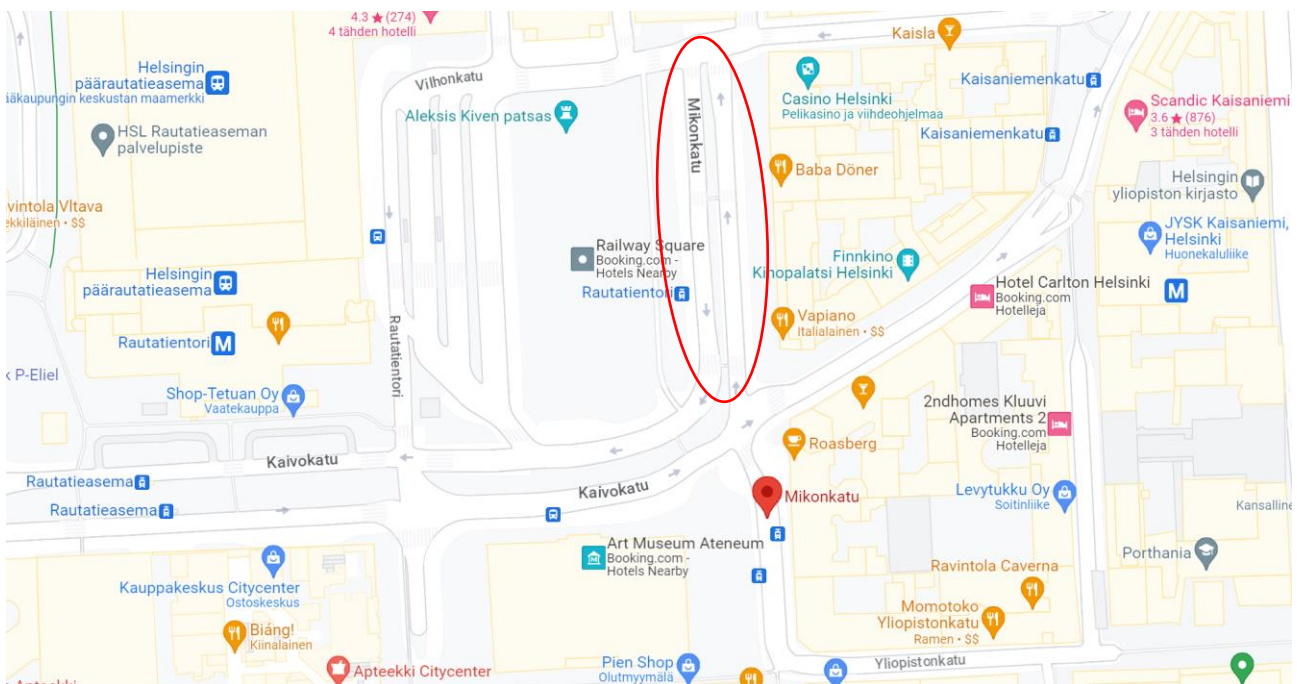
If you plan on coming to Helsinki a bit earlier, you are welcome to make a short tour of a couple of interesting lime related restoration sites in Suomenlinna, an island fortress next to Helsinki. You will be provided with a map and professional information on the sites. In the evening you are welcome to join a get together at “C28, Pajasali” in Suomenlinna.

If you are interested in joining this extra program, please send an email to reino.huuskonen@laurimehto.fi and you will receive more information.

3. Bus excursion from Helsinki to Turku, August 25th

Friday's program starts with a bus excursion from Helsinki to Turku. The buses leave from Helsinki Railway Station. The exact point is shown in the picture below. If you will not participate in the bus excursion to Turku, please inform well in advance: reino.huuskonen@laurimehto.fi.

Please make sure you arrive early enough.

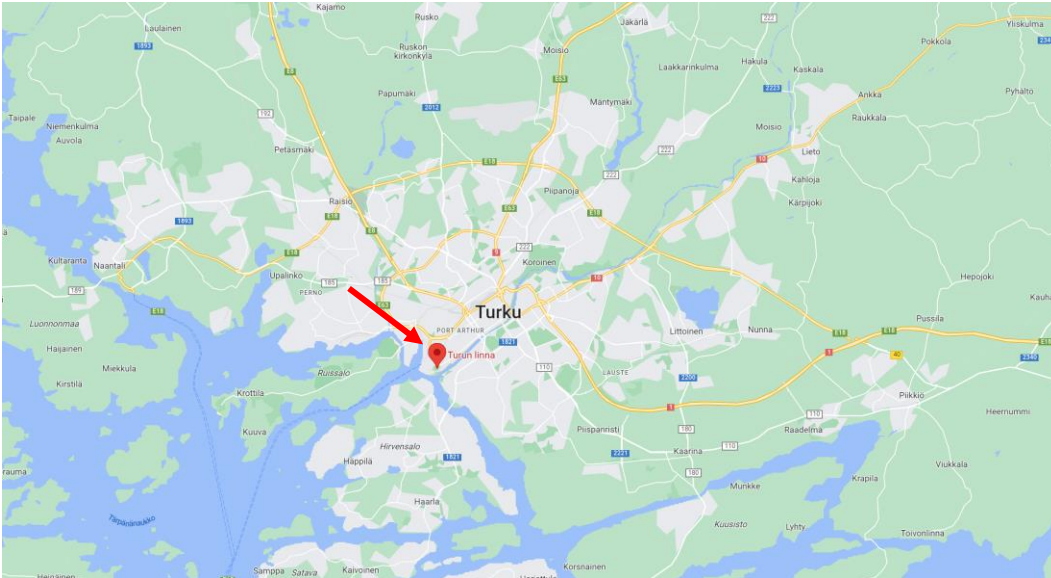


Picture 1: Location of Helsinki Central Railway Station. The exact leaving point is shown circled.

4. The location of the Turku Castle

Nordisk Kalkforum 2023-Finland seminar will be held in the Turku Castle in Turku (Åbo). The exact location of the castle is pointed in the map below.

Address of the Turku Castle: Linnankatu 80, 20100 Turku



Picture 2: The city of Turku and the location of the Turku Castle.



Picture 3: Turku Castle from air.

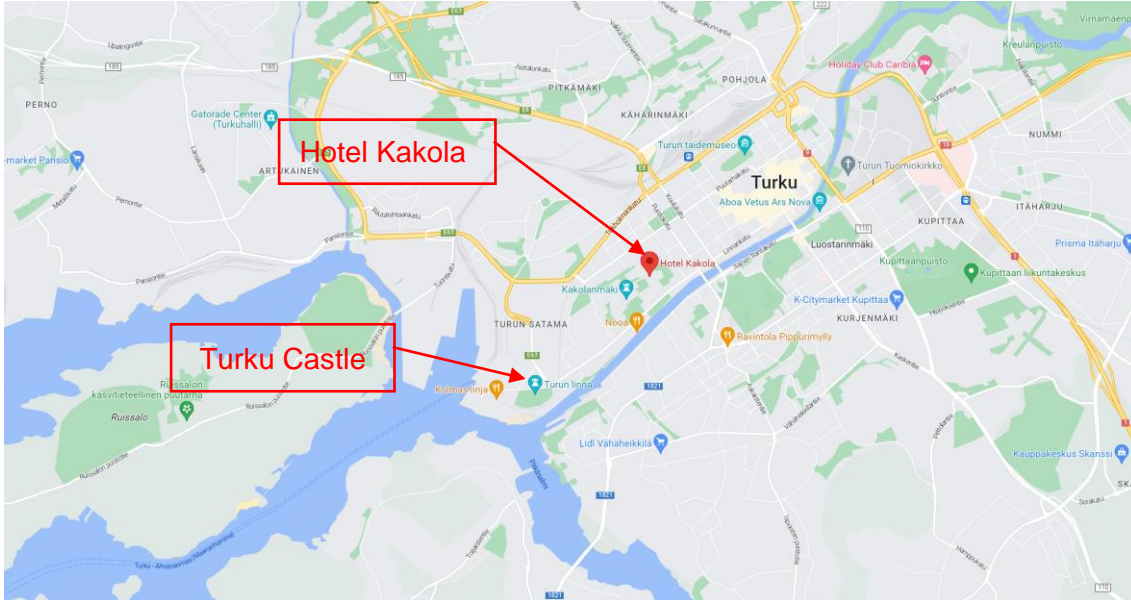
5. Accommodation / Hotels

Hotel Kakola

Nordisk Kalkforum 2023 has a cooperation agreement with **Hotel Kakola** in Turku.

Hotel Address: Kakolankatu 14, 20100 Turku

Official website: <https://hotelkakola.fi/>



Picture 4: The location of Hotel Kakola.

Hotel Kakola prices

The contract price (-15 %) can be obtained by mentioning **"Nordic Kalkforum 2023"** in your room reservation.

Room reservation can be done by contacting the sales service:

myynti@kakola.fi or by phone: +358 44 424 4500.

Rooms can be booked as long as there are free rooms. A number of rooms are reserved for the Kalkforum's guests until one month before the seminar. Any unsold rooms from the contract quota will then be released, but you can still book a room with the contract price as long as there are still free rooms.

Accommodation 25–27 August 2023 (Hotel Kakola):

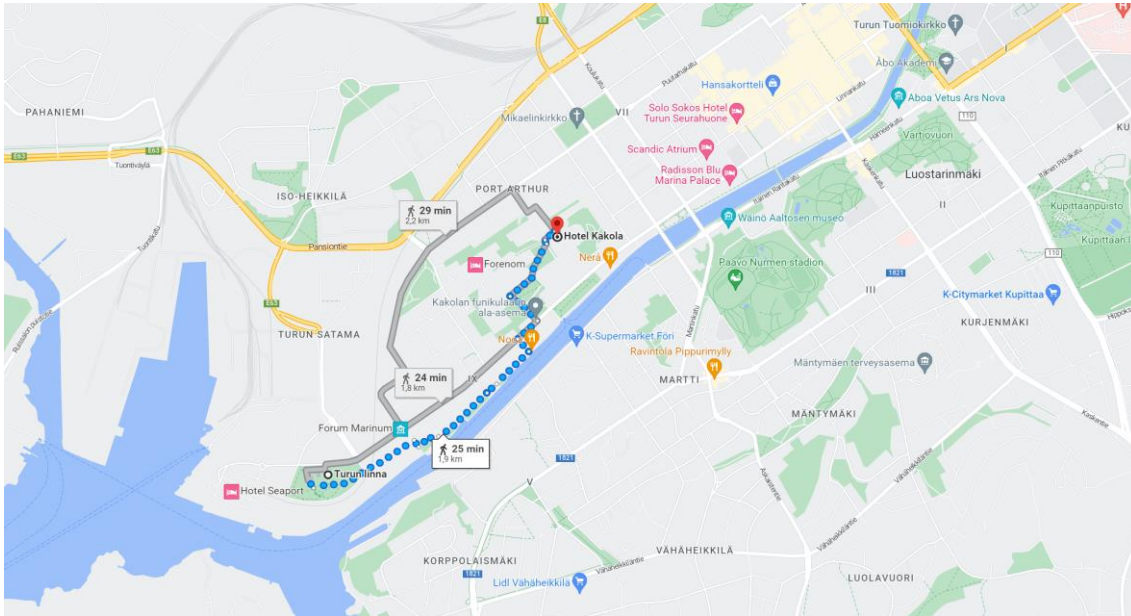
Standard Single room for one	120 € / day / room
Standard room for one	160 € / day / room
Standard room for two	175 € / day / room
Family room for two	220 € / day / room

All room reservations include breakfast.

6. Getting to the Turku Castle

By foot

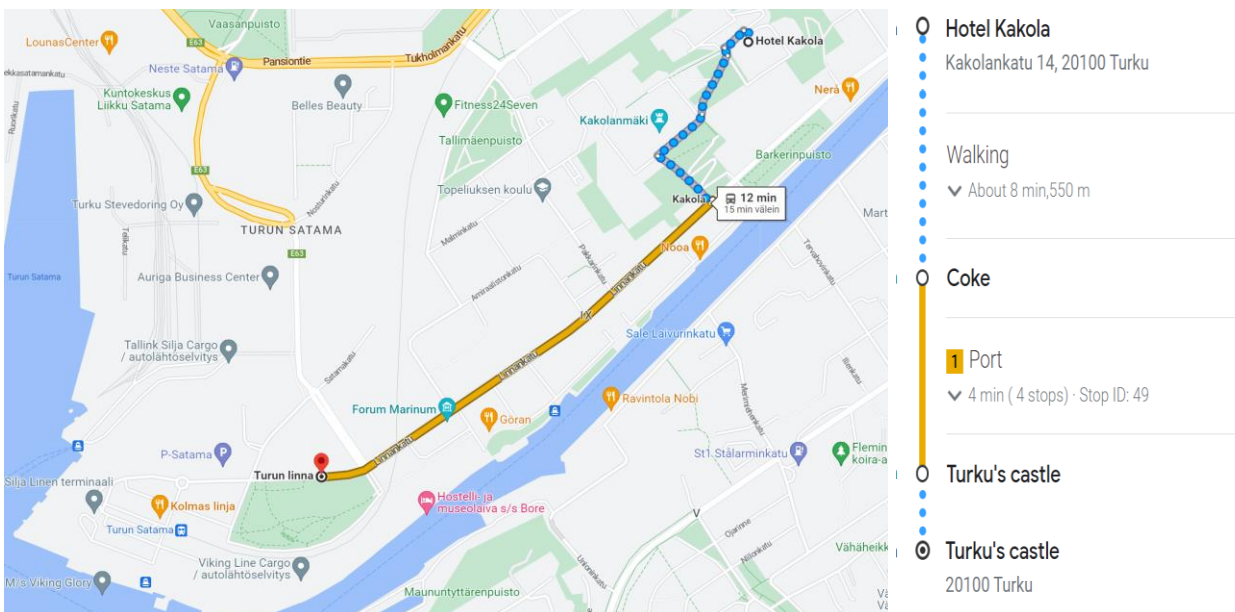
The distance between Hotel Kakola and Turku Castle is approximately 2 km (from market square ~3 km). From the hotel the trip should take about 25–30 minutes by walking.



Picture 5: The distance between Hotel Kakola and Turku Castle by walking alongside Aurajoki-river.

By bus

The buses that run between the port, the bus station, and the Turku harbour (line 1) pass by the Hotel Kakola and the Turku Castle. The stop is in front of Turku Castle. Line 1 leaves from **platform D1 of the market square** ([stop 1931, real-time schedule](#)). To catch the bus, you have to walk a short way from the hotel to the main road.



Picture 6: The bustrip from Hotel Kakola to Turku Castle (busline 1.)

By car

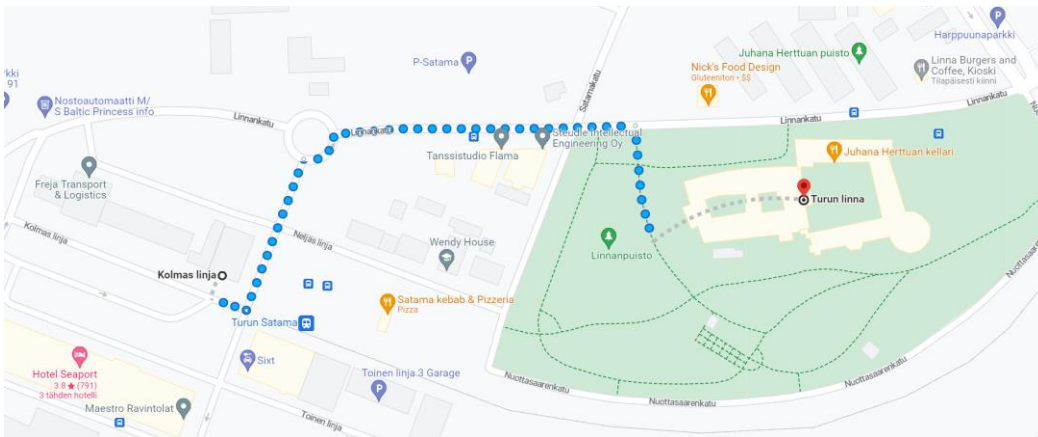
Visitors with cars can park in the parking spaces along the streets near the castle. Almost all places are time-limited and require the use of a parking disk.

At the corner of Linnankatu and Vallihaudankatu (Vallihaudankatu 1) there is a 200-space parking lot "Harppuunaparkki", where you can pay with coins, the most common payment cards and the Easypark application. The parking lot is open 24/7.

7. Dinner on Friday (August 25th) & lunch on Saturday (August 26th)

On **Friday** dinner will be served directly after the seminar in the king's hall of the Turku Castle. A 3-course dinner is provided. **Dresscode: casual.**

On **Saturday** lunch / brunch will take place nearby, at restaurant Kolmas Linja. The location of the restaurant is shown in the picture below.



Picture 7: The location of Restaurant Kolmas Linja.

8. Saturdays evening program

Saturday's seminar ends at Turku Castle. Those who wish can take part in a tour of Turku Cathedral (approximately 40 minutes' walk from Turku Castle or by bus + walking).

Turku Cathedral Adress: [Tuomiokirkonkatu 1, 20500 Turku](https://en.visitturku.fi/kartta)

There is no joint dinner on Saturday. If you want to have a private dinner on Saturday, we recommend booking a table well in advance. <https://en.visitturku.fi/kartta>, <https://en.visitturku.fi/eat-and-drink>

9. Traveling to Helsinki Aiport / Helsinki City center from Turku

If you don't participate in the excursion, you might need to travel independently back to Helsinki. You can easily get from Turku to Helsinki by train. There is a direct train connection from Turku to Helsinki. Trains to Helsinki depart from Turku Railway Station or Kupittaa Railway Station.

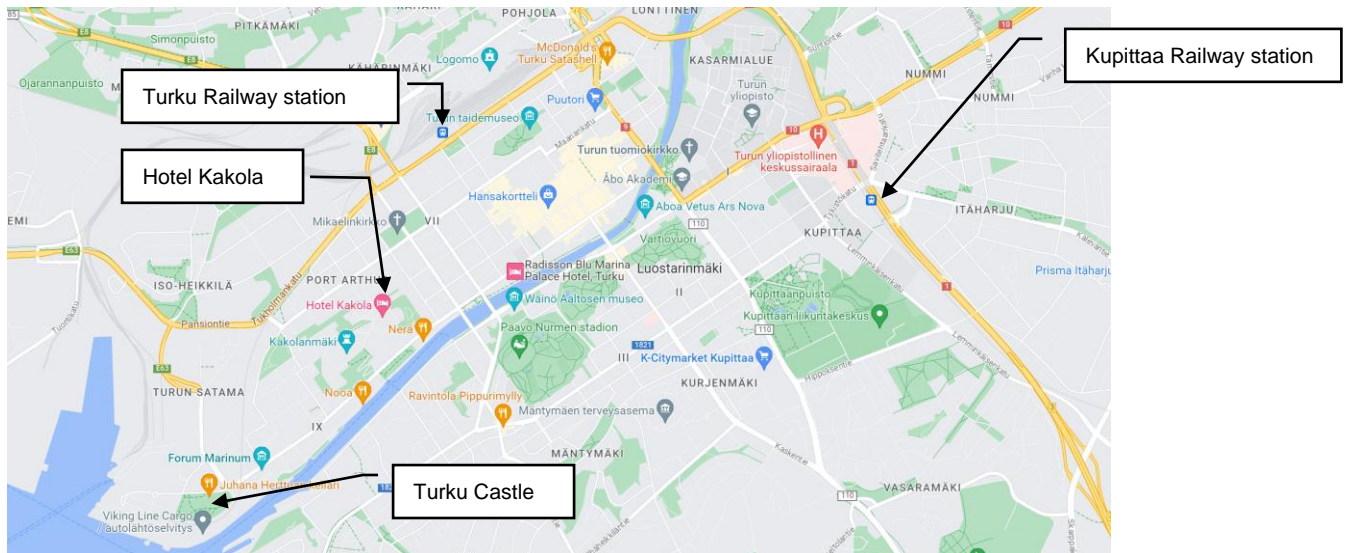
[From Kupittaa railway station there are hourly direct trains to Helsinki Center departing until 17:31 and one later train at 20:56.](https://en.visitturku.fi/kartta) **Due to construction works on the tracks, from Turku railway station you only have the possibility to take a non-direct line via Tampere.** Those trains depart every two hours (16:05, 18:05, 20:05) and the duration of the travel is 1-1,5h longer than the direct line. Due to the track construction work, only connections from Kupittaa Railway Station are advisable. Please note that the schedules could still change.

[From Helsinki Center you need to take one local train to Helsinki-Vantaa Airport. The local trains are departing from Helsinki Central Railway station \(where the Turku-Helsinki trains make final stop\). Turku - Helsinki-Vantaa Airport tickets usually include a local train ticket.](#)

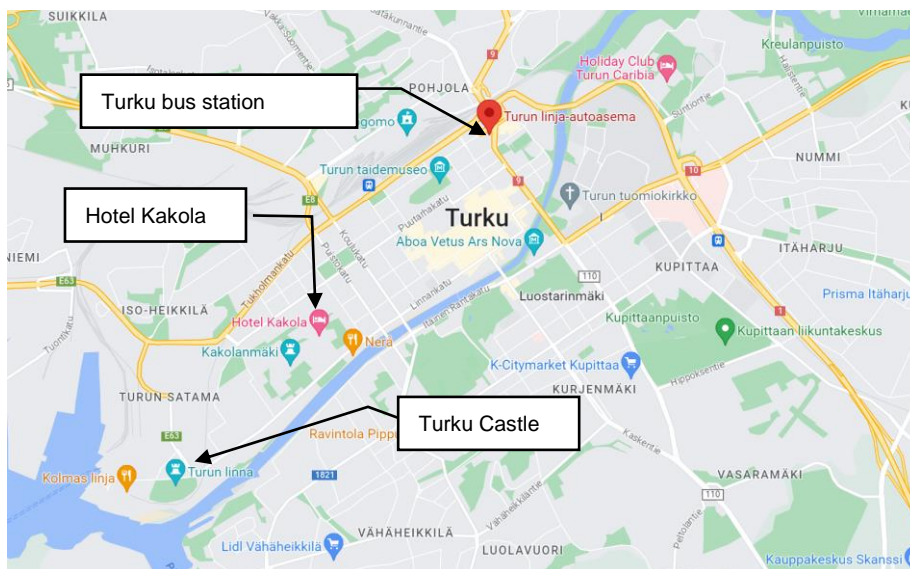
Train tickets & schedule: <https://www.vr.fi/> / <https://www.vr.fi/en/> / <https://www.vr.fi/sv/>

Turku Railway Station: [Ratapihankatu 37, 20100 Turku \(Address\)](#)

Kupittaa Railway Station: [Joukahaisenkatu 6, 20520 Turku \(Address\)](#)



You can also travel from Turku to [Helsinki City Center](#) or [straight to Helsinki-Vantaa Airport](#) by bus. The buses leave from Turku bus station. **Online ticket sales start on August 5th at around 5:00 AM.**



Excursion day, August 27th

The excursion day ends at Helsinki-Vantaa Airport (17.15 o'clock), from where the bus continues to the city centre of Helsinki (17.45 o'clock).