





Welcome to finland!

The Finnish Basketball Association (LOC) is delighted to officially welcome you to the FIBA EuroBasket 2017 Group Phase to be played in Helsinki, Finland.

Year 2017 is a very special one for Finland as the whole country will celebrate 100 years of independence.

FIBA EuroBasket 2017 will be a part of those celebrations and the LOC in Finland is looking forward to organising a memorable tournament in the beautiful city of Helsinki.



Finland has recently been selected to Top-3 of Travel Destinations in 2017 by Lonely Planet and was included in list of 21 Best Trips of 2017 by National Geographic.

FINLAND IN A NUTSHELL

Capital: Helsinki

Other Major Cities: Espoo, Vantaa, Tampere, Turku, Oulu, Jyväskylä, Lahti, Kuopio

Population: 5,486,125 (2015 census) Official Languages: Finnish, Swedish

Currency: Euro (€) Calling Code: +358

Time Zone: EET (UTC +2), EEST (UTC +3) during summer time

Voltage 230 V, Frequency 50 Hz, Power Sockets Type F (commonly called "Schuko plug")







HOST CITY HELSINKI

Helsinki of today is a modern, compact and stunningly beautiful city surrounded by sea and a vast archipelago and filled with culture, history, business possibilities, entertainment and world class architecture. Helsinki is a unique mix of both western and Russian influences and at the same time both vast and approachable, big and intimate, busy and calm.

Summertime Helsinki is unique even by global standards. Its numerous parks and promenades invite both locals and visitors to enjoy the endless days and nightless nights of Scandinavia. Don't be scared of the latitude; the golf stream assures that daily summer temperatures in Helsinki reach a comfortable 20 to 25 degrees.

A third of Helsinki is covered in green areas and its large Central Park with its forests spread out just outside the city center. Virtually every corner of Helsinki is covered with one of the best public

transportation systems in the world, while the whole city center area is easily covered by foot or by bike.

The crime rate in Helsinki is one of the lowest in the world and practically everyone in the city understands or speaks English. While Finns might seem reserved, never hesitate to approach them whenever you need assistance!



GETTING THERE BY PLANE

Finland's biggest airport, Helsinki-Vantaa International Airport is located 18 kilometres to the north of central Helsinki. Nearly all the major airlines of the world fly to or from Helsinki while Finland's biggest airplane company, logically named Finnair, operate direct flights to Europe, Africa, Asia and North America. For more info: www.finavia.fi/en/helsinki-airport.







GETTING THERE BY BOAT

Numerous passenger ships operate to and from Helsinki. Helsinki is a day trip away from Stockholm (Sweden), half a day away from St. Petersburg (Russia) and only three hours away from Tallinn (Estonia). Services to Travemünde (Germany), Rostock (Germany) and Gdynia (Poland) are also available. There are three passenger harbours with five terminals in Helsinki, all only a few minutes away from the city centre. For more info: http://www.portofhelsinki.fi/frontpage.

SITE VISIT

Site visit for the teams drawn to the Group Phase of Helsinki is planned for March 2017. Confirmed game venue, team hotel are already introduced below.

GAME VENUE

Helsinki Arena is the biggest indoor multifunctional arena in Finland. The capacity during FIBA EuroBasket 2017 will be 13.757.

Helsinki Arena Areenankuja 1 FI-00240 Helsinki FINLAND http://hartwallarena.fi/









TEAM HOTEL

Crowne Plaza Helsinki is Finland's leading business hotel with great location. Longtime "home" for Finnish

Basketball National Team has an easy access to City Centre (500 m) and Helsinki Airport (25 min). The hotel offers every guest newly renovated rooms that provide brilliantly executed interior design that is both comfortable and practical with a touch of Finnish as well as Oriental feeling.

Crowne Plaza Helsinki Mannerheimintie 50 Fl-00260 Helsinki FINLAND http://helsinki.crowneplaza.com/en



TICKETING STRATEGY & KEY DATES

The LOC Finland has already started the ticket sales. Finnish fans have had two opportunities to buy Follow Your Team —ticket packages (FYT) to the games of Finland. Also the fans of partner country Iceland have been able to purchase FYT Iceland —packages.

There will be two sessions daily: Afternoon session with 2 games, Evening session with game of Finland. Follow Your Team package (FYT) includes all the sessions of the respective country; for example FYT Iceland includes 4 x Afternoon sessions + 1 Evening session = 9 games total.

After the Draw following steps will be taken in concerns of ticket sales.

Date	Action		
23.11.2016	Follow Your Team ticket packages with accommodation available for		
	participating, incoming countries via travel agency Elämysmatkat		
29.11.2016	Follow Your Team tickets packages available via Ticketmaster		
January 2017	Daily Pass available via Ticketmaster		
February 2017	Session tickets available via Ticketmaster		







SEATING CHART



TICKET PRICES

Category	Afternoon	Evening	Daily	FYT	FYT other
	Session	Session	Pass	Finland	countries
Courtside	103,50 €	153,50 €	-	-	-
Category 1	73,50 €	98,50€	172,00 €	467,50 €	384,50 €
Category 2	53,50 €	78,50€	132,00 €	367,50 €	284,50 €
Category 3	37,50 €	58,50 €	96,00€	267,50 €	204,50 €
Category 4	27,50 €	37,50€	65,00 €	162,50 €	144,50 €







RESERVED TICKETS FOR PARTICIPATING FEDERATIONS

The LOC has reserved following quota of guaranteed tickets to each participating country to its own games in order to ensure best available seats: 25 tickets from Courtside, 50 from Category 1, 50 from Category 2, 50 from Category 3. A letter with prices, order form, payment instructions will be sent shortly after the Draw.

In case your federation is interested in applying for bigger quota, please contact the Ticket Manager of LOC Finland, Ms. Marianne Leivo, marianne.leivo@fin.eb2017.com. The LOC will do its best to accommodate alternative requests.

ACCOMMODATION & TICKET PACKAGES FOR YOUR FANS

The following day of the Draw, the fans of participating countries will have the opportunity to purchase Follow Your Team ticket packages with accommodation from Helsinki via Elämysmatkat Sport Travel, official partner of Finnish Basketball Association and the official travel agency of FIBA EuroBasket 2017 Finland.

Elämysmatkat offers a great variety of hotels. The prices start from 684,50 € including 6 nights in an aparthotel and one Category 4 ticket to all of the games of your team. These travel packages can be bought at http://bit.ly/eurobaskethelsinki.

For larger group reservations and for special requests, please contact Elämysmatkat Sport Travel: eurobasket2017@elamysmatkat.com.

VIP TICKETS & SKYBOXES

In case your federation is interested in purchasing VIP hospitality to your partners and guests, please contact VIP sales at myynti@em2017vip.fi or by phone tel. +358 40 543 9708.

For enquiries about skyboxes, please contact Sales Manager of LOC Finland, Mr. Timo Vertio, timo.vertio@fin.eb2017.com.







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