



SCOR Annual Meeting 2026

8-10 September 2026

Helsinki, Finland

Venue: House of Science and Letters (Tieteiden talo)

<https://scor-int.org/events/scor-2026-annual-meeting/>

Logistics

Events

Three events will take place 7-10 September in Helsinki related to SCOR.

1. SCOR Annual Meeting (8-10 September): open to all registrants
2. SCOR Executive Committee closed meeting (7 September am / 10 September pm): open only to SCOR Executive Committee members
3. Symposium & Reception: Highlighting Baltic and polar research in Finland, followed by a reception (7 September pm): open to all registrants

Registration

Please register [HERE](#) if you are attending the 2026 SCOR Annual Meeting either in person or online.

The background material (reports and prerecorded videos) will be posted at the event page of the SCOR website as they become available.

Attending remotely

Remote access will be provided for the pre-meeting symposium and the general meeting.

Helsinki is in Eastern European Summer Time (UTC+3), and the meeting will generally run from 9 am to 5 pm local time. Best efforts will be made to accommodate presentations at reasonable times across time zones.

Meeting Venue

The symposium and general meeting will be held at the House of Science and Letters (Tieteiden talo).

Address: Kirkkokatu 6, 00170 Helsinki, Finland

The venue is in the Helsinki city center, 1.2km from the central train station around which are several hotels.

Accommodations

A list of hotels recommended by the University of Helsinki can be found at <https://www.helsinki.fi/en/about-us/visit-us/guide-visitors>.

A special rate is offered by the Radisson Hotels:

- Radisson RED Hotel Helsinki (<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-red-helsinki>)
- Radisson BLU Plaza Hotel Helsinki (<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-blu-helsinki>)
- Promotional Code: **WORKER**
 - The reservation code entitles guests to a 5% discount on the best available daily rates. Room rates include a buffet breakfast, complimentary Wi-Fi, guest sauna (if available), and VAT.

Transportation

Airport Transfer: The airport serving the meeting is the Helsinki-Vantaa Airport (HEL).

- A *train* is available from the airport to the central train station. The cost of a one-way ticket for the “ABC” zone transit is 4.80 Euro via [contactless card](#) or ticket machine or 4.50 Euro using the HSL card or [HSL app](#). More information can be found at <https://www.hsl.fi/en/travelling/visitors/airport-train>. *The train is encouraged as the lowest cost, convenient, and lowest carbon option.*

- Taxis charge a [posted flat rate](#) from the airport to the city center (~40 Euro). Taxis are available at the airport main entrance.
- The *ridesharing apps* Uber, Bolt, and Yango are in service. The app and pre-booked taxi pickup point is on the ground level of parking building P2 (follow signs for “App Rides”).

Local Transport:

- Most meeting-related locations are within *walking* distance.
- The *public transit* system includes buses, trams, trains, and ferries (<https://www.hsl.fi/en>). Single tickets can be purchased on board via [contactless card](#) or using an HSL card or the HSL [app](#). All meeting-related locations are in zone “A;” “AB” tickets cost 3.50 Euro per trip using a contactless card or 3.30 Euro using the HSL card or HSL app. The dinner on 8 September will be held on Suomenlinna Island, which can be accessed by ferry. Attendees will need to pay their own ferry fare.

Map: A map of the meeting-related locations can be found at <https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1dC8gKuELugOmWygFTYTHzwsHnnnIDMY&usp=sharing> (viewable in browser or Google maps app).

- **Meeting venue, House of Science and Letters (Tieteiden talo):** Kirkkokatu 6
- **Empire Room, Old Town Hall (Vanha Raatihuoneen; for reception 7 September):** Aleksanterinkatu 20
- **Ferry departure (for dinner 8 September):** Kauppatori waterfront
- **Icebreaker (for tour 10 September):** Laivastokatu 9

Meals

Breakfast can be obtained under the provided hotel promotional code.

Lunch (*tentative*) and coffee/snack breaks will be provided during the meeting.

A reception with light food will be hosted by the City of Helsinki after the symposium (7 September). Dinner on 8 September will be hosted by the Atmosphere and Climate Competence Center (ACCC) and on 9 September will be hosted by SCOR.

Visa and Entry requirements

Finland is located within the Schengen Area. Attendees are responsible for investigating their own visa requirements. The following page is offered as a guide: <https://um.fi/visa-to-visit-finland>

Visa-exempt travellers will require a travel authorization to enter the European Union in the “last quarter of 2026.” Therefore, this requirement may not yet be in effect at the time of

the SCOR annual meeting. However, the exact start date has not yet been announced. More information is found at <https://travel-europe.europa.eu/en/etias>.

Those requiring a letter of invitation for the visa or other purposes can contact SCOR Executive Director Emily Twigg at secretariat@scor-int.org. Letters will only be provided to those attending on SCOR business. Observers are welcome but will not receive letters of invitation.

OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The Helsinki visitor website is <https://www.myhelsinki.fi/visit-helsinki/>.

Time zone

Helsinki is in the Eastern European Time zone. Eastern European Summer Time (EEST) will be in effect at the time of the annual meeting (UTC+3).

Weather

The meeting will be held toward the beginning of the rainy season in Finland. More information is available at <https://en.ilmatieteenlaitos.fi/local-weather/helsinki>.

Currency

The currency of Finland is the Euro. Credit cards and payment apps (e.g., Google Pay) are widely accepted. A few businesses may not accept cash.

Electricity

Voltage in Finland is 230V. Plug types C and F can be used.

