

17th "Europe-INBO 2019" International Conference  
for the Implementation of the European Water Directives

FROM 17TH TO 20TH JUNE 2019 IN LAHTI, FINLAND AT SIBELIUS HALL

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION



The EURO-INBO Conference will take place at **Sibelius Hall**,  
situated on Ankkurikatu 7, in Lahti, Finland.

## Transportation from/to Helsinki Vantaa Airport

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Public Transportation: It will take you around 1h15 min to go from the Helsinki airport to Lahti city center, whether you go:

- By train (greater frequency, but one connection to make): check the time table here <https://www.vr.fi/cs/vr/en/frontpage> and note that you will have to take Commuter train P (destination Helsinki) and stop at Tikkurila station to take another train stopping at Lahti (that is the case of the trains with the final destination Lappeenranta, Kuopio, Imatra, Joensuu or... Lahti!). Around 10€.
- By bus (less frequent, but direct to Lahti): check the time table here <https://www.matkahuolto.fi/en/> and note the departure are from Terminal 2- Lentoasema. Around 10€.

Both the trains and buses arrive at Lahti Travel center. From there to the suggested hotels, you can either walk or take a taxi (7-10 EUR), as the 3 suggested hotels are less than 800 meters away:



## How to reach Sibelius Hall conference center

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Suggested hotels are close to the venue, around 20 min via the most popular Finnish mode of transportation: walking! We strongly invite you to collectively depart from your respective hotel at 8:15 am, as the plenary sessions will always start at 9:00 am sharp!

If you cannot walk the distance, you can also click below on the hyperlink of your hotel to check which bus lines can bring you to the venue. The departure time would be the same (8:15), as taking the bus does not save much time on this itinerary as compared to walking.

- From [Solo Sokos Hotel Lahden Seurahuone](#) (address : Aleksanterinkatu 14, +358 201 234 600)
  - From [Scandic Lahti City](#) (address: Kauppakatu 10, +358 341 081 624),
- From [Scandic Lahti](#) (address: Scandic Lahti Vesijärvenkatu 1, +358 3 3393911)



# 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference "Europe-INBO" 2019 Lahti - Finland - 17-20 June 2019 (v6)

**Discussing the future of the European Water Directives and showcasing ambitions!**

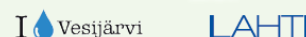
► **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

09:00 **Arrival of participants.**  
 09:00 **Registration of the participants.**  
 10:30 **Workshop on "Integration of Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) into WFD Programs of Measures (PoMs) for basin restoration with a focus on lakes: governance, implementation, assessment".**  
 17:00 **INBO World Liaison Bureau.**



► **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

20:00 **Welcoming Cocktail.**  
 08:00 **Registration of the participants.**  
 09:00 **Official Conference opening ceremony.**  
 10:00 **Message of the DG Environment - European Commission.**  
 10:30 **Coffee break.**  
 10:45 **Presentation of the Water Governance in Finland.**  
 12:15 **Objectives and actions of INBO and "Europe-INBO" Group of European Basin Organizations.**  
 12:45 **Lunch.**  
 14:00 **Roundtable N° 1: Water quality: the objective of good ecological status and the challenge of microplastics.**  
 15:45 **Coffee break.**  
 16:15 **Roundtable N° 2: Agriculture and climate change : agroecology, non-point source pollution, water availability.**  
 20:00 **Conference dinner.**



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► **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

08:15 **Registration of the participants.**  
 09:00 **Roundtable N° 3: Towards a practical review of the WFD application: how to deal with exemptions and one-out all-out principle.**  
 10:45 **Coffee break.**  
 11:15 **Roundtable N° 4: Integrated management of basins and coastal waters: strengthening consistency.**  
 13:00 **Lunch.**  
 14:30 **Special Session: "International and transboundary cooperation (including under the framework of the WFD, between EU and non-EU Countries)".**  
 16:00 **Coffee break.**  
 16:30 **Official closing ceremony:**  
 • Reporting of Workshop and Roundtables  
 • Invitation to "Europe-INBO" 2020  
 • Presentation of the candidacy to host "Europe-INBO" 2021  
 • Presentation of the Declaration of Lahti  
 • Concluding speeches by INBO World Presidency and Europe-INBO Presidency

**To participate,  
Please register!**  
[www.inbo-news.org](http://www.inbo-news.org)

► **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

18:00 **Closing Cocktail.**  
 09:00 **Technical and cultural visit of Lahti.**

## Remaining option to register to for the technical and cultural study visit

### Local Life in Finnish countryside -Tour with a lake cruise

Finnish Lakeland and summerly countryside scenery at its best! Come aboard and enjoy a 2 Hour lake cruise from Lahti to Vääksy Canal. After arriving in summer village Vääksy, a tasty Lunch with seasonal local fish from Lake Päijänne will be served in a local restaurant. After lunch guided visits in Vääksy Mill & Shop and a family owned microbrewery Kanava Brewery – with some tastings too!

Vääksy canal combines two lakes; Lake Vesijärvi and the second largest lake in Finland - Lake Päijänne. The canal is one of the busiest water routes in southern Finland. This area is also one of the most famous summer cottage areas in Finland due to the beautiful lake nature. On this guided tour you'll learn all about the local life and nature surrounding. Return to Lahti by bus, 40 Min.

Duration: 4h30min	Starts: 10 am Lahti Passenger Harbor	Ends: 2:30 pm in Lahti city center	Group size: min 20 max 45 persons
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Please note: Cruise departs from the harbor at 10 am, so be there latest at 9:45.

To register, contact: [e.boinet@inbo-news.org](mailto:e.boinet@inbo-news.org)

***WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION AND WE  
WISH YOU A FRUITFUL CONFERENCE!***