



European Agricultural Fund for Rural
Development:
Europe investing in rural areas



PROGRAMME

Leader-seminar, 17-19 March, Levi, Finland

Monday 16 March

12.00 – 20.00 Registration begins, *Sokos Hotel Levi*
Pre-booked one-to-one meetings between LAGs.

Tuesday 17 March

9.00 – 18.00 Registration continues, *Sokos Hotel Levi*

10.00 – 13.00 Pre-booked winter activities, departure from *Sokos Hotel Levi*

15.00 – 18.00 **Country Parade, Contact Fair:** LAGs around Europe *Sokos Hotel Levi*
Countries should build their presentation stands between
12.00 and 15.00 o'clock.

18.30 – 19.00 Bus transportation from Bus Stop (see the map) to Get Together Party
19.00 – **Get Together Party, Loma-Paksu**
We are spending time indoors and outdoors. Be ready for sledge and
reindeer ride!
There is also a possibility to buy Lappish products at *Loma-Paksu*.
Dress code: casual, warm winter clothes, gloves and a cap

23.00 – 23.30 Bus transportation from *Loma-Paksu* back to *Levi*

Wednesday 18 March

8.00 – 8.40 Bus transportation from *Bus Stop* to *Levi Summit*

9.00 – 11.15 **Seminar on transnational Leader cooperation, Levi Summit**

- Welcome! Mrs Päivi Kujala, Director of the Finnish Rural Network Unit
- Rural development in integrating Europe,
Mr Hannu Takkula, Member of European Parliament
- More Leader approach to Europe,
Professor, Counsellor for Rural Development, Secretary General of the
Rural Policy Committee, Eero Uusitalo, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
- Remote rural areas and transnational Leader projects,
Mrs Marika Saranne, International Coordinator, LAGs of Lapland.
- What does transnational cooperation mean for me?
Mr Tuomas Aslak Juuso, Member of Sámi Parliament

Chairman of the session: Mr Petri Rinne, LAG Joutsenten Reitti



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Bus transportation directly from *Levi Summit* to workshops:

- 12.30 – 17.00 **Workshops**, Seminar rooms around the area,
- entrepreneurship, *Taivas, Hullu Poro*
 - environment, *Levi Summit*
 - young people, *Levi Summit*
 - village action and community issues, *Aakenus, Hotel Levitunturi*
 - rural culture and tourism, *Tonttula*
 - rural networking, *Lainio, Hotel Levitunturi*

17.00 – Bus transportation from *Levi Summit* and *Tonttula* back to Levi

19.00 – 19.40 Bus transportation from Bus Stop to *Levi Summit*

20.00 – 23.30 **Seminar Dinner**, *Levi Summit*.

Dinner Speech by Executive Director Esko Lotvonen, Regional Council of Lapland

Dress code: smart casual

23.30 – 24.00 Bus transportation from *Levi Summit* back to *Levi*

Thursday 19 March

8.00 – 8.40 Bus transportation from *Bus Stop* to *Levi Summit*

9.00 – 10.15 The results of the thematic working groups, *Levi Summit*

Break

10.40 – 12.00 **How to proceed?**

- How to proceed in building transnational projects?

Mrs Salla Rossi, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

- Contact Point's actions and services in transnational cooperation,
Martin Law and Anke Wehmeyer, EN RD the Contact Point

- Conclusions by the observer,

Senior Researcher, Docent Jukka Oksa, Karelian Institute of the University
of Joensuu

- Good-bye!

Chairman of the session: Mrs Liisa Häme, LAG Kainuu Businesswoman

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13.00 **Post-Seminar excursions** begin,
busses leave directly from *Levi Summit* after the lunch.
For others bus transportation *Levi Summit –Levi – Kittilä airport*

Friday 20 March

Post-Seminar excursions continue

Language:

The language of the Seminar is English. No interpretation will be provided.

Weather and clothing:

At the moment there is 80 cm of snow and the daytime temperature is from – 1 to -10 °C.
You can check the latest weather forecasts on:
<http://www.fmi.fi/weather/local.html?place=Kittila>

We recommend you to take with you normal winter outdoor clothes. Having at least double clothing (warm pullover and winter underwear), you can go outside and spend time as long as you want and feel good.

If it is too hard to find warm clothes you can easily find those from Levi. There are shops for outdoor clothes.

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