

ACCESSIBILITY INFO

ICTMD NORDIC BALTIC NETWORK CONFERENCE

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Accessibility of the House of Sciences (presentations)

Entrance

Accessible entry to the building is possible via the staircase and the inner courtyard. You can contact the lobby service using the intercom (press the button marked "Vahtimestari"), which will open the metal gate to the staircase located on the right side of the main door. By passing through the staircase, you can access the inner courtyard, and from there, enter the building's lobby through the courtyard door.

It is also possible to drive up to the courtyard door, and there is one accessible parking spot in the courtyard. The gate located at the corner of Kirkkokatu and Mariankatu is usually locked, but the lobby service can open the gate for vehicles if needed. You can contact the lobby by calling +358 40 359 3075.

Elevator

The building's elevator is located on the first floor, to the left of the reception desk, before the intermediate stairs leading down to the lower landing. The elevator door is 80 cm wide, and the inside dimensions are 110 cm wide and 140 cm deep. The elevator provides access to all floors of the building. There is no seating inside the elevator. The buttons are arranged vertically.

First Floor and Hall 104

The first-floor lobby is accessible from the entrance doors to the elevator. The elevator can also be used to reach Hall 104 by selecting floor -1.

The front part of Hall 104 is elevated. If any presenters have mobility limitations, a ramp can be arranged for the elevated section during events. It is advisable to include this request on the room reservation form or arrange it beforehand.

Next to the main doors on the first floor is the Science Café. The café cannot be accessed by elevator but is reached via a staircase. There are a total of four steps, the first three of which are 14 cm high, and the last step is 19 cm high. The doorway to the Science Café is 120 cm wide.

The hall is equipped with an induction loop.

Upper Floors – Doors, Hallways, and Elevator Lobbies

On the upper floors, elevator lobbies lead to the floor's hallways. The doors to all meeting rooms on these floors are 98 cm wide, and the meeting room doors have a 3 cm high threshold. More information about the meeting rooms can be found on the House of Sciences website under the room presentations.

The doorway from the second-floor elevator lobby leads to the second-floor hallway. The doorway is 100 cm wide and has no door. At the end of the hallway, there is a lobby that leads to the rear staircase.

From the fifth-floor elevator lobby, you can access the floor's lobby and Exhibition Hall 504. The lobby doorway is 90 cm wide, and the doorway to Hall 504 is 80 cm wide. Exhibition Hall 504 has two doors leading to the main hallway. One of the doors is a double door with a 118 cm wide opening, and the other doorway is 80 cm wide. Hall 504 also has a third door that leads to Lecture Hall 505. The doorway to Hall 505 is 80 cm wide. Lecture Hall 505 can also be accessed from the fifth-floor hallway. The door from the hallway is a double door with a 120 cm wide opening.

Restrooms

Accessible restrooms are located in the basement and on the fifth floor. The restrooms are directly opposite the elevator, ensuring easy access to both.

Lighting

The hallways, rooms, and main staircase of the House of Sciences are dimly lit, especially in the evenings.

Emergency Exits

The House of Sciences has two staircases, both of which are used for exiting the building in case of an emergency. The staircases are located at both ends of the building. The main stairs are made of stone, and the steps are 14 cm high. All staircases have intermediate landings, and there are handrails on the inner edge of the stairs. At one end of the building, there is a set of metal stairs built in 1996. All emergency exits are marked with green exit signs.

Accessibility information of Empiresali, Vanha Raatihuone (evening reception)

Aleksanterinkatu 20

Unfortunately, Empiresali is not accessible. If any guests require accessible entry to Empiresali, we kindly ask that you contact the reception services at aulainfo@hel.fi. They will provide guidance to the accessible entrance and assist with access to the appropriate elevators, etc., upon arrival.

Accessibility Information of Restaurant Sunn (lunch)

Aleksanterinkatu 26, 2nd floor

Ravintola Sunn is located on the second floor of the Sunn building, above Café Engel. Accessible entry is available from the Sofiankatu side, through Engel's inner courtyard. The corner elevator provides access to the second floor.

Phone: +358 10 231 2800.

Accessibility information of Restaurant Juttutupa (dinner)

Due to exterior renovations, accessible entry to Juttutupa is temporarily closed.

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