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Dear Recipient

Welcome to the course of **AI as a teacher's workmate**. Hereby we confirm that the course will be organised as scheduled, Starting on Monday 25th of November, here in Sykli in Helsinki Finland. And ending on 29.11.2024.

We have updated the program, and the new version is below. We have started to think that instead of going through as many applications as possible during the week we have the focus also to discussions. What is actually happening just right now? What is the interpretation and magnitude of ongoing change? What is the best a teacher can do now? What is the role and responsibility of school management. What students are doing and expecting...

We have received some cancellations of registrations, and we expect the final number of participants to be between 5 to 7. Even though the group is quite small we promise to put our full effort to the course. Actually, this gives us a chance to tailor the content according to your wishes. You can already send your expectations and suggestions to us, the sooner the better.



Our study trip to Estonia on 28th of November is probably heading to university of Tallinn. We also plan that during the ferry trip to Tallinn there will be larger seminar related to AI in education, including some external participants. But we will see this. (We will let you know this as soon as we know).

On the next page you can see the updated programme and after that some practicalities are explained, related to accommodation and travelling. You can also expect to receive the invoice of the course to your inboxes.

But all in all, we are basically ready here and waiting for you eagerly. And we are more than happy to answer to your questions so don't hesitate to ask.

You are warmly welcome!

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Artificial intelligence as a teacher's workmate – starting to use AI in teaching

Structure of the days

- Basically 9-15:30, lunch at 12-13 (at own expense)
- Minor changes to program are possible

DAY 1: Orientation to AI in education (Mon 25.11.2024) (In Sykli office, Esterinportti1)

- Arrival & registration & some practicalities
- Orientation, expectations
- What is AI? How does it work? What should we know about AI as teachers?
- Workshop1: ConversationalAI (prompting)

DAY 2: Getting touch (Tue 26.11) (In Sykli office, Esterinportti1)

- Workshop2: AI assisted Picture, Video, Audio generation
- Examples of AI in Education
- Workshop3: Creating learning tasks & material

DAY 3 or 4: Everyday use of AI (Wed 27.11) (In Sykli office, Esterinportti1, Afternoon possibly in the main library Oodi)

- Workshop4: Pedagogical recommendations to teachers, land specific examples
- Workshop5: Using AI in teacher's everyday work / tackling your routines
- Safety in the AI world, ethics, legislation, EU's AI Act

DAY 4 or 3: A study trip to Estonia by a ferry (Wed 28.11) (at own expense, expected to be 25-35 euros)

- Departure 10:30 – Back at 19:30. Later returns also possible
- Professional site visit
- Free time to visit the old town of Tallinn (Unesco world heritage site)

DAY 5: Group working for AI innovations (Fri 29.11) (In Sykli office, Esterinportti1)

- Case: How the Erasmus+ project EducationalAI was created?
- Workshop6: A group work: creating project ideas & understanding the future
- Wrap-up of the course, providing certificates, closing at 14

Some practicalities

Helsinki, how to get there?

There are good ferry connections to Helsinki from Stockholm and from Tallinn but possibly you are arriving by plane to Helsinki-Vantaa airport. Also, airports of Tampere and Turku could be considered, if you to travel a bit more and see other cities.

Commuter trains I and P operate from Helsinki -Vantaa Airport daily every 10 minutes to Helsinki city center (daytime). I train operate via Tikkurila and P train via Huopalahti. But both goes through Pasila railway station which is very close to Sykli's office.

Night bus 415 (N) operates to and from Helsinki Airport. Many long-distance buses also stop at the airport.



Travelling in Helsinki, local traffic

To get to or from the airport, you will need an ABC ticket, which you can purchase from HSL ticket machines, through HSL mobile app or sales points like R-kiosk. We recommend warmly to download HSL Application and buy for example 7 days ticket there (44 euros / ABC).

Helsinki has an excellent public transport system (HSL) comprising bus, tram, metro, commuter train and ferry services. Also with a single ticket you can hop aboard trams, buses, the metro and even the municipal ferry to Suomenlinna as long as your ticket is still valid.

More info can be found e.g. here: <https://www.myhelsinki.fi/en/info/getting-around-helsinki>

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Easiest routes to Sykli's office

Suomen ympäristöopisto SYKLI
Esterinportti 1, 3. krs.

Tram and bus stops are right in front of Tripla shopping Mall very near of Sykli. All commuter and long-distance trains also stop in Pasila. Our office is within 5-minute walk (about 400 meters) from Pasila railway station.

Finding accommodation

Naturally a lot of hotels can be found nearby of Sykli's office, but if you take your accommodation nearby of any railway stop, travelling to Sykli is fast even from longer distances. Google Maps and HSL app route planning are good tools to use at the same when you consider your accommodation.

Also affordable options can be found. Using applications like Hotels.com it is possible to find rooms starting from 50 euros per night. Take account that neighbouring cities Espoo and Vantaa can be considered as well, especially when a place near a railway stop can be found. Naturally Air Bnb can be one option as well <https://www.airbnb.fi/helsinki-finland/stays>

About the weather?

It can be anything, from -10C° and very snowy and icy to +10C° and no sign of snow at all. Hereby it is good to check forecasts before you trip. But one thing is sure, it starts to be quite dark in late November 😊

