Latest information for GLA2011 participants

Now is the last chance to register:

If you have not yet registered and booked the hotel, now is the absolutely last chance to still get a room in ALBA – the only hotel within a short walking distance from the venue. ALBA is also the place where the conference dinner will be held, from where the bus for the trip to the mine will depart, and where our steam boat will be moored before and after the cruise.

For those arriving to Jyväskylä by plane:

On Sunday, June 5th there are 3 afternoon flights from Helsinki to Jyväskylä:

AY3853	HEL 12:45	JYV 13:30
AY3863	HEL 17:55	JYV 18:40
AY3869	HEL 23:40	JYV 00:25

The distance from the airport to ALBA hotel is 23 km so by taxi it will cost you about 45 Euros. If you book in advance (+358 14 106 900) and request Airport-Taxi service the costs will be about 20.00 Euros/person.

From the Jyväskylä airport there is also a bus taking the passengers to the town center. There is only one small bus after each flight, so if you'd like to catch it, please do not linger after picking up your luggage. The bus will leave from the airport promptly after the aircraft has arrived and passengers have picked up their baggage. The bus fare is 5 Euros (cash only). The bus goes to the Jyväskylä Travel Centre (Matkakeskus) – the combined bus and train station in Jyväskylä – 1.8 km from ALBA. We shall arrange that on Sunday the bus will exceptionally make a stop also in front of the ALBA hotel for the convenience of GLA2011 participants. It is therefore very important that you'll inform us on which flight you are arriving! Else, you would either have to walk or take a taxi from the Travel Centre to ALBA.

For those arriving by plane only to Helsinki:

You can continue the journey to Jyväskylä by bus (for about 45 Euros one way). The timetable for the busses you can find at:
http://www.matkahuolto.fi/en/
As the place of departure please select **Helsinki-Vantaa Airport Terminal 1** or **2** (depending where you'll arrive). The same bus stops first at the Terminal 1 (normally at platform 5) and then continues to the Terminal 2 (platform 13 or 14; please check).

As the destination please select **Jyväskylä Travel Centre**. This is the main stop in Jyväskylä and it is some 1.8 km from ALBA. If the bus takes the western route to Jyväskylä (via Jämsä), you could get off at the earlier stop - **Yliopisto 1**. If in doubt, please ask the driver.

Most bus connections **require transferring** but these are well arranged and full information is on the web (http://www.matkahuolto.fi/en/). Depending on the route and the number of transfers the bus ride to Jyväskylä takes 4 – 5 hours.

One can also take a train. The train cost about 50 Euros one way and takes 3-4 hours. The railway station nearest to the airport is **Tikkurila**. To get from the airport to the station one has to take **Bus 61** (about 25 minutes; 3 Euros):
http://aikataulut.hsl.fi/linjat/en/v61.html
The last train to Jyväskylä departs from the Tikkurila station already at 20:22. The train timetable is available at:
http://www.vr.fi/en/index.html
As the place of departure please select **Tikkurila**. As the destination please select **Jyväskylä**.

Several train connections require **change in Tampere**. There are only a few minutes to make the change but the trains wait for each other so it works well. If you do not have time to buy the ticket at the station before boarding the train, **you can buy the ticket also on the train**!

In Jyväskylä there is only one train stop – **Jyväskylä Travel Centre**. From the Travel Center there is 1.8 km to ALBA so you may want to take a taxi.

Jyväskylä on Google

Jyväskylä is very well documented on **Google Maps** including the **Street View**. Just drag the orange man standing on top of the scaling ruler to the street and you'll see the view as it was two years ago when Google has photographed our town.

Reception in ALBA on Sunday

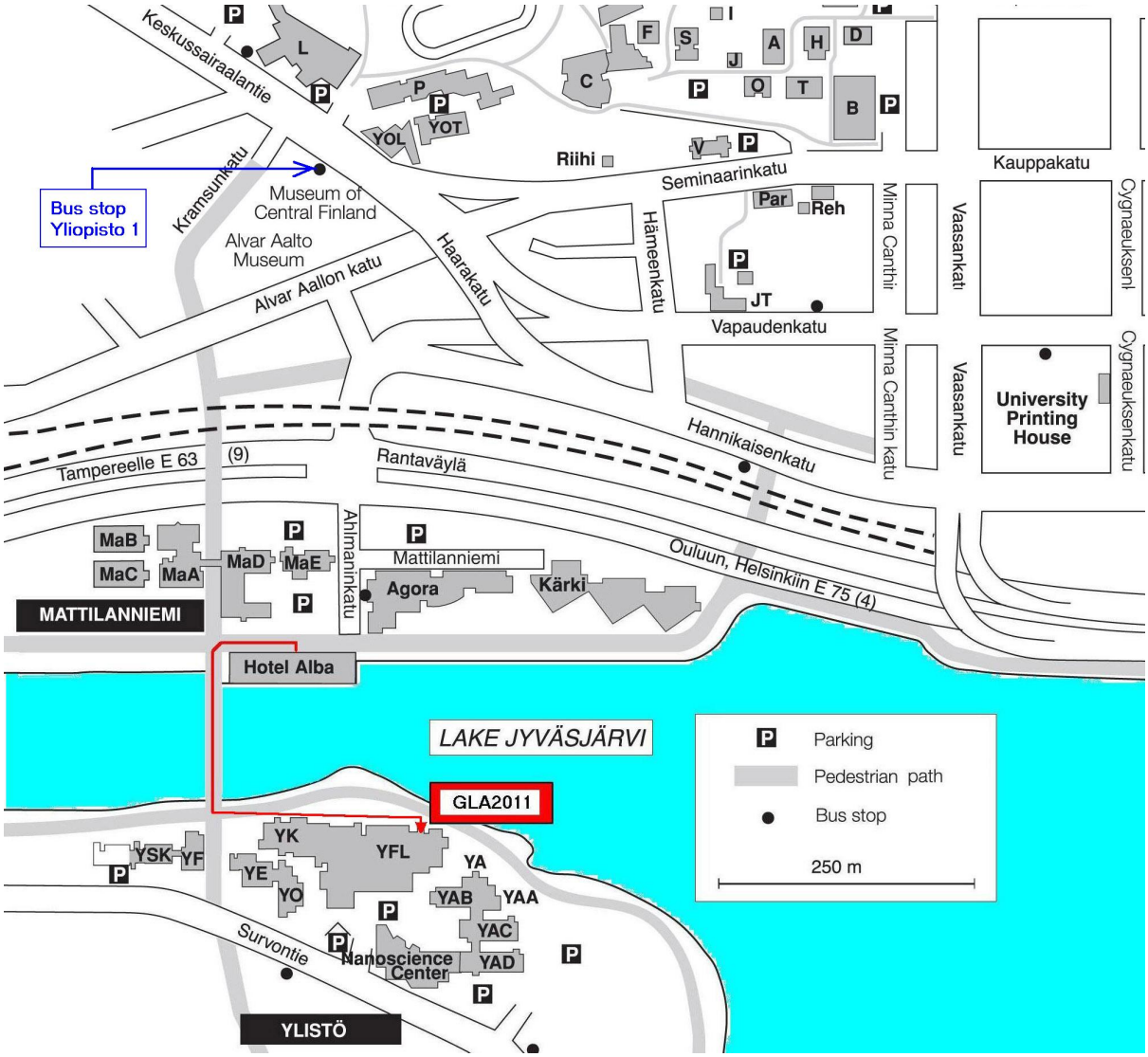
We are looking forward to meeting you in the Club Room adjoining restaurant of ALBA hotel on Sunday evening between 19 and 21. We shall offer you there light refreshments (bread, salad, cheese, and coffee/tea) and distribute the conference materials, badges, etc. The refreshments could be available even for those of you arriving on the midnight plain but we must know it in advance. **Please let us know your estimated arrival time and the way you'll be arriving to Jyväskylä (plane/bus/train)!**

Trip to the mine on Monday

The bus to the mine will depart from ALBA at 8:00 sharp! The day schedule is very tight and tuned to the timetable provided by the mine so **we won't be able to wait for the late comers**. The bus trip takes 3 hours one way including a short stop for coffee and refreshments. After arrival to the mine and before going down with the elevator we'll have to put on helmets, protective shoes and jackets. There won't be much walking around but you may want to take along a pair of your own woolen socks. After visiting the mine we'll have a late lunch in a cozy country house at the shore of Lake Pyhäjärvi (surface area 150 km^2). We are expected to return to Jyväskylä around 20:00.

Start of the workshop on Tuesday

The workshop will open at 8:30 in the main auditorium (room FYS1) of the Physics Department (building YFL), just a short walk from ALBA. After crossing the pedestrian bridge turn left and take the path going up towards the long building standing parallel to the lake shore. Enter the building through the last door. There is a clear sign “Department of physics” in front of the door. Go one floor up ad you’ll be in the main lobby where is the entrance to the main auditorium.



In case of emergency

The emergency number in Finland is **112** (to call for ambulance, fire, and police). To get a taxi in Jyväskylä, please call **+358 14 106 900**. To get almost any information on phone numbers, addresses, timetables you may call one of the commercial services at **+385 100 100** or **+358 20202**.
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Please note that in Finland everybody has a mobile phone so all public phones have practically disappeared!