



PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, Finland  
Government EU Secretariat

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## **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

### **FOR AN INFORMATION COURSE OF COMMISSION OFFICIALS IN FINLAND**

**from 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2005**

Monday, 12 September

#### **History, political system and economy of Finland**

*Welcoming words and introduction at the Prime Minister`s Office*

*Short introduction to political history of Finland*

*Finnish economy and trade; visit at the Confederation of Finnish Industries*

*Agriculture and forestry in Finland  
(Ministry of Agriculture)*

Tuesday, 13 September

#### **Information and knowledge society Finland**

*Facing the challenges of globalisation  
(meetings at the Ministry of Finance)*

*Education in Finland (introducing the PISA results in the Ministry of Education)*

*Visit at the Nokia headquarters (or at the Nokia Research Center)*

Wednesday, 14 September

## **Welfare state Finland**

*Introduction: trends in social protection*

*(meetings in the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health or a visit at the Social Insurance Institution KELA)*

*Social dialogue in Finland*

*eHealth and aging society – a case study*

*Possible visit at Tuusula, where many masters of Finnish literature, art and music made their mark in the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century (visit at the home of Jean Sibelius)*

Thursday, 15 September

## **Ten year of Finnish EU Membership**

*Introduction to Finnish EU policy and Finnish EU Presidency 2006*

*(meetings at the Prime Minister's Office)*

*Visit at the Finnish Parliament*

*(meeting with members of the Parliamentary EU Committee)*

*Ten years of Finnish EU Membership – what do the Finns think about the EU?*

Friday, 16 September

*Introducing cross-border cooperation and European border security in practice; visit at the Finnish-Russian border (Imatra)*