Assembly Programme

Wednesday, 10 April 2019 (Helsinki, Finnish time)

9:30  Morning Worship at the German Church of Helsinki (Bernhardinkatu 4)

10:00  Welcome and Introductions
Dr Stephen Brown, President, WACC Europe

10:15  Coffee

10:30  Fake Theology, Fake News
Theological reflection from
Fr Heikki Huttunen, General Secretary, Conference of European Churches

Communication Rights in a Divided World
Global overview from
Philip Lee, General Secretary, World Association for Christian Communication

Followed by discussion.

11:45  Depart on foot for ferry

12:30  Arrive at M/S Gabriella (Viking Line, Katajanokanlaituri 8). Luggage stored until guests receive cabin keys just before the 17:30 departure.

13:00  Lunch (on board)

14:00  Setting the Scene: Hate Speech and Disinformation in the European Context
Moderator: Dr Erin Green, Communication Coordinator, Conference of European Churches
max arhippainen, chief of public affairs, manager of information and communication of the
finnish defence forces

agnieszka godfrejow-tarnogorska, evangelical church of the augsburg confession in poland
dóra laborczi, evangelical lutheran church in hungary

presentations and discussion

16:00  coffee break
16:45  conclusion, short break while local guests depart ferry
17:00  communication rights / wacc europe assembly, part i
18:00  check-in, time for a break and networking
20:00  buffet dinner

thursday, 11 april 2019 (stockholm, swedish time)

7:00 – 10:00  breakfast
10:00  ferry arrives in stockholm
10:30  addressing populism and hate speech
       moderator: sara speicher, program manager, world association for christian
       communication
       eva brunne, bishop of stockholm, church of sweden
       jakob schwarz, president, church of sweden youth organisation
       presenter (tbc) on wacc europe project: communication rights and refugees: briding the
       social media divide.
12:30  lunch (on board)
13:30  exploring stockholm (options to be provided such as stockholm photo museum, pen
       international, st katarina church, and places of interest for self-guided tours)
16:00  return to ferry
16:30  ferry departs
17:00  future considerations/wacc europe assembly part ii
       reflections from listeners and discussion of strategies for the future
       election of wacc europe officers and steering committee, and aob
19:00  break
20:00  closing banquet
Friday, 12 April 2019 (Helsinki, Finnish time)

8:00 – 9:30  **Breakfast**

10:00  **Ferry arrives in Helsinki** (Viking Line, Katajanokanlaituri 8)

10:30  **Seminar ends - Departures**
(see below for suggestions if you have extra time to visit Helsinki)

11:00  **Combined meeting of the outgoing and newly elected WACC Europe Steering Committee at Church House (Eteläranta 8)**

12:00  **Lunch for those attending the Friday meetings**

13:00 – 14:30  **Meeting of the newly elected WACC Europe Steering Committee**

*For those of you who wish to take time to enjoy Helsinki, we recommend the following:*

- A visit to the Uspenski Cathedral near the ferry docks, the main cathedral of the Orthodox Church of Finland
- Kamppi Chapel, a place for silence and calm in the middle of the busy city
- Temppeliaukio Church, built directly into solid rock
- Helsinki Cathedral
- Amos Rex (art museum)
- Ateneum (national art and other exhibitions)
- The fortress Island: Suomenlinna Sveaborg
- Sea pool Allas