EASA2014 QUICK REFERENCE: 'GETTING THERE'

Conference venue

Tallinn University, where EASA2014 is taking place, is located in the centre of Tallinn, in close proximity to Kadriorg Park and the harbour areas in the Tallinn Bay. Most of the buildings that house Tallinn University are located along the Narva Road that leads straight from the heart of Tallinn towards Kadriorg Park. The EASA2014 panel sessions will be held in four Tallinn University campus buildings that are all interconnected: Mare (address: Uus-Sadama 5), Astra (Narva road 29), Terra (Narva road 25) and Silva (Narva road 29); the Film Programme will be shown in the Supernova Cinema Hall in the Nova building (Narva road 27).

At the current EASA, panel sessions have been spread over four conference days rather than the usual three (see here), which means that the first day includes registration at the reception desk and two panel sessions at Tallinn University, and then the keynote lecture and welcome drinks at the Estonia Concert hall in the centre of Tallinn, a 15 minute walk from the Tallinn University (see below). **We strongly recommend going to your accommodation first, leaving the luggage, and only then coming to the University.** All the accommodation facilities have instructions in English available on their websites on how to reach them from the airport or bus station.

Public transport

**To the centre from the airport by bus:**

The airport is well-connected to the city centre by bus no 2 (leaves from bus stop no 1). The bus stops are on floor 0 of the airport, i.e. by the car park that is located at the front of the airport, next to the 'lower entrance'. Tickets can be bought from the bus driver when entering the bus. If you buy the ticket on the bus, it costs 1.60 EUR.

In the city centre, one needs to get off the bus at the A.Laikmaa stop, located in the very centre, near two large shopping malls (Viru Keskus and Kaubamaja) and the Tallink City Hotel.

**To the centre from the Tallinn Coach station/Bussijaam**

Exit the main entrance of the coach station, go down the steps and keep going straight down Odra Street towards the main road (Tartu Road) until you reach the tram tracks. Cross to the other side and take tram no 2 (Ülemiste-Kopli line). Hop off at Hobujaama; this where you can change to tram no 1 towards Kadriorg if you want to head to the university (only one stop – Tallinna Ülikool).

**To Tallinn University by tram/bus from the centre**

Tallinn University is within easy walking distance from the centre (see the map), but also accessible by tram and bus. When coming from the city centre or Kadriorg, take tram number 1 from Hobujaama stop (see the map) and get off at the Tallinna Ülikool (Tallinn University) tram stop.

It is also possible to reach Tallinn University by bus routes 1, 1A, 5, 8, 19, 29, 29A, 29B, 34A, 35, 38, 44, 51, 60, 63; most of these buses have stops either under Viru Keskus, or around it. When coming from the city centre, get off at the Uus-Sadama bus stop, and if you're coming from Pirita and/or Lasnamäe get off at the F. R. Kreutzwaldi bus stop.

Tallinn’s public transport routes and schedules are available [here](https://mapsengine.google.com/map/edit?mid=zR_jqBkBhD3c.klBw9Wk8qjtg). Note the Journey planner at the left hand lower corner of the website.

**To the Estonian Academy of Security Sciences accommodation (aka "Police Academy hostel"), Kase St 61**

See this map for directions: https://mapsengine.google.com/map/edit?mid=zR_jqBkBhD3c.klBw9Wk8qjtg

If you decide against taking a taxi, take a no 2 bus from the airport, then hop off at the A.Laikmaa
stop, cross the street towards the Viru Centre, cross the Tammsaare park to Viru bus stop, and take bus no 5 (all the stops are indicated on the Google map). Descend at Sarapuu stop, walk across a green area towards Haljas Street, Pähkli Street and finally Kase Street.

To keynote and welcome reception

The keynote lecture (and welcome reception) on Thursday 31st July take place at the Estonia Concert Hall (Estonia puiestee 4) in the centre of Tallinn. From the University walk down the Narva Road (Narva maantee) towards the centre until you reach the big crossroads of A.Laikmaa Street and Narva Road (or take tram no 1 from in front of the Tallinn University Terra building and go for one stop – Hobujaama stop is at the same crossroads). Cross the street diagonally towards Viru Keskus. You can go either way around the shopping centre to reach the Tammsaare park– the Estonia Concert Hall is located next to the park - a big pastel yellow building with green roofs. The Concert Hall wing is the one nearest the Tammsaare park.

If you prefer to keep walking to the minimum, we recommend taking bus no 5 from the bus stop Kreutzwallid from in front of the Co-Market shop near the Tallinn University Terra building. You need to get off at Viru stop, cross the road, and you will see the back of Estonia on your right.

Taxis

The easiest way to reach your accommodation or Tallinn University from the airport or the bus station is by taxi. The taxi companies which have the right to stand in places like the airport, the port, the central hotels etc tend to be on the more expensive side (Tallink, Tulika). The cheaper taxis must be ordered by phone and as those companies have fewer taxis, they may sometimes not be able to provide a car at once.


Main providers: Tulika takso +372 6 120 000, Tallinki takso +372 640 8921

Large taxis (6-8 seats, best option for small groups): Pere Takso +372 646 0006

EASA2014 reception desk

The EASA2014 reception is located in the main entrance of the Astra building (Narva road 29) of Tallinn University. It will be open from 12:00 on Thursday 31st July until 17:30; 08:30-18:30 Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd August; and 08:30-16:30 Sunday 3rd August.

We cannot give you a printed programme before reception opens, so refer instead to the PDF or epub online versions. **NB! These are equivalent to the printed programme and so include papers which have subsequently been withdrawn.** For precision, check the panel’s page on the website, which is as accurate as we can be.

NomadIT office

Those needing to settle membership or conference fees must visit NomadIT's conference office on the ground floor of the Astra foyer, close to reception, **BEFORE** receiving their book and badge from the reception desk.

NomadIT will also be selling banquet tickets to latecomers, and providing those who have requested original printed receipts (or certificates of attendance) with manually signed documents.

WiFi and printing

Tallinn University offers free wifi access throughout the campus. The network is named TLU and no login information is required. If you need to print your recently-finished conference paper, or a boarding pass or other short text-based document, this can be done for 10c/page at the NomadIT office.
If you need cash
The main ATMs can be located using the signs of Swedbank, SEB and Nordea/Danske Bank. The rates for taking out cash with a foreign card are similar for all of them. There are Swedbank and SEB ATMs on Narva Road, just to the right of the Tallinn University Terra building (when heading towards the centre).

Emergency contact details
During the conference, emergency messages should be sent to conference(at)easaonline.org. There will be a message board for delegates at the reception desk. NomadIT can be contacted on Estonian mobile +37258271076. The Estonian emergency services number is 112.

Making use of your portable device
Given that the programme inevitably changes after we go to press, we suggest using your portable device to check the conference website and the panels’ timetable. It might be worth checking the webpage of the panel you're thinking of heading to, in case someone's dropped out or a convenor has rearranged things.

If you find the book a little heavy/inconvenient to carry around, we recommend downloading the PDF or epub version.

Conference news will be posted from EASA Facebook and Twitter (@EASAinfo) accounts - so make sure you like/follow those. The conference hashtag is #EASA2014

Travel safely!

Yours,

Triinu – with Darren, Elaine, Megan and Rohan (NomadIT team)