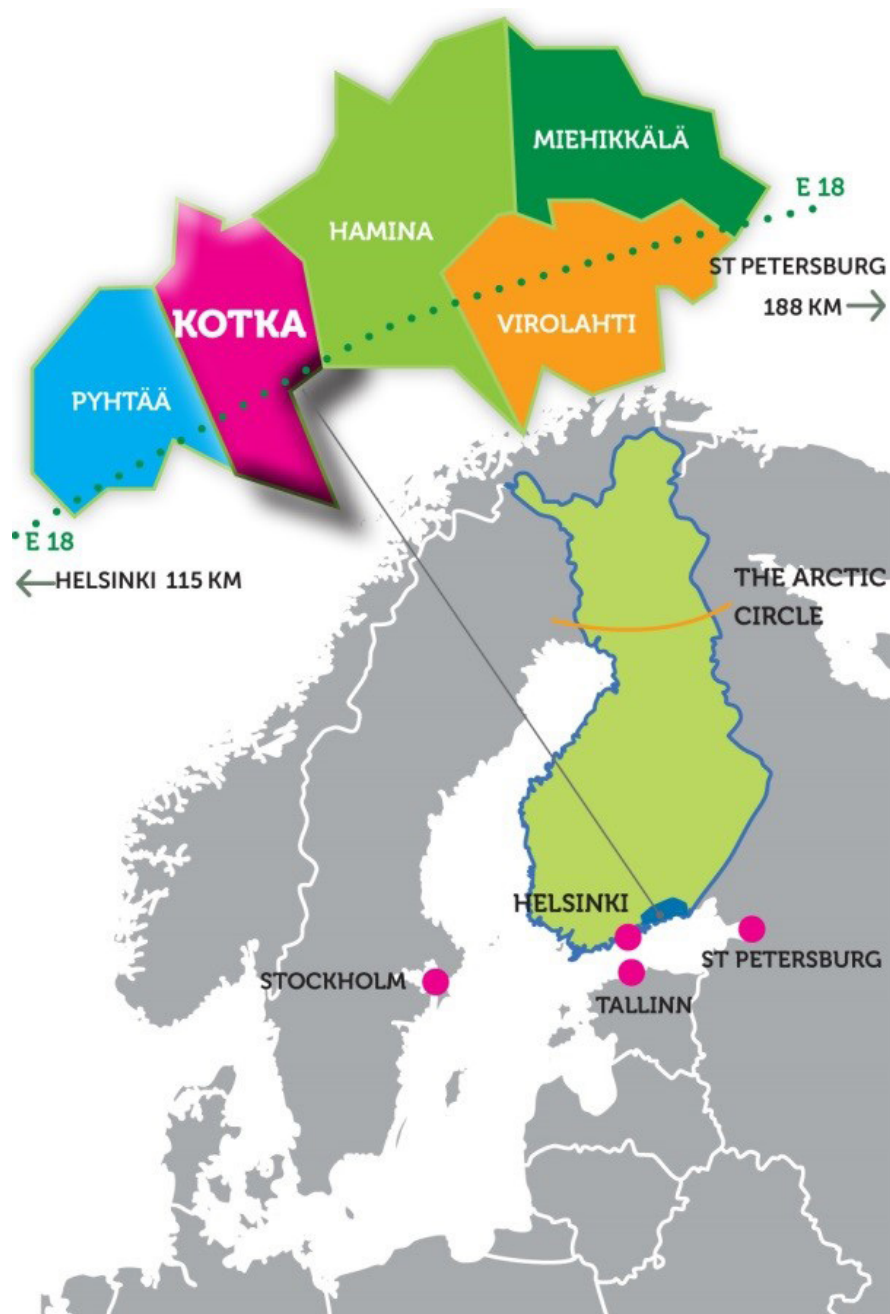




Finland bid for 2017 ISRA Worlds



Finland is located in the Northern Europe. We are bordered by Norway to the north, Sweden to the west, Russia to the east. Estonia is south over the Gulf of Finland.

The area is 339.000 km² and about 10% of it is water.

We declared our independence December 6th 1917. In our capital, city of Helsinki the population is approximately 630.000.

During winter the daily temperature remains under 0 C°. And in the Summer the temperature remains above 10 C°.

City by the Sea

Kotka is the second largest city in Kymenlaakso County. It is located on the coast of the Baltic Sea, the Gulf of Finland, at the estuary of Kymi river. Kotka is known by its port, industry and maritime festivals. Kotka is also known as a multifaceted city of educational institutions and culture.

Kotka was founded in 1879. Now the population is about 55.000 so it is the 19th largest city in Finland. The area is 750 km², but most of it is water, 272 km² island. Kotka is located 130 km east from Helsinki and 290 km west from St. Petersburg; the highway no 18 runs through Kotka. In the city there are two centres, Kotkansaari (the Isle of Kotka) and Karhula.

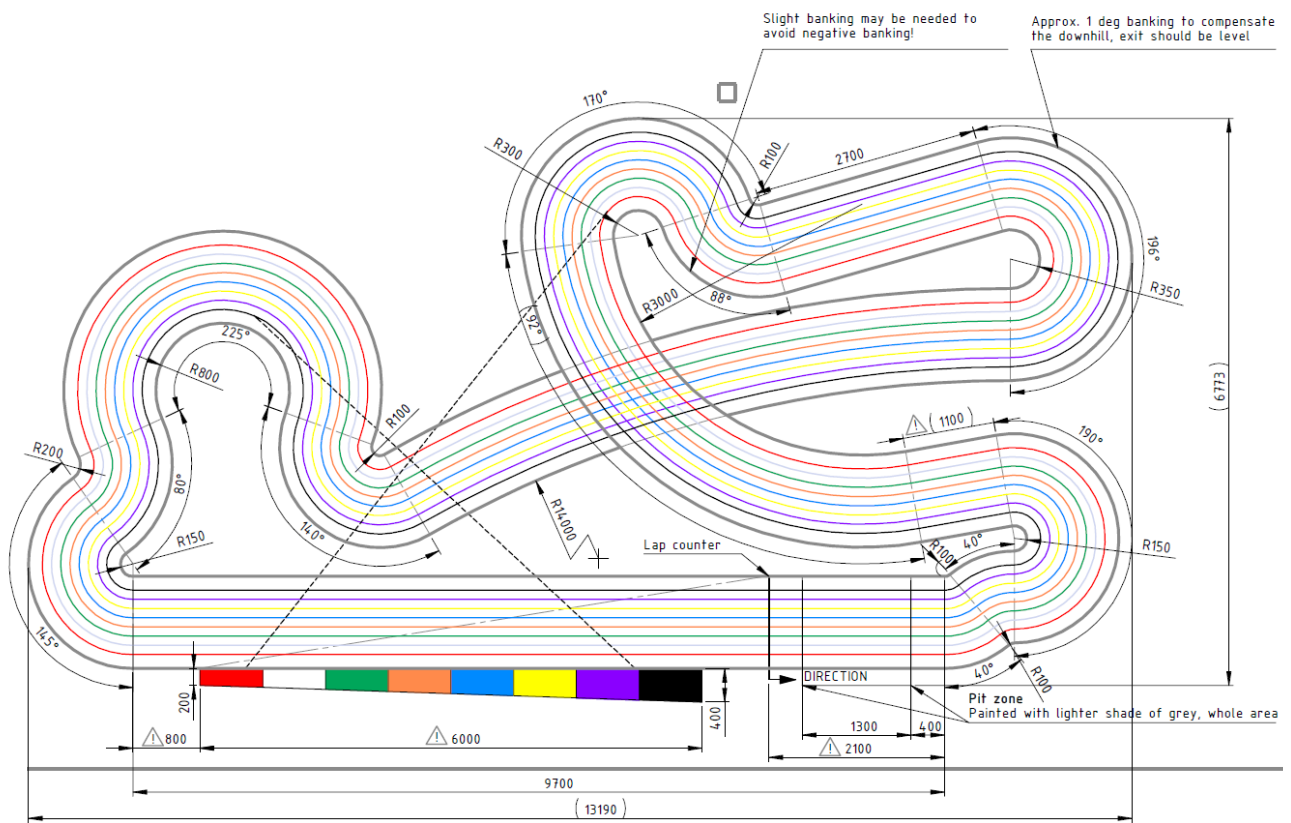


Location and accommodation

The competition venue is an old newspaper printing house located at Kotkantie 6. Facilities are in connection with a restaurant. To the nearest accommodation place is located a couple of kilometers from the track. Hotels have accommodation for 170 people in Kotka area.

More information on accommodation [http://www.kaakko135.fi/en/services?&kategoria\[0\]=7&title=&page=1](http://www.kaakko135.fi/en/services?&kategoria[0]=7&title=&page=1)





Track

Track is designed by Kimmo Rautama and built by Janis Nabokins and Peteris Taurins. Track was installed on the August 2014. Track length is 46,3m. Track is powered with 12.5V, 350 Amps power supply. Track has Lap Master lap-counter with optical sensors.

Warm up races

We have organized Finnish national championship race on April 2015 and we also organized NEC race on May 2015. We will also organize warm up race on May 2017 in the current location if our bid is approved. In case of our bid being approved we will also look for a bigger venue for the race to be held.





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