

## **1<sup>st</sup> Arctic Indigenous Peoples' Food Congress in Guovdageaidnu/Kautokeino, Norway, March 9-13, 2020**

The event will have a youth profile, while the program will include cooking, demonstration of traditional foods and dishes, modern cuisine, preparation and processing, and will include a multitude of indigenous food cultures, traditional indigenous knowledge, traditions, stories and menus. There will also be a conference with presentations based on traditional indigenous knowledge and science. The event will display the diversity of food resources and systems of Arctic indigenous peoples, including reindeer and caribou meat, moose meat, fish, birds, berries, plants and so on. The week-long event is envisioned to culminate with a grand feast dinner the opening night of the food conference on Thursday March 12. The whole event is to be a celebration of the unique food systems of Arctic indigenous peoples.

### **Food Innovation Leadership Workshop**

As part of the 1st Arctic Indigenous Peoples' Food Congress there will be a training workshop for Arctic indigenous youth - 'Food innovation leadership'. It is a practical oriented workshop led by Nord University Business School together with UArctic EALAT Institute, International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry and Association of World Reindeer Herders. Participation in the workshop is limited to 20 students. We welcome Arctic indigenous youth that are/or wish to be food entrepreneurs and food innovators. Due to limited participation there may be a need to prioritize youth. Participation in the workshop is without cost.

The main organisers of the event is the Association of World Reindeer Herders (WRH), International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry (ICR), UArctic EALÁT Institute at ICR (UEI), the Arctic Council EALLU Project, and the RCN Rievdan Research Project WP3.

## **Practical information:**

### **VISA:**

Those who need invitation for visa application are asked to email a scanned copy of their passport to:

[elna.sara@reindeercentre.org](mailto:elna.sara@reindeercentre.org), or to  
[alena.gerasimova@reindeercentre.org](mailto:alena.gerasimova@reindeercentre.org), or to  
[svetlana.avelova@reindeercentre.org](mailto:svetlana.avelova@reindeercentre.org)

When the invitation is made and sent to the person concerned the scanned copy of his/her passport will be deleted.

### **HOW TO GET TO KAUTOKEINO**

#### **Alta airport (ALF)**

The nearest airport to Kautokeino is Alta airport, which is approximately 2 hours by car. There are several daily flights to Alta, directly or via other airports.

## **BUS**

### Time table for public bus from Alta airport to Kautokeino (Thon hotel):

Monday - Thursday: (bus number 202),

15.00 (departure) - 17.19 (arrival)

18.20 (departure) - 20.39 (arrival)

Fridays: (bus number 202)

18.20 (departure) - 20.39 (arrival)

22.50 (departure) - 01.19 (arrival)

Sundays: (bus no 60 to Karasjok, change in Gievdnaguoika for bus no 202 to Kautokeino)

15.50 (departure) – 18.24 (arrival, Thon hotel)

### Time table for public bus from Kautokeino (Thon hotel) to Alta airport:

Mondays to Fridays (bus number 202):

04.00 (departure) - 06.31 (arrival)

08.35 (departure) - 11.04 (arrival)

Price for public bus ticket one way: 358 NOK.

It is also possible to rent a car in Alta and drive to Kautokeino (ca 2 hours drive).

Planned Congress bus from Alta airport – Kautokeino on Sunday March 8:

18.00 (departure) - 20.00 (arrival)

Planned Congress bus from Kautokeino to Alta airport, Friday March 13:

15.00 (departure) – 17.00 (arrival)

### Kittila airport (KTT), Finland:

For those traveling from the east, it might be more convenient to travel through Kittila airport (KTT) in Finland, which is approximately 3 hours by car from Kautokeino.

There are two public bus departures from Kittila airport to Enontekio, which is 1 hour by car from Kautokeino. In Enontekio the bus stops outside the K-Marked shop, across the road of Hotel Jussan Tupa.

Based on the registrations the local organizers plan to organize a bus/minibus to pick up travellers to Kautokeino.

### Time table for public bus from Kittila airport to Enontekio (Jussantuppa hotel):

Every day: 13,40 (departure) – 16.15 (arrival Enontekio).

Price ticket one way: 31,40 Euros

19:39 (departure) – 21:50 (arrival Enontekio)

Price ticket one way: 30 Euros

Based on the registration and information on departure from Kautokeino, the local organizers could consider additional transport to airports.

Local transport within Kautokeino:

The organizers will organize local transport within Kautokeino between the different event venues, hotel and accommodation places.

## **ACCOMODATION**

**Thon hotel, [www.thonhotels.com](http://www.thonhotels.com):**

We have made a block reservation at Thon hotel valid until January 31.  
Booking code is "ICR".

Price single room NOK 1395 per night, breakfast included.  
Price double room: NOK 1695 per night, breakfast included.  
Email: [kautokeino.booking@thonhotels.no](mailto:kautokeino.booking@thonhotels.no)  
Tel: +47 78 48 70 00

**Villmarkssenter (Kautokeino Wilderness Center)**

Price single room: NOK 850, per night, breakfast included  
Price double room: NOK 950 per night, breakfast included  
Email: [vmsenter@start.no](mailto:vmsenter@start.no)  
Tel: +47 78 48 76 02

**Arctic Motel and Camping, [www.arcticmotel.com](http://www.arcticmotel.com)**

We have also made block reservation of cabins and rooms valid until February 15.  
Booking code "A1".

The cabins/rooms are winter insulated, fully equipped kitchen, living room and toilet/shower. This accommodation place is most suitable for groups, and those arriving Kautokeino by car.

Price depends on the size of cabin/rooms.  
The prices on their webpage are changed.

Email: [samicamp@me.com](mailto:samicamp@me.com)  
Tel: +47 48 04 09 97

It is also possible to book cabins, flats, accommodations through **Airbnb**.

One accommodation place has informed they will be on **[www.hotelbooking.com](http://www.hotelbooking.com)** after March 5. This regards a flat with room for 6 persons.

## **REGISTRATION**

All participants are asked to register as soon as possible. Registration form is to be found at [www.reindeerherding.org](http://www.reindeerherding.org) (go to Food Congress).

## **Temperature in Kautokeino in March**

Average temperature in beginning of March is -9 °C, and can vary between -9 °C to -30 °C.

We recommend those coming for the whole Food Congress week, to bring warm clothes and footwear, as part of program will be out-door.

## **Currency:**

All shops accept cash in NOK, Visa credit card, while some also accept Master card. There is an ATM (cash machine) for NOK and Euros.

## **Contact information on practical information:**

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Updated information will be posted on [www.reindeerherding.org](http://www.reindeerherding.org)