

# International Seminar 2013

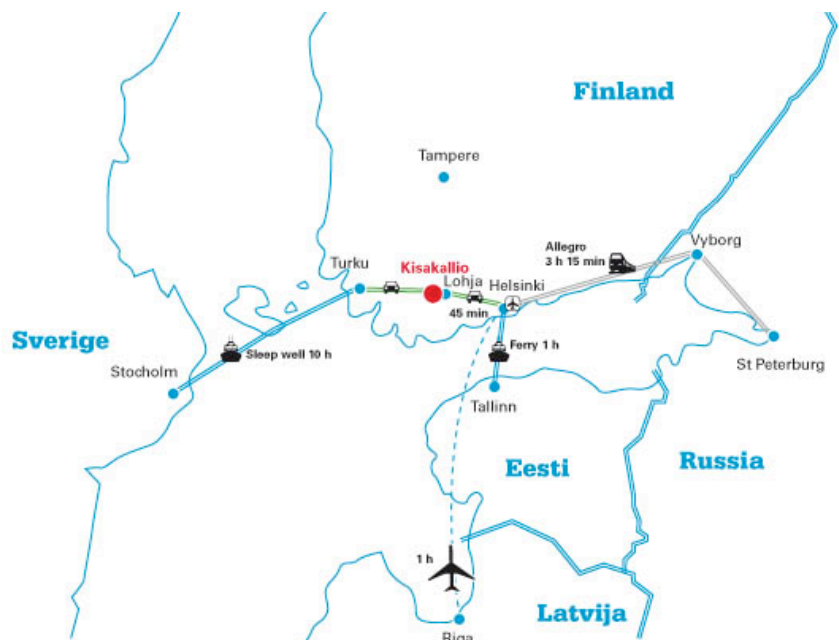
8-11 August 2013, Finland

## Location

The next international seminar will take place in *Kisakallio Sports Institute* near the City of Lohja, Finland.



It is easily reached by car, located about one hour's drive from Turku and approximately 45 minutes from Helsinki and Helsinki-Vantaa airport. For groups arriving by air or sea, bus transportation will be arranged from the airport or Helsinki harbour.



The Institute is well equipped for full-time sport activities, with several training halls, outdoor training areas and a restaurant providing buffet style meals. There is a cafeteria, a shop, and laundry facilities. Free Internet access is also available.

Full travel details will be provided on booking.

## **Accommodation**

The Institute provides recently built halls of residence for participants. Each room accommodates three people, and all rooms have showers and bed linen. Please bring your own towels.



Information: [www.kisakallio.fi](http://www.kisakallio.fi)

## Programme

Registration is on Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August in the Sports Institute. The seminar will officially open on Friday morning. Over the weekend we will offer several classes in different groups according to your experience level. The instructors will rotate between the groups. All participants will train together in the first and last classes. The training will include about five hours a day with a variety of weapons, karate, demonstrations by senior members and a lecture.



More than 200 participants are expected to attend the seminar from nearly twenty different countries.

The guest of honour will be Hanshi **Kisho Inoue**, Chief Instructor and President of Ryukyu Kobujutsu Hozon Shinko Kai (RKHSK), with several other Kobujutsu & Yuishinkai karate teachers from Japan and western countries. You will meet and train with the top Kobujutsu instructors of the world.

On Friday evening, after training, there will be a barbeque, music, and sauna by the lake. On Saturday evening there will be a party with live music. Additionally, the Sports Institute is situated in a beautiful lake-side location, and in your free time you have the option of playing tennis, running in the forest, swimming, fishing, canoeing or just relaxing at the bar. If you wish to spend the night outside the Institute, the capital city of Helsinki is less than an hour away.

## RKHSK Finland

The *Finnish Yuishinkai & Kobujutsu Association* is one of the largest and oldest European RKHSK branches, with nearly 20 member dojos. The Estonian and Slovenian Kobujutsu groups are also affiliated to the Finnish association.

Information: [www.kobujutsu.fi](http://www.kobujutsu.fi)

The honbu dojo of Finland is *Shaolin Dojo*, which is situated in the city of Turku and has more than a hundred karate students and several black belt holders. It is one of the rare RKHSK clubs with its own dojo.

The Chief Instructor of the Finnish Yuishinkai & Kobujutsu Association is **Ilpo Jalamo**, one of the few westerners who trained under the founder of Yuishinkai, **Gansho Inoue sensei**.

Information: [www.shaolin.fi](http://www.shaolin.fi)



The President of the World Kobujutsu Association, Kisho Inoue *hanshi*, is a regular visitor to Finland and has been an example to follow both in technique and in spirit. At right, Chief Instructor of the Finnish Yuishinkai & Kobujutsu Association, Ilpo Jalamo.

The co-operation between different Kobujutsu branches and their members was one of the hopes of the late Master Gansho Inoue. The feeling of *kokoro* (heart and soul) and friendship was his most important gift to his students. Kisho Inoue *hanshi* is following the same path and, together with the Finnish branch, welcomes all members of the world Kobujutsu family to join the 9<sup>th</sup> International Seminar in 2013.

More detailed information about the seminar will be published on the website [www.kobujutsu.fi](http://www.kobujutsu.fi) An official invitation will be sent to all RKHSK representatives by the end of this year. It will be the biggest event ever arranged for Kobujutsu practitioners in Europe.

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