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## DATA QUALITY WORKING GROUP (DQWG)

[A Working Group of the Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC)]

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Vice Chair: Vacant

Secretary: Vacant

**DQWG Letter: 01/2010**

**To DQWG Members**

Date 23 December 2010

**Subject: Future work of the Data Quality Working Group (DQWG)**

Dear Colleagues,

### Participation in the DQWG

1 The IHO Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC) had its second meeting on 26 - 29 October 2010 in Rostock, Germany. The meeting reviewed the reports of its working groups. The meeting confirmed that the work of the DQWG is important but noted that the progress of the DQWG has been quite slow and that the work of the DQWG would be enhanced if more active steps were taken by its members.

2 The current membership list is provided at Annex A. You are kindly requested to confirm your participation in the work of DQWG (Terms of Reference are available from the DQWG section of the IHO website - see [http://www.iho-ohi.net/mtg\\_docs/com\\_wg/TOR/DQWG\\_TOR.pdf](http://www.iho-ohi.net/mtg_docs/com_wg/TOR/DQWG_TOR.pdf)) by filling in the form at Annex B.

3 The positions of Vice Chair and Secretary are currently vacant. Please indicate whether you are willing to take on either of these two roles on the form at Annex B, to be returned to the DQWG Chair ([chris.howlett@ukho.gov.uk](mailto:chris.howlett@ukho.gov.uk)), copy to the IHB ([pac@ihb.mc](mailto:pac@ihb.mc)) by 31 January 2011.

### DQWG 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting on 5 November 2010

4 The 3<sup>rd</sup> DQWG meeting was held in Rostock on 5 November 2010 immediately after the Hydro2010 Conference. This meeting reviewed the outcome and guidance of the HSSC2 meeting, reviewed its Work Program, outlined its future work and decided the next DQWG meeting. The minutes of DQWG-3 are available from the IHO website (see [http://www.iho-ohi.net/mtg\\_docs/com\\_wg/DQWG/DQWG3/DQWG3\\_Minutes.pdf](http://www.iho-ohi.net/mtg_docs/com_wg/DQWG/DQWG3/DQWG3_Minutes.pdf)).

### DQWG 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting 14 - 17 June 2011

5 The DQWG will be holding a meeting to finalise the work being carried out this year and to formulate the future plan. The meeting will take place between 14 and 17 June, 2011 at the headquarters of the Finnish Transport Agency, Helsinki, Finland. It is strongly advised that all

members of the DQWG consider attending this meeting. The draft agenda for DQWG-4 is at Annex C while logistics information for the meeting is at Annex D.

6 Those who plan to participate in the meeting are requested to forward the registration form at Annex E, duly filled, to the DQWG Chair ([chris.howlett@ukho.gov.uk](mailto:chris.howlett@ukho.gov.uk)), copy to the IHB ([pac@ihb.mc](mailto:pac@ihb.mc)) by 30 April 2011.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Howlett', is centered on a light gray rectangular background.

Chris Howlett,  
Chairman

Annexes:      A      DQWG membership list  
                  B      DQWG membership form  
                  C      Draft agenda for DQWG meeting in Helsinki 14 – 17 June 2011.  
                  D      Logistics for DQWG meeting in Helsinki 14 – 17 June 2011.  
                  E      Registration form for DQWG meeting in Helsinki 14 – 17 June 2011

**Data Quality WG (DQWG)****Membership List***(Updated 8 July 2010)*

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**DQWG Membership Form**

(to be returned to the DQWG Chair ([chris.howlett@ukho.gov.uk](mailto:chris.howlett@ukho.gov.uk))  
copy to IHB ([pac@ihb.mc](mailto:pac@ihb.mc)) by 31 January 2011)

**Member State:**

**Name of DQWG Member:**

- Do you confirm your participation in the Data Quality Working Group, as reflected in the existing membership list?

YES

NO

- Would you be willing to take on the role of DQWG Vice Chair?

YES

NO

- Would you be willing to take on the role of DQWG Secretary?

YES

NO

Comments (if required)

**Name/Signature:**

**Date:**

**Draft Agenda for DQWG 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
Helsinki, 14 – 17 June, 2011**

- 1 Open Meeting
- 2 Review analysis of Mariner's Questionnaire
  - a Agree what quality indicators are of value to the mariner
  - b Agree what method of portrayal is best for the mariner
- 3 Review analysis of responses to CL 17/2010
  - a Agree on what existing quality indicators need to be filled to support 2a
  - b Agree whether new quality indicators are needed to support 2a.
- 4 Review analysis of responses to CL 56/2010
  - a Agree a standard method for populating CATZOC from legacy data
- 5 Review DQWG ToRs
  - a Determine if the ToRs are still valid
- 6 Review DQWG work programme
  - a Review the status of the Task of the Work Programme
  - b Devise future work program to take forward decisions at items 2 – 5
- 7 Review DQWG Membership
  - a Determine if the DQWG has the correct skill sets to perform the future work programme
- 8 Discussion of the issues to be reported to the HSSC3.
- 9 Agree future actions
- 10 Decide location / date of next meeting (2012)
- 11 Close meeting

**Logistics for DQWG meeting in Helsinki 14 – 17 June 2011**

Place

Finnish Transport Agency (FTA)  
Opastinsilta 12  
Helsinki, Finland

Time

Meeting begins in Tuesday 14 June at 9:30 and it will be closed in Friday at 15:00 at latest.

How to reach

Helsinki-Vantaa international airport (HEL) has several daily non-stop connections from various cities in Asia and North America and of course from all major airports in Europe.

International railway connections via St. Petersburg, Russia

Ferry connections from Tallinn, Estonia and Stockholm, Sweden

Recommended hotels

There are several possible hotel choices with a variety of prices in downtown Helsinki and district of Pasila near FTA. Meeting place can be easily reached by means of public transport from all parts of Helsinki and surroundings.

Social program

To be announced later. FTA plans to host dinner on Thursday evening.

Contact information

If you need any further information, do not hesitate to contact:

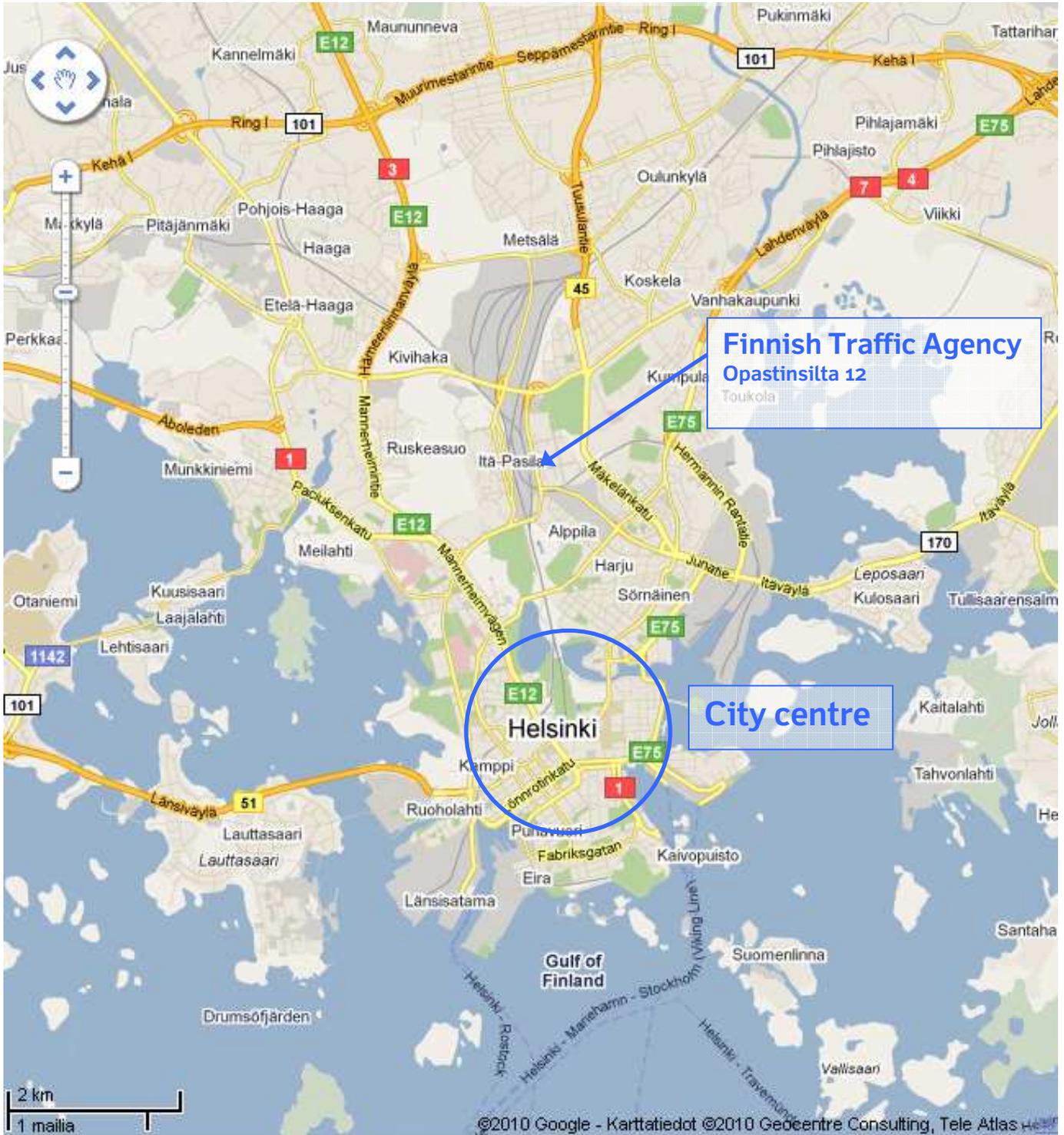
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Tourist information

[http://www.visithelsinki.fi/In\\_English/](http://www.visithelsinki.fi/In_English/)  
<http://finland.fi/public/>

# Finnish Transport Agency – Location Map

Helsinki-Vantaa  
airport  
(13 km further)



**Registration form for DQWG meeting in Helsinki 14 – 17 June 2011**

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**Member State:**

**Contact:**

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**Telephone:**

**Participant(s):**

**Name:**

**E-mail:**

**Telephone:**

**Arrival:**

**Departure:**

**Hotel:**