



**37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the  
Society for Invertebrate Pathology  
7<sup>th</sup> International Conference  
on *Bacillus thuringiensis*  
Helsinki, Finland  
August 1-6, 2004**

The Organizing Committee representing the Nordic countries of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden – fortified by our Northern European colleagues from Germany and Austria – looks forward to hosting the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the SIP and the 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on *Bt* in Helsinki, Finland during the first week of August, 2004. We invite our colleagues and friends to enjoy the warmth and beauty of the Nordic summer, the mysterious and long periods of dusk following the brilliant midsummer days, and the nightless nights only to be experienced at high latitudes. Combine that with the strong SIP tradition of scientific excellence and excitement, and the best social program of any conference that you are likely to have attended ... and you have an irresistible formula, which will highlight every participant's summer memories for years to come.

**Social program/activities for accompanying persons**

The main social events are included in the registration fee. A welcoming mixer this year is arranged at the end of the first full day, on Sunday evening ('first work, then

pleasure'). The 5k fun run/walk race is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, at lunch time, and it will take you through beautiful forest on a hilly terrain at the Solvalla Sports Training Center. Afterwards you can splash into a lake and/or take a Finnish sauna to wash the sweat off! This will be followed by excursions, also on Tuesday afternoon. Two choices are offered: (1) A quiet, guided walk in the Nuuksio National Park, located 30 km from downtown Helsinki. Here it is easy to enjoy the stunning beauty and solitude typical of the last large wilderness areas in Europe [located in Northern Finland]. For first impressions about the park, see

<http://www.metsa.fi/natural/nationalparks/nuuksio/>

(2) Another possibility includes a visit at the Marimekko™ factory outlet in Helsinki, followed by a quick tour of the Biosciences Campus of the University of Helsinki (including agriculture and forestry), and a stroll in the adjacent nature preserve: one of the best wetlands sanctuaries in the whole country [Viikki] with birdwatching towers and walkways.

Tuesday will end with a traditional SIP barbecue evening, this time at a typical Finnish locality on the seashore with good food, entertainment, and lots of fun!

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