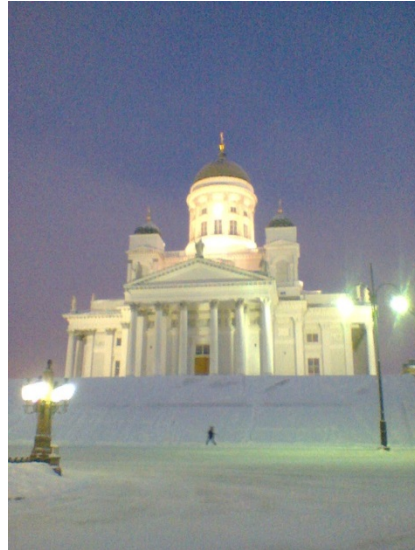


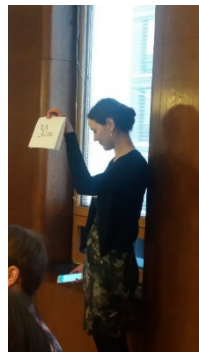
Helloooo Helsinki!

On the morning on November 9th I woke up with buzzing excitement about the upcoming MidStay day which brought 22 EuroScholars Students from across Europe to visit our snow covered City.



Welcome Toren Andrewson, Rachel Pringle, Isabella Catalano, Matthew Genzink, Christopher Choi, Elizabeth Aguilar, Mirna Kaafarani, Kasey Pham, Dominic Thorley, Tyler Hounshell, Lindsey Green, Amanda Ruggieri, Katherine Ngyen, Frank Loyo, Varun Ramakrishnan, Christina Sheng, Kaylee Johnson, Nelson Ding, Marissa Franke, Jake Hall, Rowan Matney and Michaela Kus!

Bright and early next morning we were busy preparing your presentation room for your research presentations:



Outi, our moderator kept time like a clock! Thank you Outi, thank you EuroScholars students for your laudable work, each and every one presented with a keen interest in your chosen topic.

Elsewhere in the university, meetings were held by our distinguished EuroScholars Consortium and Board members respectively: Claudia Ruegger, Jean Schleiss, Yasmine Inauen, Minna Koutaniemi, Jeroen 't Hart , Jeroen Frietman , Usha Mohunlol (Coordinator EuroScholars Office) and Bart Hendrickx (Chair).

At the Helsinki Vantaa Airport, yet another group of EuroScholars, our Site Visit colleagues from USA , were warmly welcomed by our staff.



Welcome Angelina Palumbo, Daniel Gurnon, Elizabeth Terry-Emmot, , Katherine Perkins, Kristin Beavers, Lois Johnson, Marielle Wijnands, Marisa Moazen and Emily Busse (Program Manager, Euroscholars USA) !

After an informative city campus tour by our U Helsinki guides we proceeded to enjoy warm collegiality over Finnish specialties at our University Ballroom.



A great time was had by all and many new collegial networks tied and renewed.

Friday morning woke us up by yet another fresh snowfall as we headed to our respective meeting places: students to Viikki Campus escorted by Tuula, and to Kaisa Library, hosted by Minna. A full day included presentations by U Helsinki research staff from our Teachers' Academy, Cognitive Brain Research Unit, Metapopulation Research Center for the Site Visit participants and Synthesis of Marine Bioactive Compounds and Their Derivatives, Evolutionary Genetics of Wild Vertebrate Populations for the students.



On Saturday, November 12th, after one final tour of the city we bid goodbye and look forward to welcoming you back! Until next time,



Bye bye!

.. and should you miss Helsinki – a warm, warm welcome back – any time of the year ☺

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/travel/travel_news/article-4012740/Nobody-right-minds-come-Helsinki-November-hilarious-poster-congratulates-visitors-badass-brave-Finnish-capital-winter.html

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