

In the event, we adhere to Aalto University's principles for a safer space.
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Instructions for non-academic Aalto staff, other invited guests and avecs 2026

Events:

1. Academic dances rehearsals

If you wish to take part in the academic dances (traditionally the Polonaise, Cicapo, Mignon, and Grande Valse), please attend at least one of the rehearsals in Dipoli's Kaleva Hall. Don't forget to bring a water bottle!

- Sunday 7 June at 17.00–19.00
- Wednesday 10 June at 18.00–20.00

2. Honorary Doctors' Talks – 11 June at 13.15–16.30, Marsio, Stage, Otakaari 2 A

As part of the Ceremony Week programme, the Honorary Doctors' Talks will take place on 11 June at **13.15–16.30**. The newly appointed Honorary Doctors in the field of technology give brief talks on the theme "Beyond Borders". The talks are held in English. There will be a short time for Q&A after each speaker. The event is open for everyone and is for free.

More information and registration (to avoid food waste) [here](#).

You can find the list of Honorary Doctors [here](#).

3. Moment of reflection – 12 June at 12.00–12.30, Dipoli, Lumituuli, Otakaari 24

Welcome to open the Conferment Day with a **Moment of Reflection** – a calm start to the ceremony. We will reflect on the themes of wisdom, human growth, and love, accompanied by inspiring texts and acoustic music. This event is organised by Aalto University and the Aalto chaplains.

Important practicalities:

1. Limited seats

During the Act of Conferment, seating in Kaleva Hall is limited. The Lumituuli auditorium has been reserved also for guests, where the event will be streamed using multiple cameras. Families with children, in particular, are encouraged to use Lumituuli, as it offers a more relaxed environment.

Please note, that doors to Kaleva hall will be closed at 13.00, after that all guests are directed to Lumituuli.

2. Streaming

The Act of Conferment will be streamed live starting from 13.00 on 12 June.

We will publish the link to the webcast on the [Conferment webpage](#) on 11 June after the rehearsals.

Please, feel free to share the webpage link to your family, friends and colleagues who cannot participate in the live event.

3. Promovendi book

The digital Promovendi book will be downloadable to everyone on the [Conferment webpage](#) after 12 June.

4. Photography

- **Professional photography during the ceremony:** During the Act of Conferment, our photographers will take pictures.
- **Taking your own photos:** guests and staff may take pictures and selfies before and after the Act of Conferment. During the ceremony itself, photography is also permitted, but please do not use flash inside Kaleva Hall.
- **Sharing on social media:** Feel free to share your pictures on social media. Please use the hashtag **#AaltoUniversity** – this way you can also find photos taken by other participants.