

## OLOS POLAR CENTER

MUONIO, FINLAND

Olos Polar Centre of the Lapland Hotels is a meeting and conference centre of international standard. Along with the auditorium, seating 800, the conference centre comprises of smaller meeting rooms and a foyer suitable for reception events.

The Polar Centre commonly plays host to car shows and launch events. The northern climate in Muonio permits unique and exuberant driving conditions ideal for showcasing vehicles. To accommodate this the auditorium is built so that a car can be driven directly onto the stage.

The multifunctional hall can be used for a number of different events varying from cinema to dance productions, from concerts to theatrical performances, from company parties to formal meetings.

The hotel manager of Lapland Hotel Olos, **Sari Oja**, has been extremely pleased with the Olos Polar Centre. Ms Oja has found the auditorium to be a functional space and the acoustics accommodating to a number of purposes. For instance, the sound carries through the hall even without electrical amplification. "Albeit the auditorium is

<b>Client</b>	Lapland Hotels Ltd
<b>Started</b>	2004
<b>Opened</b>	2005
<b>Project type</b>	New construction
<b>Architect</b>	Architects Neva, head architect Pertti Neva
<b>Services by Akukon</b>	Acoustical and audio-visual design
<b>Akukon's team</b>	<b>Principal consultants:</b> Henrik Möller and Janne Auvinen

not ideal for acoustical music, even classical musicians have been extremely taken with the space", Ms Oja muses.

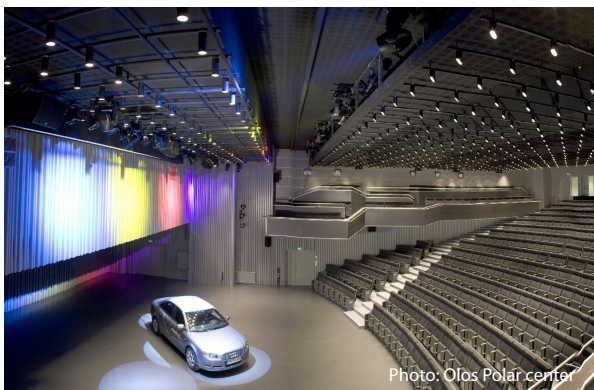


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