

**12 September: Background briefing on agenda items for informal meeting of EU ministers for economic and financial affairs (Ecofin) in Helsinki**

**Finland's Ministry of Finance is holding a background briefing for the media about the informal meeting of EU member states' economic and financial affairs ministers to be held in Helsinki on 13–14 September.**

**Date and time:** Thursday 12 September at 15.00

**Venue:** Press Room 1 on Level 0 of the Media Centre at Finlandia Hall (entrance K4 on the Karamziniranta side of the building)

The topics of the meeting will be explained by Permanent Under-Secretary **Tuomas Saarenheimo** from the Ministry of Finance. The event will be held in English.

This is a background briefing: the media are free to use all the information but may not quote Permanent Under-Secretary Saarenheimo. The briefing is open to all journalists. Accreditation for the meeting itself is not a requirement for attendance at the briefing.

The agenda for the informal meeting of ministers will cover:

- enhanced action on climate change
- hybrid threats and resilience of financial market infrastructure
- capital markets union – reboot
- EU fiscal rules
- energy taxation.

[EU finance ministers will meet in Helsinki to discuss climate change action and the financial sector's resilience to hybrid threats](#) (Press release 28 August)

Journalists with accreditation for the meeting or for Finnish government premises do not need to register. Badges must be presented on arrival and worn for the duration of the event.

Journalists without accreditation are asked to register at [vm-viestinta@vm.fi](mailto:vm-viestinta@vm.fi) no later than Wednesday 11 September. They will then be allowed entry on presenting a press card, an ID card from their media organisation or a mandate signed by the media they represent, plus an official identity card.

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