



TURUN
YLIOPISTO

Planetary Health Symposium

10.8.2026

Dentalia, Arje Scheinin lecture hall

8.00: COFFEE AND NETWORKING

8.20–10.00: SESSION I – MAJOR DRIVERS OF PLANETARY CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY

Overconsumption: From excess to enough – Julia Räikkönen, University Research Fellow, UTU

Population decline and reproductive challenges – Jorma Toppari, MD PhD, Professor, UTU

Keynote: Perspectives on planetary health – Sirpa Pietikäinen, Member of the European Parliament

—BREAK—

10.20–12.00: SESSION II – FUNDAMENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES AND PLANETARY WELL-BEING

Keynote: Health in the time of planetary crisis – Mikaela Grotenfelt-Enegren, MD, Chief Physician, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

Tick-borne diseases – Jukka Hytönen, Professor, UTU

Antimicrobial resistance – Antti Hakanen, Chief Physician & Director, Microbe Centre, UTU & Varha

Large language models for scalable mental health support – Shaoxiong Ji, Assistant Professor, UTU

—LUNCH—

13.00–14.00: SESSION III – FOOD FOR ALL, BUT HOW?

Resilient food systems – Saska Tuomasjukka, Senior Researcher, UTU

Sustainable food for health – Kati Hanhineva, Professor, UTU

—COFFEE BREAK—

14.30–16.00: SESSION IV – SUSTAINABLE FUTURES

Prerequisites for nature-positive travel and tourism – Esko Sorakunnas, Postdoctoral Researcher, UTU

Green infrastructure and multispecies well-being – Nora Fagerholm, Professor, UTU

Hope for the future? – Ricardo Henriques Correia, Assistant Professor, UTU

16.00: CLOSING OF THE SYMPOSIUM

16.05–17.00: REFRESHMENTS, NETWORKING, AND ENTERTAINMENT BY THE YOUNG ONES



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