FACTS ABOUT LAPLAND

Lapland higher education institutes are the northernmost in the European Union. There’s also an extensive network of vocational education in Lapland.

Arctic research and education e.g. University of Lapland, Arctic Centre, Lapland University of Applied Science, Lapland research institutes and The Sámi Education Institute.

Population in Lapland 2014

181,748 inhabitants (as many reindeer as people)

Under 1% of Lappish people speaks Sámi language as their native language, 74% of them lives in Northern Lapland. Sámi people are only indigenous people in the European Union.

Lapland is the largest region in the world to harvest organic natural products

99% of the forest area in Lapland qualifies as organic

Lapland has been proven to have the purest air in the world

Snow 210 days/year, Northern lights 200 days/year
Polar Nights and Midnight Sun 2 months/year

Tourism income in Lapland 2013

632 M€

Registered overnight stays in Lapland 2015

2,36 million

Source: Regional Council of Lapland, The Ministry of Employment and the Economy/ToimialaOnline statistics database, Arctic specialization program 2013, Regional economic prospects 2016, Arctic Smartness portfolio-project, ProAgria, Lapin luotsi