



Seminars on the Stage in the Swedish Pavilion

Thursday October 22

13h30-13h55 Opening of the Swedish Pavilion (Sida and the Ministry for Foreign Affairs)

Gunilla Carlsson, Minister for International Development Cooperation, and Anders Nordström, Director-General and Head of Sida, opens the Swedish Pavilion.

Launch of the new 'Omvärlden', Sida's Magazine (Sida)

14h00-14h40 The strategy of Silence (09-Network)

Promoting Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) is met with silence. What are the consequences of these politics? Invited experts, Karen Newman from the UK and Kasha Nabagesera from Uganda will discuss Climate change and LGBT Rights - two areas where SRHR voices are not heard. Thereafter follows a talk with Åsa Regnér, Secretary General of The Swedish Association for Sexuality Education (RFSU) together with Birgitta Ohlsson (FP) and Hans Lindé (V), two Swedish Parliamentarians from both political wings, about Sweden and the Swedish EU Presidency's role and responsibility for SRHR.

14h45-15h10 Who Profits from Sexual Violence in DR Congo? (PMU Interlife)

This seminar will focus on our work with raped women, with HIV/Aids, and the Women's house Dorkas. We will also present the "Voice of the Forgotten Women". Speakers: Maria Bard, Humanitarian, project Coordinator, PMU Interlife and Birger Thureson, writer of the book "Voices of the Forgotten Women".

15h15-15h40 Creative Force – Cultural and Visionary Encounters Africa-Sweden (Swedish Institute)

Mlle Aminata Kamara, Head of the Department of external relations and social action, Empire des Enfants, Dakar, Senegal. Ms. Joy Mboya, Executive Director, The GoDown Arts Centre, Nairobi, Kenya, will speak about their own experiences using culture as an instrument for development and present two different cases featuring circus training for homeless children at an orphanage in Dakar as well as a young urban culture centre promoting the expansion of the creative sector in Kenya. Compère: Anders Öhrn.

15h45-16h10 Poor Countries Losing Out in the Economic Crisis (Forum Syd)

Panel discussion about the global economic crisis and how it affects poor countries. The World Bank warns that 90 million people might fall below the poverty line as a consequence of the crisis. What are the implications of the crisis on developing countries? Are the solutions also benefiting the poorest? Speaker: Kenneth Hermele, Forum Syd

16h15-16h45 Swedish Business as Partner for Development (Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Swedish Trade Council and Swedish Chambers)

The business sector contains the key to the creation of the necessary growth and employment in the developing countries. But in times of financial crises money is not the only problem and cooperation is essential. The challenges of tomorrow can not be overcome without the public and private sector working together for development. We have gathered a panel of representatives for the Swedish business community to debate why and how businesses should be partners for development. On stage: Mattias Bergman, Vice President Asia, Swedish Trade Council, Charlotte Nyberg, Vice President and Head of the International Department, Stockholm Chamber of Commerce, Katarina Eriksson, Senior Analyst, Tetra Pak, Food for Development Office, and Jonas Helbrink, Partner, De Tulp. Moderator: Bo Jerlström, Ambassador and Head of Office for Project Exports, Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

16h45-16h55 Broadcasts from Round Table Conversation

16h55-17h15 Guardian Angels for Democracy and Human Rights – Do they Exist? (SweFOR)

International Accompaniment has been known since early 1980s as a method to decrease the level of violence and create space for and strengthen civil society organisations that struggle for peace, justice and human rights. SweFOR send peace observers to Guatemala, Mexico and Colombia, where they accompany Human Rights Defenders.

Sanna Svensson and Paulina Boija, two peace observers who recently came back from nearly two years in Colombia will share their experiences and views on the impact of international accompaniment. Compère: Eva Thyselius.

17h20-17h40 Religion and Development – Resource or Obstacle? (Swedish Mission Council)

The role of religion in societies - how faith communities can mobilize people for change. On stage: Eva Christina Nilsson, Secretary General, Swedish Mission Council, Petter Jakobsson, Education and Mobilisation Diakonia, and Elisabeth Hammarberg, Head of Communication and Fundrasing, PMU InterLife.

17h45-18h05 Trade, EPAs and Regional Integration (The Nordic Africa Institute)

Trade liberalisation and openness have been flagships of conventional economic policy advice to most African countries over the last decades. Much of the focus however has been on the impact of international trade on development rather than the requirements that development should inform the shaping of the international trading system so that African countries may be able to benefit from such trade. This view has permeated both academic debate and the Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) negotiations between the European Commission and African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) States. On stage: Dr. Yenkong Ngangjoh Hodu, Manchester University, and Christian Palme.

18h15-18h55 A Child Right's Perspective on Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (Plan Sweden, Save the Children Sweden, CONCORD Sweden, Global Challenge)

This seminar will focus on strategies and methods on how to secure children's rights in relation to our changing climate. In this seminar the audience will get an analysis on how the effects of climate change effect children's situation in general and children's rights in particular. Speakers: Mr. Avianto Amri, Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation Specialist, Plan Indonesia. MS. Sophapan Ratanachena, Programme Officer - DRR and Emergency, Save the Children Sweden South East Asia regional office, Bangkok. Compère: Mr. Carl von Essen, Secretary-general, Global Challenge, Sweden.

Friday October 23

11h00-11h35 Copenhagen: What's in it for the Developing World? (Sida and Ideas 4 Development)

11h40-12h00 Active Citizenship – Education for a Better World (The Swedish Guide and Scout Council)

The role of youth organizations in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

12h05-12h25 Double Messages – the EU, Trade and Human Rights in Latin America (Solidarity Sweden-Latin America, Stockholm Local Group)

This seminar puts the spotlight on how the processes surrounding the Econ Partnership Agreements with the Central American and Andean countries obstruct democratic influence and threaten basic human rights in Latin America. On stage: Francisco Contreras, president of Solidarity Sweden Latin America.

12h30-12h55 EPA – In Whose Interest? (Africa Groups of Sweden and Forum Syd)

Panel discussion about the negotiations of EU's trade agreements with African countries (EPAs). The EPAs are criticized for not promoting development in Africa. Are EU's trade policies coherent with the development goals? We will also give concrete examples of consequences of EPAs for southern Africa, for example in relation to rural development, agriculture and employment. On stage: Karin Gregow (Forum Syd), Johan Brattström, and Björn Viberg (Färnebo folkhögskola).

13h00-13h25 A Society for All (Shia and MSB)

13.05-13.15 Performance: "I have a dream" – Martin Luther King's immortal speech in sign language; adapted and performed by members from Tyst teater /Riksteatern, directed by Josette Bushell Mingo.

13.15-13.25 Who do we Save First? Good Practise on How Relief Organizations can Respond to Disabled Persons Needs.

Roland Håkansson, Chair, Shia and Kjell Larsson, Head of the International Department MSB & President for the International Humanitarian Network. Moderator Tiina Nummi Södergren, Chair SRF.

- 13h30-13h55 Decent Work, Decent Life – Trade Unions and Poverty Reduction (LO-TCO Secretariat of International Trade Union Development Cooperation)**
- Decent working conditions must be at the centre of government actions to bring back economic growth and build a new global economy that puts people first. Seminar on how trade unions struggle for decent work, social justice and sustainable economic growth worldwide. With Lars Bengtsson, international secretary Swedish Confederation for Professional Employees, Anders Åhlin, international secretary Swedish Teachers' Union and Christer Wälivaara, international secretary Swedish Building Workers' Union.
- 14h00-14h25 Folkbildning, Active Citizenship and Development – Experiences from Swedish Folk High Schools (FOLAC)**
- Folkbildning, or popular education, is an important tool to empower people. Many of the Swedish folk high schools are engaged in raising consciousness on global issues in Sweden and cooperating with grassroots organizations in the global south. In this seminar we will show the magnitude and the variety of our educational experiences dealing with topics like fair trade, e-learning, gender equality and active citizenship. On stage: Caroline Andersson, Färnebo folkhögskola, Flor Bonilla, Färnebo folkhögskola - FENOCIN (National Federation of Indigenous Afro-Ecuadorians and Peasants), Dixon Romero, Färnebo folkhögskola – FENOCIN, Kalle Hedlund, MKFC Stockholm, and Kjell-Erik Börjesson, Röda Korsets folkhögskola.
- 14h30-14h55 Defending Human Rights Defenders – What Responsibility does the International Community have? (Swedish Foundation for Human Rights)**
- 15h00-15h25 CEDAW 30 years – Women's situation in Georgia (National Committee for UNIFEM, Sweden)**
- A seminar on the 30th jubilee for the UN Convention On The Elimination Of All Forms Of Discrimination Against Women. On stage: Maud Edgren-Schori.
- 15h30-15h55 The World in Your Classroom (Erikshjälpen and IM)**
- The children of today are the grown-ups of tomorrow. By teaching human rights and democratic values to children in primary schools, the Rafiki program takes aim at changing the world for the better: Rafiki is an educational program run by the Swedish aid organizations Erikshjälpen (ERIKS Development Partner) and IM (the Swedish Organization for Individual Relief). Information officers Andreas Hallman and Bitte Arréhn share their experience on how stories about the everyday life of children around the world can be used to rise awareness and inspire school-children and their teachers. On stage: Andreas Hallman, Erikshjälpen and Bitte Arréhn, Individuell Människohjälp (IM).
- 16h00-16h25 Burst my Bubble (PeaceWorks Sweden, former IKU)**
- This seminar focuses on the importance of having a youth perspective in politics. Burst my bubble is a campaign where balloons filled with thoughts on peace from our youth is handed down to the Gunilla Carlsson, Minister for International Development Cooperation. When the balloons burst these thoughts are spread, both physically and metaphorically. On stage: Gunilla Carlsson, Minister for International Development Cooperation and Hanna Hallonsten, former President of PeaceWorks.
- 16h30-16h55 Policy Coherence for Development (CONCORD Sweden)**
- Launch of report: How can EU make sure its foreign policy goes hand in hand with development? The EU member states have jointly decided that all policy areas affecting developing countries need to be coherent with development objectives, and not undermine poverty eradication. In October, CONCORD Europe launches a report on EU coherence policy, "Spotlight on Coherence", in which European organizations analyze and evaluate EU policy. The report focuses on five thematic issues – trade, climate, migration, agriculture and finance.
- 16h55-17h05 Broadcasts from Round Table Conversation**
- 17h05-17h50 Real Property Rights for Urban and Rural Development (the Swedish Mapping, Cadastral and Land Registration Authority and Swedesurvey)**
- The event will present and discuss experiences from projects aiming at strengthening real property rights for urban and rural population, especially poor people, women and other vulnerable groups like ethnic minorities through capacity building and institutional development. The discussion will include issues like planning for upgrading of infrastructure, establishment of land information, legalization and registration of informally established settlements, and possibilities for financing. Speakers: Timothy Hakuyu, Town Clerk in Lusaka, Zambia, Tommy Österberg, technical director at the International Services Unit at Lantmäteriet (the Swedish Mapping, Cadastral and Land Registration Authority).

17h55-18h15 Europe and the New Scramble for Africa – Europe,Africa Strategy for Cooperation (Swedish Development Forum)

To make the Joint African Union -EU Strategy (JAES) work, grand ambitions need to be translated into strong institutions, capacities and resources that are able to generate concrete results for Africa. After almost two years in the life-span of the JAES and just one year away from the third Africa-EU Summit (2010) it is important to take stock of progress achieved in the various partnerships. Join in the dialogue between Lennart Wohlgenuth, board member of Swedish Development forum (FUF, Föreningen för Utvecklingsfrågor) and Geert Laporte, Head of Institutional Relations at the European Centre for Development Policy Management.

18h20-18h55 1. “How can exchanges between universities in Sweden and developing countries contribute to joint development and mutual learning?” (International Programme Office for Education and Training, IPK)

On Stage: Jessica Olsson.

2. Civil society is not sufficient. - How ICLD works to support local governments and good local governance (Swedish International Centre for Local Democracy, ICLD)

A sustainable democratic society needs cooperation between different actors, where the civil society is but one among others. This seminar underlines the importance of continuous support of capacity development on a local level, mainly within existing structures. On stage: Birgitta Svensk, Secretary General of International Centre for Local Democracy.

3. Sustainability, equality and social justice (Swedish International Centre of Education for Sustainable Development, SWEDESD).

On Stage: Frans Lenglet.

19h00 Opening of the Swedish Reception (Sida and the Ministry for Foreign Affairs)

On Stage 'Touch of Africa'

Performance by 'Star Choir' and 'Triple and Touch'.

19h45 Gunilla Carlsson, Minister for International Development Cooperation