

THE SPEAKER

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Stockholm 30 September 2009

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Dato 5. oktober 2009 kl.

Dear Speaker, dear Colleague,

I am pleased to invite representatives of your Parliament/Chamber to attend a Conference for Committee Chairs, to be held in Stockholm on Thursday 12 and Friday 13 November 2009.

The theme for this conference will be the conditions for equal participation in politics and work for women and men. I therefore kindly ask you to forward the enclosed invitation from the Chair of our Committee on the Labour Market, to the parliamentary committee in your Parliament/Chamber responsible for issues relating to equal opportunities.

Yours faithfully,


Per Westerberg

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Invitation to:
Conference for Chairs of Committees Responsible for Gender Equality Issues
Conference on Gender Equality
Stockholm – 12-13 November 2009

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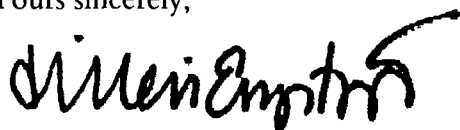
Simultaneous interpretation to and from English, French and Swedish will be provided.

Enclosed you will find the draft Conference Programme and general information. If you have any questions about the conference, please contact:
eu2009.genderequality@riksdagen.se

It would be very helpful if you could inform me whether your Parliament will or will not be able to participate.

I look forward to welcoming you to Stockholm

Yours sincerely,



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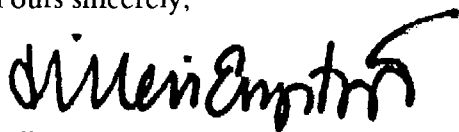
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Draft Programme
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Thursday 12 November 2009

13.00	Lunch
14.00	Opening and welcome, in plenum
14.10	Keynote speeches
15.00	Main speech on the theme Gender Equality in Politics
15.20	Question Time
15.30-16.00	Coffee
16.00-18.00	Workshops on the theme Gender Equality in Politics
19.30	Dinner for all participants of the conference at Solliden

Friday 13 November 2009

09.00	Introduction
09.10	Main speech on the theme Gender Equality in the Labour Market
09.30	Question Time
09.45	Family photo
10.00-10.30	Coffee
10.30	Workshops on the theme Gender Equality in the Labour Market
12.00	Panel debate on Gender Equal Participation in Politics and the Labour Market
12.50	Closing remarks
13.00	Lunch

General information

Interparliamentary Meeting on Gender Equality
Stockholm –12-13 November 2009

Accommodation

A number of rooms have been provisionally reserved at the hotels below. Delegations must nevertheless make their individual hotel reservations as soon as possible **no later 28 October at Scandic Hotel Sergel Plaza**. Please fill in the attached booking form and send it directly to the hotel to make your reservation. The hotel is within walking distance of the Riksdag.

Scandic Hotel Sergel Plaza

Brunkebergstorg 9
103 27 Stockholm
Phone +46 8 517 263 00

Fax +46 8 517 263 11
E-mail sergel.plaza@scandichotels.com
Web www.scandichotels.se

Arrival and departure

Upon arrival and departure, delegations are requested to arrange their own transport to and from the airport, and to and from the hotels.

From Stockholm's main airport Arlanda, the express train takes 20 minutes one way, and is the most convenient and environmentally friendly means of transport.

(www.arlandaxpress.com)

There are also airport coaches and authorised taxis just outside the entrance to the airport.

Delegations are recommended to use Taxi Stockholm, Taxi 020 or Taxi kurir.

Badges

A badge will be issued to each participant upon presentation of an ID document. All participants are requested to wear their badges at all times for security reasons, and to ensure access to buses, meeting rooms and receptions.

Services

Computers, telephones, Internet and fax services will be available in the vicinity of the meeting venue. Wi-Fi will be available inside and outside the meeting venue.

A qualified nurse will be available during meeting hours.

Meeting venue

The Former First Chamber, East Wing
The Swedish Parliament (Riksdagen)

Entrance: Riksplan

www.riksdagen.se

Contact

If you have any further questions please contact us on e-mail:

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Currency

The currency unit in Sweden is the Swedish krona (SEK). Most major international currencies can be exchanged at Arlanda Airport or at your hotel. All major credit cards are widely accepted in Sweden.

Bookingform for booking with ref: VIA091111, at Scandic Sergel Plaza 11-13 November 2009

Please fill in below form easy to read to make your reservation:

Name: _____

Arrival date: _____

Departure date: _____

Number of persons: _____

Credit card details (with exp date): _____
(to guarantee reservation)

Phone number: _____

Fax/e-mail: _____

Fill in requested room category:

- Single room – 2000 SEK per room and night (incl. breakfast and VAT)
 Double room – 2100 SEK per room and night (incl. breakfast and VAT)

Payment: By cash or credit card directly to the hotel.

To take part of above rates we kindly ask you to fill in and return this booking form to us as soon as possible, this in order for us to be able to guarantee a reservation. If reservation is made later than 28 October 2009 we are not able to guarantee space or rates as confirmed above.

Please return the booking form by fax +46 8 517 263 27 or email:

group.sergel.plaza@scandichotels.com

Requests without a valid credit card and expiry date will not be confirmed.

If cancellation of a reservation occurs later than 6 pm before the day of arrival as per above, expenses for whole stay will be charged to above mentioned credit card.

Cancellation is to be made by each guest individually.

If any No Show (*reservation has been made, guest is not showing up for checking, no cancellation has been made*) total value of reservation will be charged to above mentioned credit card.

Welcome to Scandic Sergel Plaza!

Confirmation of reservation (to be filled in by hotel):

Your booking as per above is confirmed: Reservation is not confirmed:

Booking reference: _____

Sign: _____

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Hotel Nordic Light

Hotel Sergel Plaza

The central Station

The Swedish Parliament, entrance Riksplan

