Agenda at the AGM in Stockholm, Sweden, 7-9 May 2010

Venue: Fryshuset, Mårtensdalsgatan 2-8, Stockholm. Subway station Gullmarsplan or tram station Mårtensdal. Approx. 10-15 mins walk from Quality Hotel Globe where all the guests will be staying.

FRIDAY 7 MAY

14.00-16.00 Registration

14.00-16.00 Election panel debate (open to the public)

Due to the upcoming Swedish elections in September 2010, we have invited representatives from the seven Swedish parties in the parliament to discuss HR. The debate will also be the launch of AI Sweden's summer election campaign – Wake the politicians.

16.00-17.00 Coffee break

16.15-16.45 Beginners meeting

New delegates are introduced to the meeting formalities and the working process of the AGM.

17.00-17.15 Introduction

Chair Anna Nilsdotter welcomes everybody to Stockholm, we proceed with some formal issues such as election of volunteers for the meeting (chair, secretary etc.) and the rules of order for the meeting.

17.15-18.45 The Amnesty year 2009

The Swedish section's annual report, the Swedish Amnesty fund's annual report, the Youth Council's report, the Internal Revision Committee's report etc.

18.45-19.00 Preparations

We decide upon the working committees and whether to accept late resolutions.

19.00-20.00 Dinner

20.00-21.00 Presentation of the nominees

This time, the Amnesty elections are at focus. The candidates to the Swedish board, the Amnesty Fund, and the Internal Revision Committee are presented and the members get a chance to meet them and ask them questions. This is also an opportunity for the international guests to introduce themselves to the AGM.

21.00-01.00 Pub

SATURDAY 8 MAY

8.30-9.00 Registration open

9.00-9.30 Practical information

9.30-11.00 Seminars

Three different seminars run parallel, see information below.

11.00-12.00 Swedish Amnesty 2016

Chrstine Pamp, (Swedish) member of IEC, explains the international work with the ISP 2010-2016 and how it relates to the GPS and the Swedish plan for 2010-11. The board thereafter presents their visionary statement called Swedish Amnesty 2016, which is open for the membership to alter/discuss at the AGM.

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-15.00 Working committees

The AGM divides into three working committees arranged under the headlines, policy, campaigns and working methods and; economy and organisation. The resolutions from the members and the board (including the document called Swedish Amnesty 2016) are discussed.

15.00-15.30 Coffee break

15.30-16.00 Speech

The director and the chair of Al Sierra Leone tells us about their work and how their section is organised.

16.00-17.30 Elections

The AGM elects the new board members to the section, to the Amnesty Fund, to the Internal Revision committee and to the Nominations Comittee.

17.30-19.00 Seminars

Three different seminars run parallel, see information below.

19.00-20.00 Dinner

20.00-21.00 Party

We listen to the Swedish artist Sidechild who recently released his debut album. Thereafter a DJ will play and the party's getting started!

SUNDAY 9 MAY

9.00-12.00 Decisions

The AGM gathers and the working committees present a summary of their discussions and their proposed decisions. The AGM votes on each resolution.

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-13.30 Speech

Iranian human rights activist and journalist Parvin Ardalan tells us about her organisation and their struggle for women's rights in Iran.

13.30- 15.00 Seminars

Three different seminars run parallel, see information below.

15.00-15.30 Closing

The time and date for next year's AGM is announced, the outgoing board members are thanked for their services and chair Anna Nilsdotter closes the meeting.

Information on the seminars

Saturday 09.30

WAKE THE POLITICIANS

The summer election camapaign is introduced by project coordinator Ida Wistbacka and Advocay Officer Maja Åberg. The campaigning at the summer tour together with artist Lars Winnerbäck, the so called polling huts (placed on public squares in the three largest cities of Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmoe) will be explained further and the methods for action discussed.

The seminar will be held in Swedish but we are happy to offer translation for those who wish.

ON LIFE AND DEATH - MATERNAL MORTALITY IN SIERRA LEONE

Violet Kawa and Brima Shreiff, chair and director for Al Sierra Leone talks about maternal mortality in their country and what has been done so far. Maternal mortality has been one of the main points around which the Swedish activities on the Demand Dignity campaign has been centred.

The seminar will be held in English.

THE HISTORY OF AMNESTY

We all have different stories about Amnesty, the world and our own lives. Perhaps you link your story of when you first got member of Amnesty to a cartain event in world poltics, or to the birth of your kid, the graduation of your brother or the national elections that year. Philosopher and professional storyteller Göran Hemberg guides us through the world of the stories in a workshop where we search our common history at the prospect of Al@50.

The seminar will be held in Swedish but we are happy to offer translation for those who wish.

Saturday 17.30

ESC RIGHTS, IN CONVENTION OR REALITY

Meghna Abraham, head of the ESC-team at the IS, tells us more about the ESC rights, how people can demand them, the duties of the states to uphold them and how we can demand accountability when they are violated. She will also talk about Amnesty's work with the MDG's.

The seminar will be held in English.

THE HISTORY OF AMNESTY

The same seminar as earlier on Saturday will be held once more.

WHO GOVERNS AMNESTY?

Questions of internal democracy, such as membership influence, possibilities to change things within Amnesty, and what we can do to cooporate better, are discussed in this workshop lead by former board member Lisa Moraeus, certified coach, with collegue Anna Hagstedt.

The seminar will be held in Swedish but we are happy to offer translation for those who wish.

Sunday 13.30

FORCED EVICTIONS OF ROMA COMMUNITIES IN ROMANIA

In 2004 a group of roma were evicted from their housing in Miercurea Ciuc in central Romania and were replaced in "housing containers" behind a sewage treatment works. The replacement was supposed to be temporary but five years later they still live there.

Cezara David from Romanian organisation Romani CRISS visits us to speak about the situation of forced evictions of Roma and how we can put it to an end.

The seminar will be held in English.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN IRAN

Iranian journalist and women human rights activist Parvin Ardalan goes deeper in to the situation for women in Iran. She was rewarded with the Olof Palme Award 2007 and will talk about the campaign "One Million Signatures for the Repeal of Discriminatory Laws", also known as Change for Equality. The campaign is run by women in Iran to collect one million signatures in support of changing discriminatory laws against women in their country.

The seminar will be held in English.

IMPUNITY IN SWEDEN?

The seminar focuses on the work against impunity and the Swedish laws on it. Anna Dahlbäck, lawyer and Amnesty member in the ICC-group, speaks with Tomas Ackheim, head of the War Crime Commission at the Swedish national police, about how to prevent Sweden from becoming a safe haven for war criminals.

Aside of Tomas Ackheim's current position he has served 32 years as a policeman, and also been working with the UN, as well as ten years at the war crime tribunal in Haag (ICTY) for the wars in former Yugoslavia.

The seminar will be held in Swedish but we are happy to offer translation for those who wish.