

PREPARATION COMMITTEE

The Preparatory Committee's tasks include receiving proposals from members and ensuring they are directed to the appropriate forum within the organization, as well as supporting members who request help in drafting motions for the Annual General Meeting. The Preparatory Committee is appointed by the Annual General Meeting.

*Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Catrine Arvidsson** (new election)*

*Alternate member (2025–2026) - **Ercan Koç** (new election)*



Posts whose mandate does not expire:

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - **Anders Helm**

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - **Amra Bairic**

PREPARATION COMMITTEE



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Catrine Arvidsson 71 years old, retired, former folk high school teacher. Lives in Skelleftehamn.

Catrine has extensive experience in organizational and association work, as well as political assignments and educational and cultural activities. She brings a wealth of knowledge in organizing, advocacy, and volunteer work, along with a solid understanding of the workings of our system of government and insight into others.



ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (NEW ELECTION)

Ercan Koç, 33 years old, grant writer and project manager. Lives in Uddevalla.

Ercan has worked for human rights in Istanbul with various organizations, focusing on freedom of the press and expression, LGBTQ+ rights, HIV, and sexual health for marginalized groups. He has served as both a project manager and grant writer.

Ercan holds a master's degree in politics and practice of Human Rights from the University of Gothenburg. He brings a strong awareness of intersectionality and can help ensure that members motions reflect diverse perspectives.

REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Review Committee is appointed by the Annual General Meeting to carry out an independent review of the activities of the Swedish section and the Amnesty Fund.

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Sam Bäfvenberg** (new election)

Alternate member (2025–2026) **Amanda Stjärnqvist** (new election)



Posts whose mandate does not expire:

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - **Niklas Eriksson**

Ordinary member (2024–2025) - **Katarina Jansson**

REVIEW COMMITTEE



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Sam Bäfvenberg (pronouns: hen or den), 33 years old, Secretary General of a youth/environmental organization. Lives in Stockholm.

Sam has extensive experience as a volunteer in associations and networks, often serving as treasurer or auditor. Sam hold a bachelor's degree in social anthropology with a focus on gender studies and public administration.

Sam believes that their experience across various organizational levels can contribute with an analytical and insightful perspective ideally helping Amnesty make more effective use of its resources.



ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (NEW ELECTION)

Amanda Stjärnqvist, 36 years old, monitoring officer at Folkbildningsrådet. Lives in Trelleborg.

Amanda has worked with quality assurance and internal control since 2021, first within study associations and now at the National Council of Adult Education. She holds a master's degree in political science with a focus on democracy.

Amanda has been actively involved in civil society throughout her adult life. She believes she can contribute with her expertise in systematic quality work, investigations and review processes.

BOARD OF THE AMNESTY FUND

The Amnesty Fund provides human rights assistance by supporting and empowering individuals and organizations who defend and promote human rights.

*Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Gabrielle Gunneberg** (new election)*

*Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Farhad Jahanmahan** (re-election)*

*Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Anja Grahn Avelar** (re-election)*

*Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Kasper Roszbach** (re-election)*

*First alternate member (2025-2026) - **Felicia Warttainen** (new election, previous ordinary member)*

*Second alternate member (2025-2026) - **Elisabet Johansson** (new election)*

*Third alternate member (2025-2026) - **Christine Evans** (new election)*



BOARD OF THE AMNESTY FUND

Posts whose mandate does not expire:

Chair (2024–2026) - Julle Bergenholtz-Foglander

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - Filippa Almlund

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - Alexander Admell

BOARD OF THE AMNESTY FUND



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Gabrielle Gunneberg, 45 years old, Head of the Global Division at Civil Rights Defenders. Lives in Stockholm.

Gabrielle aims to contribute to ensuring that those who stand up for human rights have the conditions necessary to continue their important work. She has worked with support for human rights defenders in various professional roles within civil society and international organizations, both internationally and in Sweden, for many years. Gabrielle can contribute relevant knowledge and experience in areas such as funding issues and organizational development.



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (RE-ELECTION)

Farhad Jahanmahan, 51 years old, PhD candidate. Lives in Stockholm.

For several years, Farhad has been engaged in human rights and aid issues in various ways. He has been involved in migration and the human rights of people with disabilities, both in Sweden and globally. Farhad is connected to networks of human rights defenders, as well as individuals who have been tortured, imprisoned, or affected by war, both in Sweden and abroad.

He can contribute knowledge and expertise from his grassroots work and his experience in various board positions within different movements, both in Sweden and internationally.

BOARD OF THE AMNESTY FUND



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (RE-ELECTION)

Anja Grahn Avelar, 38 years old, nurse. Lives in Malmö.

Anja has worked with human rights and human rights defenders for over ten years, primarily through fieldwork in Mexico, Guatemala, Colombia, and most recently in Palestine.

Anja has been a member of the Amnesty Fund's Board for the past three years. She brings with her valuable experience and knowledge of the Amnesty Fund's situation, which she will use to continue the important work that the Fund has started and is building upon.



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (RE-ELECTION)

Kasper Roszbach, 61 years old, Research Director at Norges Bank and Professor of Financial Economics at the University of Groningen (NL). Lives in Stockholm.

Kasper has worked for 20 years in the organization and management of public services, as well as financial planning. In addition, he has served as the Chair of a political party in Amsterdam. He believes he can contribute with financial expertise and strong governance.

BOARD OF THE AMNESTY FUND



**FIRST ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026
(NEW ELECTION, PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEMBER)**

Felicia Wartainen, 29 years old, PhD candidate in Political Science. Lives in Stockholm.

Felicia has been a member of the Fund's Board for two years, giving her good insight into its work and ongoing transformation processes. In addition, she has previously worked with human rights aid in a development context, including in Uganda, and is currently researching indigenous rights and Sami politics.

Felicia has also been active in various rights movements and the climate movement. She can contribute with a rights-based perspective that combines academic knowledge and activism, particularly in the areas of indigenous rights and climate issues.



SECOND ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (NEW ELECTION)

Elisabet Johansson, 46 years old, Development Leader. Lives in Falkenberg.

Elisabet has extensive experience in engaging with various voluntary associations, both as a volunteer in boards and as an employee. During her university studies, she dedicated much time and commitment to an Amnesty group in Malmö.

She holds a bachelor's degree in human Rights and has, among other things, worked on monitoring and reporting violations of international humanitarian law and human rights in Israel and Palestine. With her experience in government work related to civil society policy, Elisabet can contribute to the strategic development of the Fund.

BOARD OF THE AMNESTY FUND



THIRD ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (NEW ELECTION)

Christine Evans, 50 years old, Lecturer and Researcher at Juridicum and the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law in Lund. Lives in Malmö.

Christine has worked internationally on human rights for 25 years, primarily with the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, including in Latin America, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East. She has a strong legal background in rights analysis and a deep understanding of international processes and the development of human rights issues globally.

Christine hopes that her experience in analyzing individual cases and her network of human rights activists/organizations around the world can contribute to the work of the Fund.

THE SECTION BOARD

The Board is the highest decision-making body of the Swedish Section between Annual General Meetings. It is responsible for ensuring that the organization's activities are carried out in accordance with its vision and commitments, core values, and working methods.

Treasurer (2025–2027) - Daniel Lindholm (New election)

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - Agnes Hellström (re-election)

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - Zozan Sewger Kvist (re-election)

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - Ronya Memarzadeh (new election)

First alternate member (2025–2026) - Fatema Vanat (re-election)

Second alternate member (2025–2026) - Paulina Nybratt Sandin (re-election)



THE SECTION BOARD

Posts whose mandate does not expire:

Chair (2024–2026) - Ylva Löwenborg

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - Alve Högman

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - Susanna Sonander

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - Tanvir Mansur

THE SECTION BOARD



TREASURER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Daniel Lindholm, 48 years old, Head of Communications and Fundraising at Ung Cancer. Lives in Ekolsund.

Daniel has previously worked with and for Amnesty in several projects. He brings extensive experience from working at all levels with a wide range of organizations, European Green political parties, and trade unions. In addition to his daily work, he lectures in the Certified Fundraiser program (Giva Sweden/Berghs School of Communication).

Daniel believes he can contribute with his humanity, knowledge, creativity, and analytical skills, as well as his deep experience and understanding of what this work requires—what it costs and how to carry it out in the most sustainable, effective, and impactful way.



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (RE-ELECTION)

Agnes Hellström, 46 years old, Head of Communications at Fairtrade Sweden. Lives in Älvsjö.

Agnes served as the active Chair of Svenska Freds for six years, and before that, she was a member of the central board for five years. She is experienced in leading through turbulent and challenging times—without losing motivation or joy.

She is also accustomed to handling both major strategic issues and direct member-related matters. Agnes can contribute with enthusiasm and energy, drawing on her broad experience. During her years with Svenska Freds, she was active from grassroots level in the local chapter to the organization's top leadership, giving her perspective and experience from many aspects of civil society work.

THE SECTION BOARD



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Zozan Sewger Kvist, 42 years old, CEO (Ågrenska AB, Svb). Lives in Lerum.

Zozan has extensive experience in leadership and governance across government agencies, the private sector, and nonprofit organizations. This has given her a broad understanding of strategic development, financial sustainability, change management, and the practical aspects of leading complex operations.

She hopes to contribute with both strategic insight and hands-on experience. Zozan aims to help strengthen the organization's long-term capacity—both financially and structurally—so it can continue making a difference where it's needed most.



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Ronya Memarzadeh, 20 years old, student in secondary education, dance teacher, and board member of a sports association. Lives in Stockholm, Botkyrka.

Ronya has long been deeply engaged in human rights and social issues, and she sees Amnesty as both an important and inspiring organization.

Since childhood, she has taken on various roles, from being student council president in primary school to vice president of the student union in high school. Just over two years ago, she was also invited to join the board of a local sports association in her municipality. Ronya brings drive, dedication, and experience in board work.

THE SECTION BOARD



FIRST ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (RE-ELECTION)

Fatema Vanat, 38 years old, Coordinator at SOS Barnbyar. Lives in Stockholm.

With over 15 years of experience in social work, both nationally and internationally, Fatema has witnessed the growing societal divides and polarization. She has extensive experience in organizing and mobilizing. Passionate about creating opportunities for marginalized groups to have their voices heard in matters that affect them.

Fatema wants to help Amnesty grow and engage even more people in the fight for a more just world. As an elected representative, she believes she can contribute valuable knowledge and perspectives to Amnesty’s continued work on inclusion—especially in areas related to anti-racism and Islamophobia.



SECOND ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (RE-ELECTION)

Paulina Nybratt Sandin, 35 years old, Program Coordinator and Consultant. Lives in Gothenburg.

Paulina has been a member of Amnesty for about 20 years and was an activist for many of those years. She has served on the national board for one year and previously on the district board in Gothenburg. Paulina was also chair of an activist group focusing on economic, social, and cultural rights. She has extensive experience in change management and leadership within civil society. Paulina can contribute with expertise in transformation, change leadership, and intersectional analysis, and she is skilled in facilitating processes.

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee proposes candidates for the Section Board, the Amnesty Fund Board, the Review Committee, the Preparatory Committee, and the Nominations Committee.

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Henning Karlgren** (new election)

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Nina Kiani** (re-election)

Ordinary member (2025–2027) - **Dunia Ali** (new election)

Alternate member (2025–2026) - **Tora Törnqvist** (new election, previous ordinary member)



THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Posts whose mandate does not expire:

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - **Sandra Gidlöf**

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - **Tawar Dabaghi**

Ordinary member (2024–2026) - **Håkan Jörgensen**

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

*Henning Karlgren, 19 years old, student and guest host at Liseberg.
Lives in Mölndal.*

Henning has been active in Amnesty for several years, primarily in youth activism, and has held various roles such as group secretary, member of the National Youth Council, and member of the Nordic Youth Council.

He is currently studying at the School of Global Studies at the University of Gothenburg, where he has gained analytical and critical perspectives on topics such as power, activism, change-making, and justice issues.

Henning can contribute with a youth and student perspective on Amnesty's governance bodies and insights into what is needed within them. He also hopes to bring value through the network he has built during his time as an Amnesty activist.



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (RE-ELECTION)

Nina Kiani, 56 years old, Head of Planning and Building at the County Administrative Board of Västra Götaland. Lives in Gothenburg.

Nina is a social scientist and activist. She has many years of experience in governance and leadership from various public organizations. She also has experience from different local groups within Amnesty and is a volunteer leader and crisis supporter with the Red Cross.

Nina is willing to contribute her time, commitment, and experience in board work and volunteerism. She hopes that her knowledge of organization and leadership can be of use to the Nominations Committee in their work.

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE



ORDINARY MEMBER 2025–2027 (NEW ELECTION)

Dunia Ali, 35 years old, Political Science student. Lives in Sundsvall-Härnösand.

Dunia was active in Amnesty when she was new to Sweden, and this experience contributed to her outlook and belief that we can make a difference. Between 2013 and 2020, she was involved in several parts of the organization.

Today, Dunia has experience in both politics and campaign management and feels motivated to contribute to strengthening Amnesty so that the organization remains strong, relevant, and open. Dunia has held political positions and worked as a campaign manager, which has given her a deeper understanding of how to find the right people, build strong teams, and lead processes.



ALTERNATE MEMBER 2025–2026 (NEW ELECTION, PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEMBER)

*Tora Törnqvist, 34 years old, Engagement Specialist at the Red Cross.
Lives in Simrishamn.*

Tora is a lawyer with a focus on human rights and civil society issues. Professionally, she works on engagement matters at the Red Cross. She has held many different roles within Amnesty, including as chair and board member of the Section Board. She has been active in youth groups, served on the youth council, been a member of the district board, the campaign council, and represented Amnesty at several international council meetings (equivalent to today's Global Assembly).

Her extensive and diverse experience with Amnesty gives her a strong understanding of what is required for the various roles that the Nominations Committee recruits for. She has a broad network within civil society and a good sense of who would be suitable for different tasks.