



EUROPEAN UNION
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Presidency Conference

on Partnership and Social Dialogue
within the European Social Fund

Stockholm, November 19-20, 2009

Dear Madame/Sir,

In the framework of the Swedish Presidency of the European Union the Swedish ESF Council is organising a conference on the subjects of partnership and social dialogue.

I hereby have the pleasure to invite you to the Presidency conference on Partnership and Social Dialogue within the European Social Fund in Stockholm, November 19-20, 2009. The conference will take place at Hotel Skogshem & Wijk.

We are looking forward to welcoming delegations of 5 persons from each Member State. Delegations preferably should be composed of participants from the Member States' government/ministry, employers' and employees' organisations and social partners.

During the first part of the conference delegates will have the opportunity to broadly discuss the subjects in workshops. Eight workshops with different topics will take place in parallel, where best practices from Member States will be presented. The second part contains keynote speeches by Commissioner Vladimír Špidla and social partners, followed by a panel discussion taking into account conclusions from the workshops and looking into the future of partnership and social dialogue.

Please send your registrations to the website <http://eventus.trippus.se/esf2009> no later than November 10th 2009. Following the confirmation of your registration you will receive technical information (lodging, workshops, conference programme etc.). The Swedish ESF Council will cover the cost for travel and accommodation. In order to secure travel and accommodation for all participants it is vital that you don't delay your registration. Therefore you are encouraged to register as soon as possible. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ingela Ceder (ingela.ceder@esf.se tel: +46 8 579 171 22) or Katarina Nilsson (katarina.nilsson@esf.se, tel: +46 8 579 171 07) at the Swedish ESF Council.

I am looking forward to welcoming you in Stockholm!

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ANNEX: Draft conference programme