

Brussels - the capital of EU

Swedish Life Science Delegation April 15-17, 2024





Message from the organizers

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled for this opportunity to bring a prominent Swedish life science delegation to Brussels - the capital of the EU, this spring.

It is indeed an interesting time for a visit. Elections to the European Parliament are just a couple of weeks away, and a number of new directives and legislative proposals that will have a significant impact on our industry are on the table. During our visit we will meet with representatives of the EU Institutions, the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU, and organizations with great knowledge on how these institutions work and how to be successful in making your voice heard.

We hope that our visit will help to establish valuable connections and increase the knowledge on how to influence the legislative processes and EU institutions.

Let's connect!

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Short Bio Mia Tillgren Moreau

I am Head of Market Access in Sweden and in my position lies also the responsibility for Governemental Affairs. AbbVie is a patron company in AmCham and I am an active member of the Life Science Committee. I also have the Chair position of LIF Market Access Forum during 2024 so the life science topic is always high on my agenda.

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Amgen is one of the world's leading biotechnology companies. Amgen is a values-based company, deeply rooted in science and innovation to transform new ideas and discoveries into medicines for patients with serious illnesses.

Short Bio Laila Sjöström

Joined Amgen in 2020 as Head of the Swedish Value, Access, and Policy Department. Prior to Amgen, Laila held various roles across public and private sector. Holding a Master's in Pharmacy from Uppsala University, Laila is passionate about enhancing patient outcomes and shaping sustainable health policies.

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At Arjo, we believe quality care starts with empowering movement in healthcare. Our products and solutions promote safe and dignified care, as well as the prevention of pressure injuries and VTE. With 65+ years of experience and a global team of 6,500, we drive healthier outcomes for mobility related challenges.

Short Bio Ulrika Olsson

Clinically trained physiotherapist with experience from sales, sales management, marketing and education - now heading up governmental affairs in Arjo. Specifically focused on sustainable care, clinical and financial outcomes for patients, caregivers and care facilities within our area of expertise. Chairman of focus group HELP in Swedish Medtech and part of the board of Swecare.

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AstraZeneca is a global pharmaceutical business with a science-led and patient-focused value proposition, committed to excellence in the discovery, development, manufacturing and commercialisation of prescription medicines.

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Health Policy Lead, with a PhD from Karolinska Institutet, Sweden, and an MBA from Edinburgh Business School, HWU, UK. Engaged in policy work on e.g., health data, clinical trials, and health equity, as well as the Center for Resilient Health at SSE.

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With the vision "Health for all, Hunger for none" the German life science company Bayer has more than 150 years of experience and core competence in health and agriculture, aiming to contribute to the prevention, alleviation, and treatment of diseases, as well as to secure future food supplies with innovative products and solutions.

Short Bio Edvard Agrell

With Bayer since 2021. Master of Political Science from Uppsala University. Professional experience from the Swedish Permanent Mission to the UN, Ministry of Social Affairs in Sweden and five years at the Coordination Unit at the Prime Minister's Office in Sweden. Many years within the development sector, today on the board for the Swedish International Development Agency, Sida.

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Short Bio Staffan Gustavsson

Currently the Head of Market Access & Public Affairs, a member of the Management team and the Board of Directors at Boehringer Ingelheim AB in Sweden. He has held several positions within different departments in the company, such as Marketing, Sales and Enabling functions

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Bristol Myers Squibb is a global biopharmaceutical company whose mission is to discover, develop and deliver innovative medicines that help patients prevail over serious diseases.

Short Bio Katarina Beech

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Centigo is a leading management consulting firm on the Nordic and UK&I markets and part of the Business Wellness Group. Centigo has a stronghold in Healthcare, Healthtech and Life Science sectors with senior competencies in strategy, organizational development, people development AI and digitalization

Short Bio Staffan Östlund

Staffan is a senior advisor in healtchare and life sciences with responsibility for Centigo's international practices in healthcare & Life science. Staffan holds trusted advisor positions with senior management of leading hospitals, regions and sector companies. Staffan also holds significant experience from working with Ministries of Health, several UN agencies and NGOs.

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GSK is a global biopharma company. GSK prioritize innovation in vaccines and specialty medicines, maximising the increasing opportunities to prevent and treat disease.

At the heart is our R&D focus on the science of the immune system, human genetics and advanced technologies. We focus on therapeutic areas within vaccines, infectious diseases, HIV, oncology, and immunology.

Short Bio Maria Ericson

Have a Master of Science degree and working as Director for Government Affairs & Communication. Responsible for leading policy development and a public affairs team in GSK Sweden. Have broad experience from different positions within life-science and an entrepreneurial background as an CEO for a private healthcare and consultancy company.

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Isabella Palomba Rydén International coordinator +46 70 292 37 29 isabella.palomba.ryden@ki.se Karolinska Institutet is one of the world's leading medical universities. KI accounts for the single largest share of all academic medical research conducted in Sweden and offers the country's broadest range of education in medicine and health sciences.

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International coordinator working with European affairs, responsible internationalization and specific cooperation agreements. Background from Region Stockholm, the Government Offices and the Swedish Council for Higher education.

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Karolinska University Hospital, among Europe's largest, partners closely with Karolinska Institutet to pioneer medical breakthroughs, striving to surpass our current knowledge every day. As Region Stockholm's university hospital, we hold a global position in specialized healthcare, strengthened by extensive national and international collaborations.

Our dedication to fostering international exchange underscores our mission "to cure and relieve tomorrow what no one can cure and relieve today"

Short Bio Anna Sahlström

Head of Department for National and International Affairs/ External relations at Karolinska University Hospital, overseeing Partnerships, Collaborations, International Patient Office, Business Development, and Market Strategy. Also serving as a Steering Committee member of the European University Hospital Alliance (EUHA). With fifteen years of experience in healthcare, notable achievements include coauthoring the pioneering Swedish book on Medical Tourism: "Medicinturism — Gränsöverskridande sjukvård i teori och praktik" /Medical Tourism — Cross-border care in theory and practice.

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Short Bio Joachim C Alexandersson

I have been working in the Pharmaceutical industry for more than 20 years. Currently I work at Merck KGaA in Sweden as responsible for public affairs and communication.

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Our medicines reach more than 250 million people worldwide.

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Fredrik is the Director for Public Affairs at Novartis Sweden. Through various positions in public and private sector he has 25 years of experience in health and life science policy at national and European level.

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For more than 100 years, we have been translating the unmet medical needs of people living with a serious chronic disease into innovative medicines and delivery systems, like our insulin pens.

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Facts and figures

- 50% amount of the world's insulin supply we produce.
- 36m+ people using our diabetes care products.
- 600m+ number of insulin pens we produced.
- 50+ countries where we conduct clinical trials.

Short Bio Helena Anderin

I am passionate about health and improving healthcare for patients. I have broad experience from the life science sector - both from public affairs, market access, medical affairs and commercial roles. I have both pharmaceuticals and diagnostics. Currently, I lead the market access, public affairs and communication department at Novo Nordisk Sweden and am also dedicated 10% in LIF EU/Nordic group.

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Pfizer



Pia Steensland Director, Policy & Public Affairs, Pfizer Sweden +46 76 889 28 02 pia.steensland@pfizer.com Pfizer, is a global pharmaceutical and biotechnology corp, with headquarters in New York, celebrating 175 years in 2024. Through scientific innovation and tireless dedication, Pfizer strives to improve human well-being, one breakthrough at a time.

Short Bio Pia Steensland

Pia has a background as a pharmacist, PhD, Associate Professor, and is a former member of the Swedish Parliament. Pia has a passionate interest in shaping policy improving access of medications and vaccines to help others to a longer and healthier life.

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Short Bio Tobias Lundin Gerdas

I have a long background in the policy field with positions for Swedish governments but also in the Trade unions. I served as State secretary in the Swedish government 2020-2022 but also as a policy advisor for the former Swedish Primeminster 2017-2019. Since 2023 I have a policy lead position for Roche at the Swedish affiliate.

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Maja Fjaestad is associate professor from the Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), now affiliated with the institute for Future Studies as well as Karolinska Institutet. Maja was State Secretary for Health in Sweden during 2018-2022.

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Founded in 1969, Swedish Medtech is the trade association for the medical technology industry in Sweden. We represent 200 member companies, providing a unified voice for the industry. Our vision is for Sweden to be the world's most attractive country for medtech companies, which with value-creating innovations enhance patient safety and contribute to a sustainable healthcare.

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Swecare is a unique non-profit platform where academia, public and private sector join forces toward enhanced export and internationalization of Swedish health care and life science.

Swecare was founded in 1978 by the Swedish government and the health care industry together as a semi-governmental non-profit organization. Today, Swecare has more than 115 Swedish companies and organizations in its network.

Swecare's work is based on the triple helix model where academia, public sector, and private sector jointly address health care challenges. Joining forces and addressing problems from multipleangles in turn increases collaboration and international competitiveness of Swedish health care.

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