

# International Day of Democracy

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## Agenda

15.00 - 15.15

Official launch of the International Day of Democracy

- Mr. Joakim Stymne, State Secretary for Development Cooperation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs
- Mr. Jakob Simonsen, Director UNDP Nordic Office
- Mr. Vidar Helgesen Secretary-General, International IDEA

15:15 - 16: 30

Discussion panel 1: *Democracy and Diversity in Sweden*

Panelists

- Mr. Christer Hallerby, State Secretary Ministry of Integration and Equality
- Ms. Magdalena Streijffert, (s) Swedish Parliament - Riksdag Committee on Migration
- Ms. Hanna Hallin, President of The National Council of Swedish Youth Organisations
- Ms. Nejat Jaffer, Fredsagenterna (Peace Agent Project), Sensus och Ibn Rushd

Moderator: Mr. Oivvio Polite, journalist, writer

16:30-16:45 Coffee/tea break

16:45 - 17:15

Viewing of a short documentary on the Bolivia tour of *Concha tu Madre*, a Riksteatern production - using culture to build democracy. The documentary will be introduced by Ms. America Vera Zavala, author of *Concha tu Madre*, and include insights into the production's Bolivian experience.

17:15 - 18:30

Discussion Panel 2: *Democracy Building Today- New Challenges, New Approaches*

Panelists:

- Ms. Noha El-Mikawy, UNDP Oslo Governance Centre
- Ms. Rani Kasapi, Riksteatern
- Mr. Abdel Monem Mahmoud, Independent expert on Blogging and Bloggers in Egypt
- Dr. Zuhair Al Abd Al Alim Mohammed, Independent expert on Blogging and Bloggers in Yemen
- Ms. Keboitse Machangana, Senior Advisor International IDEA

Moderator: Amb. Maria Leissner

18:30-21:00

Wrap-up: Ms. Birgitta Englin, Head of Riksteatern followed by live music from the Riksteatern production *Mot Väggen (Head On)* by Hakan Vreskala and DJ Deleey in the Södra Teatern bar