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FIG Working Week – Integrating Generations

Including the Joint FIG–UN-Habitat Seminar on
Slum Upgrading and the Importance of Financial Mechanisms

2nd Announcement

Stockholm, Sweden
14–19 June 2008





Ulf Hinds – Stockholm Visitors Board

- Colleagues in the Stockholm region will invite you to their **private homes** for dinner.
- The **FIG Foundation dinner** will take place in the Vasa museum.
- The **Gala dinner** will be organised at the Grand Hotel.

This Working Week will be held only in English as the English language is very common in Sweden thus it is easy to travel around during your visit in Sweden. We highly recommend you to extend your visit to Sweden with a couple of days to meet colleagues either in Kiruna in the North or in Dalarna (Dalecarlia) during a **pre-** or a **post conference tour** to experience something special in the chosen part of Sweden. You can:

- Enjoy the never setting sun in the northern Sweden. In the light of the midnight sun you may experience the Kiruna church, the Icebar in Jukkasjärvi or the space technology and satellite station at Esrange.
- Celebrate the Midsummer in Dalarna with traditional dancing round the midsummer pole and other activities. It is an old tradition in Sweden to celebrate the longest night of the year and nowhere is it more traditional than in Dalarna.

A special programme for students will be prepared together with the Swedish students who are very active in FIG.

One of the technical tours will take you to the Headquarters of the National Land Survey in Gävle outside Stockholm. The hosting association SLF was founded in 1908 and has today about 1,800 members representing all surveying disciplines. Swedish surveyors are especially focused and advanced in cadastre and land management, geoinformatics, real estate management and valuation. SLF has been in charge for several FIG Commissions, recently very actively involved in Commissions 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9.

On behalf of the local organising committee and SLF I kindly invite you and your family to FIG Working Week 2008 *“Integrating Generations”* in Stockholm.

We will do our utmost to make your visit in Sweden memorable. Welcome to Stockholm!



Svante Asterno

President of the Swedish Association of Chartered Surveyors (SLF)
Chair of the Organising Committee

Invitation

Welcome to Stockholm 2008

Dear friends and colleagues,

All Swedish surveyors invite you to Sweden and Stockholm to attend the FIG Working Week 14–19 June 2008. We in the Swedish Association of Chartered Surveyors, SLF will do our very best to include Swedish flavour in the technical and social programme.

Summer is the right time to visit Scandinavia. In June the weather is normally very reliable while the most extensive tourist season has not yet started. You have the opportunity to experience Stockholm, the capital of Sweden, during the Working Week. We recommend to you to:

- Take a walk in the Old town, its narrow streets and shopping areas and the Royal Castle.
- Visit museums amongst them the Vasa Museum, the ship from 1628 that sank on its first journey.
- Explore unique buildings such as the City Hall and the Globe Arena.
- Take a boat trip to Drottningholm, the home of the royal family or to the famous archipelago.

We have paid special attention to make the **social events** memorable such as:

- Stockholm city gives a **reception** in the famous City Hall.



Dear Colleague,

The FIG Working Week 2008 – Integrating Generations will be held in Stockholm, Sweden in June 2008, the week before Sweden's most traditional celebration, the "*Midsummer*". This conference is hosted jointly by the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) and the Swedish Association of Chartered Surveyors (Sveriges Lantmätareförening, SLF), which will at the same time celebrate its 100th Anniversary.

I am happy to announce that the conference venue will be in the very heart of the city at the Stockholm City Conference Centre with all main tourist attractions within a walking distance and linked to the conference hotel. During this time of the year, the summer days in Scandinavia are long and the sunlight lasts more or less around the clock.

For FIG this Working Week is the main event in 2008 and at the same time the mid-term conference for the current Council. At the General Assembly we will elect new Vice Presidents and Chairs Elect for all Commissions, which will add some special excitement to the meeting in addition to normal decision-making topics.

The theme of the Working Week "*Integrating Generations*" fits well to the over all theme of the current Council "*Building the Capacity*". The technical programme will include all our ten commissions with special focus on land and tenure issues. According to the new conference structure the FIG Working Week 2008 will be a major conference organ-

ised together with a partner organisation. This time we are happy to have UN-Habitat as the partner. Together with UN-Habitat FIG will organise a Seminar on Slum Upgrading and the Importance of Financial Mechanisms. This is an issue placed very high at the global agenda in support of the Millennium Development Goals. This seminar will be a fully integrated part of the technical programme. We are happy to continue the long-term co-operation between FIG and the United Nations especially in Stockholm as Sweden has a long tradition in organising and supporting such international events.

FIG is grateful to the National Land Survey of Sweden (Lantmäteriet) and Swedesurvey who are the main sponsors of this conference also offering a platform for leaders of national cadastre organizations to meet during an FIG event.

I look forward to meeting you in Stockholm.



Prof. Stig Enemark

President of the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG)



also a showcase how Swedish surveyors have a strong interest in assisting surveyors and land related professions in developing countries.

To coincide with the FIG Working Week in Stockholm the FIG History Group will be arranging a day of papers on historical topics probably followed by a day of visits to appropriate places of interest.

Venue

The FIG Working Week will be held at the Stockholm City Conference Centre (Norra Latin). The former school Norra Latin, with bright and spacious rooms in unique renaissance surroundings, is centrally located in downtown Stockholm. The beautiful atrium – which is decorated by some of Sweden’s best-known painters – is the perfect place for conferences and exhibitions. The meeting rooms include the Pillared Hall, the Auditorium and the Music Hall as well as classrooms that fit perfectly for parallel sessions and workshops. See www.stoccc.se.

Important dates, fees and accommodation

The conference will be held 14–19 June 2008 just before the Midsummer celebrations. Dates for submission of abstracts and full papers and registration deadlines are as follows:

30 November 2007	Deadline for abstract submission for peer-review process
14 December 2007	Notification to authors
31 January 2008	Submission of full papers for peer-review process
31 January 2008	Deadline for abstracts without peer-reviewing
29 February 2008	Notification to authors
14 March 2008	Deadline for early (discounted) registration
31 March 2008	Deadline for submission of full papers for publishing
15 April 2008	Deadline for normal registration
16 April 2008 –	Late registrations

The registration fees will follow the FIG tradition, early bird registration option will be offered and special conditions will apply for students. Stockholm and the programme will also offer a lot for accompanying persons, so bring your family with you. Normal registration fees will vary from 450 EUR excl. VAT (early bird rate) to 550 EUR (late registration fee).

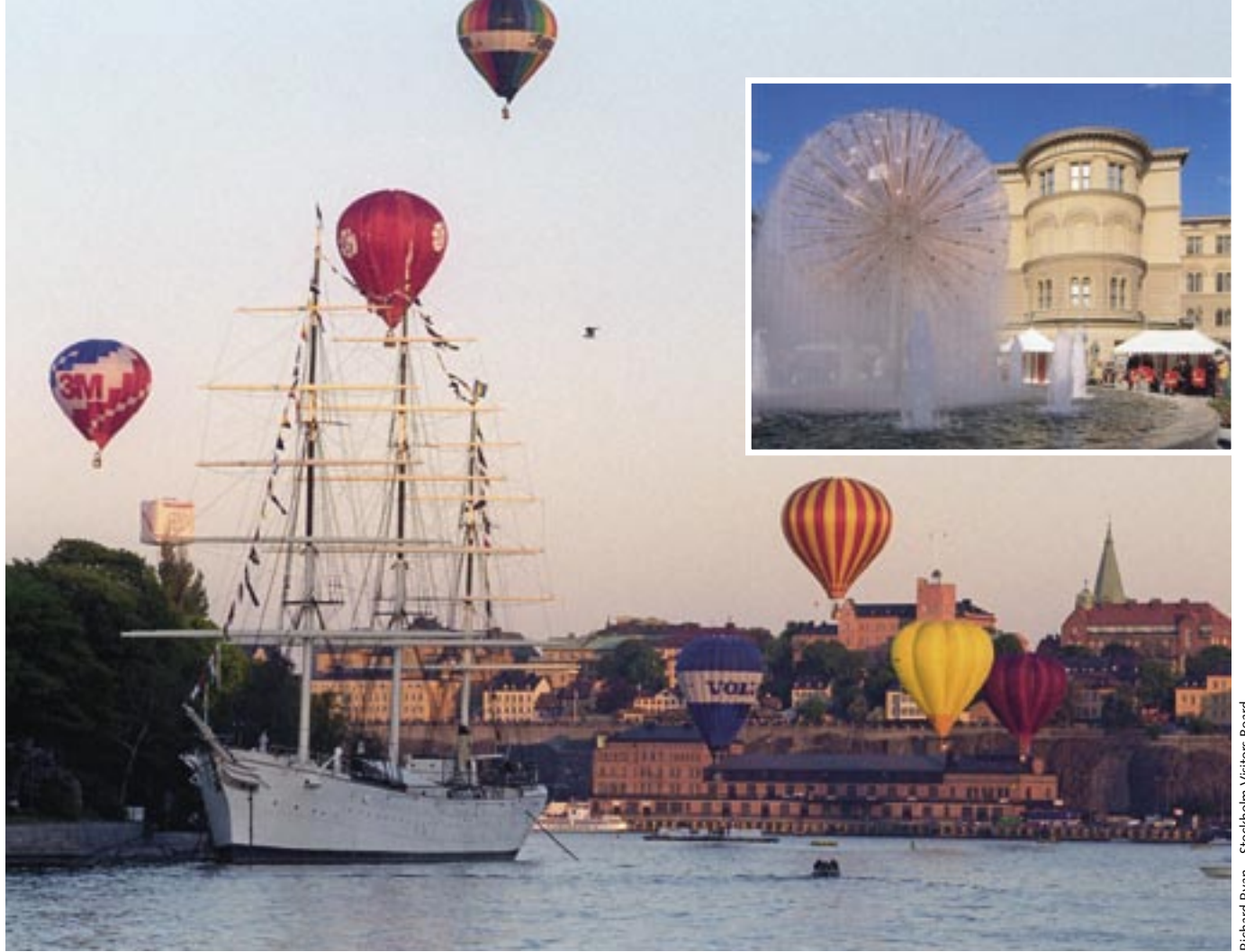
Stockholm can offer accommodation in different price levels and class categories. The Wallin Hotel has been selected as the conference hotel. It is located in the same block as the Stockholm City Congress Centre, with a direct access to the conference venue. For details, see www.wallinhotelstockholm.com/.

Integrating generations – call for papers

The theme of the Working Week is “*Integrating Generations*”, which addresses many of the issues facing surveyors in the next years. These include questions related to the need of getting young people interested in surveying and geomatics, how to keep the professional qualifications up to date, need for capacity building – all issues of great interest for FIG and the organisers. The theme can also be read more closely related to the profession itself: what is the role of modern technology in GNSS (Global Navigation Satellite System), geoinformatics, laser scanning etc. This fast growing technology will change the way of our profession.

All ten FIG technical commissions will attend the conference and papers are therefore requested to all the following topics: Professional Standards and Practice; Professional Education; Spatial Information Management; Hydrography; Positioning and Measurement; Engineering Surveys; Cadastre & Land Management; Spatial Planning and Development; Valuation and the Management of Real Estate; and Construction Economics and Management.

As Swedish surveyors are very successful in the fields of real estate management and valuation we are happy to announce that FIG together with UN-Habitat will organise a special seminar in conjunction to the Working Week. This is



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Programme

	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00–17:30		Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Departure for post-conference tour
9:00–10:30	9:00–17:00 ACCO Meeting Return from pre-conference tour	General Assembly (9:00–12:00 and 13:30–15:00)	Opening Ceremony (9:00–11:00)	Plenary Session Exhibition 9:00–17:30	Plenary Session Exhibition 9:00–14:00	Presidents' Meeting 8:30–10:30	
11:00–12:30	13:00–17:30 Registration		Plenary Session (11:30–12:30) Exhibition	Technical Sessions and UN-Habitat Workshops	Technical Sessions	General Assembly (11:00–14:00)	
14:00–15:30			Technical Sessions and UN-Habitat Workshops Exhibition	Technical Sessions and UN-Habitat Workshops	Technical Sessions	Closing Ceremony (15:00–16:30)	
16:00–17:30		Commission meetings (15:30–17:30)	Technical Sessions and UN-Habitat Workshops Exhibition	Technical Sessions and UN-Habitat Workshops	Technical Sessions		
19:00–		Welcome reception – City Hall	Foundation Dinner – Vasa Museum	Home visits	Gala Dinner		



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Social Events

The social programme includes a Welcome Reception at the Stockholm City Hall, the FIG Foundation dinner at the Vasa Museum, visits to homes of Swedish colleagues in the Stockholm region and the Gala Dinner at the Grand Hotel.

Welcome Reception at the Stockholm City Hall Sunday 15 June 2008, 19:00–21:00

Stockholm City invites the delegates to a Welcome Reception at the famous Stockholm City Hall with a buffet and guided tours. The Nobel Prize Banquet is one of many events in this building, which is one of Stockholm's most fascinating, impressive and aesthetically pleasing attractions.

Price: Free, registration required.

More information: <http://www2.stockholm.se/cityhall/>.

FIG Foundation Dinner at the Vasa Museum Monday 16 June 2008, 19:00–22:30

FIG Foundation Dinner will be organised at the Vasa Museum. Conference participants have the opportunity to take part in a private visit to this award-winning museum, which hosts the famous battleship Vasa, that sank 1628 on its maiden voyage. It was raised from the depths of Stockholm harbour in 1961 where she had lain for 333 years. Now fully restored, the royal flagship is a never to be forgotten experi-

ence. Guided tours in the museum and a buffet.

Price: 50 EUR.

More information: <http://www.vasamuseet.se>.

Home Visit to Swedish Surveyors Tuesday 17 June, 19:00–22:30

On Tuesday evening you have the opportunity to visit the homes of Swedish surveyors living in the Stockholm region over a dinner and get to know Swedish and international colleagues in a more relaxed atmosphere. Name and address of your host will be given when you register to the conference at the conference centre.

Price: 20 EUR.

Gala Dinner at the Grand Hotel – Winter Garden Wednesday 18 June, 19:00–24:00

The Gala Dinner will take place at the Grand Hotel, which is the most well-known hotel in Stockholm. The hotel opened for the first time in 1874 and has a long and fascinating history. The rooms and interiors are unique, as is the hotel's location in the centre of Stockholm next to the water and with a view to the Royal Palace. Vinterträdgården, the "Winter Garden", is a magnificent indoor space that was opened in 1909.

Price: 110 EUR.

More information: <http://www.grandhotel.se>.



Technical tours

Technical tours will include a waterfront city planning tour by boat in the city archipelago of Stockholm to watch old and new housing projects. Technical tours will also be organised to the National Land Survey and Swedesurvey in Gävle and to the City Planning Administration of Stockholm where city surveying and cadastral services are carried out. Furthermore The Swedish Maritime Administration will offer an interesting technical tour to one of their centres for vessel traffic service (VTS).

Waterfront City Planning

Tuesday 17 June 2008, 9:00–12:00

A tour by boat in the Stockholm City archipelago to watch old and new waterfront housing projects.

Price: 35 EUR, limited to 50 participants.

Stockholm City Surveying Department

Tuesday 17 June 2008, 13:00–15:30

Study visit to the Stockholm City Surveying Department which is responsible for geographic information and cadastral services.

Price: 10 EUR, limited to 25 participants.

National Land Survey and Swedesurvey

Wednesday 18 June 2008, 8:00–17:00

Study visit to Lantmäteriet (National Land Survey) and Swedesurvey in Gävle (180 km north of Stockholm) to learn about the Swedish cadastre and land registration, geographic and land information, real estate taxation and geographic information techniques

Price: 45 EUR (lunch included), limited to 40 participants.

Swedish Maritime Administration

Wednesday 18 June 2008, 8:30–12:30

Study visit to the Swedish Maritime Administration's new centre for vessel traffic service (VTS) in Södertälje (40 km south of Stockholm).

Price: 25 EUR, limited to 20 participants.



Social programme and sightseeing tours

A number of special tours will be organized for the conference. For each tour a minimum of participants is required. Some highlights are listed here:

City Walk in the Old Town

You will explore the centre of Stockholm and especially the Old Town on foot. The experienced guide will give you all kind of interesting information about the places you pass, such as the Concert hall, the Opera House, the residence of the Swedish Prime Minister, the Royal Castle and the City Hall. The Old Town is the well-preserved area where the history of Stockholm once started and the guide will take you through the narrow streets and lively squares. We will hear about the life in these quarters from the 13th century until our present days. Our guide will take you through Stortorget (Main Square), and will tell you about the Stockholm blood bath of 1520, as well as recounting the legend of St. George and the Dragon. After this we will stroll through the courtyards and lanes of the city's oldest section, sights which many visitors normally miss.

Duration and price: 2.5 hours, 7 EUR.

The Royal Castle Drottningholm

You will cruise on the calm Lake Mälaren in a very old steamship. On board you will enjoy delicious food and beverage in the restaurant, arriving at Drottningholm Palace, you will be welcomed by strong cultural Swedish history. The majestic garden, the Royal Theatre, and the Chinese Pavilion are works of art themselves. Guided tour both inside the buildings and outside in the garden. Drottningholm is one of the Swedish contributions to the World Heritage List and the

home of the royal family.

Duration and price: 5 hours, approximately 60 EUR including bus and boat transportation, lunch and guide.

Skansen Open-air Museum

Skansen is the oldest open-air museum in the world. Skansen is also a zoological park with e.g. bears and wolves. It is located on the island of Djurgården, a royal park near the centre of Stockholm. Over the years about 150 historical buildings have been moved here from nearly every part of Sweden. Most of them date from the 18th and 19th centuries. Visitors to the houses and farmsteads are met by historical interpreters in period costume.

Duration and price: 4 hours, 12 EUR including bus transportation, entrance fee and guide.

More to see

In addition to the organised tours it is easy to see Stockholm and the surroundings on your own. There are city-sightseeing tours by bus leaving from different places near the conference venue and a wide variety of alternatives to get acquainted with the city from the water.

You can also take a trip to the famous archipelago with thousands of islands. There are still several steamships in operation, the largest fleet of passenger steamships in the world. Tours of varying length and content are available.

There are a lot of museums placed in the city centre and you can visit many of them free of charge with the Stockholm Card. The card includes among other things free travel by metro, bus and commuter train. We will be happy to help you with information and cards can be purchased from the conference venue.



- Conference venue and hotels:**
1. Stockholm City Conference Centre
 2. Best Western Wallin Hotel
 3. Clarion Hotel Sign
 4. Nordic Hotels
 5. Rica Hotel Kungsgatan
 6. Rica Hotel Stockholm
 7. Scandic Sergel Plaza

Joint FIG-UN-Habitat Seminar on Slum Upgrading and the Importance of Financial Mechanisms



The prevention of slums, which represent an all too big part of housing globally, is an important part of reaching the Millennium Development Goals. Having no security of tenure and no access to functioning financial mechanisms, one billion people are kept from achieving an acceptable housing standard. Surveyors play a key role in establishing rights, and in linking functioning markets for housing and finance.

During two days of the 2008 Working Week special

attention will be paid to this in a series of sessions, jointly organised between FIG and UN-Habitat, in which the possibilities of the surveying world and the financial sector in changing this will be the main focus. What are the pro-poor tools that can be used in formalising informal rights and where have they been used successfully; which innovative financial solutions can be used in liberating capital for housing improvements; what do they require in the form of land administration systems are some of the questions for which we will seek answers during what is aimed to be a dialogue between professionals working within this broad spectrum of activities. You can participate in the preparations and dialogues by visiting the conference web site.



Pre-conference tour to Kiruna in Lapland

In the most northerly part of Lapland, 200 kilometres north of the Arctic Circle and some 1,200 kilometres north of Stockholm, Kiruna is surrounded by forests and moors, mighty mountains and thousands of lakes flowing slowly into winding rivers. This is the land of the midnight sun, shining for 100 days without night!

This pre-conference tour offers an opportunity to experience the unique mining and “space” town of Kiruna, its underground iron ore mine, the Esrange Satellite Station, the picturesque Jukkasjärvi village with an old Sami church and ice sculptures from its famous Ice hotel, the Sami culture based on reindeer herding, spectacular mountain scenery and more. You will also get acquainted with the bold plans to move and re-build the entire Kiruna City – in an effort to secure continuous iron ore mining.

You will arrive to Kiruna at about lunch-time on Wednesday 11 June. A bus will take us directly to the Jukkasjärvi Guesthouse for lunch. The afternoon will be devoted to the Esrange Satellite Station, where the Swedish Space Company will inform about and demonstrate their activities, such as receiving data from earth observation satellites, tracking and controlling satellites, as well as sending rockets and high altitude balloons to space. After that we will visit Jukkasjärvi and spend time visiting the old church, the Ice Art Centre and the old village, where you may try the traditional sauna and an extremely short swim in the Torne River. We will have dinner

at the Guesthouse, before going to the hotel. Later that same evening we will catch a view of the never setting midnight sun from the top of Luossavaara Mountain.

On Thursday we will pay a visit to the largest and deepest underground iron ore mine in the world, more than thousand meter downwards. The high tech mining methods will be demonstrated and a lunch is served in the underground cantina. Afternoon is dedicated to a visit to the nearby Space Building, where the National Land Survey of Sweden demonstrates satellite image production, remote sensing and advanced geographic information technology. We will also have time for a visit to the Sami handicraft centre, Matarakka.

On Friday morning we will travel by bus into the high mountains west of Kiruna. From the village Abisko we will go for a guided short walk in a spectacular natural setting, have a lunch in the field and learn about mountain flora, fauna and culture. In the afternoon the Sami culture will be the main topic, reindeer herding, mythology, handicraft and the traditional Sami jojk music. Dinner with Sami specialities will be served at the hotel.

Saturday morning early from Kiruna to Stockholm Arlanda Airport. You will be in Stockholm city well before lunch.

Price: Approximately 600 EUR, all inclusive.



Post-conference tour – Experience the Swedish Midsummer in Dalarna

Join us to explore the beautiful province of Dalarna in central Sweden, the most famous of all Swedish tourist areas. We leave Stockholm by bus Friday (20 June) morning and arrive in time for the Midsummer festivities in Rättvik at Lake Siljan. You will see the Swedes in their folk costumes, rowing in church boats, fiddle orchestra playing traditional songs and, of course, dancing around the maypole. It is an excellent opportunity to participate in the folk dances and experience the marvellous atmosphere during the magic Midsummer Night when the sun hardly sets. Get to taste a variety of Swedish dishes at a genuine Midsummer smorgasbord.

On Saturday we will continue to explore the scenic landscape surrounding Lake Siljan. The sightseeing will start with a visit at the Vasaloppet Museum in Mora, which will give you a glimpse of the spectacular 90 km long distance ski race. At the old-fashioned museum in Våmhus you will watch a very rare handicraft – jewellery made of hair. This handicraft with its origin in Våmhus was practised all over Europe and North America. At this museum skilled craftsmen also make high-quality wooden baskets.

In a beautiful mountainous forest area with a view of the country for miles you will get the chance to see bears, wolves and lynxes at the Grönklitt Bear Park. In the afternoon you will taste the unique atmosphere of traditional farm life in a chalet with a lot of cows, goats, sheep and horses in a wood-

grazing area. At the Nusnäs Dala Horse factory you can watch the horses being carved and decorated. The painted horses carved of wood have become a famous tourist souvenir and the symbol of Sweden. In the evening you will have the opportunity to socialize and mingle with your Swedish colleagues at an organized dinner party.

Sunday we depart for Stockholm, on the way we stop to visit the famous copper mine in Falun, we will arrive at Arlanda Airport at approximately 16:00 hrs. Embark on this voyage of discovery where many surprises are awaiting you.

Price: Approximately 400 EUR, all inclusive.





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