

Study Session in Stockholm

This year's study meeting of the Fédération Internationale took place in Stockholm from **17th to 20th August 2022**. After a break of two years, representatives of 11 national allotment federations were finally able to exchange their experiences and opinions in person on the topics of **"lobbying" and "cooperation with other organisations"**. The intensive, joint exchange with like-minded people brought new ideas and broadened perspectives for many.

Apart from the inspiring exchange of ideas, the opportunity could also be used to visit allotment garden sites in Stockholm. In the course of these visits the diplomas of the Fédération Internationale could also be handed over.















Programme Study Session Stockholm 17-20th Aug 2022

Wednesday Aug 17

- 9.30 Executive Board in C03
- 11.00 Coffee break
- 12.30 Lunch for the Executive board
- 13.00-14.30 Registration
- 14.30-18.00 General Assembly in C03
- 16.00 Coffee break
- 19.00 Dinner at hotel

Thursday Aug 18 – Lobbying work in C03

- 9.00 Introduction
- 9.30 Presentation example local lobbying in the Netherlands: How Tuinenpark Ons Buiten in Utrecht fought city plans for expansion – Ans Hobbelink
- 10.00 Presentation national lobbying, two examples from Sweden
 - a) Petition against pyralids (a group of herbicides) in Sweden 2022
 - b) Using our environmental programme as a lobbying/marketing tool - Ulf Nilsson, garden advisor, The Swedish Allotment Federation.
- 10.40 Coffee break
- 11.00 Workshops with "speed dating" questions – Eng/Ger in C03 and G14
- 11.30 Discussion of answers, all together
- 12.30 Lunch

- 13.30 Departure bus from hotel for visits to allotment gardens
 - Husby Gård incl coffee break
 - Långholmens Koloniträdgårdar where the diploma ceremony will also take place
- 19.00 Dinner at the allotment area Dianelund (across the water from the hotel)
- App 21.30 Bus back to hotel

Friday Aug 19 - Cooperation with other organisations

- 9.00 Introduction
Two presentations as inspiration.
- 9.15 Presentation:
New Allotment Developments in the UK
Phil Gomershall, UK
- 9.55 Presentation:
Examples of cooperation from the Swedish Federation
Ulf Nilsson, Sweden
a) FOR – The National Federation of Leisure Gardeners
b) Nordic cooperation – Invasive species
c) Potential cooperation financed by Erasmus?
- 10.40 Coffee break
- 11.00 Workshops with "speed dating"
questions - Eng/Ger in C03 and G14
- 11.30 Discussion of answers, all together
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Departure bus from hotel for Stockholm sightseeing
Visit to Vasa museum incl coffee break
Visit to the Carl Milles Museum
- 17.00 Departure back to hotel
- 19.00 Dinner at hotel

Saturday August 20

- 9.30 Plenary session in C03
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 10.45 Plenary session
- 11.30-12.00 General Assembly
- 12.00 Take away lunch for everyone and departure

Thank you all and have a safe trip home!