

# SWEDISH RURAL PARLIAMENT 2018

**18-20 May, Örnsköldsvik, Sweden.**

## Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May

**08h00-17h00** Field trips: good practices of local development. All trips depart from and finish at the Fjällräven Center in Örnsköldsvik.

**19h30-** Dinner at the Fjällräven Center i Örnsköldsvik. The theme is “With a taste of Västernorrland” as you will be invited to taste delicacies originating from the county of Västernorrland.

## Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May

**07h15-08h10** Spinning and stretching classes at the local gym Friskis & Sveltis.

**07h30-08h40** Guided tour in the town of Örnsköldsvik.

**08h00-08h30** Music and morning service with the bishop Eva Nordung in the Örnsköldsvik church.

**09h00-09h20** Welcoming and opening address for the Swedish Rural Parliament 2018.

**09h20-12h00** Thematic presentations in plenary concerning rural future: services, digital infrastructure, culture and local influence.

**12h00-13h00** Lunch time.

**13h00-15h00** The leaders of the Swedish national political parties are discussing rural policy.

**15h00-16h00** Coffee/tea break and visit to the exhibition.

**16h00-17h00** Seminars.

**19h30-** Banquet dinner and awards ceremony to amazing rural residents who have made a difference to their communities. Mingle from 19h30, the dinner starts at 20h00.

## Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May

**09h00-10h00** Seminars.

**10h00-10h45** Coffee/tea break and visit to the exhibition.

**10h45-12h30** Discussions in a form of the talk show. Participants in “The Sunday Studio” are: CEO for the Federation of Farmers, LRF, Anders Källström, former hockey pro Markus Näslund (born and raised in Örnsköldsvik), the poet Lo Lindström. Two researchers and a journalist will then comment on the party leaders’ dialogue on Saturday.

**12h30** Final lunch and good bye.