



## Events Calendar 2005

### January 2005

#### *Theatre Movement in Sweden (4 January)*

A seminar with presentations from different theatre groups in Sweden, followed by a discussion, with participants from “the Forum for Independent theatre groups in BA”, about the role of the theatre in today’s society.

#### *Interactions between the Muslim World and the West (15 January)*

A seminar organized by the Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs (Cairo), together with the Centre for Arab Studies (London), with participation by SwedAlex.

#### *Swedish Parliamentarians’ Delegation (16-21 January)*

Visit by members (MP’s) of the Commission on Foreign Affairs in the Swedish Parliament. Meetings are to take place in Cairo and in Alexandria.

#### *Youth Policies (31 January – 2 February)*

Preparatory trip by the Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs, Stockholm and the Council of Europe, in order to plan the up-coming event in September about Youth Policies. They will also meet with the Ministry of Youth and other local partners.

### February 2005

#### *Royal Swedish Navy Visit (2-4 February)*

An official visit to Alexandria by the famous Swedish Flagship *HMS Carlskrona*.

#### *Children’s Literature in the Arab World (13-15 February)*

To discuss a structure, methods and an action plan for how to develop Sida’s (Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency) Children’s Literature Programme with reading activities.

#### *Media Workshop (20-22 February)*

A workshop, in order to discuss and prepare regional media programs as part of the Swedish regional media programme (Sida, Swedish Institute and Olof Palme’s International Centre). The activities will focus on media for women and youth.

### March 2005

#### *Egyptology between North and South (21 March)*

A joint mini-workshop between archaeologists and Egyptologists from Uppsala University and the Graeco Roman Museum, Alexandria.

## April 2005

*Scandinavian-Arab Research Conference on Arabic Literature and Linguistics (13-15 April)*  
Nordic-Arabic conference, organized in cooperation with Uppsala University. Participants are from universities in the Nordic countries as well as the Arab world.

*Inauguration of the Anna Lindh Euro-Mediterranean Foundation (19-20 April)*  
Festivities in collaboration with the Bibliotheca Alexandrina.

*Arab-West Policy Dialogue on Common Security and Confidence-Building (25-29 April)*  
Conference organized in co-operation with Wilton Park, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, and the Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs.

## May 2005

*Dag Hammarskjöld, 100 Years (28 April-5 May)*  
An exhibition celebrating the famous Swedish UN Secretary General. Lectures are by political scientists and Hammarskjöld specialists from the Arab world and Europe.

*SwedAlex Board Meeting (12-13 May)*  
Venue: Stockholm.

## June 2005

*Literary Translation from Arabic (2-5 June)*  
Colloquium in co-operation with Göteborg University, Sweden. How to educate young translators and increase the flow of texts from Arabic to European languages, including Swedish.

*Equal Status and Human Rights of Women in the MENA Region (12-16 June)*  
The second phase of a Sida financed course administered by Raoul Wallenberg Institute in Lund.

## August 2005

*Second Meeting on Children's Literature in the Arab World (22-23 August)*  
Follow-up of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, Alex 13-15 Feb, 2005

## September 2005

*Academic Freedom in Africa and the Arab World (9-11 September)*  
Conference organized joint by UNESCO (the Regional Scientific Committee for Arab States of the UNESCO Forum on Higher Education, Research and Knowledge), CODESRIA (the Arab and African Research Center in Cairo), and the Swedish Institute in Alexandria, and hosted by the Bibliotheca Alexandrina.

*Youth Policy Seminar (11-15 September)*

Seminar about youth Policy in the region including participation from Sweden and new EU member states. The new Swedish Youth Politics will also be presented. A cooperation between The Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs, Stockholm, Council of Europe and Ministry of Youth, Egypt.

*The Arab Child Subject to Different Cultural Influences (25-27 September)*

A conference organised at the BibAlex by the Arab Council for Childhood and Development. Other partners are UNICEF and the Arab League. About 250 persons will participate and the aim will be to discuss the child in a globalized world in the framework of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

*Teachers' Training Programme (27-30 September)*

Seminar (in Swedish) with faculty from the Stockholm College of Education, led by Dr Eskil Franck. The programme at SwedAlex includes a lecture on "Islam and multiculturalism".

## **October 2005**

*International Research Cooperation (3-5 October)*

Visit to Sweden by a delegation of Arab research leaders for the annual meeting of the Joint Technical Committee for the MENA Research Links programme: Sida, the Swedish Research Council, ASRT (the Egyptian Academy for Scientific Research and Technology) and several Arab universities and institutions of higher learning.

*Next Step: Our Globalized Future (7 October)*

A conference in Stockholm on the occasion of the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Fund Jubilee. Presentation by SwedAlex director on the theme "Language or Cultural Studies?"

*Expert Group for Development Issues (26-27 October)*

The international Expert Group for Development Issues (EGDI), administered by the Swedish Foreign Office, are producing a policy document to be discussed at this workshop.

## **November 2005**

*Shari'ah and International Law (7-8 November)*

Seminar with Ambassador Hans Corell and leading legal experts and jurists from the Arab world, including the University of al-Azhar.

*SwedAlex Board Meeting (19-21 November)*

Venue: Alexandria and Cairo.

*The Welfare State as a Model for the Good Society (28 Nov –1 Dec)*

A comparative study of some contemporary societies basing their domestic policies on the idea of social welfare. Fifty Arab scholars joined by three Swedish colleagues. Co-organized with CAUS.

## December 2005

### *Alexandria Biennale (2-3 December)*

A multifarious cultural and scientific event (in Arabic) bringing together scholars and artists of Alexandria.

Venue: Bibliotheca Alexandrina; one session led by SwedAlex director.

### *SIPRI Yearbook 2005 (5 December)*

Launching of the SIPRI yearbook. Public events in Beirut, organized by CAUS. Lectures by Dr Alyson Bailes, SIPRI Director.

### *Violence, Foi et Dialogue Interculturel (4-7 December)*

A colloquium on fundamental motives for the Euro-Med Dialogue. Organised by ALF in collaboration with SwedAlex.

### *Training Seminar for Leaders of Palestinian Civil Society (12-18 December)*

Organised by ALF in collaboration with SwedAlex. Lecture by Sweden's Minister for Global Development, Mrs Carin Jämtin.

### *Film Festival (12-19 December)*

Jointly organized by all foreign cultural centres and will take place at the French Cultural Centre in Alexandria. Two Swedish films are to be shown.

### *The Philosophy of Freedom (20-21 December)*

Annual conference of the Arab Philosophical Societies under the leadership of Professor Hassan Hanafi (Egypt).