

STUDENT NEWSLETTER #1

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AMNESTY CALENDAR

20 JANUARY

Sista ansökningsdag för distriktsbesök av
Sektionsstyrelsen

(För mer info, se Insats #10 November)

1 FEBRUARY

Registration for annual meeting opens

9 FEBRUARY

Last day for nominations for the annual meeting

11 - 14 FEBRUARY

National recruitment project

10 FEBRUARY

Campaign education: Women's rights Umeå

15 FEBRUARY

Deadline for motions for the Annual meeting

15 - 17 FEBRUARY

National Youth Gathering

16 FEBRUARY

Campaign education: Women's rights Stockholm

23 FEBRUARY

Campaign education: Women's rights Gothenburg

24 FEBRUARY

Campaign education: Women's rights Umeå

2 MARCH

Campaign education: Women's rights Malmö

8 MARCH

International Women's Day

14 MARCH

Group secretary Meeting Youth Malmö

20 MARCH

Group secretary Meeting Youth Stockholm

21 MARCH

Group secretary Meeting Youth Gothenburg

16 - 17 MARCH

Educating Amnesty ABC lecturers, (registration form:
aktivism.amnesty.se/amnestyABC/)

8 APRIL

International Roma Day

22 APRIL

Last day to register for the Annual Meeting

10 - 12 MAY

National Annual Meeting in Gävle

29 JULY - 3 AUGUST

Nordic Youth Conference in Sweden



“ALSO HUMAN” -EXPOSED EU CITIZENS IN SWEDEN

ABOUT THE PROHIBITION IN VELLINGE -MATS ENGMAN

-The supreme administrative court in Sweden decided to let each municipality decide in their own if they should ban someone begging from the streets locally, if it disturbs the order. The court DID NOT decide that begging for money is equal to disturbing the order. But the municipality does not need to hand in a report or motivate on why they consider something or someone disturbing the order.

-Thus, it is not prohibited to beg anywhere in Sweden. But municipalities can ban a beggar from the street under certain circumstances. There are only two political parties, Sverigedemokraterna and Moderaterna who clearly advocate for this sort of prohibition.

-We have to work with advocacy and political influence in order to get the local politicians to look at the exposed EU citizens in another way than the court has chosen to do - AS HUMANS.

THE CAMPAIGN -AMELIA VINGQVIST

-The campaign “Also Human” will continue during 2019 as planned, but also include advocating against the decision of the supreme administrative court.

-Phase one focuses on the right to not be harassed by the police force.

-From January we will also focus on the right to have roof above your head and also work against bans being implemented by other municipalities.

-How? Call on local politicians, write motions to municipalities, and perform activities calling on everyone’s right to ask for help (freedom of speech).

-Ask Amelia or Mats for material and/ or read the report “A cold welcome”!

CAMPAIGN AGAINST RAPE & REMINDER TO REGISTER FOR EDUCATION ON THE CAMPAIGN -SANNA BLOMGREN

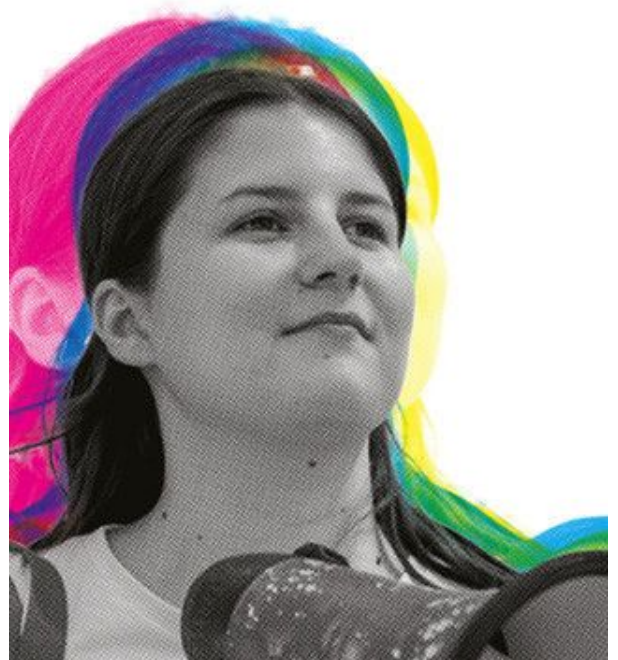
-Report release sometime in April

-Campaign education in Febuary! See calendar

KICK-START 2019 WITH AN ACTION FOR VITALINA KOVAL!

-Vitalina Koval is an activist in Ukraine who have defended women’s and LGBTQI’s rights for years. She was attacked by right-wing extremists last year, and now we have to raise awareness around her and other human right defenders being attacked, threatened and harrassed by right-wing extremists.

-All youth- and student groups have received material on the case, so start planning your actions. It is also an opportunity to recruit new members!



NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING & GROUP SECRETARY MEETINGS **BROSSNER SKAWONIUS**

-EMMA

-National Youth Gathering for you who are active in youth groups 15-17 of february in Stockholm! The theme will be the upcoming campaign on rape in Sweden and the Nordic countries.

-Last day to register the 14th of february:

aktivism.amnesty.se/utbildningar-och-moten/ungdomstraffar/

-In march there will be meetings for group secretaries in youth groups:

Malmö 14 march at 17.00, Amnesty Ledeburgsgatan 5

Stockholm 20 march at 17.00, Amnesty Alsnögatan 11

Gothenburg 21 march at 17.00, Amnesty Chalmers tvärgata 8

-Register at: [aktivism.amnesty.se/ utbildningar-och-moten/ gruppsekreterarkurs](http://aktivism.amnesty.se/utbildningar-och-moten/gruppsekreterarkurs)

NATIONAL STUDENT GATHERING -BEATRICE SHÖNNING



-The 30 november - 2 december, 43 students from all over the country gathered (for the first time!) in Stockholm for two days of seminars, lectures and workshops organized by the National student council. The weekend ended with a manifestation in solidarity with the Knifar women in Nigeria in the city center.

RIGHT'S TODAY: A THROWBACK AT 2018 -AMI HEDENBORG

-Amnesty states that 2018 was the year when women's rights defenders took the lead in human rights activism. We also alarm that actions taken by some of the world's leaders also have provoked anti-feminist, xenophobic and homophobic policies that jeopardize liberties and rights achieved years ago. The female activist have put up with the greatest opposition against these leaders. All over the world they have fought against veil obligations, abortions and sexual violence.

-This will continue during 2019, especially since the women's convention turns 40!



Abortion right activists demonstrating in Buenos Aires Foto: ©REUTERS/Marcos Brindicci

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TIME TO REPORT ON 2018!

All groups and districts within Amnesty must report on their activities and finances every year. To begin the year with a throwback is also a superb way for you as a group to clarify your work and evaluate your activities. It also provides a good foundation to set goals and plan for 2019.

SUMMARISE THE YEAR TOGETHER IN THE GROUP

A new year also means Annual Meetings for districts and accounting-groups, but all groups are recommended to book a meeting with the whole group in the beginning of the year that is focused on summarising your activities. The person responsible for economics should prepare in advance the financial report covering your income and spending, to then present it to the rest of the group. Elect one person in the group to take on the assignment of summarising your discussion and put it down in the form on activism.amnesty.se/rapportering. The Group Secretary is responsible to send in the report.

ACTIVITY REPORT

An activity report is done mostly for your own sake but it also needs to be sent to the secretariat. When you conduct it you summarise the year that has passed to get a perspective on all of the good things you've done. The easiest way to do it is through the earlier mentioned form on the website and the responses are also sent as a copy to your own e-mail.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING

All groups must also conduct an financial report including their income and spendings during the year. The accountaning-groups should send their economical report to the secretariat while the section-groups account for their finances within their group. Your finances must also be looked at by at accountant. More information about what an financial report should include can be found on *aktivism.amnesty.se/rapportering*

REPORT THE WORK ON INDIVIDUAL CASES

Does your group work with one or more individual cases? That's great – then we need to know what you've done and whether you've received any response. This work is reported separately through a form on the website or through filling out a template and sending it. Both the form and the template can be found at *aktivism.amnesty.se/rapportering*.

CONDUCT A LIST OF MEMBERS

How does you group look in the upcoming year? Make sure you know who's going to continue to be active in your group and update your list of members – a template can be found on *aktivism.amnesty.se/rapportering*. Perhaps you need to elect a new group secretary or treasurer for spring? Do you need to plan a time for recruiting new members to your group? You're welcome to get in touch with us at the secretariat if you need advice for recruitment!

PLAN 2019

When you meet up you might as well evaluate the past year and discuss how you'd like to work during spring. Perhaps you can set goals for what you'd like to achieve? Is there any activities and dates that you already are aware of that you'd like to set for the group? It could also be useful to discuss meeting-routines. An advice is to use the Amnesty calendar!

THE NORDIC COUNTRIES: IT CONTINUTES TO BE DIFFUCULT TO GET JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF RAPE – GET ENGAGED! - SANNA BLOMGREN

One of our main priorities this upcoming year is women's rights. During the spring, a report on rape and human rights in the Nordic Countries is released together with Amnesty in Norway, Denmark, and Finland. The report is an continuation of the report "Case Dismissed" that was released 10 years ago. Sweden has since then implemented a so-called law of consent – but we continue to see weaknesses in the judicial system in their dealings of rape cases. It is an important and exciting question to work with and we hope a lot of you want to participate in the work in the upcoming months.

We're currently in an hectic phase of planning and writing the report and are not yet sure which strategies of change we're going to work with. However, we're able to say that we're obviously going to campaign when the report is released and the first campaign peak is on the international women's day on the 8th of March. But before then we're going to hold campaign trainings! The trainings will offer factual information on the case in question and advice on how to engage in the campaign.

IF YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CAMPAIGN YOU NEED TO DO TWO THINGS:

1. Check when and where you can participate (the education is approximately between the hours of 10-16)
 - Umeå: Sunday the 10th of February
 - Stockholm: Saturday the 16th of February
 - Göteborg: Saturday the 23rd of February
 - Malmö: Saturday the 2nd of March
2. Go to Aktivistportalen and fill in the form that can be found under "Kampanjer & Aktioner" à "Kvinnors rättigheter"

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TRAININGS ARE HELD IN SWEDISH

If you have any questions, please contact Sanna Blomgren at
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