

Insats, English Summary, #7 September 2021

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23 AUGUST: Member consultation on strategic goals begins
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10 OCTOBER: World day against the death penalty (see Aktivistportalen for more information)
13-14 NOVEMBER: Activist seminar 2021

Autumn means new opportunities!

New term, end of summer, autumn is coming. No matter how you see it, it's always time to fight for justice. In order to do that we need to mobilise! Perhaps your group needs to recruit? Here are some tips on how to find new members!

1. Channels - think about what channels you use and what your target group is. Try to think outside the box. A great tip is to use Volontärbyrån!
2. Equal recruitment - it's important to think about how we welcome new members so they get the right introduction in order to participate in the group's activities.
3. Campaign - a good way to introduce new members is to combine activity with recruitment. Always plan an activity to invite new members to right away!
4. Education - make sure new members get to go Amnesty's introductory courses, Amnesty ABC.

More tips and material is to be found at [aktivistportalen](#), as well as our [current campaigns](#).

Restrictions due to Covid-19:

We continue to follow FHM:s guidelines. When you plan an activity, remember to keep yourselves updated through their website.

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Dawit Isaak: 20 years in prison

On 23 September, it will be 20 years since Swedish Eritrean journalist and author Dawit Isaak was imprisoned, and on this day we're going big - we want Dawit's case to get attention in order to put pressure on people in power for his freedom!

A few examples of activities are social media action, postcard campaigns and street art! Also, you can of course come up with your own ideas. Sign up your interest [here](#).

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Time for Change: Time to put pressure on Swedish regions!

Did you miss the last meeting for Time for Change? No worries, here is a second chance!

On 2 September at 18:00 there will be a new informative meeting, sign up here:

<https://aktivism.amnesty.se/forms/intressetraff-2-time-for-change/>.

Along with the launching of Amnesty's report [Time for Change: Justice for survivors of rape in the Nordic countries](#), in the spring of 2019, we introduced a campaign and advocacy work in Sweden. The aim was to put pressure on the Swedish police authorities to make sure that they improve the quality of their systematic work regarding rape investigations. The next step in our work against rape in Sweden is to ensure that healthcare facilities in all regions always offer long-term and safe healthcare to all victims; regardless of gender, age, gender identity, or geographical location.

Now it's time to start! The aim is to ensure that local political parties include and prioritize the issue of access to long-term healthcare for rape survivors in the election of 2022.

Do you want to join? Organisers have been assigned different regions in order to locally lead the work to improve health care for the victims. Come to this year's second information meeting and learn more about the campaign! Together with an organiser you will then analyse and plan on how you will continue your work. The meeting will be held in Swedish.

Sign up [here](#).

For questions, contact Julia Karlsson, julia.karlsson@amnesty.se

The FIFA World Cup in Qatar - Come to the planning meeting

In relation to the start of the European qualification matches on March 22, Amnesty has launched an international campaign about the World Cup in Qatar 2022. The campaign highlights the migrant workers situation in Qatar and it will run from March 2021 to the summer of 2023!

The situation in Qatar: 95% of Qatar's workforce are migrant workers. They are building the arenas, roads and subways, will work in the transport, hotel and restaurant industry and

with security on site. Everyone who travels to Qatar during the World Cup will be taken care of by migrant workers during their stay. Despite the fact that Qatar has implemented several reforms to improve the situation, thousands of migrant workers are still being subjected to harassment and are still being exploited by their employers.

FIFA: During the first part of the campaign we will focus on FIFA. FIFA has a responsibility to take action when people who work in different World Cup-projects are being exposed to work-related violations. Therefore, FIFA has to use its influence to call for Qatar to protect all migrant workers!

Come to the planning meeting! This autumn, Sweden will play qualification matches and some of them are taking place in Sweden. Here we see the opportunity to call attention to the human rights violations that are happening in Qatar. Come to the meeting and brainstorm together with other activists. The meeting will be held in Swedish.

Sign up here: <https://aktivism.amnesty.se/forms/kampanjplanering-vm-i-qatar-2022/>

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Join our work for an equal and sustainable climate change adaptation!

Do you want to be involved and work so that the climate change that must now take place does not strengthen colonial power structures or in other ways violate human rights? We are currently at the start of the work with *green* and ethical batteries and are looking for activists who want to join! Interested? Then participate in our digital workshop on 26 September where we discuss what work should look like in the future.

Amnesty has been working for a couple of years on human rights issues and lithium-ion batteries. We have revealed, for example, how cobalt extraction was based on child labor in the informal mining sector in Congo-Kinshasa and how very poor working conditions resulted in serious illness and direct death. The growing demand for "green" batteries not only has negative consequences for human rights but also creates new threats to the environment through pollution of mining areas, damage to the seabed and a growing mountain of waste due to inefficient recycling and less resource efficient design.

States and companies must be able to guarantee that "green and ethical" batteries are sustainable for both the environment and human rights. In February 2021, we launched [*Powering Change: Principles for businesses and governments in the battery value chain*](#), which aims to ensure that the manufacture of lithium-ion batteries does not contribute to a negative impact on either human rights or the environment.

In Sweden, there are companies and regions that work with energy conversion, among other things through sustainable procurement. We have mapped which actors we think we have the greatest chance of influencing. On September 26, we have a digital workshop where we decide how and based on what goals we want to work with ethical batteries in the future.

Are you interested in joining? Contact Karin Danelius at karin.danelius@amnesty.se

Come and raise your opinion!

It's time to raise opinions about Amnesty's upcoming strategic goals and what the organisation should prioritise during the period of 2022-2030. On 23 August the member consultation process begins and you should join. [Sign up here!](#)

For more information, contact Elisabeth Lundgren / elisabeth.lundgren@amnesty.se

New Activism Coordinators

Since the 1st of June there are six Activism Coordinators supporting and developing the activism and campaigning work. Each Activism Coordinator is the contact person for one region in Sweden.

In **Malmö** the employees are Fartun Andersson Ramnemo and Marianne Gyllenpistol. Marianne is the contact person in Lund, Halland, Jönköping and Kalmar - Kronoberg. Fartun is the contact person in Malmö, Blekinge and the rest of Skåne.

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In **Göteborg** the employees are Daniel Lundh (back from paternity leave on the 1st of September) and Julia Karlsson. Daniel is the the contact person in Göteborg and Värmland - Dalsland. Julia is the contact person in Örebro, Skaraborg and Norra Älvsborg - Bohuslän.

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In **Stockholm** the employees are Karin Danelius and Malin Högberg (who starts working on the 30th of August). Karin is the contact person in Stockholm, Uppsala and Mälardalen. Malin is the contact person in Östergötland - Södra Sörmland, Västerbotten, Södra Norrland, Gästrikland - Dalarna, Norrbotten and Gotland.

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Amnesty's Introductory Training

Next session in English will be this autumn, [check this page](#) for updates on dates and the link to sign up to.

For questions, contact Karin Danelius at karin.danelius@amnesty.se.

Guidelines for image management

Now we have information available at [Aktivistportalen](#) regarding image management and Amnesty's guidelines for how to use images, film and other visual material within the organisation's communication. The purpose of this is to make it easy to work with images and film in a standardised and legal way.

For more information, contact Julia Karlsson at julia.karlsson@amnesty.se

Virtual Global Activism Skillshare

Do you want to participate in an international exchange of experience with activists and staff from different parts of our organisation?

When: 18-22 October (daytime)

What: Workshops, seminars and exchange of experience about activism

Who: You should have had a leading role within Amnesty, during a minimum of one year, and be able to understand and speak English.

How: Online. You should be able to participate a minimum of 2 out of 5 days.

Want to know more and apply? Information and application form is found at [aktivistportalen](#).

The Secretary General informs

- In the spring, Amnesty Sweden invited 114 human rights organizations to a stakeholder dialogue. 32 organizations participated, including Afrosvenskarnas riksförbund, Funktionsrätt Sverige, Samernas riksförbund, É Romani Glinda and RSMH. The dialogue was led by Hanna Gerdes, a human rights lawyer.
- The participating organizations gave 19 recommendations to Amnesty Sweden. All recommendations and the summary of the talks can be read in the report "Leave no one behind - voices and recommendations for Amnesty Sweden's strategy 2022-2030". The recommendations will be used to formulate the Swedish section's operational strategy 2022-2030.
- During autumn 2021, Amnesty Sweden will invite Swedish members and activists to a dialogue on which issues Amnesty Sweden should prioritize in the future. More information is coming soon.