

## - The Voice of American Business in Sweden -

The American Chamber of Commerce in Sweden (AmCham Sweden) actively supports and promotes the interests of its members through its networks in the business community, political circles and the American chambers of commerce around the world.

Established in 1992, AmCham Sweden is a non-profit-organization with the primary objective of promoting U.S.- Swedish trade and investment and U.S. commercial interests in Sweden. From small startups to global corporations that represent a wide range of industries, our members comprise a dynamic community bound together by a shared commitment to fostering best practices and innovative ideas for business to thrive.

AmCham Sweden brings a unique value proposition to members by facilitating connections, influencing policy and delivering critical business information. Significantly, as a non-partisan organization, our advocacy work is purely issue driven.

### **Membership Benefits**

**Networking:** Business networking with Americans, Swedes and others in the business community is one of the primary reasons why our organization was created. We conduct regular meetings, arrange seminars, as well as host workshops and events that provide an abundance of networking opportunities.

**Professional peer-to-peer contacts:** AmCham Sweden facilitates cooperation between American business leaders and their Swedish counterparts. It also provides an effective way to expose employees to the international business community, thus enhancing their development. Our Corporate Responsibility, Finance, Human Resources, and Media Working Committees offer many networking opportunities and a vibrant series of programs focused on key business topics.

**Lobbying in Sweden and in the U.S.:** At AmCham Sweden events, you will frequently have the opportunity to meet high-ranking government officials and have your opinions and questions addressed personally. AmCham Sweden also has a close relationship with the Embassy of the United States in Sweden.

**Knowledge sharing:** We host a wide-range of activities focused on best practices in business and issues that are vital to the success of our member companies. Regular updates regarding ongoing negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) agreement between the EU and U.S. are provided to our members and distributed via social media and other communication channels. With TTIP as an overarching theme, we are engaged in a dialogue with policy makers to champion a competitive business climate that will attract the best R&D practices and ensure opportunities to commercialize innovative technologies, products, and services in Sweden.

**Compliance and regulatory assistance:** Our vision and strategy are focused on programs to support a robust and competitive Swedish business ecosystem and to enhance international trade. This includes providing information on Swedish business practices and taxes, as well as laws and regulations that are in force in the EU and U.S.

**Worldwide network:** There are American Chambers of Commerce worldwide. AmCham Sweden is one of more than three dozen country-based AmChams in Europe. We are also an organization member of the United States Chamber of Commerce in Washington D.C., which means that we have access to firsthand information and assistance with lobbying on behalf of our member companies.

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## - Working Committees -

Through the Working Committee system, AmCham Sweden facilitates collaboration between member companies within the same types of industries and business executives who have similar responsibilities and roles. This enables them to identify and address common issues and work towards achieving common goals.

### Corporate Responsibility

• The Corporate Responsibility Working Committee's primary objective is to promote thought leadership and share best practices in respect to corporate social responsibility, sustainable development and diversity. The committee also determines topics and speakers of interest for seminars and workshops.

#### **Finance**

 The Finance Working Committee's role is to influence financial policymaking, share best practices and enable networking opportunities in the Swedish finance community. The committee also determines topics and speakers of interest for seminars and workshops.

## **Human Resources**

The Human Resources Working Committee discusses the differences in HR from the perspective of U.S. companies operating in Sweden including networking, sharing of best practices. The committee also determines topics and speakers of interest for seminars and workshops.

#### Media

 The role of the Media Working Committee is to support AmCham Sweden's and U.S. businesses' positioning in Swedish media and to provide opportunities to share best practices that help advance the efforts of our member companies and network as a whole. The committee also determines topics and speakers of interest for seminars and workshops.

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## Security (OSAC Overseas Security Advisory Council)

The U.S. Department of State Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) promotes effective cooperation by
working to assist the U.S. private sector to better anticipate security issues, including identifying and tracking
threats, particularly those targeting private sector personnel, facilities, investments, interests, and intellectual
property. OSAC also aids in the development of new markets through the creation and accurate assessment of
current and future security environments. This is done in cooperation with the U.S. Embassy.

## **Mentoring Program**

 AmCham Sweden offers a mentoring program with business skills development, speaker sessions and mentoring by executives within AmCham member companies. The program is specifically designed to combine American and Swedish business perspectives to help guide young professionals who are interested in advancing toward leadership positions

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## **Membership Application**

| Name of Company   |                        |                     |  |  |  |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Name of President   |                        | .Email              |  |  |  |
| Name, position and email of additional contact persons, if any: |                        |                     |  |  |  |
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|   |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| Address   |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| Postal code   | Town                   | Country             |  |  |  |
| Invoice address   |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| Purchase Order number:  |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| Telephone   | .Telefax               | Webpage             |  |  |  |
| Most recent annual turnover                                     | (in Sweden) MSEK       | Number of employees |  |  |  |
| Established (year)  | Legal entity (e.g. AB) | Org. No             |  |  |  |
| Business description  |                        |                     |  |  |  |
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|   |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| Signature   | Date                   |                     |  |  |  |

Please note: Membership will automatically be renewed at the end of each calendar year unless terminated in writing not later than six months prior to the end of the calendar year.

For more information visit <a href="www.amcham.se">www.amcham.se</a> or contact Stéphanie LeNormand, Event & Membership Manager

Please return signed membership application to:

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# **Membership Dues Schedule 2015**

# **Corporate Membership**

| Total      | Membership Fee | VAT (25%) | Service Fee* | Annual Turnover |
|------------|----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| 3,950 SEK  | 200            | 750       | 3,000        | < 9.9 MSEK      |
| 10,200 SEK | 200            | 2,000     | 8,000        | 10-99.9 MSEK    |
| 15,200 SEK | 200            | 3,000     | 12,000       | 100-249.9 MSEK  |
| 31,450 SEK | 200            | 6,250     | 25,000       | > 250 MSEK      |

Individual Membership3,950 SEKNon-resident Associate Membership4,000 SEK

All employees of Corporate Members are entitled to the benefits of membership.

<sup>\*</sup>The Service Fee is deductible.