

# Hosted Conversations

*New ideas almost always emerge out of conversations. These can be well-prepared, but they can also be open, explorative, unexpected and on the fly. For participants who are not participating in the Re-designing workshops, a total of 30 Hosted Conversations are offered at different times during the Tällberg Forum. All conversations take place against the backdrop of the overall Forum theme of challenges we face in managing a successful transition to sustainability.*



Friday June 27th, 14.00-15.30

## HC 11

### The future of capitalism

Location: Tent

Unprecedented growth and prosperity for many, but continued poverty for billions. And what about sustainability? What is the future for market-based capitalism?

A conversation hosted by *Arun Maira*, Senior Advisor, The Boston Consulting Group, India and *Oscar Motomura*, President and Founder, Amana-Key Group, Brazil

## HC 12

### New legal minds

Location: Bystugan

As global interdependence speeds up and many issues can only be addressed at the global level, what are the legal implications? How can the legal profession become more engaged?

A conversation hosted by *Hans Corell*, Consultant, Mannheimer Swartling and Former Under-Secretary-General and Legal Counsel, United Nations, Sweden, with *Walter Amoko*, Lawyer and Partner, Inamdar & Inamdar Advocates, Kenya and *Hugo van Heemstra*, Independent Legal Consultant and Founder, Project 5D, The Netherlands

## HC 13

### The risks you must take

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

The need for individuals and institutions to stretch themselves to their utmost has never been more acute. But how can we operate at the efficient frontier of our risk appetite in thought and action to bring forth our best ideas and apply the courage and creativity to realize them?

An interactive workshop hosted by *Eric Best*, Eric Best Consultants, United States

## HC 14

### Youth - Entrepreneurship - Sustainability

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

There are one billion young people - 85 percent in developing countries - who are struggling to find productive work and to develop a sense of belonging in society. Which sustainable social and economic entrepreneurial opportunities exist?

A conversation hosted by *Caroline Stiernstedt Sahlborn*, Tällberg Foundation, Sweden, with *Dumisani Nyoni*, Director, Zimele Institute (ORAP), Zimbabwe, *Pindarous Allison*, Regional Coordinator West Africa, Youth Employment Summit, Liberia and *Hanna Hallin* Chair, National Council of Swedish Youth Organizations, Sweden

**HC 15****A sustainable end to hunger - Inspiring initiative**Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

Top-down strategies for dealing with poverty and hunger have failed.

For the past 15 years, the Hunger Project has developed a replicable, affordable, people-centered methodology that has proven successful for community development in rural Africa. This “epicenter strategy” is empowering millions by creating centers for community action to meet basic needs.

A conversation hosted by *Jill Lester*, CEO, The Hunger Project, New York

Friday June 27th, 16.00-17.30

**HC 21****An open conversation on China**Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

China: the largest population on earth, the world’s manufacturing hub, a rising middle class, a non-sustainable energy policy, a catastrophic earthquake and the up-coming Beijing Olympics. There are many issues to discuss with regard to China in 2008.

A conversation hosted by *Ling Huawei*, Chief of Financial Desk, *Caijing Magazine*, China

**HC 22****A new transatlantic dialogue**Location: [Bystugan](#)

No viable progress in the major dossiers that dominate the agenda can come about without a functioning transatlantic (and trans-pacific) dialog. With the up-coming US presidential elections and political uncertainty in several large EU-countries, what could the future hold?

A conversation hosted by *Jan Eliasson*, UN Special Envoy to Sudan, Sweden, with *José Maria Figueres Olsen*, Board Member, FRIDE, Madrid and Former President, Costa Rica, and *Peter Goldmark*, Director, Climate and Air Program, Environmental Defense Fund, United States

**HC 23****Children and Nature - Inspiring initiative**Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

For over 50 years, Swedish children have been introduced to nature and forests through an activity known as Skogsmulle, organized by Friluftsrämjandet. Can the idea be exported?

A conversation hosted by *Bo Sköld*, CEO, Friluftsrämjandet (Swedish outdoor association), Sweden

**HC 24****Rethinking universities**Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

The sustainability challenge is creating new demands on the higher education system that the discipline-focused university curricula have difficulties responding to. At the same time, new universities are growing especially in emerging economies. How should universities be structured to meet the new global challenges?

Conversation hosted by *Howard Gardner*, Hobbs Professor of Cognition and Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education, USA, with *Sverker Sörlin*, Professor, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden.

**HC 25****A smart strategy for Afghanistan**Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

In Afghanistan, billions have been spent on security and the military (hard power) with very little being invested in social, and entrepreneurial infrastructure (soft power). The time has come to integrate the two strands into a “smart power” strategy

Hosted by *Amber Nystrom*, Founder, Social Fusion, USA, United States, with *HRH Prince Nadir Naim*, *George Asatiani*, Senior Parliamentary Adviser, USAID/Afghanistan Parliamentary Assistance Project, Georgia, *David Elliot*, Senior Advisor, Social Entrepreneurship and Development Alliances, USAID, Afghanistan and *John Varnden-Quick*, Sustainable Civic and Economic Architecture for Afghanistan, United Kingdom

Saturday June 28th, 08.30-10.00

#### HC 31

##### How can we make global collaboratives work?

Location: Bystugan

Integrating public and private interests to resolve global issues needs unprecedented collaboration, and the global institutional architecture must be complemented by new collaboratives (civil society, business and philanthropy). What are the lessons learned about the whats and hows of global collaboration.

A conversation hosted by *David Batstone*, President, Not for Sale Campaign, and Professor, University of San Francisco, USA, with *Frederick C. Dube*, Senior Advisor, Global Compact, Executive Office of the Secretary-General, United Nations, New York, *Ashok Khosla*, Founder, Development Alternatives, India, *Poonam Ahluwalia*, President, Youth Employment Summit (YES), USA, *Marcello Palazzi*, Board member, Tällberg Foundation and founder, Progressio Foundation, The Netherlands, and *Jim Wine*, Tällberg Foundation.

#### HC 32

##### Mind the gaps - Demographic challenges

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

We know many facts about demography and development. But how do we transform this information into actionable knowledge?

A conversation hosted by *Hans Rosling*, Professor of International Health, Karolinska Institutet and Director, Gapminder Foundation, Sweden, with a contribution from *Wolfgang Lutz*, Leader, World Population Program, IIASA, and Director, Vienna Institute of Demography, Austria

#### HC 33

##### Security and stability in the Middle East

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

Oil prices reaching record highs. Escalating conflicts. Growing flows of refugees. Continued spread of fundamentalism. Security and stability in the Middle East has never been more crucial.

A conversation hosted by *Baria Alamuddin*, Foreign Editor, Al-Hayat, Lebanon

#### HC 34

##### Redundant light and heat to meet our energy demand

Location: Hotel Åkerblads

As we need to urgently switch from fossil fuel based energy generation to sustainable solutions, we desperately search for technologies that can provide energy large-scale in a sustainable manner. What is the large scale potential of solar energy and district heating?

A conversation hosted by *Ged Davis*, Co-President, Global Energy Assessment, IIASA, Austria, with *Gerhard Knies*, Coordinator, Trans-Mediterranean Renewable Energy Cooperation, Germany and Jordan, and *Peter Anderberg*, Senior Vice President and Managing Director, LOGSTOR, Sweden

#### HC 35

##### Biofuel – expanding too fast or not fast enough?

Location: Hotel Åkerblads

Biofuels – whether for transport or in power plants – have been hailed as the new great solution, but also condemned as a new threat to biodiversity and local livelihoods. Which are the ideas and challenges?

A conversation hosted by *Jacqueline McGlade*, Executive Director, European Environment Agency, Copenhagen, with *Per Carstedt*, Chairman of BioAlcohol Fuel Foundation



Saturday, June 28th, 14.00 – 16.00

#### HC 41

##### **An open conversation on Africa**

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

The African perspective: Participants from Africa reflect on challenges and opportunities for the continent. The challenges are many – poverty, underdevelopment, environmental degradation, leadership. And above all looms the threat of the dire consequences of climate change.

A conversation hosted by *Pindarous Alisson*, Regional Coordinator West Africa, Youth Employment Summit (YES), Liberia.

#### HC 42

##### **Philanthropy and climate change**

Location: Bystugan

How can philanthropy be mobilized to contribute in the battle against climate change?

A conversation hosted by *Maximilian Martin*, Global Head of Philanthropy Services, UBS, Switzerland, with *Don Mohanlal*, President and CEO, Nand & Jeet Khemka Foundation, India, *George Polk*, Executive Committee Chairman, The European Climate Foundation, United Kingdom, and *Kim Samuel-Johnson*, President, The Samuel Family Foundation, Canada.

#### HC 43

##### **Setting the agenda - the role of the media**

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

Are we getting honest inputs on the big global debates or are we being teased and misled? What is the role of modern-day media in influencing our thinking on climate change, poverty and other major pressing issues?

A conversation hosted by *Subhash Agrawal*, Editor, India Focus, India, with Alan Stoga, President, Zemi, USA.

#### HC 44

##### **The Sustainable Consumption Conundrum**

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

Is the concept of Sustainable Consumption an oxymoron? The current drive to consume is taking us beyond



the threshold of sustainability. Is there a way out of this dilemma that is financially and socially sound?

A conversation hosted by *Rebecca Oliver*, Tällberg Foundation, Sweden and *Adrian Nelson*, former Vice President Research & Development, Unilever, United Kingdom.

#### HC 45

##### **Understanding planetary boundaries**

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

A central concept to the Tällberg Forum conversations is that of boundaries – the limits set by nature and eco-systems that we must not cross. What does this mean?

A conversation hosted by *Martin Hedberg*, CEO, Swedish Weather & Climate Centre (SWC), Sweden with *Robert W. Corell*, Director, Global Change Program, *Heinz Center* and Senior Policy Fellow, American Meteorological Society, USA, and *Åsa Persson*, Research Fellow and Acting Group Leader, Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), Sweden.

Sunday, June 29th, 08.30 – 10.00

#### HC 51

##### **Nature walk**

Location: Majstångsplatsen (at 7.30)

An early morning walk and talk in the woods overlooking Lake Siljan, together with scientists and indigenous leaders.

A walk and conversation hosted by *Oren Lyons*, Onondaga Council of Chiefs of the Haudenosaunee, Iroquois Confederacy.

#### HC 52

##### Changing minds on global warming

Location: [Forum Tent](#)

We struggle to communicate the urgency of tackling climate change. While public opinion is shifting and activism is increasing, there is still a long way to go. What moves people to act? Hope, fear, science, morality? Give me the target, show me the front!

A conversation hosted by *Jim Wine* and *Alexander Crawford*, Tällberg Foundation, with *Mark Lynas*, author, United Kingdom and *Bill McKibben*, author and environmentalist, USA.

#### HC 53

##### Social entrepreneurship - The next wave

Location: [Bystugan](#)

Social entrepreneurs work to create radically new solutions to social problems. The global movement created by them is flourishing in many parts of the world but needs to grow even more.

A conversation hosted by *William Drayton*, CEO, Founder and Chair, Ashoka, USA, with *Howard Gardner*, Hobbs Professor of Cognition and Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education, USA and *Johannes Hengstenberg*, Founder and General Manager, co2online, Germany,

#### HC 54

##### Living within the boundaries

Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

The task ahead is to stay on the right side of the boundaries set by nature and to live within certain moral imperatives. Building on a pre-Forum workshop, this session will explore this task.

A conversation hosted by *Colin Vivian Jones*, Trustee, Desmond Tutu Peace Centre, South Africa

#### HC 55

##### 40 years of systems thinking - IIASA as an inspiring initiative

Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

For 40 years, the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) in Vienna has ensured that some of the best scientists can study the ways in which people affect the natural environment and in turn are affected by it. What can we learn from their experiences?

A conversation hosted by *Sten Nilsson*, Acting Director, IIASA, Austria

Sunday, June 29th, 10.30 – 12.00

#### HC 61

##### Seeing nature through native eyes

Location: [Gyllene Hornet](#)

Living close to the land gave many generations of indigenous people a special relationship to nature. In what ways is that relevant today?

A conversation hosted by *Jake* and *Judy Swamp*, Tree of Peace Society, USA.

#### HC 62

##### When big gets too big: The challenge of size and scale

Location: [Hotel Dalecarlia](#)

In an age of global interdependence – and systems interdependence – the complexity that governing structures need to manage becomes staggering. This is as true in governments and cabinets, as in boardrooms and executive floors. Where will this take us?

A conversation hosted by *Christine Lob*, CEO, Civic Exchange, Hong Kong, China and *Hans Olof Olsson*, Chairman, The Association of Swedish Engineering Industries, Sweden

**HC 63****Foundations and civil society organisations:  
Bridging the gap**

Location: Bystugan

Foundations and civil society organisations have until now often worked in isolation and have not been forging a common agenda. The sustainability crisis requires everyone to rethink the way they do business and establish new alliances around common goals. Which are the key barriers to collaboration and which incentives can create a common agenda?

A conversation hosted by *Felicity von Peter*, Managing Partner, Active Philanthropy, Germany, with *Burkhard Gnärig*, Executive Director, Berlin Civil Society Center, Germany.

**HC 64****Social Entrepreneurship - The next wave II**

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

New legal structures are being created for the citizens' sector in order to channel additional funding from private individuals and professional investors into social enterprise. What are the latest innovations and next possible steps?

A conversation hosted by *Arthur Wood*, Social Financial Services, Ashoka, USA, with *Niclas Kjellström-Matseke*, CEO Postkodlotteriet, Sweden, *Stephen Lloyd*, Bates Wells & Braithwaite London, United Kingdom, *Jennifer Corriero*, Co-Founder and Executive Director, TakingIT-Global, Canada.

**HC 65****An open conversation on the United States**

Location: Hotel Dalecarlia

A brand new day: January 20, 2009. Which United States will show up for work - on climate, Iraq, energy, the financial roller-coaster and credit crunches? The US that works with the world - or against it?

A conversation hosted by *Alan Stoga*, President, Zemi, USA