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Sweden's candidacy to the ITU-Council

The Swedish Government has the honour to present its candidacy for the Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in the elections to be held during the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference in Bucharest, Romania from 26 September to 14 October 2022.

The ITU has a crucial role to play in bridging the digital gap on a global scale. More than two and a half billion people currently lack connection to the internet on a regular basis. In an increasingly digitalised world, it is important that the international community supports the distribution of digital tools and skills.

If elected, Sweden will help to steer the ITU's focus towards bridging the digital divide. Global connectivity and digital inclusion are of utmost importance and Sweden would like to see a stronger ITU in this area. As staunch supporters of multilateralism, we see the need for the ITU to ensure this so that all UN Members benefit from a rapid digital transformation and that no one is left behind.

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Sweden supporting Ukraine with equipment to secure the country's energy supply

To support Ukraine and help secure its energy supply, the Government has decided that Svenska kraftnät may provide equipment that can be used to repair the country's electrical grids.

“A secure electricity supply is necessary to maintain critical societal operations in Ukraine. Sweden will now provide equipment that can be used to repair electrical grids that have been destroyed during the war. Russia's invasion of Ukraine is indefensible, and the Government has responded by imposing sanctions against Russia and by supporting Ukraine and strengthening Sweden,” says Minister for Energy and Digital Development Khashayar Farmanbar.

Through the European Network of Transmission System Operators, Svenska kraftnät received a request from Ukraine to provide equipment for repairing electrical grids. Svenska kraftnät is in contact with the recipients in Ukraine and is collaborating with the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency to secure transport. In light of this, Svenska kraftnät submitted a request to the Government for permission to supply Ukraine with equipment from its reserves for repairing electrical grids. Svenska kraftnät considers that it can do without the material without this affecting Sweden's preparedness. On 21 April, the Government approved Svenska kraftnät's request.



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Khashayar Farmanbar took part in extraordinary ministerial meeting with International Energy Agency

On 1 March, Minister for Energy and Digital Development Khashayar Farmanbar took part in a digital extraordinary ministerial meeting with International Energy Agency (IEA). The aim of the meeting was to discuss the impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on global oil markets.

IEA energy ministers agreed to send a unified and strong message of solidarity with the people of Ukraine and also discussed the need for joint action to stabilise global oil markets.

The ministers agreed to take collective measures involving voluntary release of oil stocks. The IEA and the EU have extensive oil reserves and are prepared to cover oil supply disruptions. Sweden and several other countries also highlighted the need to accelerate the transition to clean energy and the phasing out of fossil fuels to reduce the need for imports of fossil fuels from Russia.

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Change of government, 30 November 2021

Today in the Riksdag, Prime Minister Magdalena Andersson announced the ministers who will serve in the Government. The change of government takes place at a Council of State at the Royal Palace presided over by His Majesty the King. The Council of State begins at 13.00.

Sweden's new Government consists of the Prime Minister and 22 ministers.

Prime Minister's Office

Magdalena Andersson, Prime Minister

Hans Dahlgren, Minister for EU Affairs

Ministry of Employment

Eva Nordmark, Minister for Employment and Gender Equality

Johan Danielsson, Minister for Housing and Deputy Minister for Employment

Ministry of Finance

Mikael Damberg, Minister for Finance

Max Elger, Minister for Financial Markets

Ida Karkiainen, Minister for Public Administration

Ministry of Defence

Peter Hultqvist, Minister for Defence

Ministry of Infrastructure

Tomas Eneroth, Minister for Infrastructure

Khashayar Farmanbar, Minister for Energy and Digital Development

Ministry of Justice

Morgan Johansson, Minister for Justice and Home Affairs

Anders Ygeman, Minister for Integration and Migration

Ministry of Culture

Jeanette Gustafsdotter, Minister for Culture

Ministry of the Environment

Annika Strandhäll, Minister for Climate and the Environment

Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation

Karl-Petter Thorwaldsson, Minister for Business, Industry and Innovation

Anna-Caren Säterberg, Minister for Rural Affairs

Ministry of Health and Social Affairs

Lena Hallengren, Minister for Health and Social Affairs

Ardalan Shekarabi, Minister for Social Security

Ministry of Education and Research

Anna Ekström, Minister for Education

Lina Axelsson Kihlblom, Minister for Schools

Ministry for Foreign Affairs

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