Upcoming: Award Ceremony and programme

Chemical weapons abolition expert Paul Walker from Green Cross International and the U.S., human rights lawyer Raji Sourani from Palestine, Denis Mukwege, who treats rape victims in DR Congo, and the Swiss scientist and co-chair of the IAASTD report “Agriculture at a crossroads“ Hans R. Herren will come to Stockholm next week for the Award programme and to accept their Right Livelihood Awards in the Swedish Parliament on December 2nd.

The Award Ceremony

Time:
Monday, 2 December, 4.00 pm. Please arrive latest by 3.30 pm.

Location:
Swedish Parliament, Second Chamber, Stockholm. Entrance from 'Riksplan'.

A livestream will be available via www.rightlivelihood.org.

Accreditation & procedures

The Swedish Parliament requires special press accreditation. Journalists who do not have this accreditation need to contact the Right Livelihood Award Foundation latest by 10 am on Dec 2nd (info@rightlivelihood.org, or +46 8 70 20 340).

For press, seats will be available on the balcony. We ask both press and guests not to use cameras with flashes during the actual ceremony! There will be opportunities for picture taking during the intermission.

If you plan to bring filming equipment, please contact us and the Parliament's technicians (medieteknik@riksdagen.se) in advance. Please note that we ask film teams to arrive at the Parliament building when doors are opened at 3 pm.

Ceremony programme:

* 4.00 pm: Ulf Holm, Second Deputy Speaker of Parliament, Opening words
* Eva-Lena Jansson, M.P., Chair of the Association for the Right Livelihood Award in the Swedish Parliament (SÄRLA), Welcome
* Jakob von Uexkull, Founder and Co-Chair of the Right Livelihood Award Foundation, Speech & Presentation of the 2013 Awards
* 4.45 pm (rough estimate): Break, photos of the Recipients can be taken at this time
* Laureates' Speeches. Each Laureate will be introduced by a member of the Association for the Right Livelihood Award in the Swedish Parliament (SÄRLA)

The Award Ceremony will be held in English. Denis Mukwege will deliver his speech in French.
Laureates' Programmes

During the Award Week, the laureates will attend a series of public events in several cities in and outside Sweden. For the whole programme, please see our website at http://www.rightlivelihood.org/award_week_2013.html

Interview opportunities

Time for interviews is reserved on Monday morning, December 2nd. If you are interested in interviewing one or several recipients, or the Award’s founder Jakob von Uexkull, please contact the Right Livelihood Award Foundation. (Please note that there will be no press conference this year.)

Media material

Further information and material supporting this press release can be accessed via www.rightlivelihood.org

For videos and high-resolution pictures of the 2013 Award Recipients, please also refer to http://download.rightlivelihood.org

About the Award

Founded in 1980, the Right Livelihood Awards are presented annually in the Swedish Parliament and are often referred to as ‘Alternative Nobel Prizes’. They were introduced “to honour and support those offering practical and exemplary answers to the most urgent challenges facing us today”.

Jakob von Uexkull, a Swedish-German professional philatelist, sold his business to provide the original funding. Since then, the Awards have been financed by individual donors.

There are now 153 Right Livelihood Award Recipients from 64 countries.

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