



THE SWEDISH FOUNDATION  
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

## **The Swedish NGO Foundation for Human Rights will be closing down by the end of the year 2008**

This was decided by the Board of the Foundation on 1 November 2007. The reasons for this decision are that several of the Principals of the Foundation (Swedish Red Cross, Church of Sweden, Diakonia and the Raoul Wallenberg Institute) are of the opinion that the prerequisites for the work of the Foundation have changed over time, since all of the Principals today are working much more with human rights-related issues than they were in 1991. Diminishing financial resources for the Foundation are furthermore a drawback affecting the possibilities for activities to continue.

This has resulted in a phasing out of the Foundation's information activities. The Newsletters in Swedish and English as well as the website Human Rights Forum have been closed down, while the Foundation's own website [www.humanrights.se](http://www.humanrights.se) will be kept.

Ongoing cooperation will continue in accordance with the respective agreements. New cooperation projects for 2008 will be discussed with each of the Foundation's partner organisations.

Anita Klum will leave her post as Secretary General by the end of this year, and is to be replaced by Jesper Hansén, who has been working at the Foundation since 1998.

General questions concerning the Foundation may be sent to Jesper Hansén, while questions relating specifically to ongoing projects will be answered by those responsible for the particular region:

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