

The Swedish EUPAN Presidency

January - June 2023

Four priorities of the Swedish presidency of the Council of the European Union

- **Security - unity;** building consensus towards a robust European security and defence policy.
- **Competitiveness;** forwarding the best possible conditions for a sound and open economy based on, among other things, a successful digitalisation.
- **Green energy and transitions;** delivering ambitious climate goals while boosting growth and competitiveness.
- **Democratic values and the rule of law;** upholding these fundamental principles is essential for any presidency of the Council of the EU.

Priorities of the EUPAN presidency align with the beforementioned priorities

- **Governance of cross sectoral issues.** We seek to exchange knowledge and best practices in the fields of digital transition and crisis management, areas where administrative coordination often needs improving.
- **A good administrative culture and work against corruption.** The interest for exchange on these issues continues to be high within the network. Strong administrative cultures in our public administrations both foster the basic values of democracy and rule of law and prepare our public administrations for crises.
- **Threats and violence against public servants.** Public servants ability to perform their duties in a safe working environment is also a corner stone of a democratic system.

Activities during the presidency

- **Governance of cross-sectoral issues**
 - Examples in the field of digitalization and crisis management
 - Presentations from academia, practitioners and member states
 - Workshop discussions
- **A good administrative culture and work against corruption**
 - Survey and study on a good administrative culture, to be presented at the WL meeting
 - Presentations from academia (opening address by Bo Rothstein on the DG meeting in June), practitioners and member states
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Other activities

- E-news on threats and violence against public servants
- E news with statistical focus
- Discussion regarding EUPAN and its role in relation to other organizations and networks
 - The purpose is to take note of member states' experiences of how participation in EUPAN is organised in relation to other networks, such as the Expert Group on Public Administration and Governance.
 - Another purpose is to avoid overlap and duplication of initiatives and processes.

Organisation and planned meetings

- Two agencies:
 - Swedish Agency for Government Employers
 - DG Christina Gellerbrant Hagberg
 - Swedish Agency for Public Management
 - DG Annelie Roswall Ljunggren
- Planned meetings:
 - WL meeting 27-28 March
 - DG meeting 1-2 June