



VINNOVA (Swedish Governmental Agency for Innovation Systems) invites you to a seminar:

## **”The Impact of the EU Framework Programme in Sweden”**

Wednesday 10th of December 2008, 14.30 – 17.30, at the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the European Union, Square de Meeûs 30, Brussels

A new report, **”The Impact of the EU Framework Programme in Sweden”**, conducted by Technopolis Ltd, studies the impacts of the EU Framework Programmes on Sweden in the period 1990 to date. The report covers four clusters of technology: Sustainable energy, Life sciences and health, ICT and Vehicle. It also covers five universities.

This is the first study that looks over a longer period and tries to understand impacts at an overall level as well as considering sectoral effects and the impacts on the university system in Sweden. It has been carried out in response to an assignment given by the Swedish government to: the Swedish Energy Agency, the Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research, the Swedish Research Council for Environment, Agricultural Sciences and Spatial Planning, the Swedish Research Council and VINNOVA. The study suggests that the FPs have had some important impacts and that some of the areas with limited impact result from a lack of strategic direction from the Swedish side.

After a presentation of the report, representatives from the commission will comment on the report and their work on impact studies. The seminar ends with a panel discussion.

**Invited speakers:** **Erik Arnold**, Director at Technopolis Ltd, **Peter Fisch** and **Neville Reeve**, DG RTD A3: Evaluation and monitoring of programmes, European Commission, **Bjarne Kirsebom**, Minister for research at the Permanent Representation of Sweden to the European Union, **Maria Anvret**, Senior Executive Scientific Expert and Advisor at the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise, **Gunilla Jönson**, Professor and former Dean of the Faculty of Engineering at Lund University, **Olof Sandberg**, Senior Advisor at the Swedish Ministry of Education and Research and **Per Eriksson**, Director General of VINNOVA.

**Time and place:** December 10th, 2008. The program starts at 14.30 and ends at 17.30 followed by an informal reception. The Permanent Representation of Sweden to the European Union, Square de Meeûs 30, Brussels.

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Welcome!

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