



SAYP 2019, Lund University

PERSPECTIVES ON MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE, DECENTRALISATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS

SAYP is a training programme financed by the Swedish Institute and developed to build new networks, knowledge and practices for increased transparency, efficiency and resilience in public administration in the Baltic Sea region and in the EU Eastern Partnership countries. The programme aims to strengthen young professionals and their individual capabilities to meet the requirements of a modern governance structure. In SAYP, the participants will be able to expand their own contact networks and share ideas, experiences and challenges.

This module at Lund University mainly focuses on the division of power at different levels of the Swedish public governance structures and on how human rights is protected by the system on national, regional and local level. The module combines theory with a high level of practice. This combination enables the participants to get a deeper insight in public administration, as well as exchange experiences of the systems in their respective countries. The module is based on a teaching method that requires *active participation* and a *high-level of interaction* between the participants.

The programme consists of three parts; a premodule with readings and tasks online in May, a two week module in Sweden in June, and the opportunity to apply for follow-up activities. The module in Sweden is held at Lund University. An average day has 5-7 hours of scheduled activities, with a mixture of lectures, workshops, seminars and study visits. The study visits will connect the theoretical parts to practice, and will give the participants a chance to expand their networks. Participants will have access to an online platform and the Lund University e-library services.

After finishing the programme, the participants will have gained knowledge about Swedish public administration, and about methods for working with development and human rights in such a decentralised public administration. It is thus not an in-depth course in human rights as such. The participants will also gain new contacts and establish new networks for their future work.

The main lecturers come from the [Raoul Wallenberg Institute](#) (RWI) and [Lund University School of Economics and Management](#) (LUMES). RWI is a leading hub for inter-disciplinary and policy-oriented human rights research and education. RWI have 30 years of experience advancing human rights in partnership with governments, national human rights institutions and universities. The lecturers from LUMES come from the research group *Public Management Research* (PUMAR) main empirical focus, but with a growing interest in the governance and management of central government.



OBJECTIVES OF THE MODULE

- Provide the participants with knowledge of the role of public administration in the protection of human rights, rule of law and democracy, which will enable them to develop public admin within their position
- Give the participants concrete knowledge on how to work in a decentralised public administration
- Starting in international human rights law, provide the participants with knowledge and understanding of the practical implementation of human rights (including principles of human rights) and how this relate to their respective areas of work. *The UN Common Understanding on Human Rights Based Approach* is a guiding tool in this respect and identifies principles such as; Human rights as indivisible, interdependent and universal; equality and equal treatment, and non-discrimination; and transparency and accountability
- Provide the participants with the opportunity to work actively with modern approaches on management and organisation of public administration
- Give the participants the opportunity to experience, which possibilities and restrictions are created by a decentralised public admin
- Provide the participants with knowledge about, and possibility to try their abilities of, making decisions within the framework of a decentralised public administration
- Provide the participants with experiences and lessons learned concerning the last few years development within New Public Management (NPM), including "Pre-" and "Post-NPM", from a Scandinavian perspective
- Provide the participants with basic knowledge about the system for human rights promotion and protection.
- Give the participants knowledge about issues of equality and equal treatment based on international law and insight into different ways of working with gender mainstreaming
- Expand the participants' national and international networks and provide them with increased insights and understanding of experiences from other countries and sectors

YOU CAN APPLY IF YOU

- are a citizen of and currently working in SAYP Baltic region/Eastern partnership: Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Sweden or Ukraine
- are under 36 years old (born in 1983 and after)
- have good command of English language
- have a relevant higher education (at least three years)
- are employed in one of the following groups: Policymakers (politicians, government officials, employees of political parties), Public servants (non-political civil servants working at government agencies) or Civil society workers (CSO/NGO volunteers/employees)

Citizens of other countries in the Baltic Sea Region who are currently employed in one of the participant countries may also apply, but will not have priority in the selection.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Dates in Lund: 16 - 28 June, 2019 (note that the module starts on a Sunday)

Number of participants: 30

Cost: Participation in SAYP is free of charge and includes meals, accommodation and travel

Accommodation: Participants will be sharing accommodation (two by two) in an apartment hotel

Language of instruction: English

Application period: 5 February - 4 March 2019

More information: For more information about SAYP and the application procedure, please click [here](#)

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