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Seminar

Scientist responsibility for transforming knowledge into policy

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| Time | Tuesday 24 November, at 10.00–15.30 (coffee from 09.30) |
| Venue | KSLA, Drottninggatan 95 B, Stockholm |
| Registration | No later than 20 November via this link or through our website www.ksla.se (cancellations must be made no later than November 21, or we will invoice SEK 500 to cover costs) |
| Fee | Free of charge |
| Webb | The seminar is broadcasted over the internet, link at www.ksla.se |
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The role of scientists and scientifically based knowledge in shaping decisions and – ultimately – making decisions is important, complex, and varies amongst the issues and problems under consideration. No one would deny that scientific progress has had an immense impact on preventing and treating diseases such as cancer and infections, solving environmental problems, or for increasing the productivity of modern agriculture. Yet, it can also be argued that in some fields the balance between the input from the scientific community and from other stakeholders is shifting and that the scientists often are losing influence.

Is that the case? And, if so, why? And, should we care? An important question is if the scientific community is responsible for providing knowledge, insights and relevant input to address the issues that policymakers need to solve.

This seminar aims at illuminating these problems at both the European and national levels. The seminar will be held in English before the lunch-break, and in Swedish after lunch.

Välkomna!

Carl-Anders Helander
Akademiens sekreterare och VD



Programme

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Tuesday 24 November 2015

Moderator Torbjörn Fagerström, Professor emeritus

09.30 **Registration (coffee served)**

10.00 **Welcome**

Kerstin Niblaeus, President, Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry

10.05 **The role of science in policymaking – experiences from the EU Commission**

Anne Glover, Professor, former Chief Scientific Adviser to the President of the European Commission

10.50 **Break**

11.00 **Discussion**

How science and scientists can remain relevant for policymaking and for policymakers

Professor Torbjörn Fagerström will be guiding a panel of experts together with Professor Glover; Professor Johan Schnürer, SLU, Professor Mats Benner, Lund University, Scientific Editor Maria Gunther, Dagens Nyheter

12.00 **Lunch**

13.00 **The role of science in policymaking – three perspectives**

(The afternoon discussions will be held in Swedish. Eftermiddagens diskussioner hålls på svenska.)

SLU:s omvärldssamverkan - bidrag till en vetenskapsbaserad policyutveckling i en biobaserad ekonomi, möjligheter och utmaningar

Johan Schnürer, professor och vice-rector, SLU

Hur väljer och prioriterar media mellan vetenskapsnyheter?

Maria Gunther, vetenskapsredaktör, Dagens Nyheter

Vad kan vi lära från forskning om forskningspolitik??

Mats Benner, professor i forskningspolitik, Lunds Universitet)

14.30 **Pannelsamtal och frågor från publiken**

14.55 **Reflektion kring dagens diskussioner från ett myndighetsperspektiv:**

Mellan pest och kolera – om att balansera forskarens krav på exakthet mot samhällets krav på begriplighet

Jens Mattsson, generaldirektör, SVA

15.15 **Avslutande ord**

KSLA:s Preses Kerstin Niblaeus

Kaffe