

PROGRAMME

GS CONGRESS 2026

"WE ARE OUR FUTURE!"



FRIDAY MAY 22ND

- 10.30 Umeå Folkets Hus opens for congress delegates**
(Please pick-up your name badges just inside the entrance).
- 12.00 Lunch is served at Umeå Folkets Hus**
- 12.30 The congress hall "IDUN" opens**
- 13.00 Inauguration of the congress**
- 13.40 Opening show – artist**
- 14.00 – short break –**
- 14.15 Guest speaker – About Organizing!**
Bob Walls, Chief Of Staff, Woodworkers IMAW, USA
Organizing is a model for organizing. What can we learn and convert into our own work to organize more members? Julius Petzäll Mendonca ask the questions!
- 15.00 Coffeebreak**
- 15.30 Guest speaker – The future academi**
Paneldiscussion with four of the academists from the future academy.
Gustav Westling, Filip Gandarve, Hanna Rask Hemmingsgård, Max Bolin Möllerström and Per-Olof Sjöo, president of GS-facket.
Malin Djuse, union official, leads the discussion.
- 16.30 – short break –**
- 16.40 Movie – Together we are strong!**
- 16.45 Congressional processing**
- 17.00 ca Adjourning for the day**

Dinner with the group of international guests

SATURDAY MAY 23RD

- 8.00** Umeå Folkets Hus opens
- 8.30** The congress starts
- 8.35** Movie – We are GS-facket!
- 8.40** Congressional processing
- 10.00** Coffeebreak
- 10.30** Congressional processing
- 12.00** Lunch is served at Umeå Folkets Hus
- 13.00** Guest speaker – **Johan Lindholm**, President of LO
- 13.45** – short break –
- 14.00** Guest speaker – **Tobias Baudin**, party secretary at the Social democratic party
- 14.30** Guest speaker – **Tommy Strandhäll**, union official at GS-facket presents GS own election platform before the upcoming election in Sweden in september.
- 15.00** Coffeebreak
- 15.30** Congressional processing
- 16.30 ca** Adjourning for the day
(Possibly evening work)
- 18.00** Dinner at Umeå Folkets Hus. Ending time 11pm.
Late night meal is included if the congress work late

SEMINARs

for our international guests

May 23rd 9am-11.40am

Beside the work in the congress hall there will be seminars for our international guests in the room called "Studion".

SUNDAY MAY 24TH

- 8.00** Umeå Folkets Hus opens
- 8.30** The congress starts
- 8.35** Movie – We impact society!
- 8.40** Congressional processing
- 9.30** Coffeebreak
- 10.00** Guest speaker – **Daniel Fernandez**, UNI Graphical & Packaging
- 10.30** Guest speaker – **Ambet Yuson**, Building and Woodworkers International, BWI

- 11.00** **Congressional processing**
- 12.00** **Lunch is served at Umeå Folkets Hus**
- 13.00** **Congressional processing**
- 14.30** **Coffeebreak**
- 15.00** **Panel discussion about organizing:**
- What similarities and differences is there between countries and how do we adapt in good and bad times?** Julius Petzäll Mendonca leads the discussion.
- Panel:**
- **Bob Walls**, Chief Of Staff, Woodworkers IAMAW, USA
 - **Marina Kurtanidze**, President of Georgian Constructors and Foresters Independent Trade-Union, Georgien
 - **Kristine Rapa**, President of LMNA, Lettland
 - **Jonathan Lundberg** och **Kimmo Vaveniemi**, Union officials in the organizing group in GS-facket, Sweden.
- 16.00** **Adjourning for the day**

Congress dinner and party

- 18.00** **Get together** for the board and international guests at the bottom floor of Clarion Hotel
- 18.30** **Get together** for all guests at the bottom floor of Clarion Hotel
- 19.00** **Dinner, entertaining and dancing!** The party ends at 01am.

MONDAY 25TH

- 8.00** **Umeå Folkets Hus opens**
- 8.30** **The congress starts**
- 8.40** **Congressional processing**
- 9.50** **Coffeebreak**
- 10.30** **Final session of the congress - artists**
- 11.55** **Song: "Internationalen"**
- 12.00** **Lunch is served at Umeå Folkets Hus**
- 13.00** **Time to go home**