



*INTERACTION*  
*COUNCIL*

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**RÖNNEBERGA**  
NÄRA & LÄRA

## *VÄLKOMMEN TILL LIDINGÖ*

Lidingö, the beautiful green island adjacent to Sweden's capital city, is located about 15 minutes from the centre of Stockholm and one kilometer off the mainland. With its population of 42,000, the island is classed as a medium-sized town and is a popular place to live. Until the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the farmers on this island were a provider of dairy products to the city of Stockholm.

Lidingö is an ancient cultural centre. Graves from the Iron Age and ruins from the Viking Age testify that the island has been inhabited since at least 600 AD. The first floating bridge between Djurgården and Lidingö was completed in 1803, facilitating the delivery of fresh produce from the island to Stockholm.

One of the most renowned sons of Lidingö is Raoul Wallenberg. His unconventional work methods, good local contacts and considerable courage enabled him to save the lives of tens of thousands of Jews during the Second World War. A monument marking his achievements was inaugurated on 28 May 1999 and is located in Lidingö City Park.

The most famous tourist attraction on Lidingö is Millesgården, the home and studio of the sculptor Carl Milles (1875-1955). His collection of classical Greek and Roman statues and architectural fragments is the largest private collection in Sweden. Concerts are held here during the summer months and separate exhibitions are held all year round.

During the 1950s and 60s, it became more and more relevant for organizations to offer and develop meetings and educational programmes. The Organization of the Building Workers' Unions (Byggnadsarbetareförbundet) decided to create an appropriate educational institution in a stimulating natural environment. Eventually, Mr. Henning Orlando, the chief architect of Riksbyggen, built Rönneberga as we enjoy and benefit from it today with numerous artistic and literary works throughout the premises. The first seminars started in 1969. At present, Rönneberga is still owned by the Building Workers' Unions. However, it is now fully opened to the public as a professional congress center.

Rönneberga, situated on this beautiful island has been a renowned congress centre for nearly 40 years. We are very pleased to welcome you to the congress center and wish you a rewarding and pleasant stay on the Baltic Sea.

#### Security Requirements

Please note that because of tight security requirements in all the official venues, everyone is kindly requested to wear the InterAction Council badge in all the official venues and, if necessary, to present the invitation to the respective event. Otherwise there will no admittance to the various functions.

#### Hotel accommodation

Participants will either be accommodated at Rönneberga or at the nearby Lovik hotel. Please note that Lovik will solely be used for accommodation purposes and that all meals, i.e. breakfast, luncheon, dinner, will be served at Rönneberga.

For additional security requirements, a numerical code (1199) is necessary to enter the various entrances to the accommodations at Rönneberga. A plan of the various buildings of Rönneberga and a plan of the Lovik premises are attached for ease of reference. As you will see from the plan, there is, besides the official road, a shortcut walk-way between Lovik and Rönneberga of approx. 100 meters.

Detailed information on possibilities how to communicate, i.e. telephone, between the two hotels and outside them will be available in the respective rooms.

Breakfast and dinner will be served in the restaurant, (*ground floor minus 1*) of the main building, as follows: *Please note that only members, associate members, special guests and young leaders are invited. All remaining participants will be charged for accommodation, the respective meals and any other costs incurred during their stay.*

Breakfast from 7.00 to 9.00 am

Luncheon from noon to 14.30

Dinner from 19.00 to 21.00

The pub will be open daily from 18.00 hours onwards, where a variety of spirits, wines and beers can be purchased.

For relaxation purposes, a pool and a sauna are situated in the Pool-house, open daily. You may wish to enjoy the Jacuzzi or a refreshing swim. The Swedish sauna is heated daily from 17.00 hours onwards. In order to be admitted to the pool house, you will need to dial 1199.

#### Programme of Activities

On the eve of the opening ceremony, Tuesday, 24 June 08, at 19.00 hours, there will be a welcome reception and dinner for the participants at the terrace of the restaurant.

The opening ceremony of the 26<sup>th</sup> plenary session will take place on Wednesday, 25 June 2008, at the Council Chamber of the City Hall in Stockholm at 10.45 am followed by a brief guided tour through the City Hall and a buffet luncheon in the Prince's Gallery hosted by the Lord Mayor of Stockholm. Only those with invitations will be allowed entry.

The ensuing closed sessions of the Council will be held at the Valhall situated on the first floor of the main building of Rönneberga. As you may know, in Nordic mythology the chief god Odin is presiding the Valhalla, the Hall of the Slain. *Please note that only those registered and wearing badges will be allowed to attend the meetings.*

In the evening, at 20.00 hours, the Minister for Foreign Affairs will host a dinner at the Hereditary Prince's Palace, Ministry for Foreign Affairs. Here again, only participants with invitations will be admitted.

*Please note that bus transportation will be provided to all venues outside Rönneberga. For further details please see the schedule.*

### Media Activities

National and international media have expressed interest in the Opening Ceremony and in the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the InterAction Council. Requests for interviews may be addressed through Ms. Tanya Zaritzky to Mr. Sebastian Navab, media coordinator.

### Secretariat

The IAC Secretariat has its location on the ground floor of the main hall, Hugin conference room.

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Rönneberga Congress Center: Mr. Fredrik Zetterman (0046) 70 434 78 14.

### Travel assistance and coordination

Should you require any assistance with travel arrangements, please contact either Ms. Heather Barwick or Ms. Anne Paris from the Secretariat.

Members and special guests who have prepaid their travel are kindly requested to submit the respective tickets, by completing the reimbursement form, available at the Secretariat together with the original receipts to Ms. Heike Lemke for reimbursement.

### Medical Service

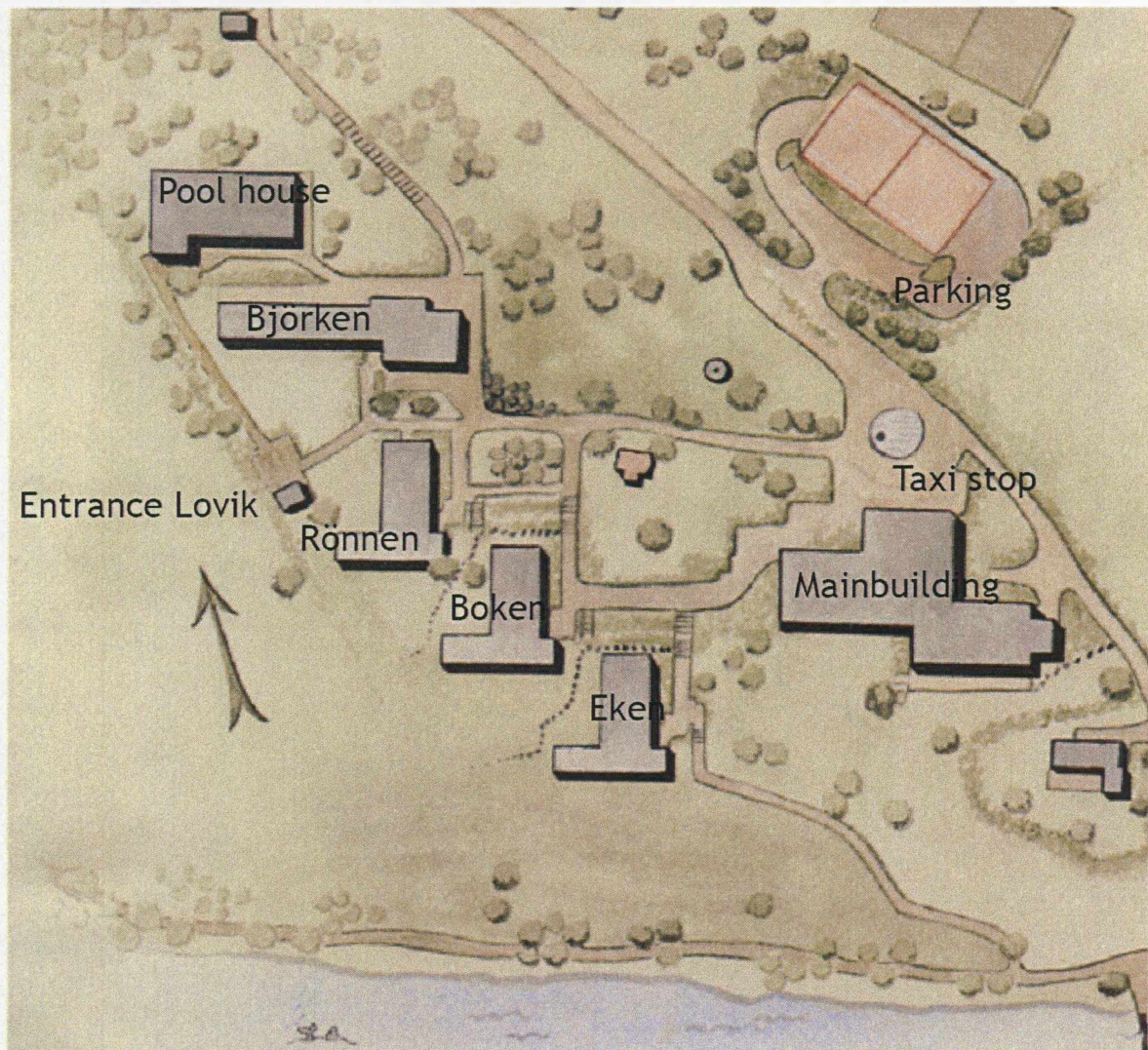
In cases of emergency or if you need medical assistance, please contact Dr. Stefan Amér or the reception by dialing 5.

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## Rönneberga kursgård



Please use the numerical code for the entrances

# Welcome to Rönneberga You have your room at Lovik

Until 11:30 pm use the door marked 1  
After 11:30 pm use the door marked 2  
Use code 9204 to enter

