

Invitation

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Mayor of Gävle

Dear UBC friends,

It is with great pleasure I invite you to this year's first open meeting of the UBC Commission on Youth Issues. You are all cordially invited to the city of Gävle (Sweden), where the meeting will be held on 2-5 April 2013.

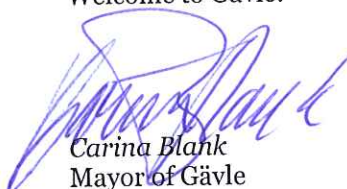
In Gävle we give priority to our children and young people. They are our present and our future. Children and young people in Gävle can make their voices heard and have influence on a wide range of matters – in everything from issues that affects them directly to issues in general. An important tool for the municipality is our Youth Council, which act as a consultative body. Through this Youth Council we, elected representatives and officials, get important information on young people's opinions and how they see their present and future.

Our guiding principle is "School first", which means that all municipal activities shall contribute to and promote increased education to children and young people. A good education with high quality is the foundation for our young people's future. From here all paths are possible.

One of the topics during the Commission on Youth Issues' meeting in Gävle will be to make the first draft of the UBC action plan on youth employment. Another important topic will be the planning of the youth conference, which will be held in Mariehamn, Åland in connection to the UBC General Assembly in October.

During your stay we will make sure you get the opportunity to get to know Gävle. We are looking forward to meeting you all.

Welcome to Gävle!



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