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Writers' and Literary Translators' International Congress

# **INVITATION TO WALTIC 2008** the value of words stockholm, Sweden, 29 June-2 July 2008



WALTIC is organized by The Swedish Writers' Union.

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Congrex is managing all matters regarding registration, hotel bookings and abstract submission.

### Keynote speakers and program will be announced in September 2007!

Please visit the website for the latest news and to sign up for future mailings:

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WALTIC 2008, an international congress to manifest "the value of words" will be held in Stockholm, Sweden from 29 June to 2 July 2008. Authors, literary translators and scholars from all over the world will meet during the first WALTIC congress ever.

WALTIC 2008 will be a forum of exchange of experience amongst writers and researchers engaged in and committed to the strengthening of democracy and human rights. Our ambition is to achieve new insights into reading and literature as tools for analysis of contemporary society, social development and change. WALTIC 2008 will focus on the narratives as mediators of knowledge and bearers of culture and collective memory, with a view to developing guidelines for reinforcing the role of literature in global society.

The main themes for WALTIC 2008 are world literacy, intercultural dialogue and digitalization. A preliminary program and call for papers will be issued in September 2007.

We expect some 1000 delegates to attend this festival of the creative mind, where we will also establish a global network of authors, literary translators and researchers.

We hope to see you in Stockholm at WALTIC 2008.

Mats Söderlund Congress President WALTIC