

Call for nomination SFS-DK chairperson 2022/23

About SFS

The Swedish National Union of Students (SFS) is a member-driven organisation and is the collective student voice in Sweden. SFS organises around 50 student unions at universities and places of higher education throughout Sweden. Together these represent more than 350 000 students, including doctoral students. SFS main purpose is to represent and promote the members and students interests in education, research and student welfare issues at the national level.

About SFS-DK, SFS doctoral student committee

SFS-DK is a committee in SFS which works as an advisory board for the presidium and board of SFS in questions regarding third cycle, research and the general conditions of doctoral students. The aim of SFS-DK is to enable SFS to influence the development of the third cycle education, research and the general conditions of doctoral students in Sweden.

SFS-DK shall also work within SFS to put these issues into light. SFS-DK consists of 8-10 members who are doctoral students at Swedish higher education institutions. SFS-DK has a mandate period from 1st of August to 31st of July.

The task as Chairperson of SFS-DK

As chairperson of SFS-DK you are the national representative for doctoral students in Sweden together with the SFS presidium. The main tasks of the chairperson include leading the work of SFS-DK, maintaining contact with SFS presidium and board and other representational work. The chairperson of SFS-DK is expected to spend 50 working days in total on the task.

We are looking for someone that:

- Is a doctoral student at a Swedish higher education institution
- Can communicate in English both verbally and in written form
- Has the ability to collaborate well with others, both internally and externally

It is also of merit if you have/are/can:

- Experience with student representation and/or doctoral representation
- Experience of the Swedish student union-system
- Experience working within the higher education sector
- Can read Swedish
- Experience with a leadership position, organisational work and representing

- others
- Well-established as a doctoral student
- Great interest in representing doctoral students at the national level

Nomination

Please send your nomination no later than May 15th to SFS President Linn Svärd via linn.svard@sfs.se. Nominations can be made by a member union of SFS, a group of at least 10 members from a member union, members in the board of SFS and members in SFS-DK.

The nomination should contain the following:

- A motivational/personal letter written by the candidate (1-2 pages long)
- The candidate's CV, also containing contact details of phone and email
- Contact information on who is nominating the candidate
- At least one reference containing contact details of phone and/or email

If you cannot spend the expected workload (50 working days) or if you are a representative for a political party, a trade union or an advocacy group the nomination should contain information regarding this.

Tag your nomination with [Nomination SFS-DK chairperson] in the title of your email. If you have any questions about the position or nomination please contact Linn Svärd on 070 545 75 57 or linn.svard@sfs.se.

Election process

It is the board of SFS that elects the Chairperson of SFS-DK. To assist the board in this matter, a preparational election committee (PEC) with representatives from the board and SFS-DK has been appointed by the board.

Candidates with valid nominations will be called for digital interviews on the 17th or 18th of May which will be conducted by members of the PEC.

The PEC will make a recommendation to the board by May 21st and the board will elect the next Chairperson of SFS-DK on May 28th, 2022.