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Invitation to NOVU 2025 in Västerås

Dear Nordic friends,

The City of Västerås is proud to arrange and invite you to NOVU 2025 - the Nordic Sister Cities cultural meeting.

The program for the **youngsters** will take place **26**th **of June to 30**th **of June** with June the 25th and July the 1st as travelling days.

The program for the **politicians and civil servants** will take place **28**th **of June to 30**th **of June** with June the 27th and July the 1st as travelling days.

Number of participants invited from each city:

- Up to 17 youngsters aged 16-20
- 2 group leaders
- 3-5 politicians or officials

We also welcome 2 members from Foreningen Norden from each city, invited by the Swedish Foreningen Norden. Apart from some common social activities for all participants, they will attend a program prepared by the Swedish section.

The theme of NOVU 2025 will be diversity, inclusion, belonging and equity. The theme is linked to UN Agenda 2030 goals nr 10 and No 16 – Reduced inequalities and Peace, Justice and strong institutions. This theme will be incorporated throughout the program.

The youth program includes lots of workshops with a culture theme. The youngsters will be accompanied in the Rudbeck High School and the politicians and civil servants in the Plaza Hotel, both accommodations are in the heart of the city.

We would be happy to receive the list of your participants no later than 5th of May.

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For inquiries, please contact Västerås City Culture office: Nicoletta Fornari at <u>novu@vasteras.se</u> or Lenny Hallgren at <u>lenny.hallgren@vasteras.se</u>

We hope to see you in Västerås this summer, and we look forward to many good conversations and culture experiences!

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