



## CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

# The Knowledge Triangle Shaping the Future of Europe

31 August – 2 September 2009, Swedish Presidency, Gothenburg

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The countries and people of Europe are facing rapidly arising global system changes that represent great environmental, economic and social challenges now and in the decade to come. In order to meet these challenges we need more and better research-based knowledge and innovations.

The importance of a well-functioning knowledge triangle (education-research-innovation) has been underlined by the European Council at every summit on the Lisbon strategy since 2006. Universities are at the heart of the knowledge triangle and at the interface between the European Higher Education Area (EHEA), the European Research Area (ERA) and the European Innovation Area (EIA). The conference, *The Knowledge Triangle Shaping the Future of Europe*, will hopefully awaken interest in a society where the vision of a knowledge triangle is the guiding principle for the development of universities, and where the concept of the knowledge triangle includes both industry and society as a whole? What tools and actions do we need?

More information about the conference is available at <http://www.se2009.eu/knowledgetriangle>. Please feel free to forward this announcement to others who may be interested in the conference.

### Practical information

**Date:** 31 August – 2 September, 2009

**Place:** Gothenburg, Sweden

**For registration and more information about the conference see**

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