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Swedish preconditions for a well developed welfare system

- No wars
 - Strong homogenous tradition in terms of religion, ethnicity and language
 - Historical compromise politics/employers/trade unions
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Concept based on three pillars

- Social security
 - Public service
 - Labour market policy
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Characteristics of the Swedish welfare state

- Economic foundation (1/3 of GDP, women gainfully working, well developed care of children and elderly)
 - Political framework
 - Expertise and professional organisations
 - legitimacy
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Swedish Association of Social Directors

- www.socialchefer.se



Lisbon strategy with 3 pillars

- Economic
 - Environmental
 - social
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European Commission's toolbox

- Open Method of Coordination
 - Peer reviews
 - Programmes and funds:
 - transnational (progress)
 - European Social Fund
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Examples of funding

- Europe-wide studies
 - European observatories
 - Training of legal and policy practitioners
 - Network of national experts
 - EU networks (like ESN)
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European Social Network (ESN)

www.esn-eu.org

- Network of organisations for managers in social services
 - Also other associated members
 - Promoting social services delivered by local and regional level
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ESN activities

- Networking
 - Seminars and forums
 - Policy & practice groups
 - Information and data collation and distribution
 - Member-to-member contact/visits
 - European Social Services Conference
(Prague 22-24 June 2009)
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Europe



17th European Social Services Conference

Prague, 22-24 June 2009



Quality and Performance in Social Services - better outcomes for people

- 24 plenary and workshop presentations
- Nordic seminar
- Nearly 500 delegates from 30 countries
- Official reception and gala dinner
- Networking opportunities

See you in Prague!



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