



The Embassy of Sweden and the Stockholm School of Economics in Riga (SSE Riga) have the honour of inviting you to a presentation of the book "Returnings - Swedish Security Policy and the Baltic Countries during their First Years of Independence 1991-1994" ("Återkomster. Svensk säkerhetspolitik och de baltiska ländernas första år i självständighet 1991-1994". Atlantis publishing house). which is published in Latvian by the publishing house Atena in August 2011 with the title " Atgriešanās. Zviedrijas drošības politika un Baltijas valstu atgūtās neatkarības pirmie gadi 1991—1994".

The presentation will be given by the author, ambassador Lars Peter Fredén. A vin d'honneur will be offered after the presentation.

Date: Monday, 29 August 2011

Time: 16.00

Venue: Stockholm School of Economics in Riga, Soros Auditorium, 2nd Floor (Strēlnieku iela 4a, Rīga)

Lars Peter Fredén is a Swedish diplomat, presently serving as the ambassador of Sweden to China. He was the first foreign diplomat permanently based in Latvia since 1940; he served as consul of Sweden in Riga 1989-1991. During 1992-1994 he served as Security Policy Advisor to the then Swedish Prime Minister Carl Bildt.

The main preoccupations for Swedish security policy at the time were the Russian troop pull-out from Estonia and Latvia, and citizenship legislation in both countries. This is the period described in the book which will be presented on 29 August.

In a previous volume, "Transformations: Baltic Liberation and Swedish Diplomacy 1989-1991" ("Förvandlingar. Baltikums frigörelse och svensk diplomati 1989-1991". Atlantis publishing house 2004) , ambassador Fredén has described Latvia's struggle for restored independence, 1989-1991. That book has also been translated into Latvian: "Baltijas brīvības cels un Zviedrijas diplomātija 1989-1991", Atena publishing house 2007.