

# 2023 Swedish Presidency of the Council of the European Union

*Instinctif Partners has developed the following short guide to the [EU2023SE](#), which sets out the four priorities the Swedish presidency will be addressing in the coming months.*

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# Ulf Kristersson's vision for Europe



## December 2022

– *“Sweden is taking over the Presidency at a time when the European Union is facing unprecedented challenges. A greener, more secure and freer Europe is the foundation of our priorities.”*

The Swedish Presidency concludes the trio Presidency including France and the Czech Republic, a trio which was focused on protecting citizens and freedoms, promoting a new growth and investment model for Europe and building a greener and more sociable equitable Europe. The programme will focus on four key priorities:

1.

Securing EU support to Ukraine

2.

Strengthening EU competitiveness

3.

Green & Energy Transition

4.

Democratic values

# Priorities of the Swedish Presidency



## Europe's security

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1. Ongoing support for Ukraine in every form: political, economical, military and humanitarian aid.
2. Implementation of the objectives in the EU's Strategic Compass.
3. Fighting against cross-border organised crime.
4. Strengthening the EU's crisis preparedness and crisis management capabilities.



## EU Competitiveness

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1. Highlighting European competitiveness, along with the need for a better functioning Single Market, better regulation, for skills and innovation.
2. Increased production or increased trading opportunities with third countries for vulnerable supply chains.
3. Promoting measures for an open exchange of knowledge and data within the European Research Area

# Priorities of the Swedish Presidency



## Green & energy transition

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1. Using all energy sources to end the EU's reliance on fossil fuels: nuclear, wind, solar, hydropower and hydrogen.
2. Accelerating the electrification of the EU.
3. Addressing long-term electricity market reform.
4. Strengthening the EU's world leadership in climate action.



## Democratic values and the rule of law

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1. Keeping focused on upholding our common values and the rule of law.
2. Working on the Article 7 procedures.
3. Advancing work regarding the transparency and targeting of political advertising.
4. Working on amendments to the EU Electoral Act.
5. Contributing to the midterm review of the EU Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy

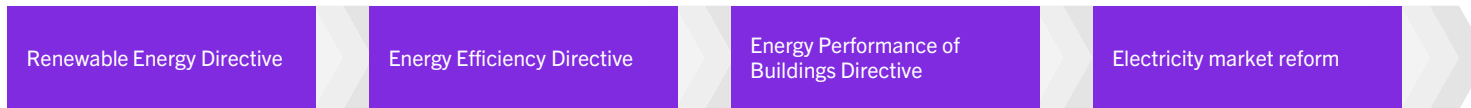
# Policy Timeline

Key policy files from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January to the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2023

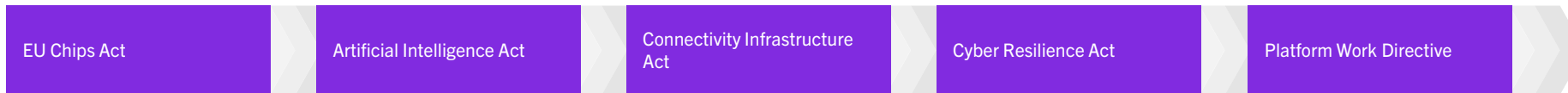
## Healthcare



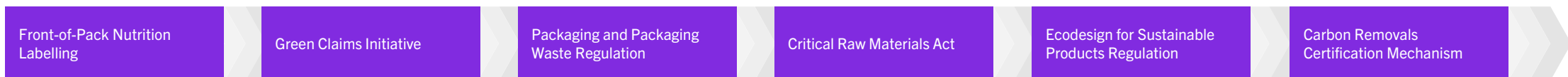
## Energy



## Digital



## Climate & Sustainability



# Key players in the Swedish Presidency

## In Stockholm



**Tobias Billström**  
*Minister for Foreign Affairs*

- Minister for Migration (2006 – 2014)
- Minister of Labour in 2010
- Member of the Riksdag since 2002



**Jessika Roswall**  
*Minister for EU Affairs*

- Second Vice-Chair, EU Affairs Committee of the Riksdag 2019 – 2022
- Member of the Riksdag (center-right Moderate Party) 2010 – 2022

- **Henrik Landerholm** – National Security Adviser
- **Martin Kinnunen** – Member EU Affairs Committee of the Riksdag

- **Christian Danielsson** – State Secretary to the EU Affairs Minister
- **Hans Wallmark** – Chair EU Affairs Committee of the Riksdag

## In Brussels



**Ylva Johansson**  
*Commissioner for Home Affairs*

- Minister for Employment and Integration
- Minister for Health
- Schools Minister



**Lars Danielsson**  
*Permanent Representative of Sweden to the European Union*

- State Secretary for EU affairs
- Foreign Policy Adviser to two Prime Ministers

### European Commission and European Parliament

- Åsa Webber – Head of Johansson's Cabinet
- MEP Jessica Polfjärd (EPP)
- MEP Karin Karlsbro (Renew)
- MEP Sara Skyttedal (EPP)

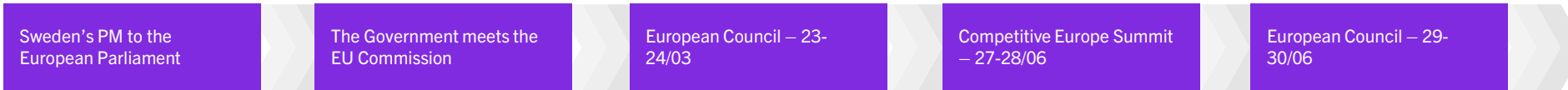
### Swedish Permanent Representation to the EU

- Joakim Svensson – Health and Pharmaceuticals Counsellor
- Rasa Engstedt – Energy Counsellor
- Karin Henriksson – Internal Market and Digital Counsellor

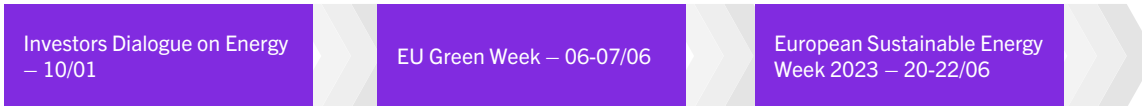
# Main events

## Key EU general events from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January to the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2023

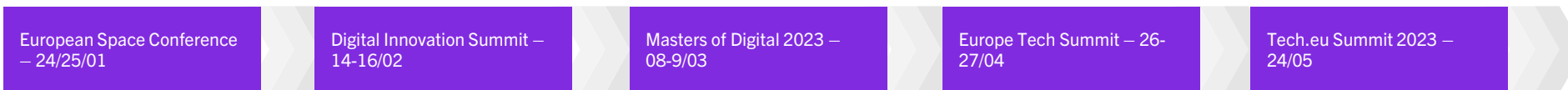
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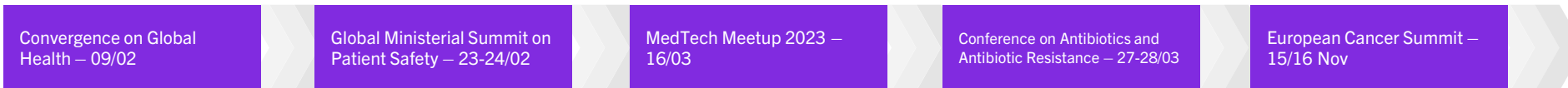
### Energy & Environment



### Digital



### Healthcare





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