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Ministers received filmmaker Leslee Udwin

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Minister for Education Gustav Fridolin and Minister for Upper Secondary School and Adult Education and Training Aida Hadzialic today received filmmaker and producer Leslee Udwin for a visit to the Ministry of Education and Research. Ms Udwin is one of this year's winners of the Anna Lindh Memorial Prize, which will be presented in the Riksdag on 11 September.

She is the creator of the documentary film *India's Daughter*, which has attracted a great deal of attention internationally. The Anna Lindh Memorial Prize is awarded each year to a person or organisation that has worked in the spirit of Anna Lindh to promote human rights in a global context.



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OECD presents Swedish school review

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Today, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) presented the Government with its report 'Improving schools in Sweden: An OECD Perspective'. The review was conducted in light of Swedish pupils' falling performance in the OECD's PISA survey.

The recommendations of the OECD report focus on three priorities: conditions that promote quality and equity across Swedish schools, a long-term human resource strategy to build capacity for improved teaching and learning, and strengthened policy steering and accountability with a focus on improvement.



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Aida Hadzialic met her Croatian counterpart Vedran Mornar

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Aida Hadzialic met her Croatian counterpart Vedran Mornar for a breakfast meeting on Friday 24 April. Mornar visited Sweden to glean ideas for Croatia's major curriculum reform, whose important aim is to improve students' creative thinking and problem-solving skills.

The lack of attractiveness of the teaching profession was a common challenge discussed at the meeting. Hadzialic described the Government's initiative to increase teachers' salaries, but acknowledged that it was a complex problem that required measures in several areas.

They also spoke about digitalisation and ICT in education. Mornar was interested in how widespread ICT use is in Swedish schools. Hadzialic explained that although many preschools and schools have come a long way, great differences remain across the country. One of the aims of the Government's upcoming strategy for digitalisation is to create greater equality.