



## Dear Friends and Colleagues

Welcome to the 2011 eass conference. The 8th eass conference - **People in motion - bridging the local and global** will be held in Umeå, Sweden, from May 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>th</sup> 2011. Sport is a cultural expression in societies all over the world. Seen as an international language, sport bridges the local and global. Sport is by the engagement of the body, the equipment and the place a local phenomenon. At the same time the social significance of sport is global. Thus, studies on sport and people in motion are important with local as well as global perspectives. The 2011 eass conference will address a range of critically important issues relating to the overarching theme. Plenary speakers will include leading thinkers in sports, as well as papers and posters by researchers in the field of sport sociology within a variety of empirical, theoretical and cross disciplinary studies.

We are pleased to announce our keynote speakers:

**Carolina Fusco** (University of Toronto, Faculty of Physical Education and Health, Canada).

**Roland Robertson** (University of Aberdeen in Scotland, Director of the Centre for the Study of Globalization, United Kingdom).

**Janice Wright** (University of Wollongong, Faculty of Education, Australia).

**Kimmo Suomi** (University of Jyväskylä, Department of Sport Sciences, Finland).

The Organizing Committee has sought to keep costs down. Therefore, the registration fee will be the same in Umeå as in Porto and we are pleased to offer affordable accommodation.

We invite you to visit our official website: [www.eass2011.se](http://www.eass2011.se). On the website you are able to make your registration and submit your abstract!



For all inquiries, please contact us.

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