

## Gunnar Sandberg



### IMI States Representatives Group, Chair

Gunnar Sandberg represents Sweden in the IMI States Representatives Group and was nominated as the Group's Chair in January 2018.

Gunnar has been working since 2014 as Programme Director of the SWELife Initiative within VINNOVA. VINNOVA is the Swedish government agency under the Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications, also acting as the national contact agency for the EU Framework Programme for research and development (R&D), and Sweden's government's expert agency within the field of innovation policy.

### Previous positions

- Chair of the IMI State Representative Group from 2011 to 2014
- Programme Director of the [Eureka Eurostars](#) programme in 2010
- National Contact Point (NCP) for Health, and NCP coordinator for VINNOVA Sweden
- Head of Office of the Swedish EU R&D Council in Brussels, Belgium
- Chairman of Informal Group of Liaisons Offices (IGLO) from 2002 to 2003

### Fields of expertise

- Post-Doc at the CMM Neurogenetics, Karolinska Institute
- Assistant professor at Red Cross University College Stockholm
- Master in Biochemistry from the Stockholm University
- PhD in Biochemistry from the Freie Universität Berlin
- Partner and Work Package leader in several EU projects, including Train Net, Boosting Baltic, SMEs go Health, Fit for Health
- Coordinator for the FP7 project [Bilat Silk](#)