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## LARS ADAKTUSSON

### Stockholm

#### Current assignments:

- Member of the European Parliament for the Swedish Christian Democrats, from July 2014 onwards.
- Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- Member of the Subcommittee on Human Rights.
- Substitute of the Committee on Transport and Tourism.
- Vice-Chair of the Delegation for relations with Afghanistan.
- Substitute of the Delegation for relations with Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Kosovo.
- Vice Chair of the Intergroup for Freedom of Religion and Belief.
- Co-Chair of the Friends of Chaldeans/Syriacs/Assyrians Working Group
- Member of the Friends of Kurdistan Working Group
- Chairman of the Advisory Board for Europe Israel Public Affairs
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Swedish Christian Democrat party
- Board Member of the Swedish Christian Democrat party
- Board member in family-owned Meganews Sweden AB, from 2011 onwards.

#### Previous employments:

- Self-employed, Adaktusson Media AB, September 2011 to May 2014. Freelance journalist, news anchor and political commentator, conference management, and work as lecturer and moderator. Consultant and CEO of

family-owned Meganews Sweden AB.

- KREAB Gavin Anderson Stockholm, March 2011 to September 2011.  
Partner, senior advisor, public affairs and media relations.
- Modern Times Group/TV8, January 2007 to December 2010.  
Presenter, project manager and editor.
- Sveriges Television, January 2006 to January 2007.  
Foreign correspondent and editor for the coverage of the Middle East.  
Based in Amman, Jordan.
- Sveriges Television, January 2001 to December 2005.  
Host and editor for the current affairs programme Agenda.
- Sveriges Television, September 1998 to December 2000.  
Foreign correspondent and editor for the coverage of USA and Canada.  
Based in Washington DC, USA
- Sveriges Television, July 1996 to August 1998.  
News anchor for the daily news program *Aktuellt 21*.
- Sveriges Television, January 1996 to June 1996.  
Presenter of *Kvällsöppet*, broadcast live from Gothenburg twice a week.
- Sveriges Television, September 1993 to December 1995.  
Foreign correspondent and editor for the coverage of Central Europe.  
Based in Vienna, Austria.
- Sveriges Television, June 1992 to August 1993.  
Editor for domestic affairs, responsible for the coverage of domestic politics,  
economy and the labour market at the editorial staff of *Aktuellt*.
- Sveriges Television, June 1987 to May 1992.  
Political reporter/commentator at the editorial staff of *Aktuellt*.
- Sveriges Radio, December 1979 to May 1987.  
Reporter, political reporter and news anchor at the editorial staff of *Ekot*.
- Sveriges Lokalradio, February 1977 to November 1979.  
Reporter, news anchor and producer at Radio Dalarna. Based in Falun,  
Sweden.
- Sveriges Radio, January 1976 to September 1976.  
Trainee from Journalism school, temporary reporter at the editorial staff of *Ekot*.

## Education:

- Journalisthögskolan in Gothenburg, 1975 – 1976, journalism.
- Socialhögskolan in Örebro, 1974, law and political science.
- Kungsholmens Gymnasium, 1971 – 1974.

## Miscellaneous:

- Moderator and lecturer, from 2000 onwards. Recurring on, e.g. Almedalsveckan in Visby and Folk och Försvars rikskonferens in Sälen.
- Columnist in *Svenska Dagbladet*, from April 2007 to April 2009, in *Metro* from September 2011 to April 2013, and in the newspaper *Dagen* from January 2012 until spring 2014.
- Author of the autobiography "Världens bästa story" (Ekerlids Förlag 2011) on television, news and journalism.
- Media person of the year, awarded by Sveriges Mediebyråer, at Stockholm Media Week 2007.
- Board member in the association for Riksdag journalists, 1988 – 1994.
- Scholarship from SIDA and Journalistfonden for media studies in the US and Latin America, 1985-86.
- Author of the book "Det gudomliga USA (Libris Förlag 1982) about the presidency of Ronald Reagans and the growth of the right-wing movement.
- Military service, conscript journalist at the newspaper *Värnpliktsnytt*, August 1977 to August 1978, lieutenant at Svea Livgarde.