



**Roschier and Sodali invite you to a joint seminar on:**

# **Planning a successful Annual General Meeting in the wake of the financial crisis**

Roschier and Sodali are pleased to invite you to a seminar on planning a successful Annual General Meeting in the current financial climate.

At our seminar, a panel of leading corporate law practitioners and other leading experts in the field will discuss various ways of improving the AGM by enhancing shareholder influence, including providing non-attending shareholders the ability to exercise their voting rights at the AGM. In addition, possible improvements to the Swedish Companies Act as well as ways to practices surrounding the AGM will be discussed in attempt to bring them more in line with international standard.

For CEOs and boards of directors, the 2010 AGM will be a report card on their stewardship of the business during the financial crisis and its aftermath. Voting results will be interpreted not only in terms of specific agenda items but as an indicator of shareholders' confidence in the company's leadership and business strategy. Companies should initiate communication and engage with shareholders on governance matters, rather than waiting for negative votes as a result of misalignments or misunderstanding from shareholders or – worse – for activists to put them on the defensive.

**Time:** Tuesday 12 January, 17:00 - 21:00

**Venue:** Hotel Skeppsholmen  
Gröna Gången 1, Stockholm. How to get [there](#).

**Program:** Opening remarks and moderator  
[Axel Calissendorff](#), Senior Partner, Roschier. Mr. Calissendorff is recognized as a leading practitioner in Sweden by all major international publications and rankings in the fields of M&A and corporate law.

Proxy voting

[Sven Unger](#), Partner, Mannheimer Swartling. Mr. Unger is one of Sweden's most frequently retained independent chairmen of Annual General Meetings.

**Adoption of financial accounts**

[Carl-Olof Blomqvist](#), Senior Vice President & General Counsel and Head of Group Function Legal Affairs of Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson, parent company of the Ericsson Group.

**Discharge of liability**

[Ola Åhman](#), Partner, Roschier. Mr. Åhman specializes in company and contract law. He heads Roschier's Public M&A, Corporate Advisory and Capital Markets team in Stockholm. Mr. Åhman has a LL.D./Ph.D. in private law.

## Foreign shareholders and critical voting issues in 2010

[John Wilcox](#), Chairman of Sodali. He combines working knowledge of both the corporate and the shareholder perspective, having served as Head of Corporate Governance at TIAA-CREF, one of the world's largest private pension systems. He specializes in corporate governance, corporate control transactions, capital markets regulation, director education, cross-border voting and investor communication.

We kindly ask you to register for the event by **Friday 8 January 2010** by e-mail: [petra.ejeklint@roschier.com](mailto:petra.ejeklint@roschier.com).