

Nominated new candidates and alternates to Sweden-China Trade Council Board of Directors 2025/2026

Nominated candidates:



Richard Hårdänge, Partner and Chief Commercial Officer, NBH

Richard Hårdänge, born in 1985, is a Partner and Chief Commercial Officer at NBH, a digital marketing agency that supports companies with marketing, strategy, and digital setup in China.

Richard holds a degree in Arts & Cultural Sciences from Stockholm University. He first became interested in China while working with Chinese antiques at Uppsala Auction House. Later, he worked as a manager in hospitality, tourism, and travel, with a focus on the Chinese market.

Having lived and worked in China for many years, Richard is fluent in Mandarin Chinese. With his diverse background and deep understanding of Chinese consumer behavior, he helps companies navigate cultural differences while focusing on sales, marketing, and strategy to bridge the gap between the Nordics and China.

Richard Hårdänge was first elected alternate board member in 2023.



Per Westling, Managing Director, Stena RoRo AB

Per Westling, born in 1961, has been employed by Stena since 1985. In addition to a M.Sc. degree in Naval Architecture from Chalmers Technical University of Gothenburg, Sweden, Per is trained as an Engineer within the Royal Swedish Navy. Within the Stena group he has been project manager for several newbuildings and major conversion projects but also served for five years within the Stena Line Shipmanagement division. In 2001 he moved to Stena RoRo as Conversion Manager, took on the role of Deputy Managing Director in 2008 and subsequently Managing Director in 2011. Mr Westling is since 2013 a board member of Interferry Inc.

Per Westling was first elected alternate board member in 2024.



Charlotte Nicklasson, Director, Public Affairs, SKF

Charlotte Nicklasson, born in 1977, is the Director of Public Affairs at SKF, where she leads the company's global public and governmental relations efforts. In this capacity, she plays a pivotal role in shaping the company's interactions with policymakers and driving impactful advocacy efforts on an international scale. Charlotte joined SKF in September 2025, bringing with her a wealth of experience from her extensive career in EU affairs. Prior to her role at SKF, she spent several years in Brussels, where she worked with large Nordic media companies, focusing on public policy and EU affairs.

Charlotte holds a Master's in Political Science from Lund University in Sweden and a Bachelor's degree in Security Politics from Zurich University in Switzerland. Throughout her career, she has held leadership positions in public policy and government affairs across multiple sectors, including private companies, government offices, and the United Nations, in cities such as Brussels, Stockholm, Bishkek, and Zurich.

With deep expertise in public advocacy, Charlotte has successfully driven campaigns to influence policy and regulatory changes at both the EU and international levels. She is a experienced communicator and relationship builder, with a strong track record of engaging senior stakeholders. Charlotte is also a dedicated advocate for equality and diversity in
Throughout her career, Charlotte has been a passionate advocate for equality, inclusion and diversity, ensuring these values are embedded in all aspects of her work.

Nominated alternate candidates:



David Almström, Executive Director, Tiandi Scandinavia

David Almstrom, born in 1968, is the Director of Product for Software Engineering at Northvolt and the executive director at Tiandi Scandinavia, focused on ICT and startups since 2009. With a background in technology and startups, he has a strong engagement in China and Asia. Previously, he held roles at Voi, Spotify, Telenor, and Mozilla. Mr Almstrom has been active in the mobile industry in Asia since the mid-90s and has held key positions at Ericsson, Nokia, and Trolltech. He holds an M.Sc. in telecommunications and enjoys writing and speaking engagements. He resides in Stockholm with his family.

David Almström was first elected alternate board member in 2021.



Marcus Scoliège, Head of Investments, Business Region

Göteborg, BRG

Marcus Scoliège, born in 1969, has a background in investment promotion, international trade and relations, Marcus has developed strong skills in leadership, project management and communication. Originally from New Zealand and having lived and worked in six countries. speaking four languages, which has given Marcus a broad international experience and understanding of different cultures. Marcus has helped international companies to make contacts, find partners, sell products and services and establish themselves in new countries. Today, Marcus is Head of Investment Promotion at Business Region Gothenburg, working to attract more successful companies to the region. Marcus will bring strategic planning, innovative solutions and a strong focus on creating valuable international collaborations to SCTC:s Board of Directors. He is looking forward to continuing to strengthen the cooperation between BRG and SCTC to create a positive and sustainable future for Gothenburg and SCTC:s members.