

## Joakim Odelberg representing Sweden Exhibits at the United Nations building in New York during the 2017 Ocean Conference.

### **The Ocean Conference 2017, New York**

Joakim has received the honour of representing Sweden through exhibiting his installation at the UN building in New York during the internationally attended Ocean Conference 2017. The conference, which will take place this June is the largest ocean conference of our time. The worlds attention will be focused with anticipation on the results of negotiations and lectures between the 5-9th of June 2017.

"Through the Global Goals and the 2030 Agenda, the countries of the world have committed to creating sustainable development for future generations. Sweden and Fiji have jointly taken the initiative for a United Nations conference to support efforts to save the world's oceans and achieve the Sustainable Development Goal on oceans, seas and marine resources – Goal 14 of the UN 2030 Agenda. The UN conference will give impetus to the implementation of Goal 14 and enable more stakeholders to take responsibility for the future of oceans. The conference will take place in New York on 5–9 June 2017 and will be preceded by several preparatory meetings." - <http://www.government.se/government-policy/the-ocean-conference/>

"The exhibition is a great opportunity to showcase my work and commitment to the ocean as well as inspiring more people to act," says Joakim Odelberg.

Joakim Odelberg is one of our premier marine ambassadors. He has been working intensively with marine environmental issues since 2007, raising awareness for how critically in danger the oceans, our source of life on earth, are. Joakim's work extends far beyond Sweden's borders. He works with several international organisations and foundations, such as Dr Sylvia E. Earle's Mission Blue, WildAid and Marine Conservation Institute. For the past three years, Joakim has also hosted the popular and highly regarded nature documentary program series, *Mitt i Naturen*, for SVT1, Sweden's national TV channel.

## Awards and achievements

- 2012 EUIFA Environmental Award for *,Ghosts In The Baltic Sea,* at the International Underwater Film Festival in Belgrade.
- 2012 Anemone Foundation Award for *,Ghost In The Baltic Sea,* at the North Sea Film Festival in Rotterdam.
- 2012 Honorary mention for *,Ghost In The Baltic Sea,* at the Blue Ocean Film Festival in Monterey, CA.
- The Kristallen TV film Best Drama award for *,30 Degrees in February,* where Joakim filmed and directed all of the underwater scenes.
- 2017 The Thorden Foundation's Environmental Prize, <http://www.thordenstiftelsen.se/joakim-odelberg-och-lina-schnauffer-milo-och-kulturstipendiater/>

## More information:

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