



**EDELSTAM  
FOUNDATION**  
THE EDELSTAM PRIZE

## **PRESS INVITATION**

### **Dawit Isaak awarded the Edelstam Prize 2024**

The award ceremony will take place at Riddarhuset in Stockholm on 19 November. More information about the laureate and the Edelstam Prize, as well as contact details, can be found at the links below.

#### **Prize Award Ceremony**

**Time:** Tuesday, the 19th of November, 16: 45 – 18.15 PM. Reception from 18:15 PM.

**Venue:** House of Nobility (*Riddarhuset*), Riddarhustorget 10, *Gamla Stan*, Stockholm.

**Registration:** Mail to: [press@edelstamprize.org](mailto:press@edelstamprize.org), or by phone: +46 (0)706 98 72 23

#### **Seminar**

**Time:** Wednesday the 20th of November, 1:00-3:00 PM.

**Venue:** Armémuseum, Main Entrance for *Hörsalen*, Riddargatan 13, Stockholm

**Registration:** Mail to: [press@edelstamprize.org](mailto:press@edelstamprize.org), or by phone: +46 (0)706 98 72 23

#### **[Seminar program](#)**

#### **Press information & contact**

Please find press material in several languages, including Arabic and Tigrinya, here:

#### **[International press room](#)**

We are happy to share some of the extensive international media coverage for this year's prize and laureate:

#### **[International publicity](#)**

## **Press & Media**

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## **The Edelstam Foundation**

The Edelstam Foundation administrates the Edelstam Prize awarded for outstanding contributions and exceptional courage in standing up for one's beliefs in the Defence of Human Rights. Further, the Edelstam Foundation encourages civic courage in Ambassador Harald Edelstam's spirit, works with formation of opinion and advocacy, education and information, research, and observation within the Defence of Human Rights. The Edelstam Foundation stands for a humanistic view, based on the values and principles that mainly are expressed in the United Nations' Declaration on Human Rights from 1948, along with the conventions that followed and internationally accepted public law.

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The Edelstam Prize is a Sweden-based international monetary award, administrated by the Harald Edelstam Foundation. The Edelstam Prize is awarded for outstanding contributions and exceptional courage in standing up for one's beliefs in the Defence of Human Rights.

The Edelstam Prize is named after, and awarded in memory of, the Swedish diplomat and Ambassador, Harald Edelstam (1913-1989). Harald Edelstam distinguished himself as a diplomat by his professional competence, his bravery, and his civic courage in the fight for Human Rights. His memorable acts contributed to saving more than a thousand lives during the Second World War in Norway and during the military coup in Chile, in 1973.

The winner of the Edelstam Prize can be a private person or a person who serves in Government, international or national organizations. The winner shall be an individual who has acted in Ambassador Harald Edelstam's spirit in a country/countries where Human Rights,

according to international law, have been violated. The laureate must have shown outstanding capabilities in analysing and handling complex situations and in finding ways, even unconventional and creative ones, to defend Human Rights. The candidate has, presumably in a complex situation, been able to take a decisive role in helping threatened people or directly saving human lives. Civic courage is a central parameter in the selection of the successful candidate.