

Norman Johnson: Final Report.

**European ISDN User Forum. 8th Plenary Meeting. Stockholm,
11-13 April 1994**



"1. GENERAL

Telia International hosted the 8th Plenary Meeting of European ISDN Users Forum. The Forum held aboard the Silja Line M/S Europa, sailing between Stockholm-Helsinki-Stockholm, attracted 450 participants. An additional 53 persons who wished to participate were unable to do so due to logistic problems of accommodation and seating arrangements in the session areas. Final costs are not yet complete, but currently within the budget set by Telia International Two Hundred Thousand Swedish Kronor (200,000 SEK). This amount includes the sum of Fifteen Thousand ECU (15,000 ECU) provided by European Union.

The Forum was attended by the largest number of participants since the inauguration of EIU. It was also the first EIU to be held on board an ocean liner.

It can be reported that the event was a great success, and credit must be given to Telia International staff together with Telia conference secretariat and Silja line staff for their effort prior and during the event.

2. OPENING PLENARY

The 8th EIU plenary was opened by Mr T. Hagström, CEO Telia, followed by a key note address by Mr A. Igel, Vice President, Ericsson Telecommunications Company. Video Conference presentations via ISDN to United Kingdom and Denmark were also made. The presentation by BT also included video recording clips made via ISDN of the Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race. The presentation by Tele Den.mark/KTAS welcomed participants to the 9th EIU plenary to be held in Copenhagen during November 1994.

3. EIU WORKSHOPS

Three parallel tracks with sessions and workshops on:

- multi media
- tele-working
- specialized ISDN topics

were conducted. The workshop and sessions were all well attended. As participants had a free option to attend sessions of their choice, a number of sessions held in the auditorium were subject to over crowding."