

**Mr. Torsten CEDELL, Master of Science in Agriculture**

Mr. Torsten Cedell died on July 20, 1995, at the age of 59 and after a period of illness.

He was raised in a clerical family in Småland, a rich forestry domain in the south of Sweden. After a graduation from High School in 1957, he began studying plant husbandry, which led to his degree of Master of Science in Agriculture at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) in 1961. After this graduation he worked as teacher and consultant. In 1965, he joined one of the most known schools of agriculture in Sweden as agricultural manager and teacher in plant husbandry. Mr. Cedell had the ability to create an active interest for his subjects and with his impelling ways, he met very great respect from his students.



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In 1971, he initiated the renewal of Swedish pasture seed cultivating as consultant and manager of the Swedish Seed Growers' Union. After a few years, he also became research officer within the Swedish Oil Seed Plant Growers' Association. Late in the 70's, he also took the full managing responsibility for pasture seed and oil seed plant issues.

Torsten Cedell always was the first one to develop and to stress the interests of pasture seed and oil seed plant cultivation - from refining and cultivating technics, to quality issues and marketing. Some examples of issues where Torsten Cedell has been the impelling force are the technics of direct seeding, the fact that the quality of rapeseed really is something special, and the high percentage of rapeseed in Swedish fat consumption.

Also internationally, his services have been utilized and his name has been mentioned with the greatest respect all over the world in matters of pasture seed and oil seed plant growing. He was strongly involved in GCIRC (since June 1982) and encouraged growers, oil pressers and consumers in northern Europe to meet regularly, in order to promote rapeseed products.

The world's rapeseed growing producers all mourn the prominent and exemplary figure that Torsten Cedell personified. To honour his memory and continue the work on issues that Torsten Cedell always emphasized, the board of the Foundation of the Swedish Oil Plant Research has decided to establish a special fund in his memory. The return from this fund will be used to support and promote scientific research in the field of oil seed plants and their products.

Contributions to this fund will be gratefully received by the Swedish Seed and Oilseed Growers' Association, P.O. Box 96, S-230 53 Alnarp Sweden.

**Stig Linden**

Torsten Cedell was held in very high regard by his colleagues and friends in the Groupe consultatif International de Recherche sur le Colza and he will be sadly missed.

He, through his work to widen the use of rapeseed oil in human nutrition, had made a major contribution to the rapeseed industry. He was also very active in his participation in GCIRC

and in encouraging the development of co-operation between researchers and in developing the communications and relationships between all sectors of the industry.

We were very saddened to hear of his death and send our deepest sympathy to his friends and family.

**John MacLeod,**  
President, GCIRC, 2 August 1995