

Green Transition and Regional Sustainability

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Navigating the Policy Landscape

Barriers and Synergies in Strategies for Climate and Biodiversity

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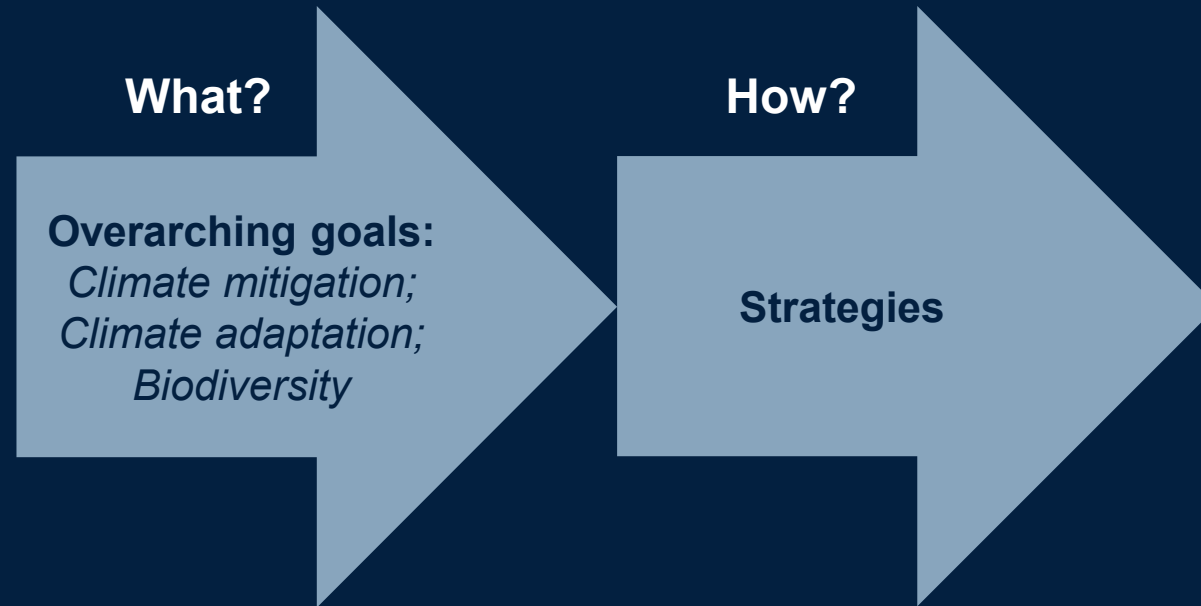
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Why is this program important?

- Addressing complex, global challenges requires coordination among key actors
 - From decision-makers and policy specialists, to a range of societal actors
 - From the global to the local (and even sub-local) level
 - Across a multitude of different policy-areas and activities
- *How many actors, policy areas, and administrative levels are involved in the current push towards a green transition?*
- *What are the risks?*

What is this program about?



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Circular economy: strategy for transition in Sweden

Strategy for Sweden's national forest program

National strategy for electrification

"Fit for 55": Delivering the EU's 2030 climate targets

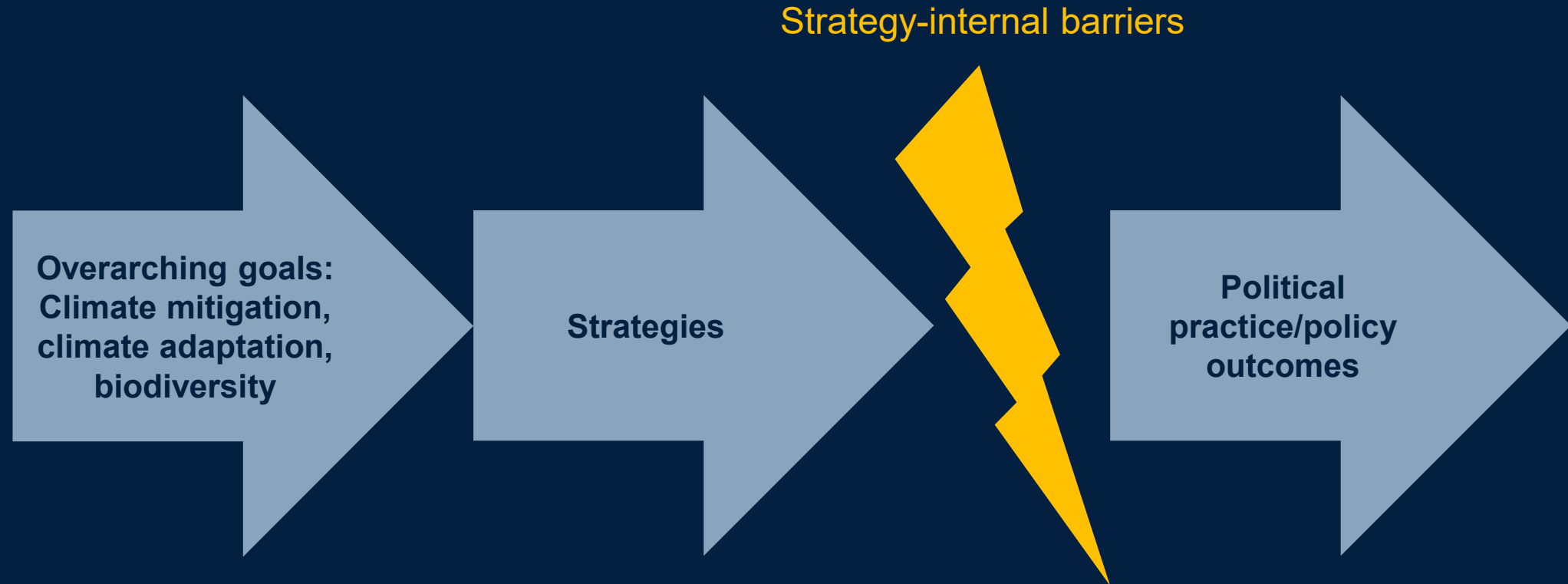


The Swedish climate policy action plan

EU strategy on adaptation to climate change

Swedish strategy for biodiversity and ecosystem services

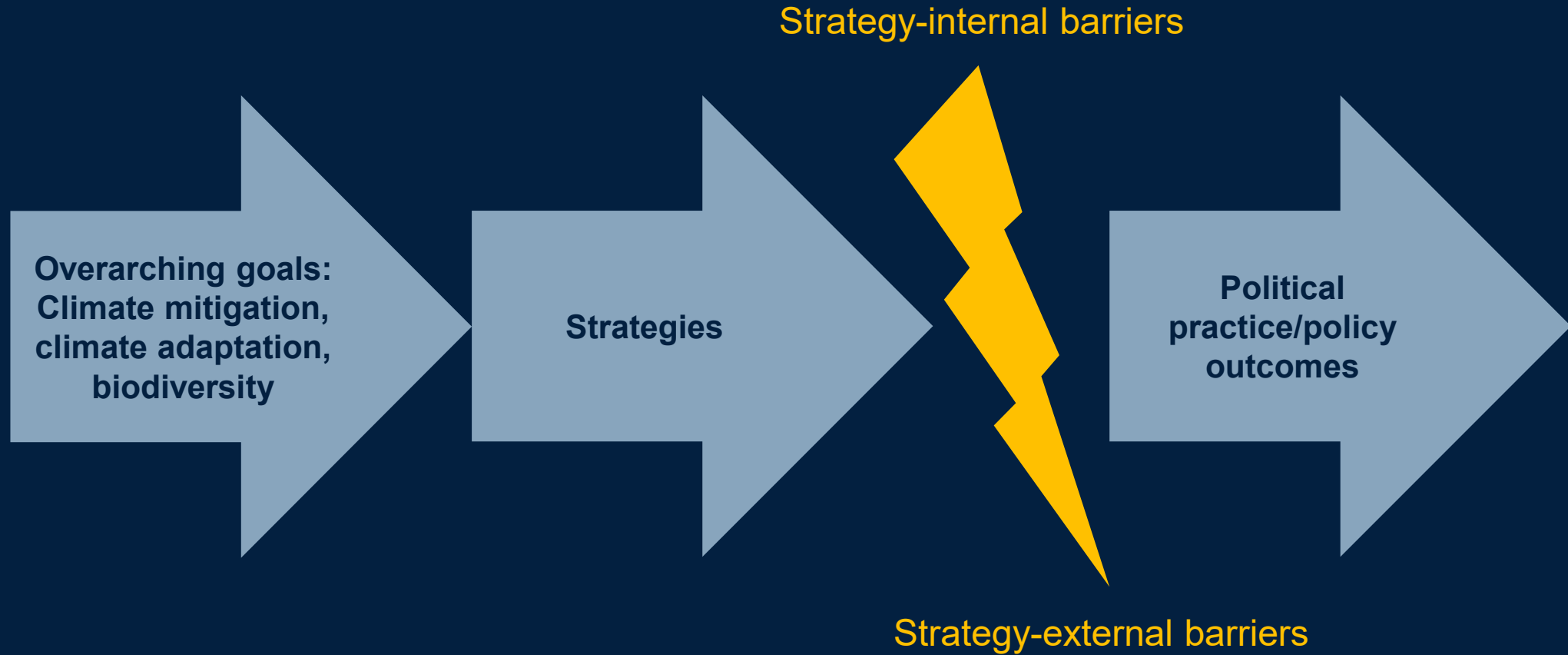
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Strategy-internal factors

- Mismatch between goals/strategies, and the programs and policy instruments applied to fulfil them
- Implementation challenges (ambition, ability, resources)
- Multi-level complexity: translating EU/national goals to local contexts, administrative filtering

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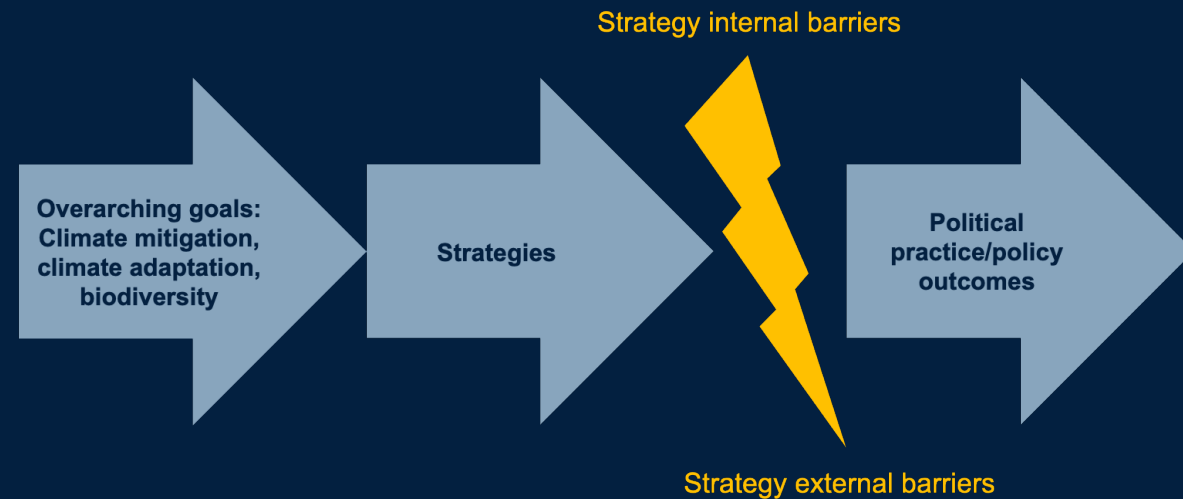


Strategy-external factors

- Conflicts between different environmental strategies
- Incompatibility with strategies and political practices in other policy areas
- Mismatch with agendas and actions of businesses, civil society organisations, and individuals

A lack of *action coherence*...

- Different logics for different types of strategies
- One specific goal, or a broader target
- Cross-scale interactions
- Vertical interplay of goals, strategies, and actions
- ...is an important cause of failed goal attainment

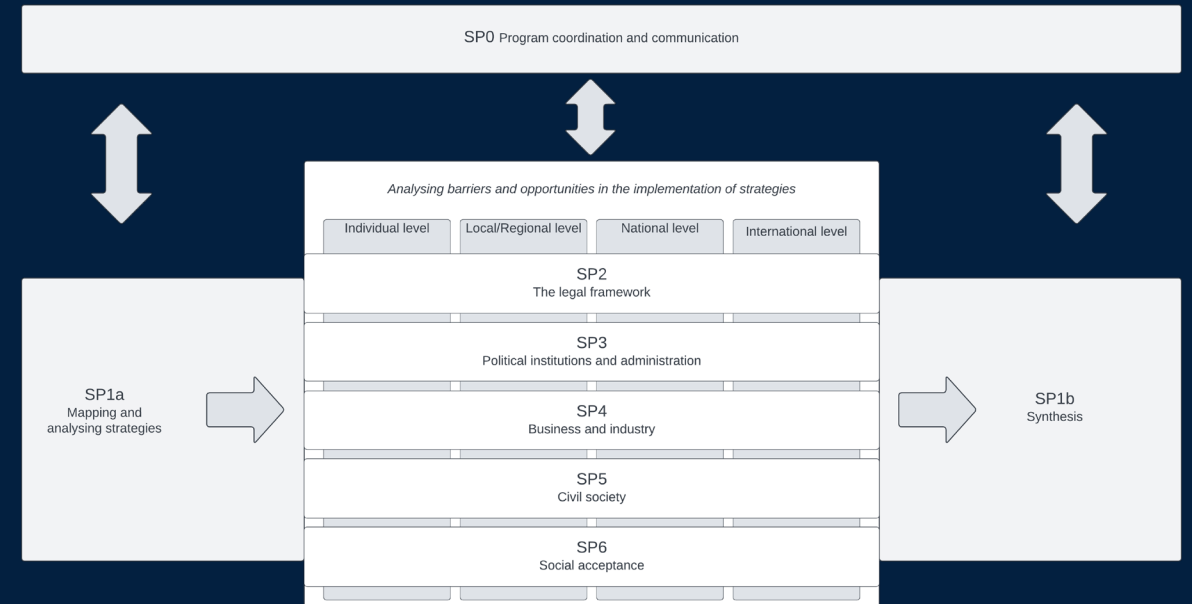


Overall program aim

- To advance our knowledge about existing policy barriers and to provide concrete recommendations on how to improve contemporary and future climate and biodiversity strategies in order to avoid goal-conflicts and controversies and foster policy synergies, thereby achieving better policy implementation
 1. Which are the main public strategies promoting climate and biodiversity goals in Sweden, and how can they be analysed?
 2. What are the main barriers in, and to the implementation of, strategies aiming for climate mitigation and adaptation and a rich biodiversity, and how could these be navigated?
 3. How could future policy-making and decision-making on sustainable development be performed in order to prevent barriers and reap synergies?

What do we study?

- One SubProject (SP) to map the strategy landscape, and provide an overview of climate and biodiversity strategies, including strategies that might be counteractive
- Five SPs, each focusing barriers and potential synergies from different perspectives, and across multiple societal/administrative levels



How do we do it?

- A multidisciplinary program...
 - Gathering leading scholars from the social- and environmental sciences
 - Four different institutions across Sweden
- ...with a mixed-methods approach
 - Surveys and survey-experiments
 - Interviews and policy analysis
 - Co-learning, roundtables, workshops, focus-groups
- Stakeholder interactions and knowledge exchange is key!

The Team

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MANAGE THIS
IMPACT
ASSESSMENT?!







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We need to do better

- Climate Justice
- Human Rights
- Not mere dialogue and consultation, but respect for the free, prior and informed consent

Giitu!

Thank you for your attention!

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BUSINESS ORGANIZATION

Independent privately owned business organization founded in 1904.



MEMBER RUN

320 Member companies
27.000 employees
132 billion SEK turnover

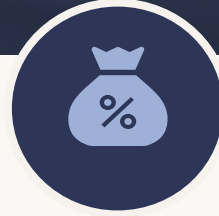
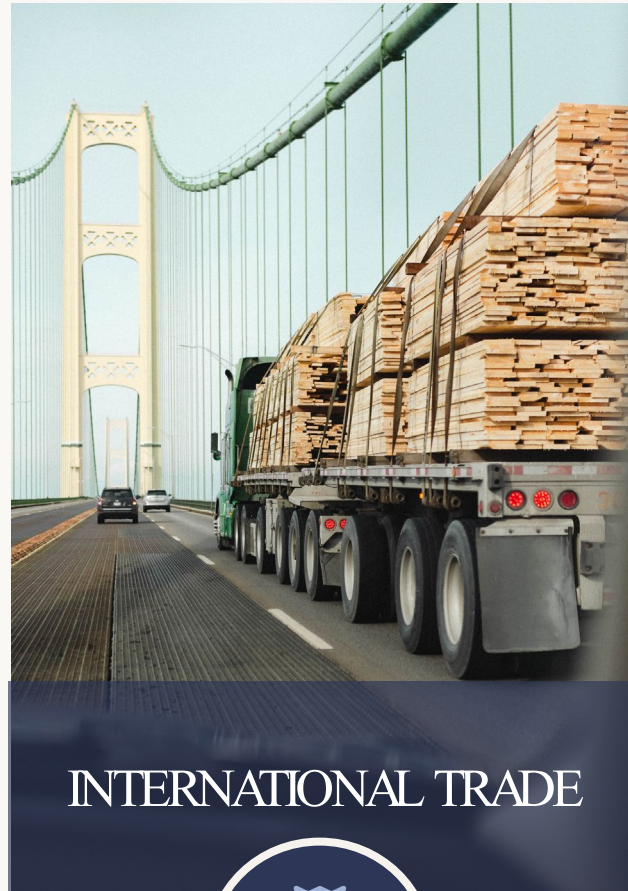
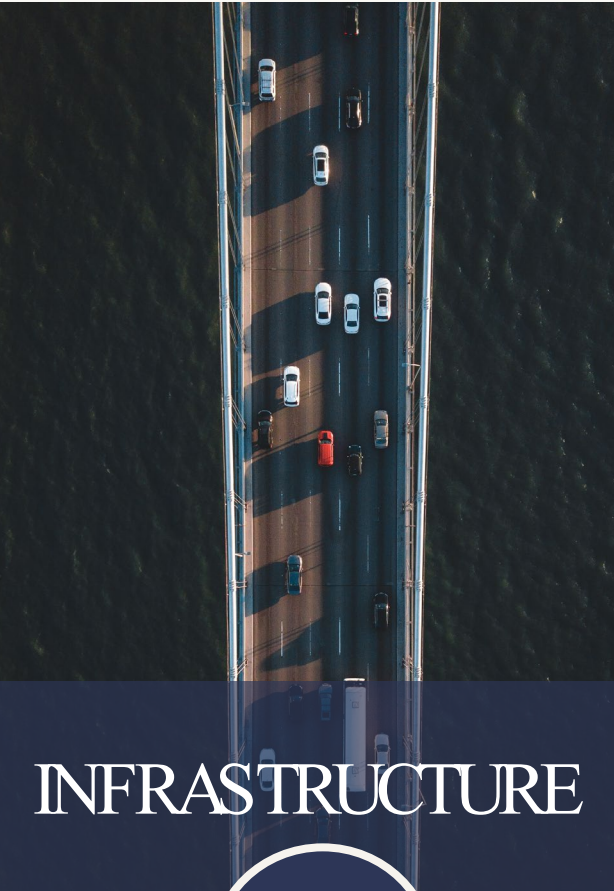


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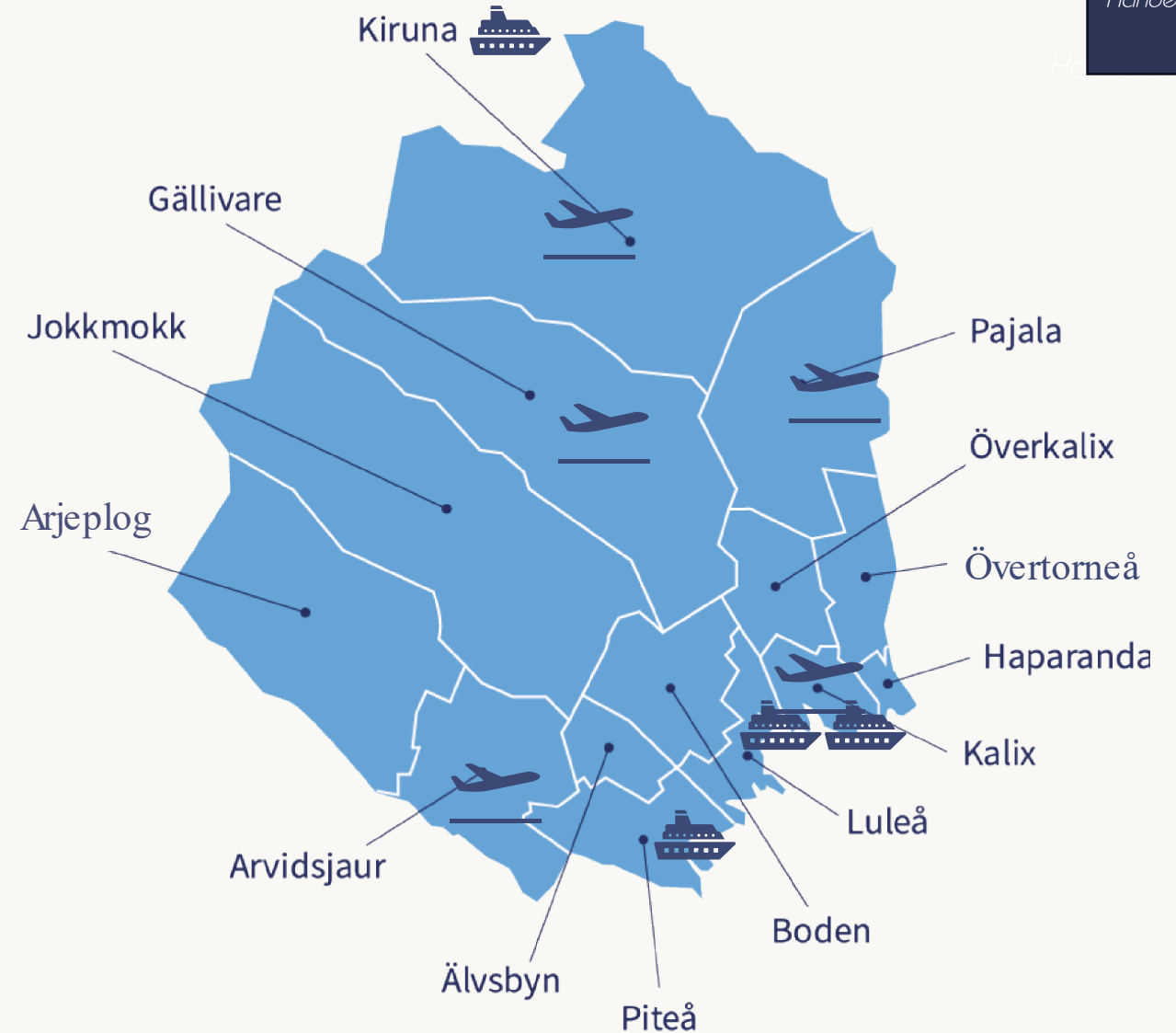
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ABOUT NORRBOTTEN

Information about the northernmost region

- Borders Finland & Norway
- 25% of Sweden's Total Area
- 2,5% of population
- 14 Municipalities
- Low unemployment rate
- Few bankruptcies
- Gender equal company structures
- Export intense region



NORRBOTTEN

The top of arctic Europe



INVESTMENTS of €120 billion

until the year 2040

€90 billion in Norrbotten

€30 billion in Västerbotten



ARCTIC EUROPE

Shared opportunities & challenges

- Similar economies & business sectors
- Shared possibilities & challenges
- Sparsely populated areas
- Primary industry based & natural resource based
- Cross-border cooperation & collaboration
- Infrastructure – connectivity & multimodal
- Green sustainable transition happening across Arctic Europe



ARCTIC EUROPE

Stronger together

Norrbotten population 250.000

Västerbotten population 275.000

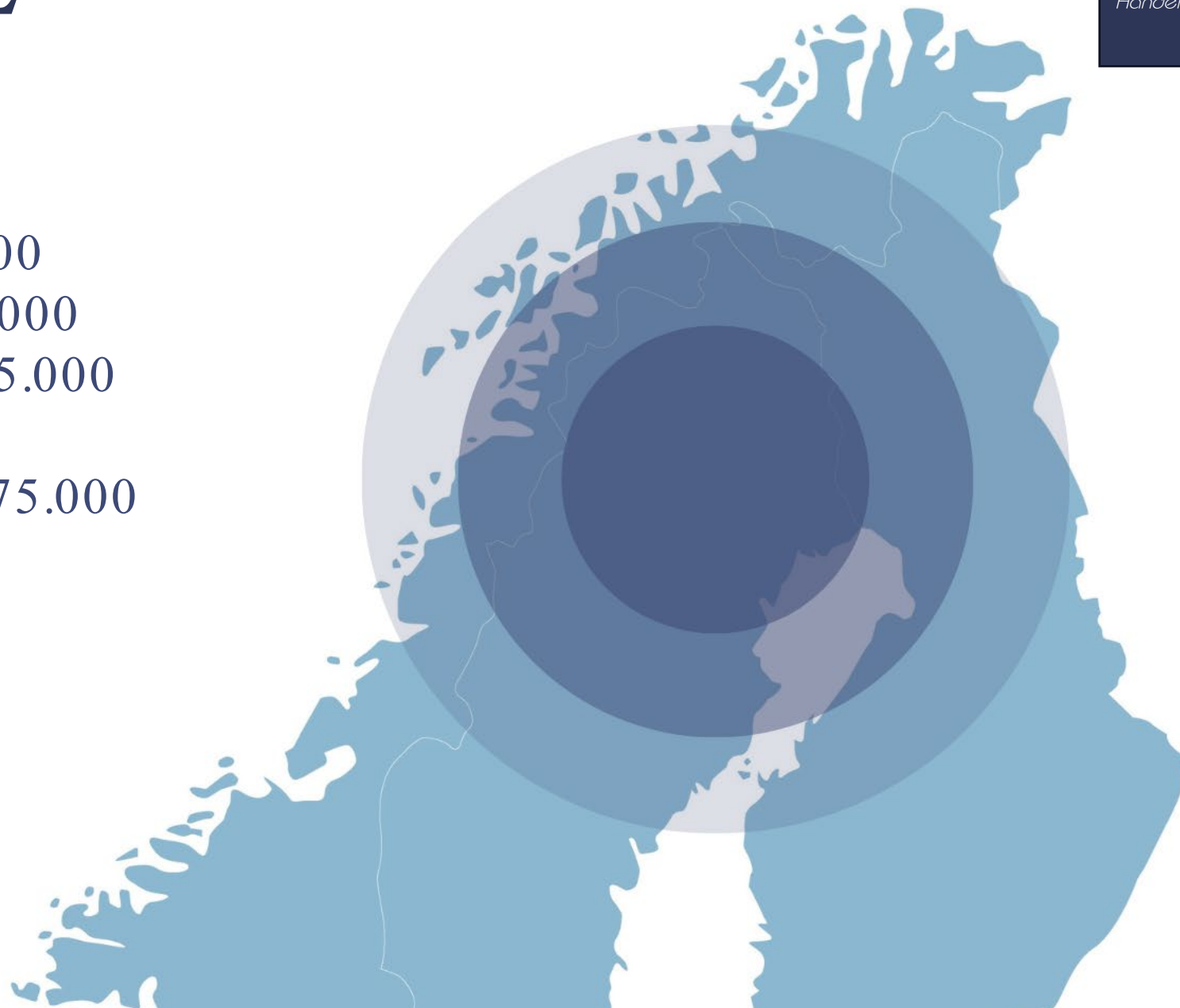
Västernorrland population 245.000

Jämtland population 130.000

Finnish Lapland population 175.000

Finnish Österbotten 417.000

Northern Norway 450.000



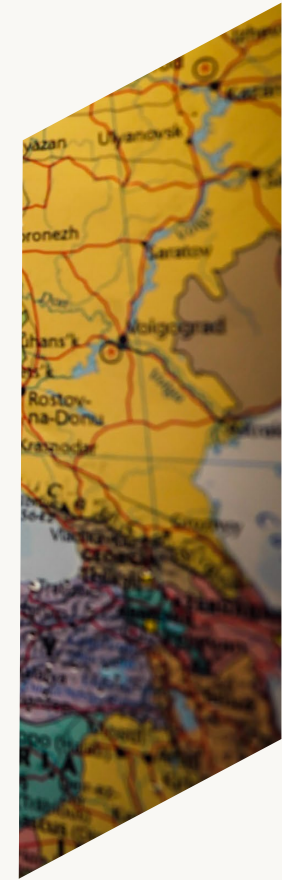
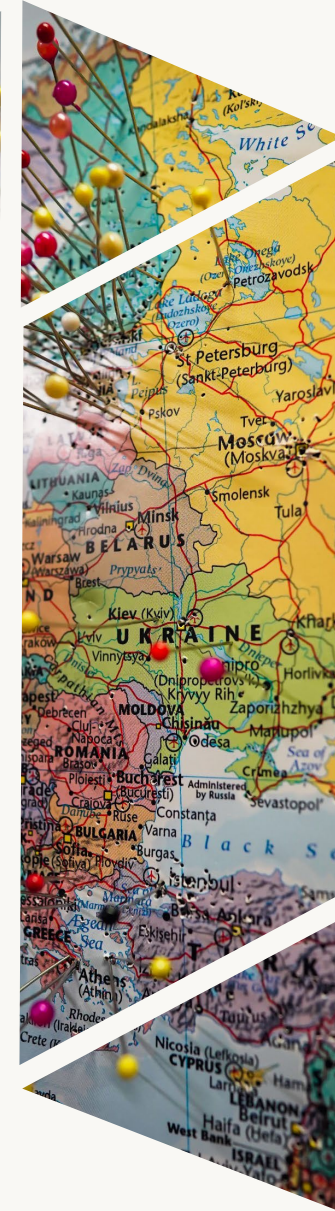
THE GREEN TRANSITION IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

SUSTAINABILITY

ENERGY

GEOPOLITICS

COMPETITIVENESS



COMPETENCE, SKILLS & CAPACITY BUILDING

The investments in northern Sweden will generate thousands of new job opportunities & we need to attract more residents to Norrbotten.



OPPORTUNITIES



- Sustainability & reducing CO2 emissions
- Norrbotten USPs for the green transition
- Innovation & global competitiveness
- Interconnectedness & cross-border cooperation
- Growth and new industries

CHALLENGES



- Long distance to markets
- Infrastructural deficit
- Energy – capacity
- Geopolitical & security aspect
- Human capital

THANK YOU



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Norway's regulation of consultations with Sami interests

senior adviser Ole Drægni

Luleå, November 2023



The Sami Act, chapter 4 (2021)

- The Sami parliament and other representatives of Sami interests have the right to be consulted in cases that may affect Sami interests directly
- Applies to government bodies at all levels



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ICCPR Article 27



ILO Convention No. 169 concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, Article 6 (1991)



Agreement on “Procedures for Consultations between State Authorities and The Sami Parliament” (2005)



The Sami Act, chapter 4 (2021)

What are consultations?



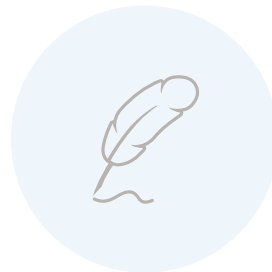
More than the right to be heard



To be conducted in «good faith»



Achieving agreement is the objective



The process must be documented

§ 4-1 Saker som er gjenstand for konsultasjoner

Bestemmelsene i kapitlet her gjelder for lovgivning, forskrifter og andre beslutninger eller tiltak som vil kunne påvirke samiske interesser direkte.

§ 4-1 Matters that are the subject of consultations

The provisions in this chapter apply to legislation, regulations and other decisions or measures that could directly affect Sami interests.



Who has the right to be consulted?



Who is representative for the interest in the specific case?

- The Sami parliament
- The national organization for reindeer herders
- Reindeer herding districts
- Siidas
- Other organisations

Non compliance



Legality
control



Complaint



Breach could
lead to
invalidity



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