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1. Introduction

This is a template for reporting the activities related to WP3 Mobilizing Regional and Local Authorities carried out by each regional partner in its region.

This is a “live” document, it can be updated each time an activity is carried out related to the development or revision of the regional SEAP.

The information included in this document will be the basis for:

- the evaluation of WP3 MLG activities during for the intermediate and final reports
- the preparation of the “Regional MLG activities online dynamic presentation” (D3.2)

Figures and pictures are welcome in this document, as they will help the preparation of the “online dynamic presentation”

2. Development of the regional SEAP

Please include a summary of the situation of the regional SEAP (half page to one page): existing SEAP, planning for revision or development of a new regional SEAP, scope of the SEAP... (O3.3)

The “regional SEAP” has two parts: first the “Klimat- och energistrategi för Norrbottens län” = “Climate and energy strategy for the County of Norrbotten” which is complemented with a “Åtgärdsprogram för klimat- och energiarbete i Norrbottens län” = “Action plan for climate and energy in the County of Norrbotten”. The strategy has been published in 2008. The so-called “Regional Partnership” has approved the regional SEAP. This is a formalised coordination committee between municipalities, County Council, County Administration Board and further authorities (e.g. employment office, Sami Council) and organisations (e.g. University, Association of Enterprises). The Counsellor is leading the work.

The first Action Plan has been revised in 2012 and a new for the period 2013-2015 has been published in 2013. There is no decision yet, when the strategy will be revised. The Action Plan has been revised in 2012. But there is a need and a will to complement the current strategy and action documents with more concrete and action oriented planning. A new revised Action Plan will be developed during 2013-2015.

The 3 main sectors targeted by the “regional SEAP” are Sustainable Growths, Sustainable Community Planning, Sustainable Transport. The three prioritised renewable energy sources are Wind power, Hydro power and Biomass. The regional SEAP has been developed in a comprehensive participation process, and is linked to priorities in the regional development strategy. It is

- a compilation of priorities and actions of regional stakeholders;
- a basis document for prioritising actions and projects in the future;
- a basis document for coordinating regional and local activities to reach the jointly agreed climate and energy targets, thereby contributing to the Swedish and the EU climate and energy targets.

The County Administration Board of Norrbotten is in charge for the revision of the Action Plan. A steering group is established, and both the County Administration Board and all members of the Steering Committee have signed the COOPENERGY MoC. A continuously dialogue between Nenet, the County Administration Board and the Steering Group ensures that COOPENERGY results are taken into account in the revision, and that a revised and improved MLG model will be in place by the end of the COOPENERGY project.



3. Activities of the Regional Steering Committee

Please describe the RSC composition, objectives, etc. (half page - O3.1). Explain which has been the purpose of the Memorandum of Cooperation (D3.1) and who has signed it.

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The parties who have signed the MoC are: County Administration Board Norrbotten; County Council Norrbotten; Swedish Transport Administration; Swedish Forest Agency; Luleå University of Technology; Association of Local Authorities;

4. Selection of the MLG model

In Norrbotten, the actual energy- and climate strategy is the result of a comprehensive participatory process, in which the public sector (regional and local authorities), energy supplier, the commercial and industry sector have been involved. The so-called “Regional Partnership” has approved the regional SEAP. This is a formalised coordination committee between municipalities, County Council, County Administration Board and further authorities (e.g. employment office, Sami Council) and organisations (e.g. University, Association of Enterprises). The Counsellor is leading the work. However, the SWOT analysis (WP2) showed that after a phase of intensive collaboration for developing the regional SEAP, it became difficult to keep the level of interaction between the regional and the local level. This is due to

- While it is important for the regional level, that municipalities deliver to the regional SEAP, there is little need for municipalities to work for that, as Swedish Counties are relatively weak and lack instruments to support municipalities, e.g. financially;
- Lack of capacities in small municipalities: staff, knowledge and money;
- Personal meetings to build up confidence and ensuring continuously collaboration are difficult due to long distances and staff changes;

There is no final decision about how the COOPENERGY MLG model should look like, however, the following decisions for next steps are taken:

- Analysis of the European Survey together with Steering Committee to learn from best examples aiming at adapting a model to Norrbotten;
- A concept to make it possible for local authorities to continuously collaborating with the regional authority is under development. The two joint actions in WP4 are an essential part of that, as regional meeting places are urgently needed.
- Lack of access to funding is a big problem. There is little experience to use investment money from EU Structural Funds. Nenet will together with the County Administration Board work for better information for local authorities on that.
- The lack of energy data access for evaluation of activities, control of target achievement and adjustment of planning is another big challenge for the region (pillar 2, modelling, planning and monitoring tools for decision making). Nenet is collaboration with the regional authorities and the local authorities on building up a regional energy data observatory;
- There is also a need to improve awareness raising but even more stakeholder involvement instruments, (pillar 3). COOPENERGY will support actions on that by the Energy Info Days, the MLG Forums and by WP4 Joint Actions.

5. MLG activities

Please describe the MLG activities carried out during the project with the objective of revising the regional SEAP (1 to 2 pages) including: Activities for the promotion of the Covenant of Mayors (O3.4 and O3.5); Objectives and results of the organization of energy days (O3.6)

- Setting up regional steering committee and organise signing of MOC. Members of SC are: Gunnar Plym Forshell, Richard Sundén and Ylva Sardén, County Administration Board Norrbottens, Marcus Öhman, Luleå Technical University, Ingela Jarlbring, Swedish Transport Administration, Björn Eriksson and Anita Lindfors Association Local Authorities Norrbotten, Per Björkman and Satu Norsten Maninnen, County Council Norrbottens, Svante Larsson, Swedish Forest Administration
- CoopEnergy SC meeting 2013-12-13 in Luleå
- Organising of MLG Forum in collaboration with Jokkmokk Winter Conference 2014 (6 February 2014), title: Collaboration Models – a promising approach for Sustainable Transport Solutions
- Organise Energy Day in collaboration with Jokkmokk Winter Conference 2014 (3-5 February 2014), title Make it happen: Eco-Mobility for the North
- Promotion CoM: County Council Norrbotten becomes Covenant Territorial Coordinator of the Covenant of Mayors;
- Promotion CoM: Nenet is working with Boden municipality on developing a SEAP;
- Starting to establish a municipal advisory board in addition to the Steering Committee, in which the Local Authorities are represented by the Association of Local Authorities in Norrbotten. Involved Municipalities: Jokkmokk, Piteå, Älvsbyn, Övertorneå
- Continuous dialogue with the County Administration Board Norrbotten and Norrbotten County Council on the revision process for the SEAP.
- Presentation of COOPENERGY project and discussion of regional SWOT analysis combined with results from European Survey in a networking meeting, Luleå 2014_05_21. In total 14 participants, 6 municipalities, County Administration Board, County Council, Association of Local Authorities in Norrbotten, Swedish Energy Agency.
- Preparation of next SC meeting in collaboration with County Administration Board, planned autumn 2014.
- Result MLG: sustainable transport key issue for Norrbotten; collaboration of local authorities and regional authorities need to be improved, difficult for small rural municipalities, easier for bigger cities on the coast.

6. Annexes

Please attach the RSC meeting minutes, description of the MLG forums (O3.2) and energy days (O3.6). If you create separate documents as annexes to this one (e.g. because of the size of the document, pictures...), please make here a reference to them.

RSC meeting minutes

RSC Meeting 1	
Date	2013-12-13
Location	Luleå
Participants	Ingela Jarlbring, Swedish Transport Authority; Björn Eriksson, Association of LA in Norrbotten, Per Björkman, County Council Norrbottens, Richard Sundén and Ylva Sardén, County Administration Board Norrbotten
Objectives and summary	<p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a joint understanding about COOPENERGY tasks and timeline • Discuss next steps and role of SC <p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of COOPENERGY project • Presentation results WP2 (regional SWOT analysis) and conclusions. SC agrees on conclusions (see this document, point 4) • Agreement on collaboration with Jokkmokk Winter Conference for MLG Forum and Energy Info Days (see below this document); agreement on issue sustainable transport. • Discussion about MLG model. Questions about who is to be addressed first (technical staff or politicians) when approaching LA's. An analysis of European survey will give answers/indications; • Collaboration on meetings with LA in the the process of SEAP revision agreed • Signing of MoC
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Other (pictures, links...)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

Description of MLG forums

Summary of the Event

(MLG1 Collaboration Models – a promising approach for Sustainable Transport Solutions)

Organiser Name	Nenet, Jokkmokk municipality
Date of Event	6 th of February 2014
Event Title	MLG1 Collaboration Models – a promising approach for Sustainable Transport Solutions)
Location	Jokkmokk
Description	<p>09.00-09.15 Presentation COOPENERGY</p> <p>Silva Herrmann, Nenet Norrbotten's Energy Agency, project leader COOPENERGY</p> <p>09.15-10.00 Walk the Talk – Stockholm's steps towards fossil-free transport, examples of MLG collaboration. Jonas Ericson, City of Stockholm, European Green Capital 2010</p> <p>10.00-10.30 Coffee break</p> <p>10.30-11.15 The miracle of winter cycling: City of Oulu, examples of MLG collaboration Pekka Tahkola, Vice President for the Winter Cycling Congress Oulu</p>

	<p>11.15-11.45 Joint discussion: How do we create MLG collaboration for sustainable transport?</p> <p>11.45-12.00 Closing</p>
Target Audience	Norrbotten, Sweden, Regional & Local Authorities, Universities
No. of participants	70
Event Language(s)	English
Contact	silva@nenet.se
Programme	<p>09.00-09.15 Presentation COOPENERGY</p> <p>Silva Herrmann, Nenet Norrbotten's Energy Agency, project leader COOPENERGY</p> <p>09.15-10.00 Walk the Talk – Stockholm's steps towards fossil-free transport, examples of MLG collaboration. Jonas Ericson, City of Stockholm, European Green Capital 2010</p> <p>10.00-10.30 Coffee break</p> <p>10.30-11.15 The miracle of winter cycling: City of Oulu, examples of MLG collaboration Pekka Tahkola, Vice President for the Winter Cycling Congress Oulu</p> <p>11.15-11.45 Joint discussion: How do we create MLG collaboration for sustainable transport?</p> <p>11.45-12.00 Closing</p>
Links	www.nenet.se
Evaluation	<p>In the sparsely populated area of Norrbotten County sustainable transport is a key issue. As the majority of stakeholders are relatively small, collaboration is also key. Inspiration from neighbouring countries with a similar framework – while the south of Sweden, Norway and Finland is much more populated – was an important step towards joint collaboration actions for the region. The next Multi-Level-Governance Forum will be only regional one to form more concrete collaboration actions for Norrbotten, based on the discussions in MLG1 and other COOPENERGY activities.</p> <p>The MLG1 focused clearly on the benefit of collaboration with two very interesting speaker and a lively debate. The focus on joint procurement as well as on cycling infrastructure were very concrete and resulted in some key recommendations for Norrbotten, which will be followed up within the project.</p> <p>The overall participant evaluation of the event is very positive.</p>

Pictures



Description of Energy days

Summary of the Event

(Make it happen: Eco-Mobility for the North)

Organiser Name	Nenet, Jokkmokk municipality
Date of Event	3-5 February 2014
Event Title	Make it happen: Eco-Mobility for the North
Location	Jokkmokk
Description	Freight and passenger transports are continuously growing globally, thereby connecting people and regions. A melting Arctic is opening up for new shipping routes. But our current transport systems are also contributing to climate change and further environmental and health problems, thus systematically undermining society's ability to meet future needs. Transport routes can conflict with traditional reindeer herding. In the North, long distances and sparse population are specific challenges. However, in many regions and cities, innovative mobility concepts and environmentally-friendly

	<p>transport options have been realised, therefore, we focus on the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to avoid pollution risk and disconnect transport and mobility from its adverse effects? • What is the role of public policy in helping society, the Nordic countries and peripheral regions to accelerate the shift towards sustainable transport solutions? • What does a concept of “Eco-Mobility” mean for the North? • What are concrete next steps for “Eco-Mobility” and what can each person do?
Target Audience	Decision makers & young researcher from Northern Europe
No. of participants	200
Event Language(s)	English
Contact	silva@nenet.se
Programme	<p>Summary of the Programme</p> <p>Monday 3 February: Sustainable Transport – a global challenge</p> <p>Key Note: Leading the Way towards sustainable transportation, David Cooper, Senior Transit Planner City of Toronto</p> <p>Mapping experience and learning interests of conference participants</p> <p>Tuesday 4 February: Low population density and long distances – is sustainable mobility possible?</p> <p>Key Note: Best practice from the North: Green Highway Sundsvall-Trondheim, Lidia Suokko, Green Highway Sweden-Norway</p> <p>Transport and Mobility in the circumpolar North: Specific Challenges and Chances, Lassi Heininen, University of Lapland, Finland</p> <p>How to make change happen. Lessons from previous generations and skiing to the North Pole, Josefina Lundgren Skerk, Swedish Sami Parliament</p> <p>Panel discussion: How to make Eco-Mobility happen? Jonas Sjöstedt, Party leader Left Party Sweden; Jonas Eriksson, MP Green Party Sweden; Josefina Lundgren Skerk, Swedish Sami Parliament; Helena Lindahl, MP The Center Party Sweden; Johan Johansson, MP The Moderaterats Sweden</p> <p>Workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to shift transport modes in small remote communities? • What can cities do? Transferring Experience and make Action Plans for your

	<p>community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the general public think about eco-mobility and climate change? • Improving Nordic Logistics and Connections: How do we do? <p>Wednesday 5 February: Success stories: Smart Mobility Solutions for Northern regions</p> <p>Key Note: “Eco-Mobility” for Nordic communities, Mattias Goldmann, Director Fores Institute</p> <p>Key Note: Eco-Mobility – best practice examples from Swedish Eco-Municipalities, Kenneth Gyllensting, Swedish Eco-Municipalities</p> <p>Interview on Transport and Mobility in the circumpolar North, Counsellor Michael Sullivan, Embassy of the US; Counsellor Patrick Hébert, Embassy of Canada; Minister Frode Solberg, Embassy of Norway</p> <p>Pro and Contra discussion: Biofuels vs Electricity in the transport sector from a Nordic perspective, Karl Bergman, Director R&D Nordic Vattenfall; Ari Lampinen, Finnish Biogas Association</p> <p>Parallel round-table discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable Energies in the transport sector • What does a concept of “Eco-Mobility” mean for Nordic communities? • How to cooperate between countries for Green Mobility?
Links	www.nenet.se
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • About 200 participants from a broad range of stakeholders • Event evaluation very positive • A lot of inspirational examples about successful MLG collaboration within sustainable energy&transport • Excellent networking opportunity (feedback from participants) • 4 770 google hits for JWC 2014; 648 likes in Facebook • Interviews for TV and newspapers (SVT, Kuriren, NSD, Miljömagasinet, Boden Närradio etc.). • Broad partnership, among others: University of Lapland, Rovaniemi; University of Oulu; Thule Institute; Luleå University of Technology; Northern Research Forum; Association of Polar Early Career Scientists; University of Tromsø; Föreningen Nordens Ungdom; Abisko Scientific Research Station; Nenet Norrbottens Energy Agency; VINN; Oulu Arc Region; Övertorneå municipality; Norrbottens Läns Landsting; Länsstyrelsen Norrbotten; Teknikens Hus; Association of Swedish Eco Municipalities; Ajtte museum Sámi centre;

Sáminuorra; the Sámi Parliament; Sámi Education Centre Jokkmokk; Barents Youth Cooperation Office; Vaartoe Centre at Umeå University; Swedish Society for Nature Conservation; Vattenfall AB; Sparbanken Nord; Covenant of Mayors; Intelligent Energy Europe; projects COOPENERGY and SEAP-Plus.

Pictures



