

Rural Development in Northern Europe

Trends, Methods, Case Studies

Time and Location:
March, 14 – 15, 2002
Skipphelle Conference Centre
Drøbak, Norway

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Thursday, March 14, 2002

Morning Arrival of participants in Drøbak

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch / Registration

Session 1: Opening and Introduction

13:30 – 13:45 a) Welcome Address by Representative of NIJOS
 (Director of NIJOS, Arne Bardalen);

 b) Welcome by Representative of IIASA
 (Acting Director of IIASA, Arne Jernelöv)

13:45 – 14:15 “Dimensions of Rural Development in Northern Europe: An
 overview of research perspectives.”
 (Arne Moxnes Jervell, NILF)

14:15 – 14:30 Discussion

14:30 – 15:00 “The IIASA Approach to analyze and model Rural Development:
 First results from the European Rural Development (ERD) Project.”
 (Gerhard K. Heilig, Leader, IIASA European Rural Development
 (ERD) Project)

15:00 – 15:15 Discussion

15:15 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 15:45 (Time buffer if needed)

Session 2: Research Concepts of Rural Development in Northern Europe

15:45 – 16:05 “Energy production and consumption in rural districts in Denmark.”
 (Jytte Møller, The Danish Village Association, Denmark)

16:05 – 16:15 Discussion

16:15 – 16:35 “The importance of agriculture for cultural landscapes of Northern
 Europe.”
 (Wenche Dramstad, Norwegian institute of Land Inventory)

16:35 – 16:45 Discussion

16:45 – 17:05 “Comparison of rural policy and models of local rural development
 in Scotland, Sweden, Norway and Finland.”
 (Mark Shucksmith, Arkleton Centre for Rural Development
 Research, Scotland)

17:05 – 17:15 Discussion (can be extended if necessary)

19:00 Dinner

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Session 3: Trends and Perspectives: The *Empirical Evidence*

- 9:00 – 9:20 “Development concepts for peripheral areas in Northern Europe.”
(Jan Mønnesland, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research)
- 9:20 – 9:30 Discussion
- 9:30 – 9:50 “Aging peripheries and migration.”
(Raija Volk, Pellervo Economic Research Institute, Helsinki, Finland)
- 9:50 – 10:00 Discussion
- 10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 10:50 “Economic integration and rural development: Regional policy and trade barriers.”
(Raine Hermans, ETLA, Helsinki, Finland)
- 10:50 – 11:00 Discussion
- 11:00 – 11:20 “Trends in Agriculture of Northern Europe with Norway as an example.”
(Nils-Kristian Nersten and Anne Moxnes Jervell Norwegian Agricultural Economics Research Institute)
- 11:20 – 11:30 Discussion
- 11:30 – 11:50 “Non-agricultural sectors in rural development: The example of tourism as an industry in peripheral areas.”
(Steven Boyne, SAC – Scottish Agricultural College, Scotland)
- 11:50 – 12:00 Discussion
- 12:00 – 12:30 (Time buffer if needed)
- 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

Session 4: Methodology

- 14:00-14:20 “Geographical Information Systems (GIS) as a decision-supporting tool for allocating agricultural economic incentives to farmers.”
(Jogeir N. Stokland and Knut Bjørkelo, Norwegian institute of land inventory)
- 14:20 – 14:30 Discussion
- 14:30 – 14:50 “Development concepts for peripheral areas in Northern Europe.”
(Ulf Wiberg, Umea University, Sweden)

- 14:50 – 15:00 Discussion
15:00 – 15:15 Coffee Break

Session 5: Case Studies

- 15:15 – 15:35 “IIASA’s Case Study approach for analyzing Rural Development. First experiences and results.”
(Adriana Pontieri, IIASA, ERD Project)
- 15:35 – 15:50 Discussion
- 16:50 – 17:10 “The Vingelen Case Study area.”
(Oskar Puschmann, Norwegian institute of land inventory)
- An overview of the case study area: land cover, land use, main economic sectors, demographics, social, cultural, and political situation.
- 17:10 – 17:25 Discussion
- 17:30 End of Workshop (for those participants who are not working on the Vingelen Case Study)

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- 17:30 – 18:30 Open-ended Planning session: The Vingelen Case Study.
(NIJOS / IIASA, Discussion of conceptual and organizational details: questionnaire, interviews, data requirements, field work, etc., as long as we need to clarify the details)