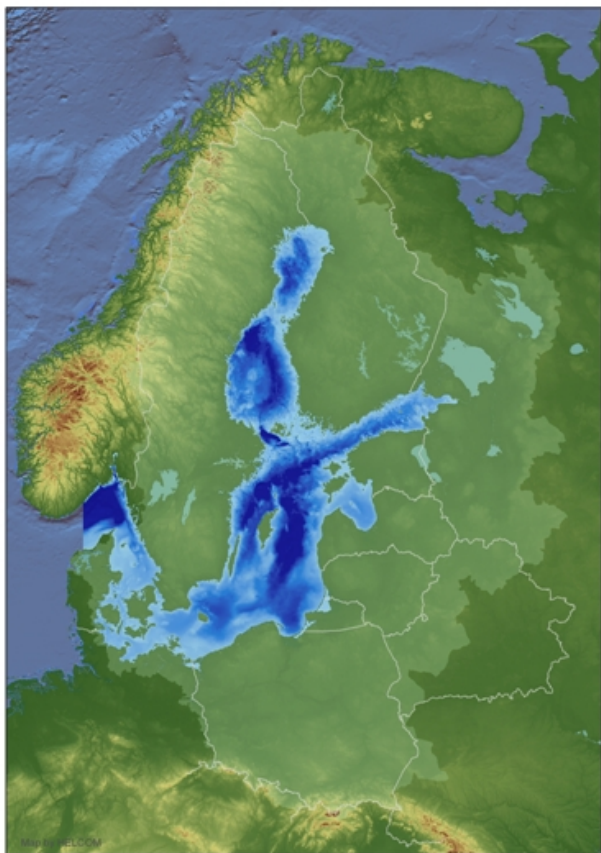




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It is natural to network



Helsinki Sep 28, 2011

Hans-Olof Stålgren

Swedish Rural Network

The Baltic Sea - our sea





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The Nordic/Baltic Rural Network



- 1:st, meeting Feb -08, Seinäjoki FI
- 2:nd, Oct 2008 Jämeda, EE
- 3:rd, May -09, Åhus SE
- 4:th, Nov -09, Billund DK
First discussion about the EUSBSR
- 5:th Apr -10, Apšuciems LV, Youth and Innovation
- 6:th Oct -10, Warsaw PL, Flagship
- 7:th May -11, Porvoo FI, Evaluation, TWG
- 8:th Sep -11, Tallinn EE, Fishery networks

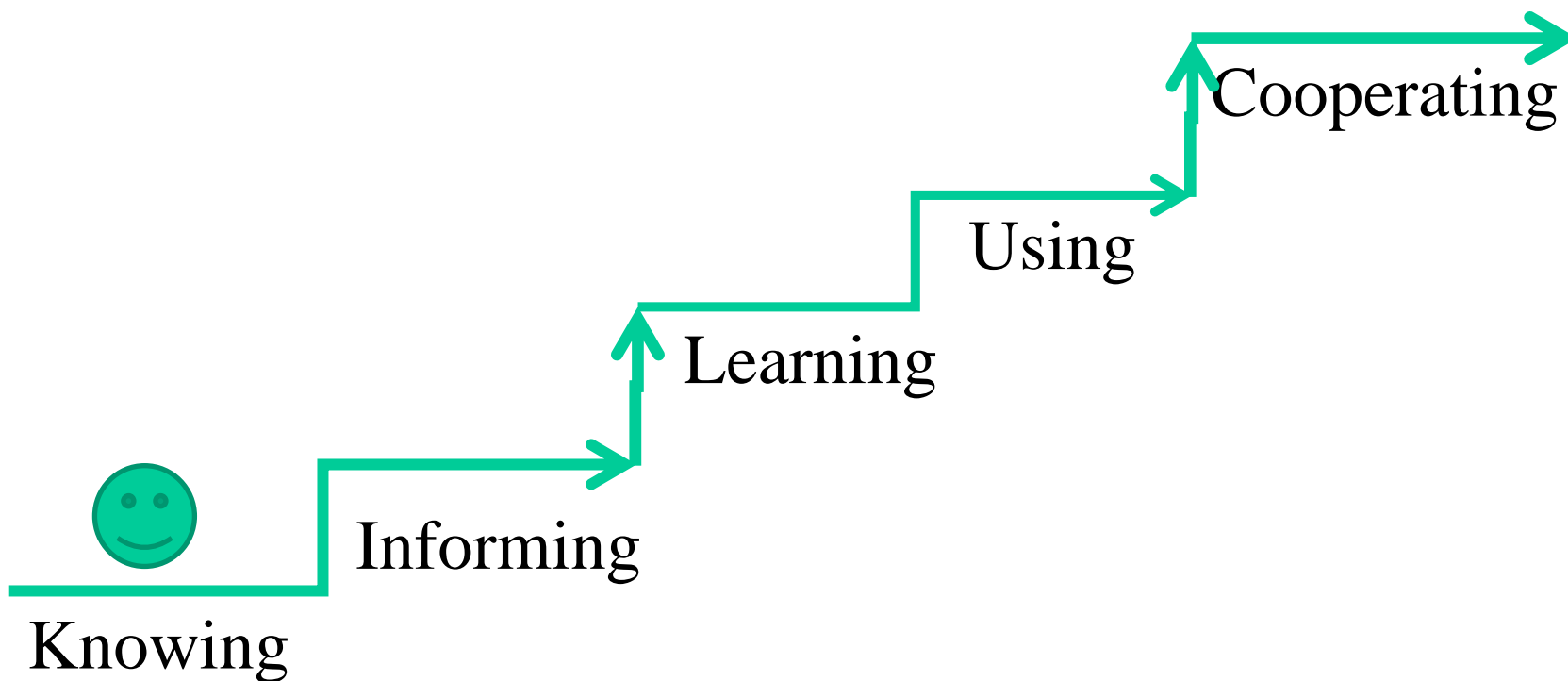




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Network evolution





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Using the contacts

SE-FI folk-music cooperation

- Phone call from a SE Leader group
- Calling Hans Bergström in FI
- 1 hour later a contact to a Finnish LAG
- 1 week later the first visit
- Leader Hälsingebygden, SE and Leader Aktion Österbotten, FI.



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Young folk-music bridge

- 2010 and 2011 Leader have given both youth and teachers opportunities to participate in "Folk Summer School" in Järvsö and the Finnish course "Summer tunes"
- Teachers from UK, FI, SE and US.
- The winner of the SE TV competition "The choir battle" gave the price sum €50 000 to the "Låtverkstan" in Hälsingland.
- The cooperation will continue 2012



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Using the contacts SE-DE-FI historical tourism



- Starting with an e-mail and a boat-seminar.
- A survey of cultural and historical places, personalities and events in our area and the links to the same historical period in LEADER Ostrobothnia, FI and LEADER Ostprignitz-Ruppin and LEADER Zeitz-Weissenfelser Braunkohlerevier (ZWB), DE





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EUSBSR Flagship



”Sustainable rural development”

- Involving youth
- Good innovation climate in rural areas
- Connecting local, regional, national and transnational projects
- Problem with funding
- The network budget is maybe not for project management



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Flagship project

- Forming an umbrella for
- Youth projects
Involving more youth in the rural society
- Innovation projects
Supporting an innovation friendly climate in rural areas