

A Nordic research school in restoration

14.00-14.30 Orientation on ongoing plans

14.30-15.00 Discussions about a Nordic research school

15.30-16.00 Conclusions and responsibilities



Capacity building and learning

Ideas for a research school.

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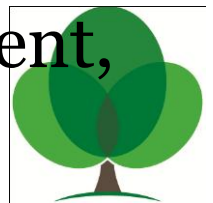
Problems

- Problem with capacity building – and to keep the capacity existing today
- ”Experts” need now higher competence than 20 years back
- Problems with learning
- Research often too narrow

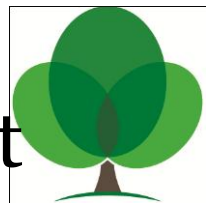


Ideas research school – Rural development

- Need for a third wave of JPOs (and capacity building)
- Sold idea about JPO and Lic to Natur
- The DG saw the need
- Worked out a report (with Djurfeldt)
- Impossible to get funding for Swedish students
- Instead a research school mainly for African students (and some Swedes). Had to make it Dr.
- Research in ongoing rural development projects
- Research tasks decided in a dialogue with student, project staff , superwiser



- Courses at local university (Sokoine, Makerere)
- Swedish researchers engaged as supervisors
- Multidisciplinary. 50/50 social and natural sciences
- Seminars with all 1-2 times a year
- Co-ordination units at an African and a Swedish university
- Work with "learning"
- Yearly seminar about "rural development"
- Limited interest at Sida (my nearest contacts had left)
- The idea presented at NEPAD by Djurfeldt



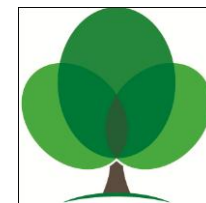
Fast growing plantations

- The idea also for "fast growing plantations"
- Opposition. Too narrow. And bad.
- But a good narrative can be developed
- Meetings in Umeå and Uppsala (not only SLU)
- I thought "climate money" should be available
- The Dean "decided" we should go for it.
- Ideas about work in Mozambique, Stora etc.
- Ulrik Ilstedt worked out a proposal
- No money has been found
- Gert Nyberg has worked out a new proposal



Ideas about restoration

- Sida/SAREC program since 1986
- WRI /Laestadius sold idea about restoration of 1-2 billion ha
- Proposal this should be a Swedish speciality
- Research school suitable project idea
 - Natural regeneration
 - Agro-forestry
 - Fast –growing plantations
 - Farm forestry
 - Etc
- Social issues related

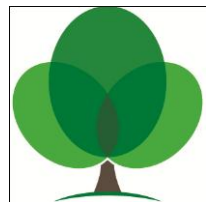


- Pilot projects with NGOs
- Money from climate fund
- Developing countries need capacity
- What is needed is a political interest



Conclusion

- It is technically better if we try to make it a Nordic research school
- It will be easier to sell
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Thank You

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