


# Doing Rural

Research and Practice

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Addressing the issue of rural youth into national youth policy program as well as influencing the national rural policy program to include youth questions.

Create a sustainable meeting area for researchers and practitioners with the joint interest in these questions

Conferences as well as network meetings

Anthology

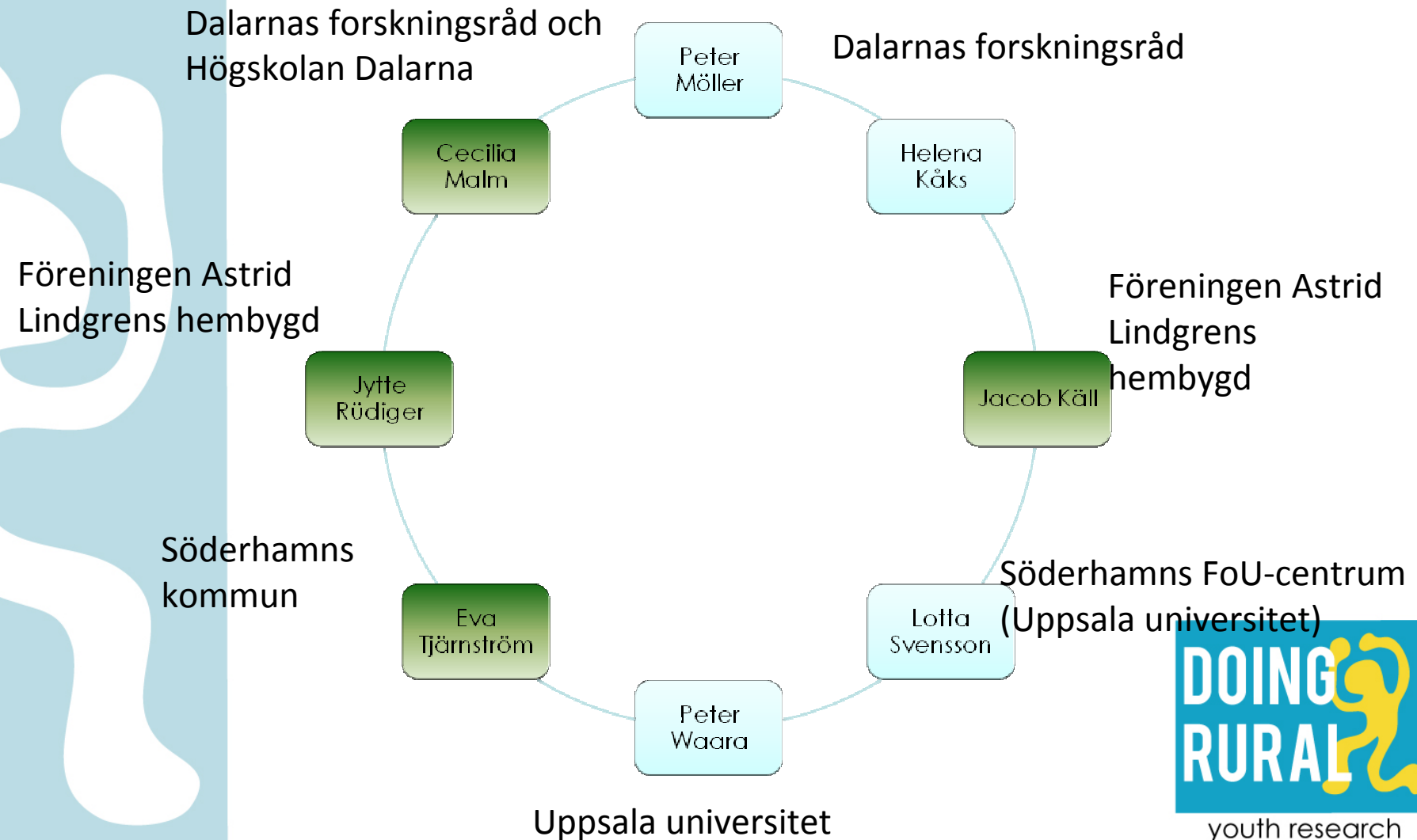
# Examples of target areas and current issues of concern...

- Migration
- Education – alternatives, distant teaching
- Labour – diversified labour market as well as issues of entrepreneurship
- Leisure – lifestyles, peers, activities
  
- Attitudes – among adults and adolescents
- Values – urban views in rural conditions
- Inclusion – community and association

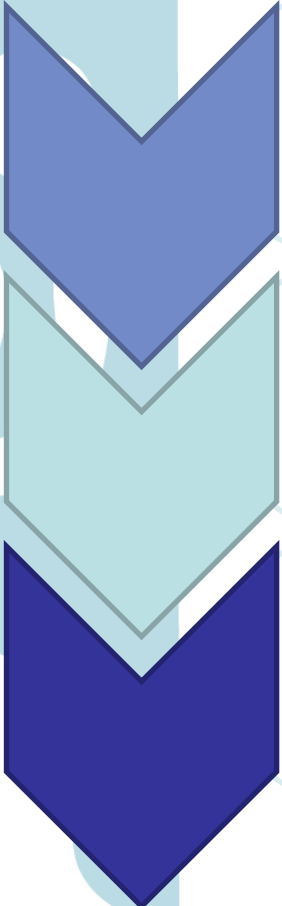


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# Members



# Some activities



Anthology (published in December/January 2010/2011)

Researchers and Developers

NORDIC Conference in February 2010  
Researchers and Developers

Study - Organisation of youth in a historical and contemporary perspective (published in December 2010)



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# Activities 2009 –2010

New Members  
New Identity

Lotti Jilsmo, U LAND  
Tomas Larsson, U LAND

Brand and identity

International

Establish network in  
the Nordic countries  
and in Europe to learn  
from each other

Inventory and  
evaluation of rural  
policy program of  
youth

Hela Norden ska Leva

Nordic research and  
developer conference  
in February 2010

Landsbygd 2.0 Rural Doing

Process manager  
education for local  
developers – meetings  
between generations

Rural Parlament 2010

Participation in rural  
parlament, 1200  
participants

# Doing Rural vs Rural Doing

## INVENTORY

Young peoples participation and needs in various rural developing programmes

## GENERAL CALL

Among young people, researchers and developers.

- "How do we create a better rurality where young people are participating and are able to develop their life. What is your opinion and what do you think Sweden should do in order to promote such development.?"

- Collection of data (webb, SMS and e-mail).

## CONFERENCE

Arrange a Nordic research conference focusing young people and regional and local development.

- Discussion of further activities for improving life conditions for young people within current rural development programmes..



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## **COMPILATION OF RESULTS**

Inventories, general calls and conferences with the aim of finding new ideas and suggestions of activities. Base for half-time evaluation of the rural developing programme

Some important questions:

- What kind of activities shall be launched for the promotion of the general aims for the rural programme?
- What kind of activities shall be launched for the benefit of various target groups?
- The diversification of rural life conditions



# Future activities

- The anthology "The Land" (winter 2010/2011)
- Baltic Sea – joint projects including the exchange between research and practice
- Baltic Sea conference on the theme "Rural Youth – Future Challenges and Opportunities" ?
- Comparative analysis of Nordic Youth Policy (including Greenland, Åland and the Faroe Islands)
- Establishment of international networks including Research, Development and Politics in the area of Rural Youth.



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# Future Prospects

Ambitions and activities

Common themes

Funding of activities



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