Conference programme

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Crisis and resilience

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Welcome

We are delighted to welcome you to Nordic Ruralities, the 4th biannual Nordic Rural Research Conference in Akureyri, Iceland. Previous conferences were organized in Tammsvik, Sweden in 2010, Joensuu, Finland in 2012 and Trondheim, Norway in 2014. The 5th conference is scheduled in Denmark in 2018. The Nordic Rural Research Conferences have drawn an increasing number of participants from the Nordic countries and beyond. The Akureyri conference has a record number of 244 presentations in 56 sessions on a wide range of topics, drawing together perspectives on rural societies from various academic disciplines.

The conferences have been organized by an informal scientific committee with participants from each of the five Nordic countries. The cost of each conference has been covered registration fees and ad-hoc grants from national and Nordic sources. While there are several practical advantages to this loose structure, several ways of strengthening this collaboration have also been suggested. These issues will be presented at a brief session on the Nordic Ruralities Network on Tuesday, May 24th. This 40-minute session is intended to stimulate discussion at the local and national level in each country and prepare for a more formal discussion at the 2018 conference.

We wish you a productive conference and enjoyable stay in Akureyri!

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Conference dinner in Siglufjörður
The conference dinner will be held in the fishing town of Siglufjörður approx. 75 km north of Akureyri. Siglufjörður was the major centre for Norwegian and later Icelandic herring fisheries in the early 20th century but due to the collapse of the herring fisheries, geographical isolation and social change it has lost about two thirds of its population since 1944. Since the completion of a major road tunnel project in 2010 the town has enjoyed economic, cultural and demographic revival. The conference dinner includes a trip through the tunnels and a brief visit to the Siglufjörður Herring Era Museum.

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Keynote presentations

May 22, 18:20–19:00       Keynote I, Hof Culture House
The Impact of Higher Education on Regional Development
Eyjólfur Guðmundsson, University of Akureyri

May 23, 8:20–9:00         Keynote II, University Hall
Between place and space – new perspectives for rural entrepreneurship and local governance in the era of globalization and neoliberalism
Hanne Wittorff Tanvig, University of Copenhagen

May 23, 13:00–13:40       Keynote III, University Hall
Reimagining the rural: from ‘rural idyll’ to ‘good countryside’
Mark Shucksmith, University of Newcastle

May 24, 8:20–9:00         Keynote IV, University Hall
Far from the centres: rethinking the meanings of locality, marginality and distance
Laura Assmuth, University of Eastern Finland

Future of the Nordic Ruralities Network
May 24, 13:00–13:40       Open discussion, University Hall

Brief commentary: The Nordic Ruralities Network
Thoroddur Bjarnason, University of Akureyri, Iceland

Brief commentary: Nordic Journal of Rural Research?
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Program overview

Hof Culture House
Sunday, May 22, 2016

16:00–18:00
Registration

18:00–18:20
Opening ceremony
Eiríkur Björgvinsson, Mayor of Akureyri
Gunnar Bragi Sveinsson, Minister of Fisheres, Agriculture and Rural Affairs

18:20–19:00       Keynote I
The Impact of Higher Education on Regional Development
Eyjólfur Guðmundsson, University of Akureyri

19:00–20:00
Reception
University of Akureyri

Monday, May 23, 2016

8:00–8:20  Coffee and registration

8:20–9:00  **Keynote II, University Hall**

**Between place and space – new perspectives for rural entrepreneurship and local governance in the era of globalization and neoliberalism**

Hanne Wittorff Tanvig, University of Copenhagen

09:10–10:30  **Parallel sessions I**

- **Room 1**  “Where are you really, from?” I (WG01_1)
- **Room 2**  From drain to gain (WG22)
- **Room 3**  Youth wellness and welfare (WG34_1)
- **Room 4**  Conceptualizing landscape governance (WG37_1)
- **Room 5**  Universities and regional knowledge building (WG09_1)
- **Room 6**  Municipal structure and municipal reforms (WG05_1)
- **Room 7**  Rural development and the bioeconomy I (WG23_1)

10:40–12:20  **Parallel sessions II**

- **Room 1**  “Where are you really, from?” II (WG01_2)
- **Room 2**  Local schools in rural contexts I (WG10_1)
- **Room 3**  Youth vocation and education (WG34_2)
- **Room 4**  Large scale projects in small communities (WG17)
- **Room 5**  Rural ageing (WG20)
- **Room 6**  Innovations and development in the rural Arctic I (WG16_1)
- **Room 7**  Rural development and the bioeconomy II (WG23_2)

13:00–13:40  **Keynote III, University Hall**

**Reimagining the rural: from ‘rural idyll’ to ‘good countryside’**

Mark Shucksmith, University of Newcastle

13:50–15:30  **Parallel sessions III**

- **Room 1**  “Where are you really, from?” III (WG01_3)
- **Room 2**  Cultural transformations of rural areas I (WG03_1)
- **Room 3**  Youth identity (WG34_3)
- **Room 4**  Model Forest and Biosphere Reserves as concepts (WG15_1)
- **Room 5**  Gendered (im)migration and rural development (WG19_1)
- **Room 6**  Innovations and development in the rural Arctic II (WG16_2)
- **Room 7**  Local schools in rural contexts II (WG10_2)

15:40–17:00  **Parallel sessions IV**

- **Room 1**  Locally-controlled communications (WG04)
- **Room 2**  Cultural transformations of rural areas II (WG03_2)
- **Room 3**  Rural municipal services (WG05_2)
- **Room 4**  Natural resources, rural societies and landscape management (WG15_2)
- **Room 5**  Gender and rural development (WG19_2)
- **Room 6**  Engaging with landscape governance (WG37_2)
- **Room 7**  Research proposals and early stage research (WG29)

17:30–23:00  **Bus from University for Conference Dinner in Siglufjörður**
University of Akureyri
Tuesday, May 24, 2016

8:00–8:20 Coffee and registration

8:20–9:00 Keynote IV, University Hall
Far from the centres: rethinking the meanings of locality, marginality and distance
Laura Assmuth, University of Eastern Finland

09:10–10:30 Parallel sessions V
Room 1 Local democracy and participation (WG05_3)
Room 2 Political practices of rurality I (WG07_1)
Room 3 Universities and community development II (WG09_2)
Room 4 Controversies of tourism I (WG13_1)
Room 5 Closing the marine commons I (WG25_1)
Room 6 Landscape and nature as assets (WG14_1)
Room 7 Health care and welfare in rural areas I (WG21_1)

10:40–12:20 Parallel sessions VI
Room 1 The art of making oneself attractive (WG02)
Room 2 Political practices of rurality II (WG07_2)
Room 3 Agricultural practices and food systems (WG26)
Room 4 Place and identity I (WG35_1)
Room 5 Closing the marine commons II (WG25_2)
Room 6 Local schools in rural contexts III (WG10_3)
Room 7 Health care and welfare in rural areas II (WG21_2)

13:00–13:40 Open discussion, University Hall
The Nordic Ruralities Network

13:50–14:50 Parallel sessions VII
Room 1 Crises of Nordic rural research I (WG28_1)
Room 2 Health care and welfare in rural areas III (WG21_3)
Room 3 Rural housing in space and time I (WG12_1)
Room 4 Social mobilization, urbanization and democracy (WG06)
Room 5 Rural business in various contexts (WG14_2)
Room 6 Local development and civil society (WG11)
Room 7 Blue economy I (WG27_1)
Auditorium Screening of documentaries I (DOC_1)

15:00–16:20 Parallel sessions VIII
Room 1 Crises of Nordic rural research II (WG28_2)
Room 2 Controversies of tourism II (WG13_2)
Room 3 Rural housing in space and time II (WG12_2)
Room 4 Closing the marine commons III (WG25_3)
Room 5 Rural entrepreneurship III (WG14_3)
Room 6 Place and identity II (WG35_2)
Room 7 Blue economy II (WG27_2)
Auditorium Screening of documentaries II (DOC_2)
WG01 “Where are you really, from?” Migration and belonging in a mobile rural

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WG01_1 “Where are you really, from?” Immigration and impacts
May 23, 9:10–10:30  Room 1

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Sustaining resilience: An individual and municipality perspective on refugee migration into rural areas
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Children left behind - the consequences of parental emigration
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Young people of immigrant background – the barrel of hope for rural Finland?
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WG01_2: “Where are you really, from?” Transnational interaction and relationships
May 23, 10:40 - 12:20  Room 1

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Immigration to Norwegian rural municipalities as understood by the local elites
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The paradox of tolerance: migration and integration in Northern Ireland
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New neighbours: Local outcomes of asylum centres in rural communities in Denmark
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The ambivalent welcome: Attitudes towards immigrants in rural Norway
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WG01_3: “Where are you really, from?” Belonging, identity and happiness
May 23, 13:50 - 15:30  Room 1

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Between fixity and fluidity – belonging and wellbeing in rural areas
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Home is “here”: The impact of (im)migration, and rural versus urban locale on one’s sense of community belonging in Canada
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Exploring media, identity, and migration in the Scottish Highlands: A mixed methods study
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Rural Iceland and immigration
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WG02 The art of making oneself attractive: Identity and reputation as a selling argument
May 24, 10:40 - 12:20  Room 1

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Use of history in place branding
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Place Branding as Virus: A study of a regional Place Branding project in the northern part of Norway
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Local identity in the making: The role of cultural entrepreneurs and ethnicity in place-branding
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What’s in it for the rural? Repercussions of marketing the rural as idyll
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WG03 Cultural transformations of rural areas

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WG03_1: Cultural transformations of rural areas: Community transformation and adaptation
May 23, 13:50 – 15:30   Room 2

Session chair
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Multiple voices from rural areas
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Mobility, immobility and resilience in the peripheral rural areas
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From a Hospital to a Heritage Centre: Social Innovation and Community Identity in Norris Point
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WG03_2: Cultural transformations of rural areas: Changes in places and infrastructure
May 23, 15:40–17:00   Room 2

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The impact of closure of the village supermarket for residents of a rural community
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Changing discourses of fatherhood among farm fathers
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Coproduction, capacity and change: challenges and opportunities for a rural community in Scotland
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WG04 Locally-controlled communications as a strategy for solidarity and survival
May 23, 15:40 - 17:00  Room 1

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The existential paradox of local communication in Iceland
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From Outports to Netports: The power of locally-controlled communications for isolated communities
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Digital and paper-based public information– a “must” for work immigrants in rural areas in Western Norway
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The state of ICTs in rural and northern Manitoba
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WG05 Municipalities in Northern peripheries: Service provision – resilience – democracy

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WG05_1 Municipal structure and municipal reforms
May 23, 9:10 - 10:30  Room 6

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West Nordic municipal structure. Developments, reforms and future prospects.
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Experimental governance collaboration in Dutch rural peripheral areas
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Municipalities’ amalgamation and interregional migration in Iceland
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Planning and plan-making in Volda, Norway
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WG05_2: Rural municipal services
May 23, 15:40 - 17:00   Room 3

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Towards a typology of rural municipalities in the Nordic Region (work in progress)
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The financial performance of rural municipalities in Iceland
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From Revival to Disillusion: Evidence on Democratic Participation in Lithuanian Municipalities
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Dichotomies of Knowledge, Power and Structure: Narratives of Preparedness and Emergency Services after the Lærdal Fire
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WG05_3: Local democracy and participation
May 24, 9:10–10:30   Room 1

Session chair
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Streamlining operations of the municipalities in the wake of the economic crisis and their impact on the employees and local community.
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The role of rural community members within (un)engaging areas of service delivery
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Rural service provision through citizen initiatives: what is the recipe for success?
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Co-production or (co)-reduction? Addressing equality in service provision in large amalgamated Danish municipalities
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WG06 The politics of the rural: Social mobilization, urbanization and democracy in practice  
*May 24, 13:50–14:50  Room 4*

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**Heritages of the peasantry: an analytical framework to address rural development**  
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„Such a small country cannot afford...“: Reflections on nationalism, neoliberalism, and the Icelandic city state  
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**The rural scholar between people and power**  
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WG07 Political practices of rurality and local practices of policy  

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WG07_1 Political practices of rurality: Policies for municipal and community development  
*May 24, 9:10–10:30  Room 2*

The effects of centralization in Finnish rural communities  
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Between protocol and reality. What has to be done and what can be done in municipal comprehensive planning?  
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WG07_2: Political practices of rurality: Policies for sustainable development: Governance, collaboration and structures
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Lessons learned from collaborative projects on sustainable natural resource management
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What can one learn from Transnational Rural Cooperation?
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Understanding the role of land tenure in producing sustainable outcomes: comparative case studies from Scotland and Norway
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In the shadows of the RDP: new forms of governance in the Swedish countryside
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Activation politics for broad band: The making of responsible rural citizens
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WG09 Regional universities and regional knowledge building

Organizers
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WG09_1: Universities and regional knowledge building
May 23, 9:10 - 10:30  Room 5

M.Ed. studies in Arctic areas - Iceland and Norway - possibilities and job opportunities
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Master Students in Rural Areas - Accessibility and Motivation
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Building up knowledge in rural areas – the role of University of Akureyri
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From Extension to Engagement: Transitions in Community-University Relationships in a Remote Region
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WG09_2: Regional universities and community development
May 24, 9:10 - 10:30  Room 3

Evolvability and agency in rural communities - insights from emerging eco-evo-devo theory
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Creating Media Art Space in Liepāja: Liepāja University New Media Art Programmes
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The Role of Regional University in the Building of University Industry Co-operation – Seinäjoki
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WG10 Local schools in rural contexts – threatened, disputed and defended

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WG10_1 Local schools in rural contexts I
May 23, 10:40 - 12:20  Room 2

To be or not to be: Pros and cons of the existence of small rural schools in Latvia and Norway
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From school closures to new social community hot spots in Hjørring Municipality
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A story of how a new upper secondary school revitalized a rural community in North Iceland
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Education, rural youth and participation in local, regional and national contexts
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Rural schools approaching changes: Stories of immigrant students in Iceland
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Rural and urban students’ grades at the end of compulsory education: Interpreting the apparent difference
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Community school pattern in Latvia in small rural municipalities: The emergence of new education governance model
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Dealing with the demands: How a principal in a rural school coordinates the local conditions and mandates from national and local authorities
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WG11 Local development and civil society in Russia and other previous socialist countries
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Dare of leader programme implementation in Vidzeme region, Latvia
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Welfare in Russian monotowns: hybridization of state paternalism and corporate social responsibility?
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WG12 The evolution of home: Experiential variations of rural housing in space and time
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WG12_1: The evolution of home: Experiential variations of rural housing in space and time I
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Co-housing in the countryside: Counterurbanisation and development of jointly related dwellings in small rural towns
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A little story of the Icelandic rural habitation: Between love and hate
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Artistic ‘housework’
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WG12_2: The evolution of home: Experiential variations of rural housing in space and time II
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Haapa-aho – An Ostrobothnian peasant house in change
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Designing Housing for Migrant Workers in a Norwegian Coastal Community
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Experiences of Time and the Temporality of Home
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Challenges of sustainable rural housing in Owerri west government area
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WG13 Controversies of tourism

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WG13_1: Controversies of tourism: Local development issues
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Those who left. Departed locals and their ties to home
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The Challenges of Defining and Nurturing a Cultural Cluster in a Rural Region
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International flight to and from the rural, does it matter?
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You must be tired of all the tourists?
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WG13_2: Controversies of tourism: Future growth and coping strategies
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Embracing tourism tactics: Tales from rural Iceland CANCELLED
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Cruise Tourism and Collaboration in Local Destinations
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Tourism, cost and revenues of Icelandic municipalities
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Reindeer and hunting tourism in East Iceland
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WG14 Rural business and economy

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WG14_1: Rural business and economy: Landscape and nature as assets
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Exploring rural desires
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The place of place in Northern Rural SME strategies
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Outfields - from extension of the farm to ‘wilderness’? Encounters of multiple landscape practices in Lofoten
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Rendering actually existing economic alternatives visible: Central European food sharing networks
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WG14_2: Rural business and economy: Rural business in various contexts
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Two sides of the same coin: Dutch rural tourism entrepreneurs and countryside capital in Sweden
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Staying Local and Competitive: Northern SME´s Construal of Community and Business Strategies – Reacting to Economic Crisis
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From local systems to professional networks - the transformation of employment and recruitment mechanisms in the Norwegian fishing fleet
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WG14_3: Rural business and economy: Rural entrepreneur ship
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When life style entrepreneurs establish micro-businesses in rural areas: The case of women in rural areas
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Immigrant rural entrepreneurship. Findings from Finnmark
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Rural Business: Issues and Perspectives/ Topical Aspects for Latvia
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Entrepreneurship in North West Iceland; development of a regional equestrian cluster
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WG15  Benchmarking innovative capacity in rural and indigenous communities in changing times

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WG15_1: Model Forest and Biosphere Reserves as concepts
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Green infrastructures in rural landscapes: from the experience of Bergslagen Model Forest
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Lac-Saint-Jean Model Forest: A case study in integrated resources management and diversification
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Innovation in Canadian Biosphere Reserves: Learning across a national network
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WG15_2: Natural resources, rural societies and landscape management
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Nature and cultural heritage as infrastructures for rural development: use, planning and governance of amenity values in Swedish and Canadian forest landscapes
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Constructing subjectivity and consuming forestry: securing resources and relations of Swedish forests in the bioeconomic era
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Can the social values of forests generate "new" goods and services that benefit private forest owners in a rural context?
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Assessing resilience in small forest-dependent communities: Lessons from Canada's boreal region
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Initiative of the «social forests» establishment in the Komi Republic (Russia) to support the traditional nature use of Komi people
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WG16 Social and economic innovations and development in rural territories of the Arctic
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The influence of traditional national values on the socialization of youth of the village
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The environmental problems of the Arctic in the context of sustainable development of indigenous people
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The Economic Impact of Hunting Reindeer in East Iceland
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Young people in rural peripheries and changing welfare policies
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The role of civil society in handling political and socio-economic crisis in Resource dependent communities in northern Canada, Norway and Russia
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Towards a New Paradigm of Innovation in the Bioeconomy
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Features of formation of a manpower in northern territories
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The role and capacity of voluntary and non-profit sector groups in supporting sustainable community development: A case study of Kitimat, BC Canada
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The implementation of the "From tradition to globalization" project to development of a rural school
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WG17 Large scale projects in small communities
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Knowledge about rural municipalities work with industrial development and the local government reform in Norway
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Mining boom and bust: socio economic impacts on an Australian small town
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Megaprojects in eastern Iceland: An overview of demographic changes during operation period
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Rural protests and mining industry - one Finnish mine as an example
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Strategizing the future of rural regions. Lessons from building and applying of the methodology for assessing rural potential
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WG19  Gender and rural development

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WG19_1: Staying or leaving? Gendered (im)migration and rural development
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The gendered impact of tunnel construction in rural Iceland
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Adjusting masculinities and femininities. Gender perspectives on immigration in Iceland
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Gender negotiations in the process to move and stay in rural areas in the Netherlands
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Grímsey’s rural development: Gender equality, division of labor and possibilities for a community facing desertion
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WG19_2: Gender and rural development
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Forest entrepreneurship in rural Sweden – a gendered matter?
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Women in Microfinance Institutions: Is there a Trade-Off between Outreach and Sustainability?
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The Role of Irish Women in Innovative Agricultural Practices
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Voluntary work by and for rural elderly
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The rural municipality and the elderly: (an) interdependence?
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WG21  Health care and welfare in rural areas

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Chronic pain and rural/urban residence
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Residential differences in access to primary and specialist medical care
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Sustainable Inclusion by Community Politics
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User Participation and Upgrading Municipal Housing in Partnership with Secondary Schools
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WG21_2: Health care and welfare in rural areas II  
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Users’ perspectives from rural Iceland: Health care in an age of austerity  
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Should women go to capital areas to give birth?  
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The identification of vulnerable elders living in a rural region in Iceland  
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Social planning in Nuuk (Greenland) through intersectional cooperation - increasing the welfare of a marginalized minority - a rural/arctic case  
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Development and evaluation of telehealth methods in early intervention with rural families  
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WG21_3: Health care and welfare in rural areas III  
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Vulnerable youth, health promotion and planning in times of recession? Conditions and challenges for mental health initiatives in peripheral areas of Denmark  
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Community Health Planning in rural areas in Denmark  
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Health Care in Rural Iceland: Organisation and elderly people  
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WG22  From drain to gain: Investigating the multi-local and relational rural
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WG23  Rural development and the transition to the bioeconomy

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Understanding, practicing and justifying bioenergy in rural Norway
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Agriculture and bio based economy a driver of rural transformation and livelihood?
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Enacting bioeconomy - creating paths to sustainable transition or re-clothing the emperor?
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WG23_2: Rural development and the transition to the bioeconomy: Case studies
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Bioeconomy as the growth engine for Jämtland and Västernorrland counties in Sweden
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Success stories of sustainable and smart in peripheral regions
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WG25  Closing the marine commons as a tool of resource governance: Inevitable developments and alternative solutions

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Fishing rights and financial capitalism in the Arctic: From common property to private ownership assets
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Evolution of distribution of quotas in Icelandic fisheries, 1984 to 2014
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Trees are all around us. Tree-politics, paradoxes and farmers’ every day management of woody pastures in Sweden
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Silent land-grab? Evidence for the gentrification of agriculture in Europe
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WG27  Blue economy I: Supporting changes in rural Nordic region

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The Icelandic pelagic sector and its development under an ITQ management system
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Potentials of marine and aquatic biotechnology in providing growth in rural areas.
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Technological advances in the fishing industry increasing competitiveness of rural communities – A case study
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History, status and opportunities in Icelandic aquaculture.
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Beyond dualistic thinking: Crisis and Opportunities in Nordic Rural Areas?
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Hyper-production: A new metrics of multifunctionality
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Youth motivation for work in agriculture as a step for national food sovereignty
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In the Shadow of St. Kilda: Identity and island loss in the Outer Hebrides
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WG34 Rural youth

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Rural Youth Migration in the context of Rural Labour Shortages
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The increasing burden to keep the disadvantaged youth on “education track” in rural areas of Latvia
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Children’s Rural Parliament-method of rural development with local schools
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Satisfaction with school and sexual orientation: Icelandic urban and rural adolescent populations
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Geographies of opportunities and belonging: Young men in the High North
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Democratic awareness and empowerment of young adults in rural areas
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Black and Minority Ethnic Young People: Exploring the Silences in the Scottish Highlands
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Nostalgia, Otherness and Beyond: Changing Ruralities in Icelandic Cinema
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Commons making in the periphery: The role of commons for understanding rural continuities and change
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Narratives of gender and ethnicity in place reinvention
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Sense of place and place identity in Ísafjörður, Iceland
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The Rise of the ‘Arcadian Province’: Mobilities in Times of Crisis
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Village Festivals, Rural Adventure Tours and Historical Plays: Are they all about Local Identities?
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Creating tourism experience while expressing local identity through stories of food and rurality
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The significance of unifying events in rural areas
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WG37 Landscape governance

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Recommendations for landscape strategy making and collaborative landscape planning
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Landscape governance – how to evaluate outcomes of collaborative strategy processes
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