KVARKEN COUNCIL EGTC

Further strengthening the cross-border regional development in Northern Europe

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Common history
The narrowest part of the Gulf of Bothnia is called the **Kvarken Strait**.

The distance from the Finnish coast to the Swedish coast is about 80 km and only about 25 km between the outermost islands.

Common history

Kvarken Council founded in 1972

The operating area of the Kvarken Council is called **THE KVARKEN REGION**

The Kvarken Region consists of the three Regional Councils of Ostrobothnia in Finland as well as the Regional Council of Västerbotten and the Municipality of Örnsköldsvik in Sweden.
A NETWORK connecting Northern EU, other EU countries, Norway and the Arctic

4 ROADS of strategic importance (E12, E10, E4, E8)

Year-round MARITIME CONNECTION between Finland and Sweden
The Kvarken Region – Future – Together

Joint project

Joint Ferry Company

Joint Port Company

Joint investment company

Companies owned by City of Vaasa and the Municipality of Umeå 50/50

Project financed by municipal, regional and national financiers from Finland and Sweden, private companies and European Union TEN-T Call funds. City of Vaasa and the Municipality of Umeå project owners 50/50
Nordic Battery Belt Logistics will produce a strategy that aims to contribute to sustainable and cost-effective transports in the region from a cross-border perspective.

The purpose is to provide a better understanding of new logistics flows that are expected to emerge in the region due to ongoing and planned battery plant establishments.
ABOUT FAIR

FAIR is to be seen as a first step of preparing the Kvarken region for an early implementation of electric aviation.

The project increases the knowledge base about electric aviation, investigates the possibilities and surveys both the needs and the required technical investments.

OBJECTIVES

- Where to implement EA and knowledge on regional effects
- Research need of measures at nodes and examine financing options
- Innovative concepts and business models
- Raise awareness

– Finding innovations to accelerate implementation of electric regional aviation
Fixed Link

Potential for a bridge over the Kvarken - A comprehensive impact assessment and an analysis of business proposals

The project aims to create decision guidance documents that can serve as the basis for a long-term, cross-border (east-west) strategy/position for how the question of the fixed link will be promoted in the future.

The project consists of two parts:

- A comprehensive impact assessment
- Analysis of business proposals
Thank you!

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