



Global Meeting of National Platforms for Disaster Risk Reduction (CICG – Geneva – 15 June 2009)

The Swedish National Platform for Management of Natural Hazards

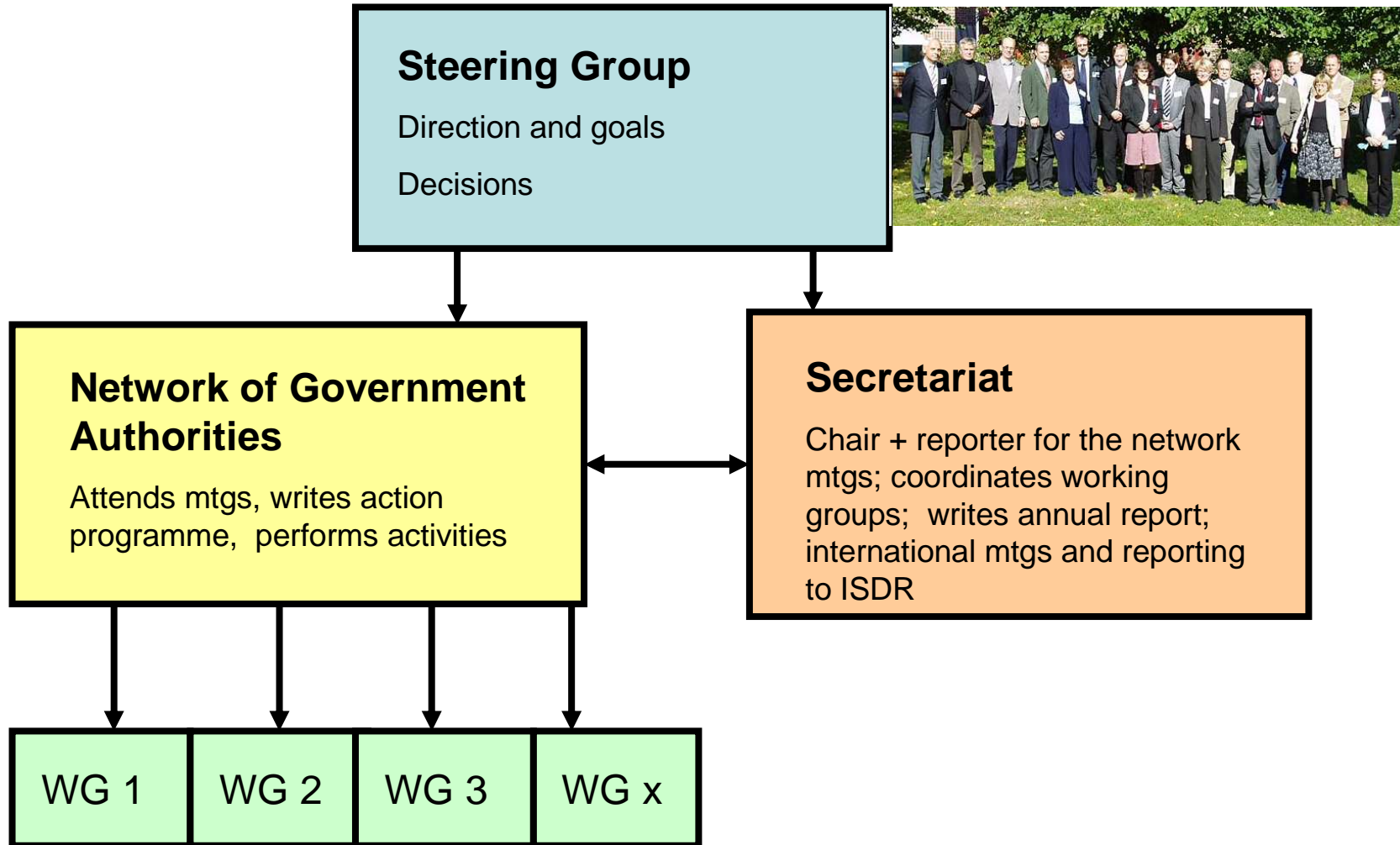
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Organisation of the Swedish National Platform for DRR

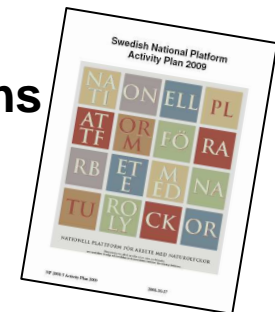


Each working group carries out specified tasks and reports to the network. Reference groups if needed.

Composition of the Swedish National Platform

Authority based cooperation with 16 actors:

1. National Land Survey of Sweden
2. National Railroad of Sweden
3. Swedish Water Power Authority
4. Swedish Environmental Protection Agency
5. Swedish Forest Agency
6. Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
7. Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB)
8. National Board of Health and Welfare
9. National Board of Housing, Planning and Building
10. National Food Administration
11. Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions
12. Swedish Geotechnical Institute
13. Swedish Geological Survey
14. Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute
15. Swedish Road Administration
16. Representatives for the County Administrative Boards



Activities / achievements of the Swedish National Platform Action Programme for HFA

1. **DDR is a national and local priority**

Co-ordination between authorities, seminars, debate, articles

2. **Identify, assess & monitor risks & enhance early warning**

Several agencies discussing climate change adaptation

3. **Knowledge, innovation and education**

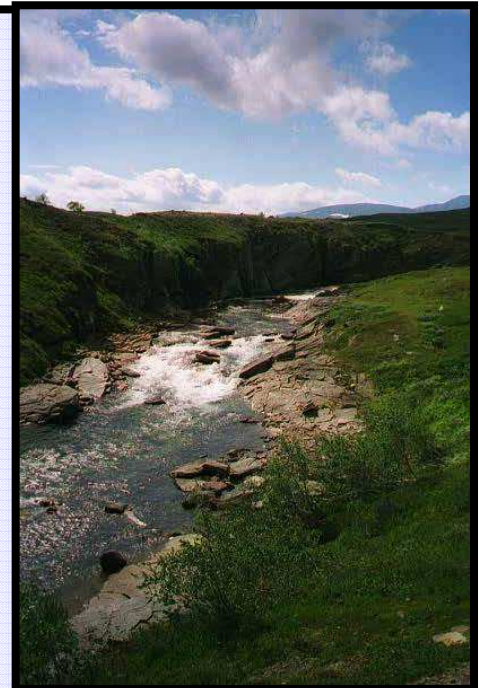
General review of the need for research for DRR for flood, forest fire, landslide. National databases of major natural occurrences. Lessons learnt.

4. **Reduce the underlying risk factors**

Continued work by all agencies in the network

5. **Strengthen disaster preparedness**

Training & Support to municipalities in Sweden (MSB)
International Development Aid: increased staff (MSB) that can lead DRR projects.



National Platform's Added Value



- **16 united Director Generals have an influential voice.**
- **The platform allows the agencies to see new perspectives and meet the challenges together.**
- **Society's capacity and preparedness to handle natural events and their consequences is improved by national and international co-operation.**
- **Overview of all the DRR work accomplished by government authorities**
- **Easy access to information, research reports, project results**
- **More communication about the need for and status of DRR activities**
- **Jointly sponsored events**

Swedish National Platform Goals for the Future



- 1) Discussions about legal mandates and gaps in responsibility.
- 2) Better legislation about the reimbursements after a disaster
- 3) Climate adaptation issues linked to network of government authorities
- 4) Apply the available knowledge to improve disaster management
- 5) Spread good practices in city planning that reduce underlying risks
- 6) EU research and dev. projects on prevention and early warning
- 7) More humanitarian assistance (preparedness, coordination of crisis information, needs analysis for capacity building, & assistance in restoration)
- 8) Cooperation in research, education, and lessons learned.
- 9) Bring new agencies into the network
- 10) Enhance international cooperation

Link to climate change adaptation processes

Government Commission

”Sweden facing climate change – threats and opportunities, from the Government Commission on Climate and Vulnerability”

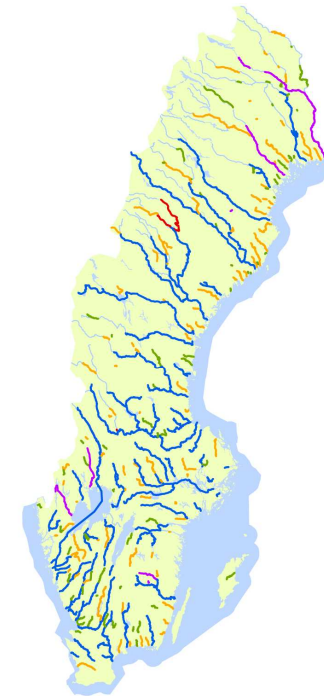
<http://www.regeringen.se/sb/d/108/a/94595>

Climate proposition March 2009

Recognises the national platform

Climate adaptation

Coordination between agencies on progress, activities, & methods





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