



Swedish Civil  
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Agency

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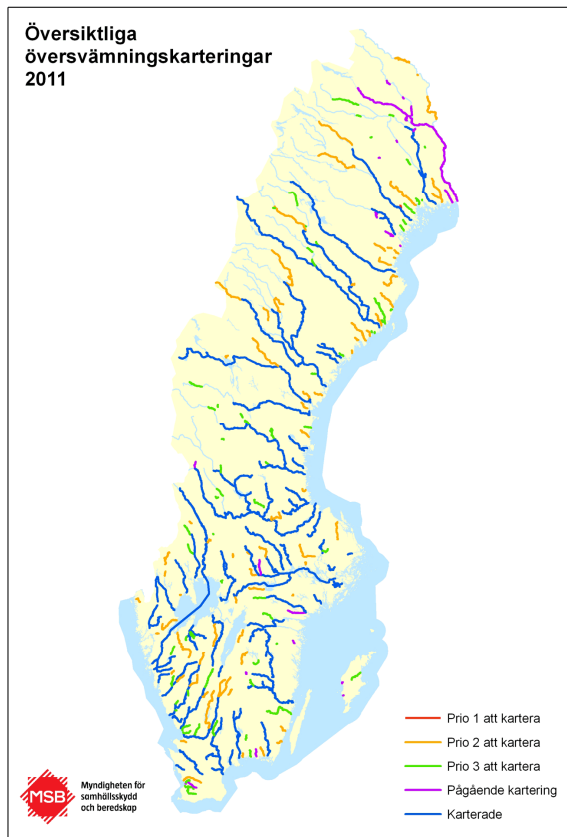
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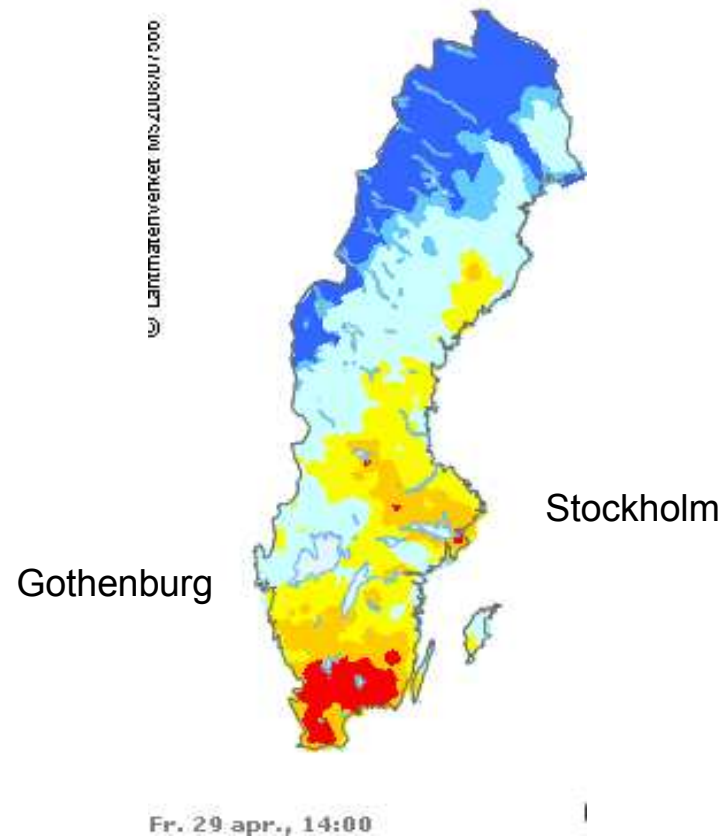
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# Sweden also suffers from severe natural events



Area: 450 km<sup>2</sup> (4th in Europe) 9% seas



Population: 9.2 million (14th in EU)

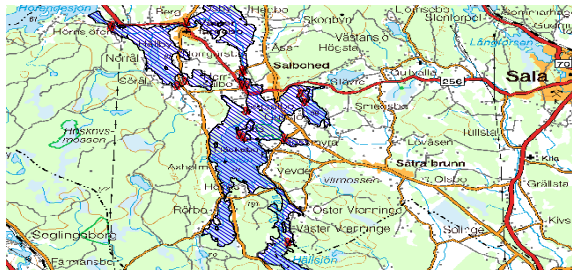
## Fundamental principles for emergency preparedness

- Responsibility
- Equality
- Proximity



## Municipal areas of responsibility supported by legislation

- Land use planning and building permissions
- Environment
- Civil Protection
- Crisis management
- Social welfare



## Legal framework

- Management by objectives
- All hazards approach
- Bottom up perspective
- Pressure from business community to reduce regulation





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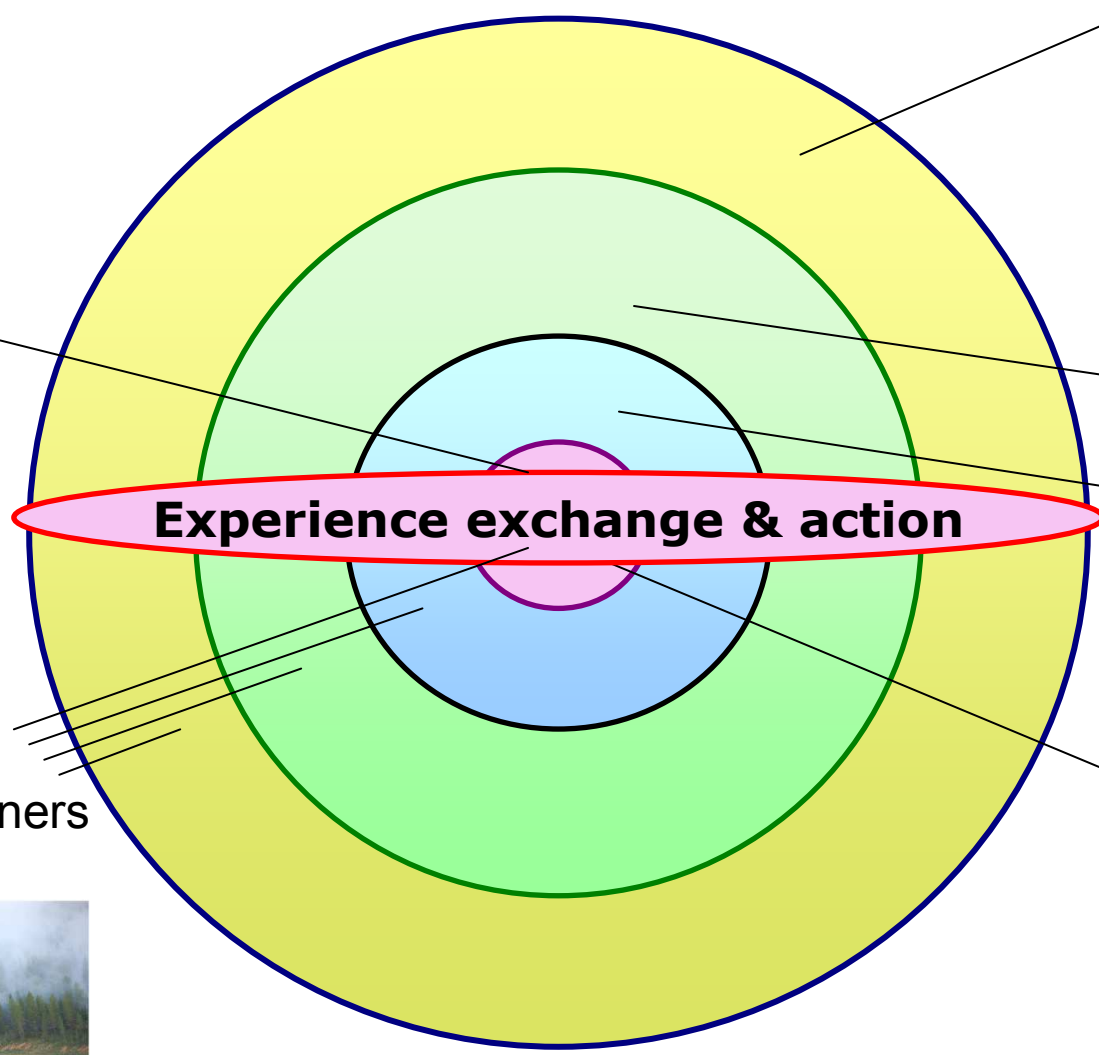
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Land and property owners



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