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## Transformation of Rural Areas into Sustainable Landscapes

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## Initial framework of understanding

### Denmark – some relevant facts

- Area 42.951 km<sup>2</sup>
- Approx. 6 million inhabitants
- Representative democracy
- Private property rights are protected by the constitution



## Initial framework of understanding

### Danish Surveyors – four professional pillars:

- Land use and property legislation
- Planning
- Measuring and mapping
- Geoinformatics



## Content

- **Global meta crisis**
- **Use of areas in Denmark**
- **Political goals – and challenges and tools**
- **Renewable energy – green transition on speed**
- **The specific approach of the land surveyor**

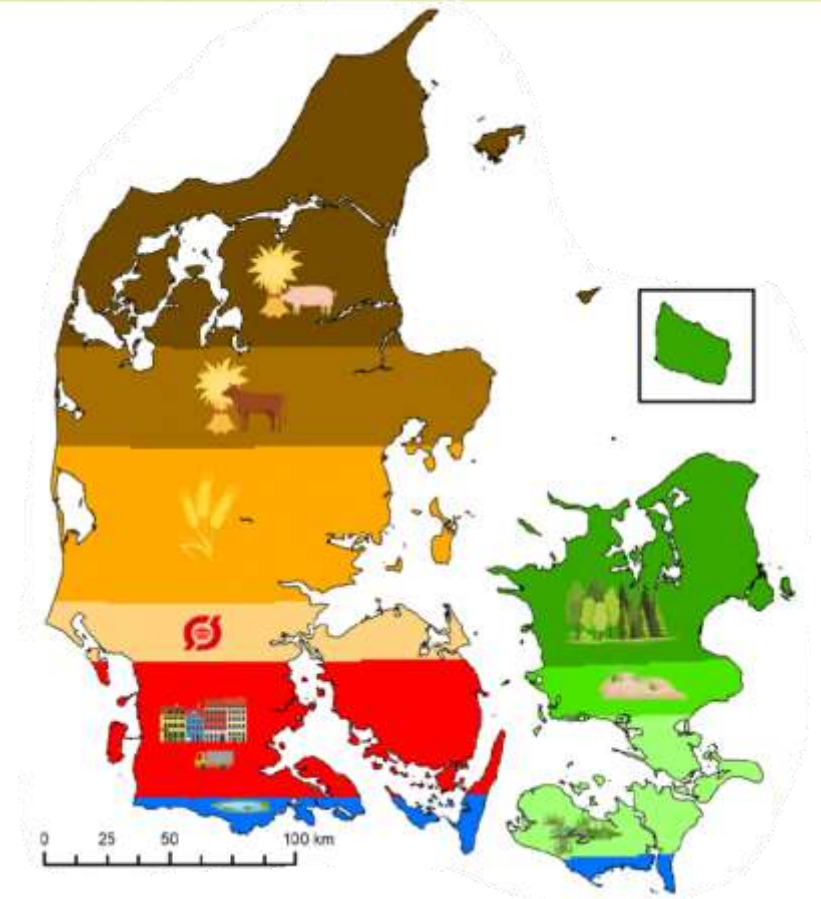
## Global meta crisis – setting the overall agenda for land use

- **Climate – climate changes**
- **Environmental – pollution**
- **Biodiversity – loss of species and fauna**
- **Energy – fossile carbon footprint**



## Use of areas in Denmark

- 60 percent agriculture use
  - 10 commercial forestry
  - 14 percent nature, lakes and streams
  - 13 percent cities, roads etc
  - 3 percent other or not registered use
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- **Need of 140 percent of Denmark's area to fulfill all wishes and plans**



## Political goals – by government

- Removal of low-lying soil from agricultural production 100.000 ha. (2,3%)
- Increasing the forest area by 250.000 hectares (5,8 %)
- Protection of drinkingwater 200.000 hectars (4,7 %)
- Protected nature 1.190.000 hectares (28 % – of this 10% restrictly)
- Four-dubling of renewable energy plants – 36.000 ha. Solarpanels (0,9%)

## Paradigme shift in use of rural areas

- Multipurpose use
- Intelligent use
- Priority of interests
- Hollistic approach in a local content

**”From monoculture to multifunctionality”**





## Challenges

- **Sectorized public sector**
- **The planning process – planning frameworks and citizen involvement**
- **Interest management and prioritization**
- **Financing – who is going to pay**
- **“Tools”**

## Tools – means of action

- Physical planning
- Land consolidation
- Binding agreements
- Expropriation
- Economical compensation and financial support



## Renewable energy – green transition on speed

- Forcing the transformation of rural areas
- Challenges the public planning process
- Embeds local development projects in the energy project
- Lucrative financial options on buying land



## The specific approach of the land surveyor

- Every thing happens somewhere – on a geographical spot
  - Solutions must take in to account:
    - characteristics
    - rights
    - bindings / regulations
- } = the potential / solution space

“Land surveyors – connecting the geographical spot with its possibilities”



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