

# Infrastructure and regional development, related to TEN---T

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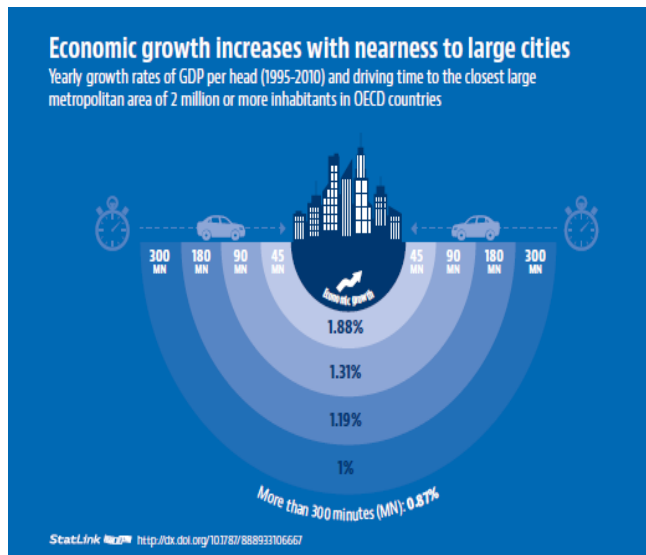
# Towards a Megaregion of Western Scandinavia – OECD Territorial Review



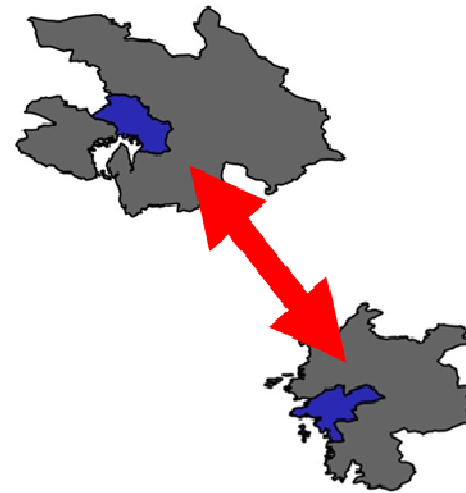
REGION  
VÄSTRA GÖTALAND

# What is a megaregion and what makes it work?

Research shows that closeness to cities gives benefits to the environment even at long distances



We can go from thinking local labour markets to also thinking larger and bigger



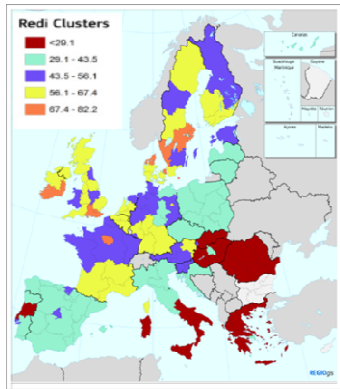
Five central areas to define a megaregion. What links do we have between us?

- Transportsystem
- **Economic links**
- **Housing and planning**
- **Environment and landscape**
- **Shared culture and history**

**OECD Definition of Megaregions:** A network of functional urban areas that are defined by a layer of relationships that together shape a common interest. This common interest, in turn, forms the basis for joint policy decisions.

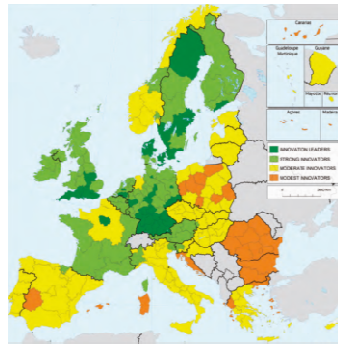
# Western scandinavia is a possible megaregion with huge potential to contribute to growth and welfare

## ENTRE- PRENEURSHIP AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT



EU Regional Entrepreneurship and Development Index  
Measuring  
Attitudes – Abilities – Aspirations

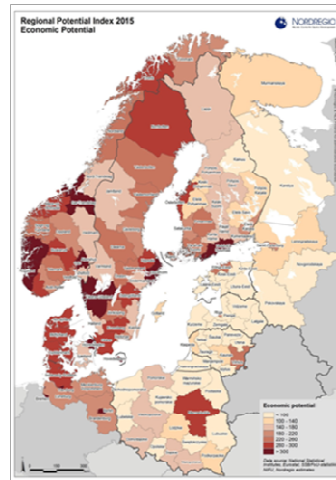
## INNOVATION



EU Regional Innovation Scoreboard

West Sweden – Innovation Leader  
High levels of KET technologies  
High share of employment in medium high/-  
high-tech manufacturing and knowledge  
services as % of workforce

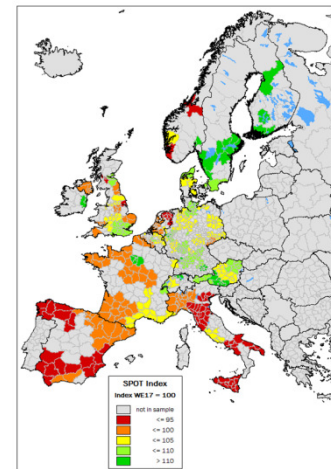
## ECONOMIC POTENTIAL



NORDREGIO Economic Potential

- GRP per inhabitant
- R&D

## STRUCTURAL POTENTIAL

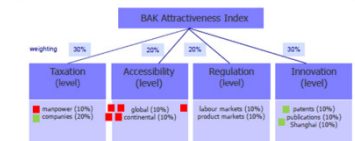
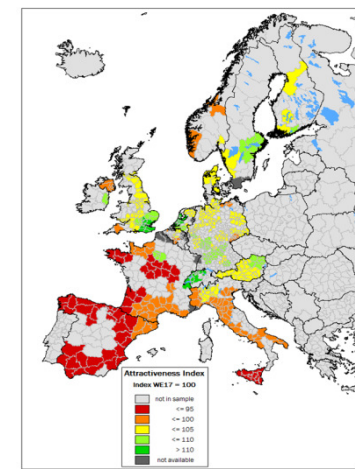


Structural Potential Index (BAK Economics)

**Capacity to compete (40%)** – Productivity in export oriented branches  
**Industry structure potential (40%)** – Structure in relation to potential in EU companies.

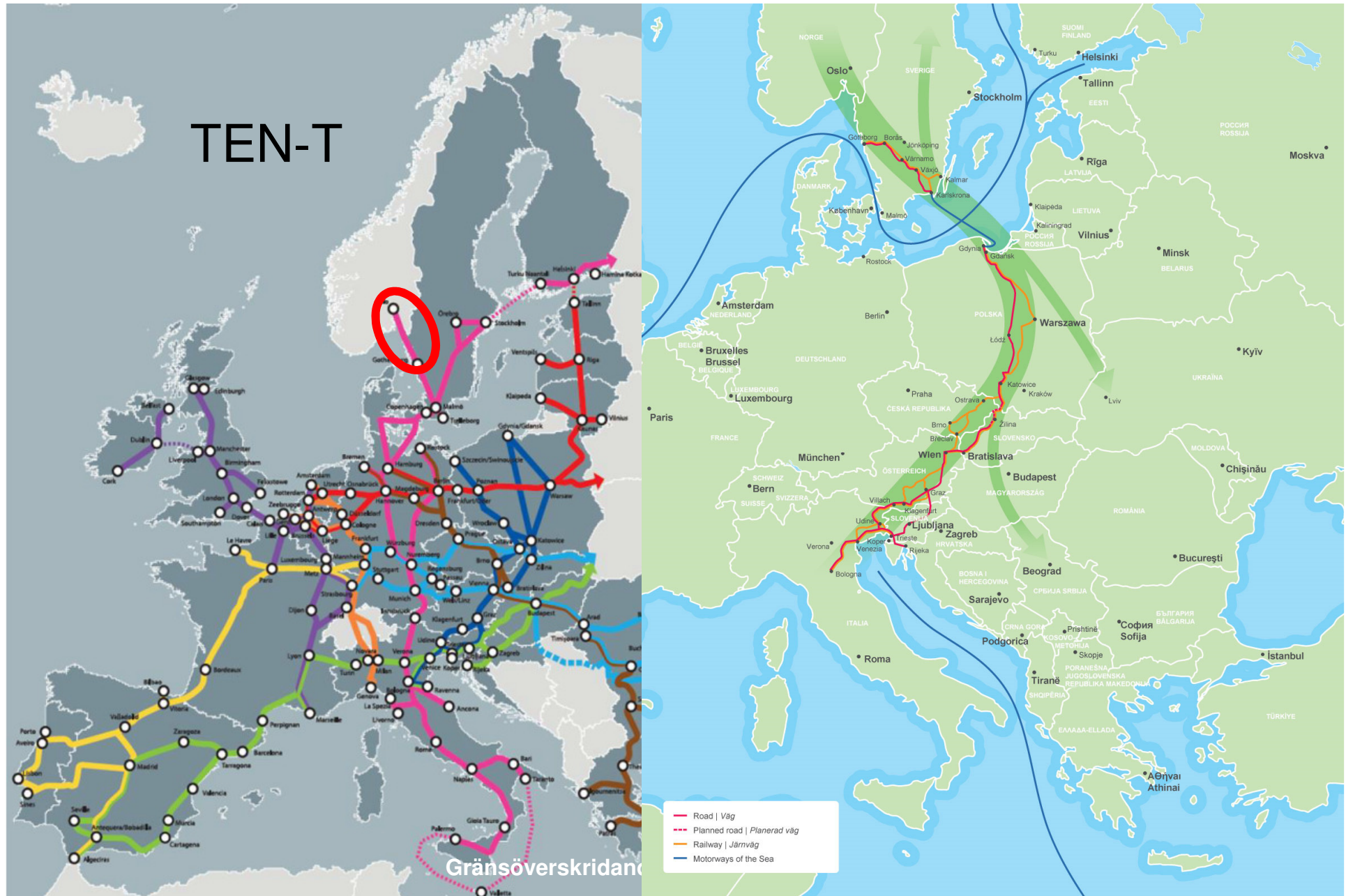
**Political structure (20%)** – Decentralization, Corruption, Black Economy.

## ATTRACTIVE- NESS



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# All roads goes to Rome...all the way from Oslo!



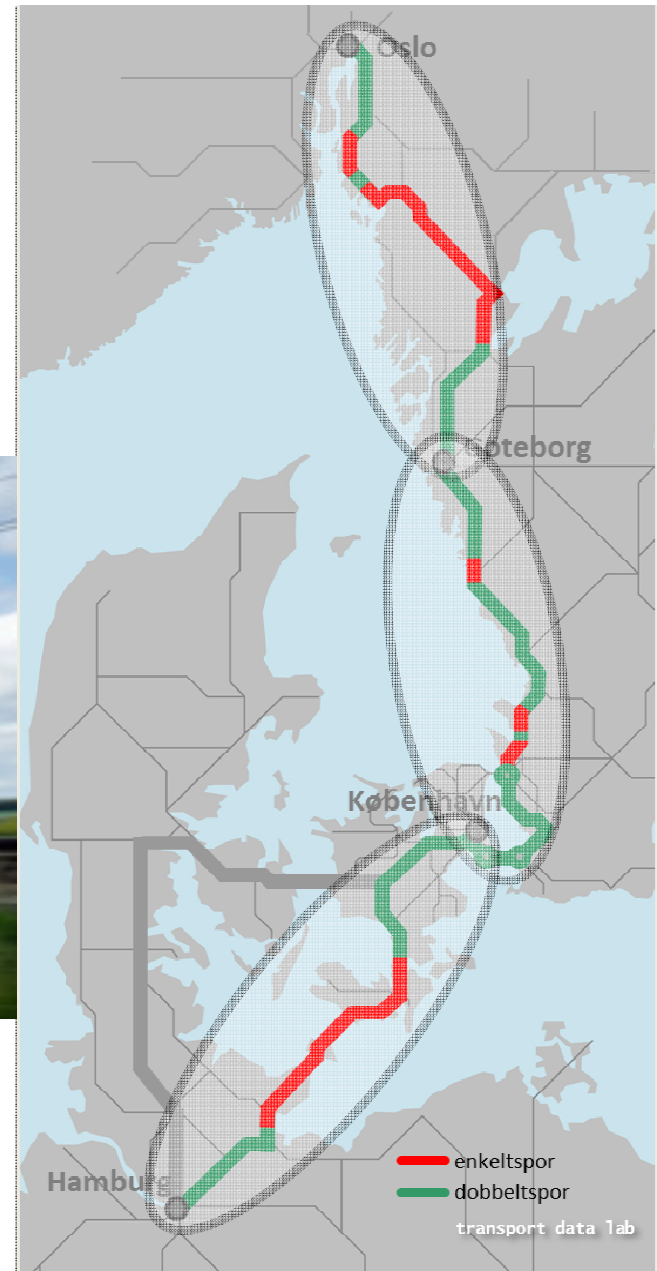
# CEF priorities:

- Modes: Rail, inland waterways, multimodal platforms (ports, rail-road terminals) and intermodal connections
- Sections: Missing links, cross-border, bottlenecks



New requirements private funding or loans  
hopefully not a problem in this case

# Two tracks all the way to connect Europe!





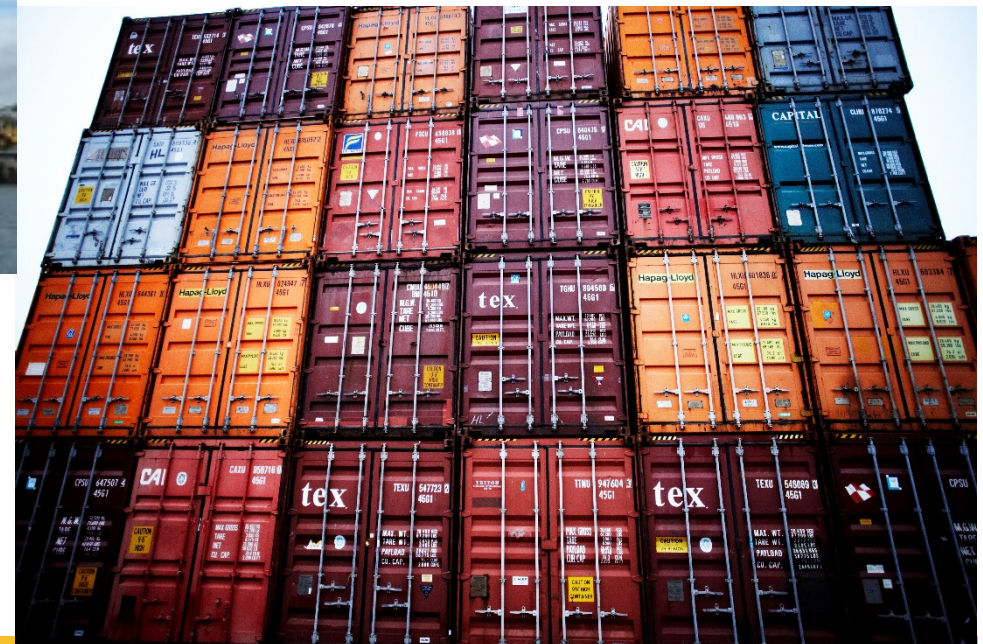
# Transport och logistics region



# Bigger ships -



# more containers!



The increase are estimated to 75% in the year 2030

In order to manage we need more railway and deeper harbour

**Every day 2700 trucks cross the border to Norway, unfortunately 70% are empty going back!**





Commuting cross border to Norway are significant!

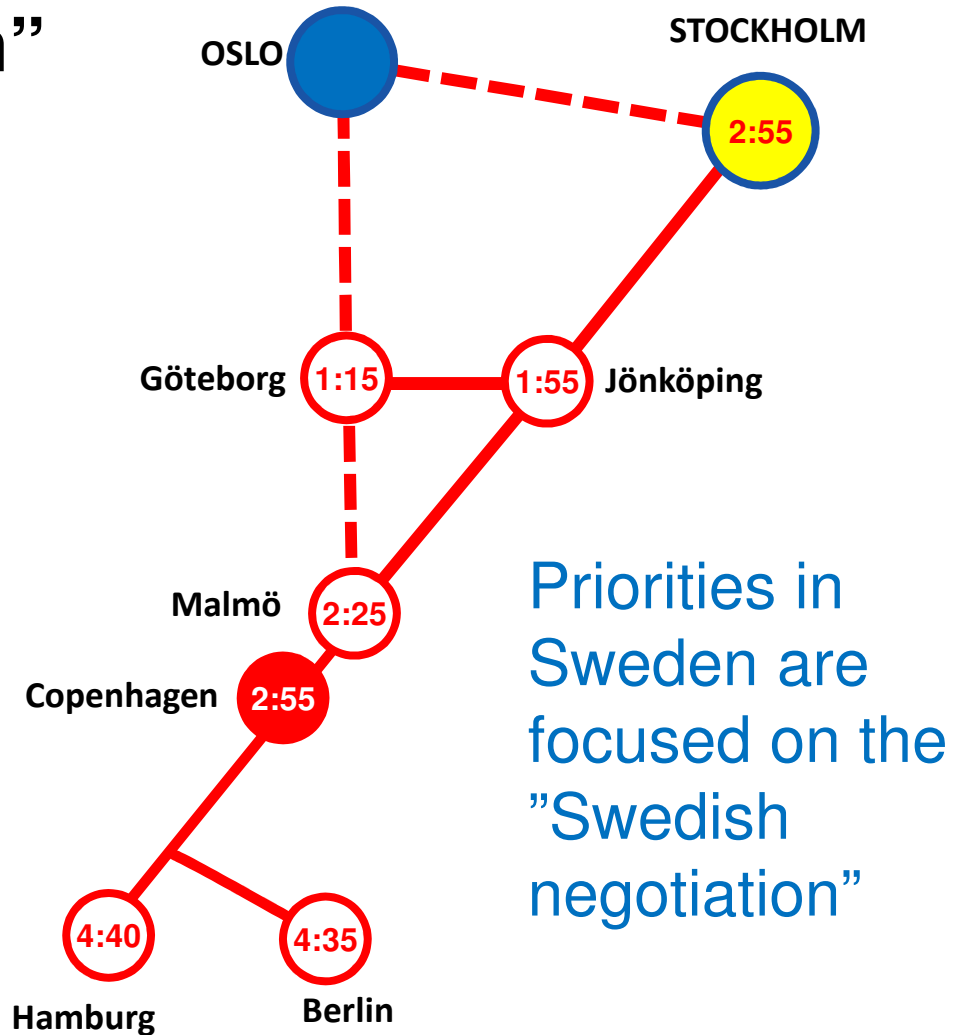
Svinesundsbron has more passages with car or trucks than the Oresundslink

# Travel by train - the goal is to tripple it to 2035!



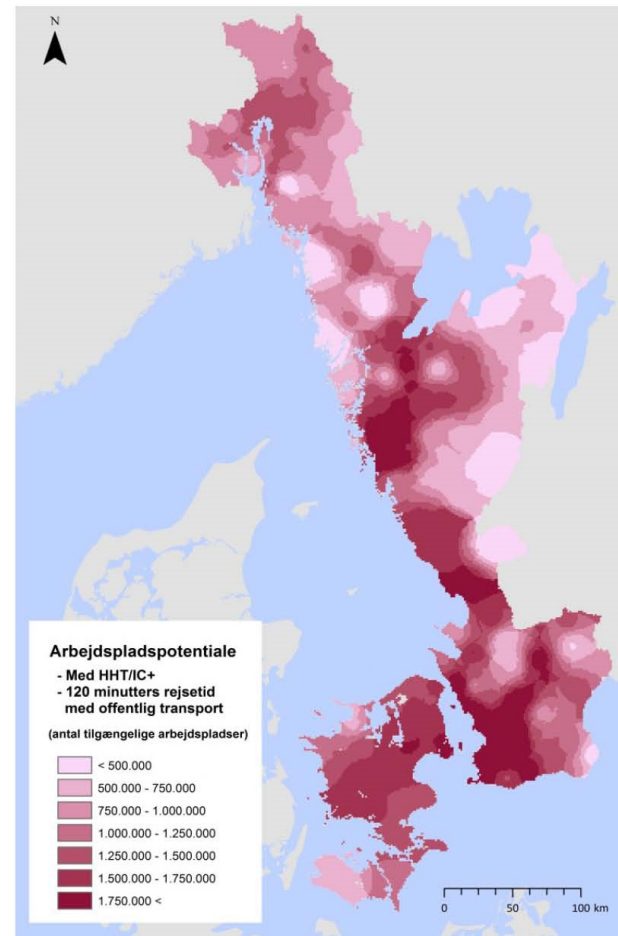
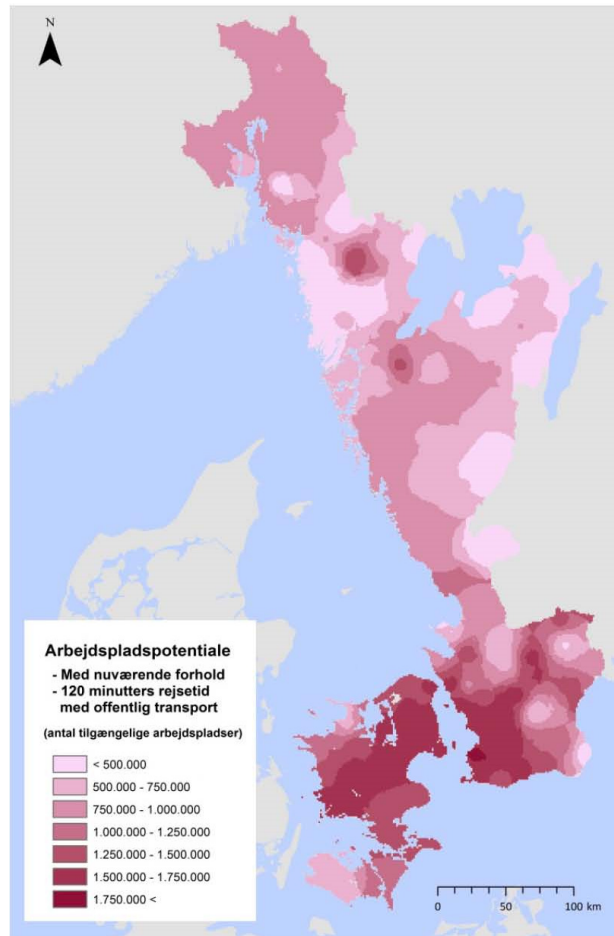
# Highspeed train...

”Swedish negotiation”



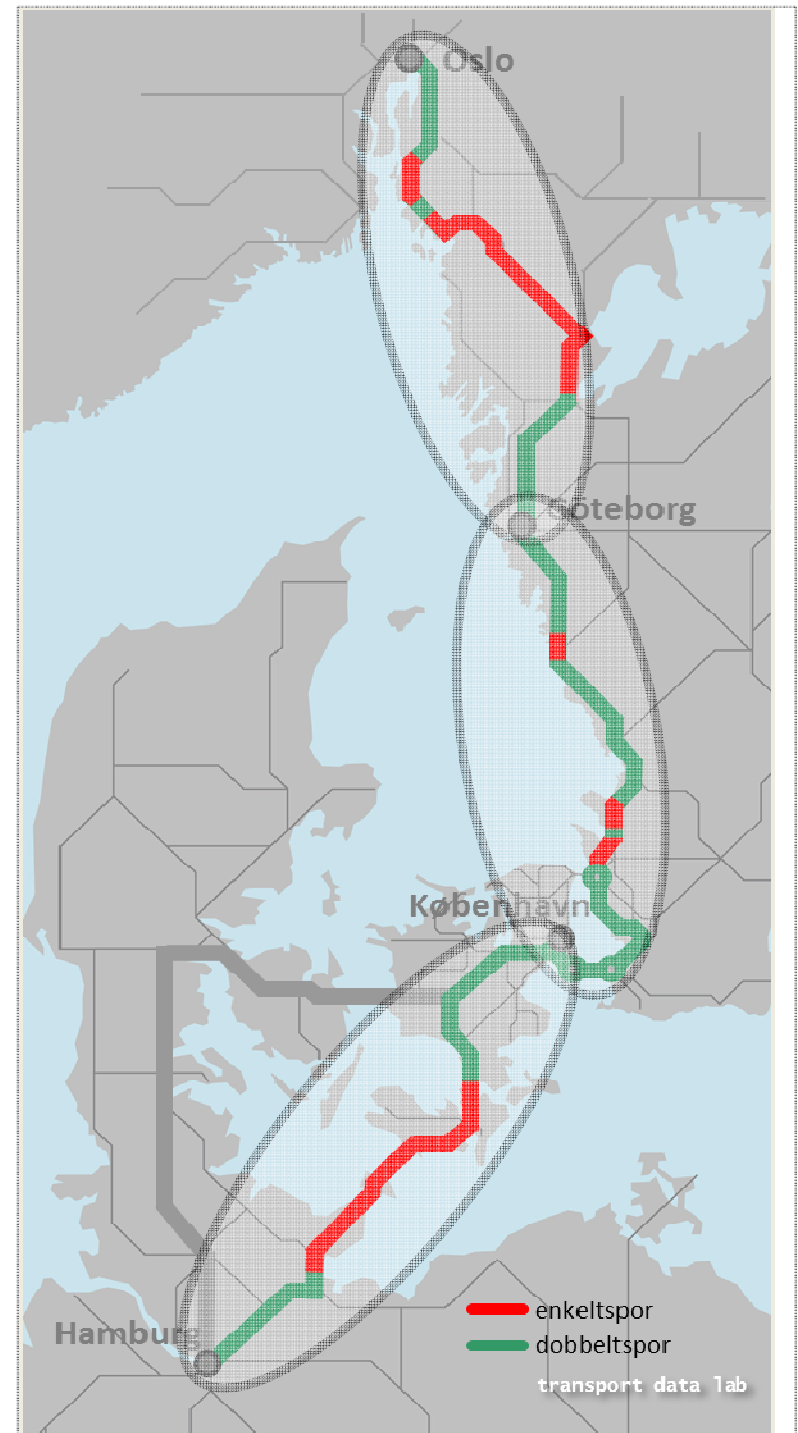
Priorities in Sweden are focused on the ”Swedish negotiation”

# The potential with new infrastructure!



# Two tracks will do!

In 2030 (34) we will most likely still lack at least 140 km of double track if we don't succeed in showing the benefits





# National transportplans!



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