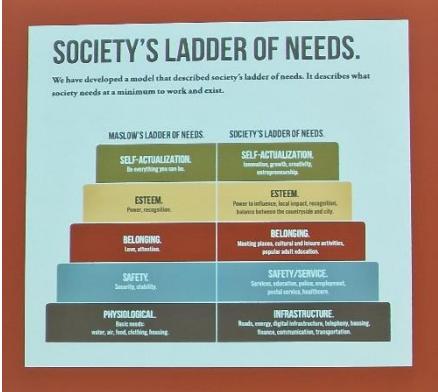


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"Please tell us about cities where they have offices and public buildings on water"



"Vi skulle kunna arbeta enbart för Försvaret men vi vill behålla en varierad kundkrets"



"Vår skola är högt rankad, men vi har många skolenheter med få barn per skola och få i varje klass"

Gotland



"Vilka områden är de mest angelägna givet Gotlands öläge?"

"Hälso- och sjukvården och transporter"

*"Vi har många **utmaningar**, så som resurser för hälso- och sjukvården, bostäder som gotlänningar har råd att efterfråga och kompetensförsörjning."*

*"Men vi har också väldigt många **möjligheter**, så som ett starkt samarbete och militärens återkomst."*



"Utbildningssystemet på Gotland har många utmaningar, så som tillgång till utbildade lärare och varierande elevunderlag."

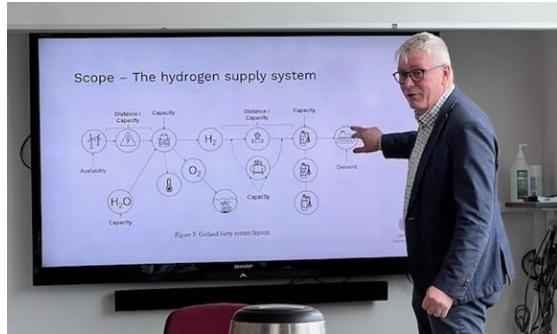
"Planering och dimensionering av gymnasial utbildning utifrån arbetsmarkandes behov kommer bli en intressant nöt att knäcka."

Gotland



"I en tid av kris är det inte självklart att Gotland får hjälp av andra regioner."

"We want an engine to run on hydrogen, but also have a backup with other fuels. So a combined cycle, it exists but not for selling to ships."



"Travel policies need to be revised – have a transport carbon neutral aim! No matter what the means of transportation. A new development bloc of technology, education, services, and additional services around it."

Stockholm



"Inga specifika åtaganden för öar. Om vi tar frågan om energi, då handlar det om att energin som produceras ska komma fram till användaren. Prioritet hos regeringen är att stärka elkapaciteten i hela systemet."

"Det finns en oförståelse i Riksdagen om vad ö-polyer skulle kunna handla om."



"Vi behöver se över alla typer av regleringar, inklusive för markanvändning, så att de är anpassade till effekterna på öar"

OECD: Stefano Barbieri

"In comparison with the north of Sweden, there are common characteristics, such as demography, weak financial capacities, supply of skills, schools and distances, and services."

"Specific for islands are the transports to mainland. Also, problem of space and housing, permanent housing, food production and water supply, waste management, and a robust energy supply. These are things different from the sparsely populated areas. So, islands are rural but they are also islands. Possibility to add some concept of island proofing then?"

"For islands, there could be room for a responsible de-regulation regarding land use planning and land use."



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OECD: Geoff Upton

"Generally, the central government is overdoing, but in this case [Sverige] it is the opposite. In just 6 out of 21 regional development strategies islands and archipelagos are mentioned. Not at all in the national strategies."

"There is vertical coordination, but these are more on operational levels rather than inter-ministerial. So a more coordinated approach, based on a typology, for a national island plan with recommendation to regions on how to address these challenges."



OECD: Joshua Woods

"Cost of insularity come in two shapes: 1) geographic isolation, and; 2) social and cultural isolation. The second element is less of a factor in Sweden."

"The government is functioning. institutions are function well, clear line of communication. So the functioning of government is not the main source of additional costs."

"The geographical side, though, there are higher costs driven by transportation than expected affecting costs for attracting labour, housing etc."

"Competition for land and its usage was a more surprising cost driving factor."



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Maria Ahlsved, infrastruktur- och landsbygdsdepartementet

"We are often asked: "what is specific for islands?" There are also other territorial perspectives for small remote towns and cities, mountainous regions etc. Should we have the whole spectrum of matters?"

"The Commission has recently released a report on rural proofing. There is a group working on rural proofing at the ministry, and we could add islands to that"



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