

# SWEDEN'S ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES and their connection to the Agenda 2030



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# OUTLINE OF THE PRESENTATION

1. What is Sweden doing to implement the overall 2030 Agenda?
2. The environmental dimension of the SDGs: The Swedish environmental quality objectives
3. The link between the national environmental objectives and the SDGs

# SWEDEN'S PLAN TO IMPLEMENT AGENDA 2030

- The Delegation for the 2030 Agenda – identify gaps and develop action plan for the implementation
- Government agencies: Forum for Director-Generals on the implementation of the Agenda 2030 – Joint Letter of Intent



# SWEDEN'S ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES



The Swedish Parliament has set a number of environmental objectives to promote sustainable development.

These goals guide environmental efforts in Sweden. They point the way to a sustainable society.

# GENERATIONAL GOAL

“The overall goal of Swedish environmental policy is to hand over to the next generation a society in which the major environmental problems in Sweden have been solved, without increasing environmental and health problems outside Sweden’s borders.”

## RIKSDAG DECISION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES



# THE RIKSDAG HAS ADOPTED 16 OBJECTIVES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IN SWEDEN



Reduced Climate Impact



Clean Air



Natural Acidification Only



A Non-Toxic Environment



A Protective Ozone Layer



A Safe Radiation Environment



Zero Eutrophication



Flourishing Lakes and Streams



Good-Quality Groundwater



A Balanced Marine Environment,  
Flourishing Coastal Areas and Archipelagos



Thriving Wetlands



Sustainable Forests



A Varied Agricultural Landscape



A Magnificent Mountain Landscape



A Good Built Environment



A Rich Diversity of Plant and Animal Life

# STRATEGIES AND MILESTONE TARGETS IN PRIORITY AREAS

The Government identifies the areas to be given priority.

An All Party Committee of MPs develops strategies and proposes milestone targets, policy instruments and measures.





# THE ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES SYSTEM

– promoting cooperation at several levels

## **Government agencies**

- 26 national government agencies with specific responsibilities
- 8 national lead agencies separate responsibility for following up
- SEPA - guiding and coordinating

## **The Environmental Objectives Council**

## **County administrative boards**

## **Local authorities (municipalities)**

The business sector, stakeholder organisations and the public are crucial to achieving the objectives.



# ARE WE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION?



# OUR ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES

## - EXPERIENCES

More efficient environmental work due to:

- Transparency of what is needed in the long term
- A common basis decided on the highest level
- Better and more structured follow-up and evaluation
- A shared responsibility and clear roles



# The sustainable development goals & the environmental objectives



# THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES & THE ENVIRONMENTAL DIMENSION OF THE AGENDA 2030

- The Swedish objectives covers the environmental dimension of the SDGs in a good way
- The two systems can complement each other - objectives for a certain environmental quality, combined with goals with a focus on measures.

## WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Further information is available on the  
Environmental Objectives Portal:  
[miljomal.se](http://miljomal.se)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

