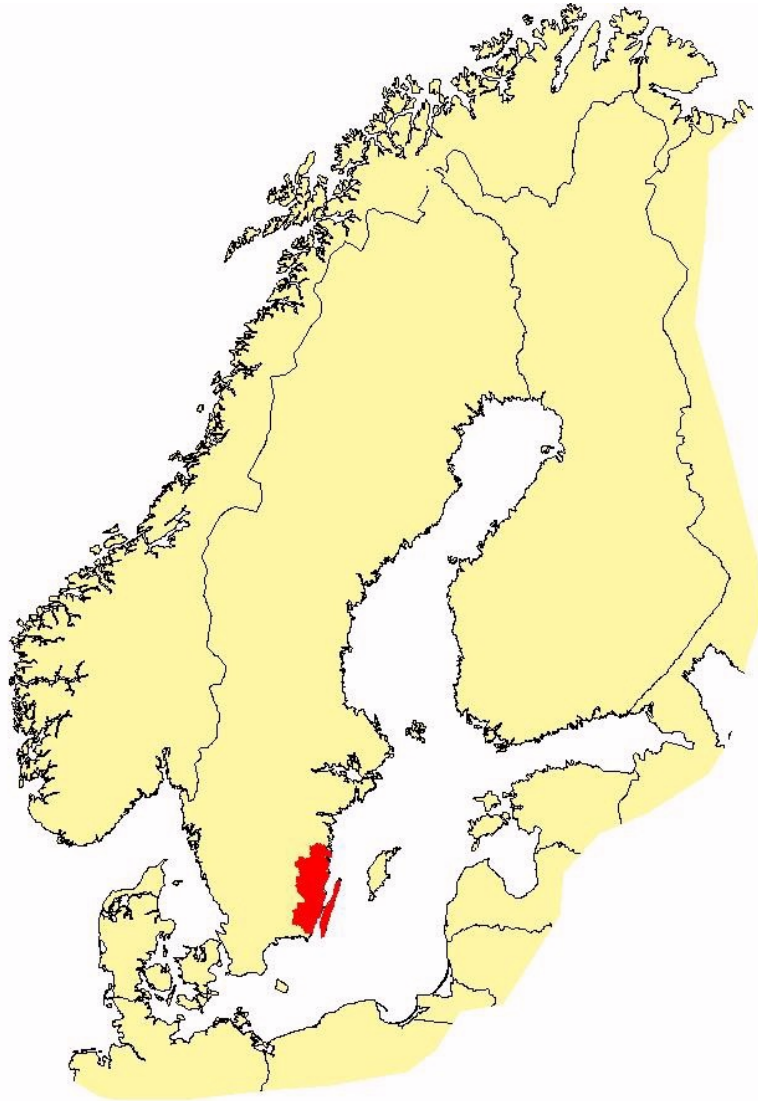


Cooperation between regional authorities and farmers

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Kalmar County Administrative Board





- ◆ Kalmar County has about 233 900 inhabitants
- ◆ It covers an area of 11 171 km²
- ◆ Kalmar County consist of 12 municipalities



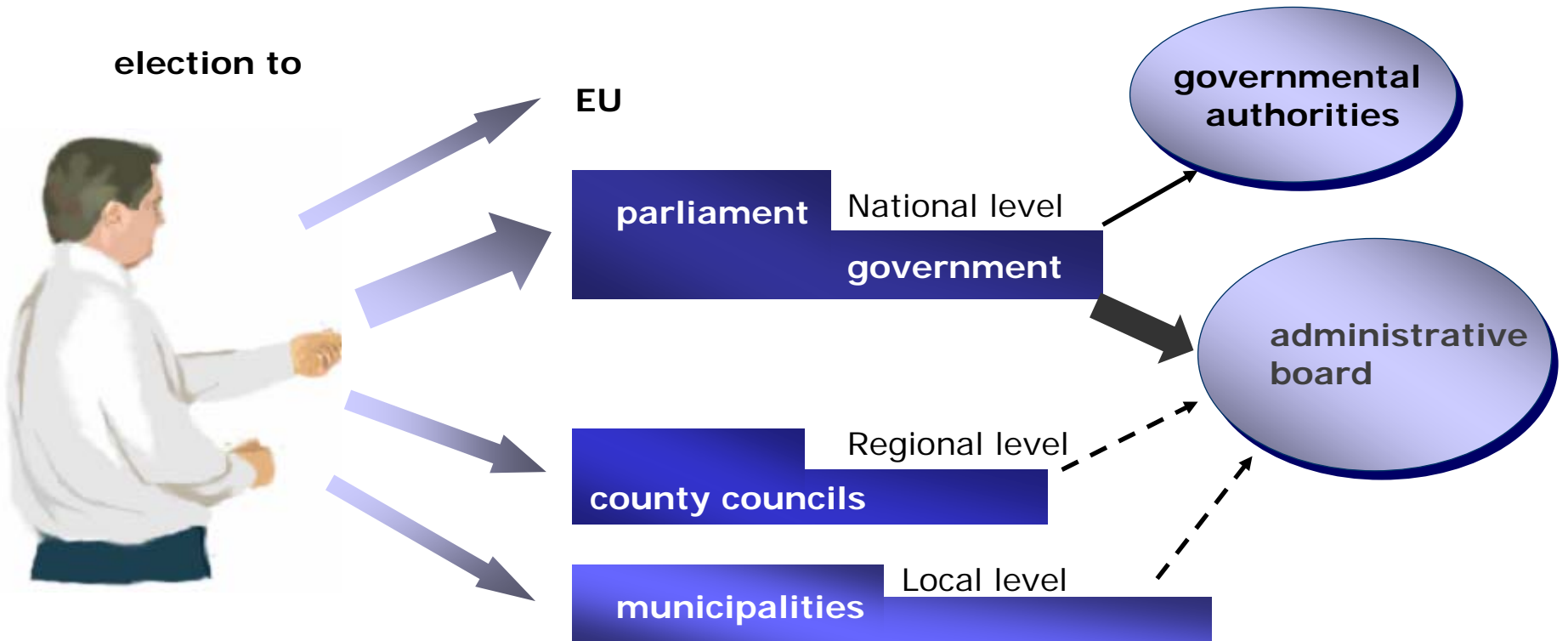


Öland

- Flat, limestone bedrock
- Very dry, yet “maritime” climate
- Large areas with semi-natural grasslands – still traditionally managed!



Administrative Board in the society



Government & Parliament



municipalities

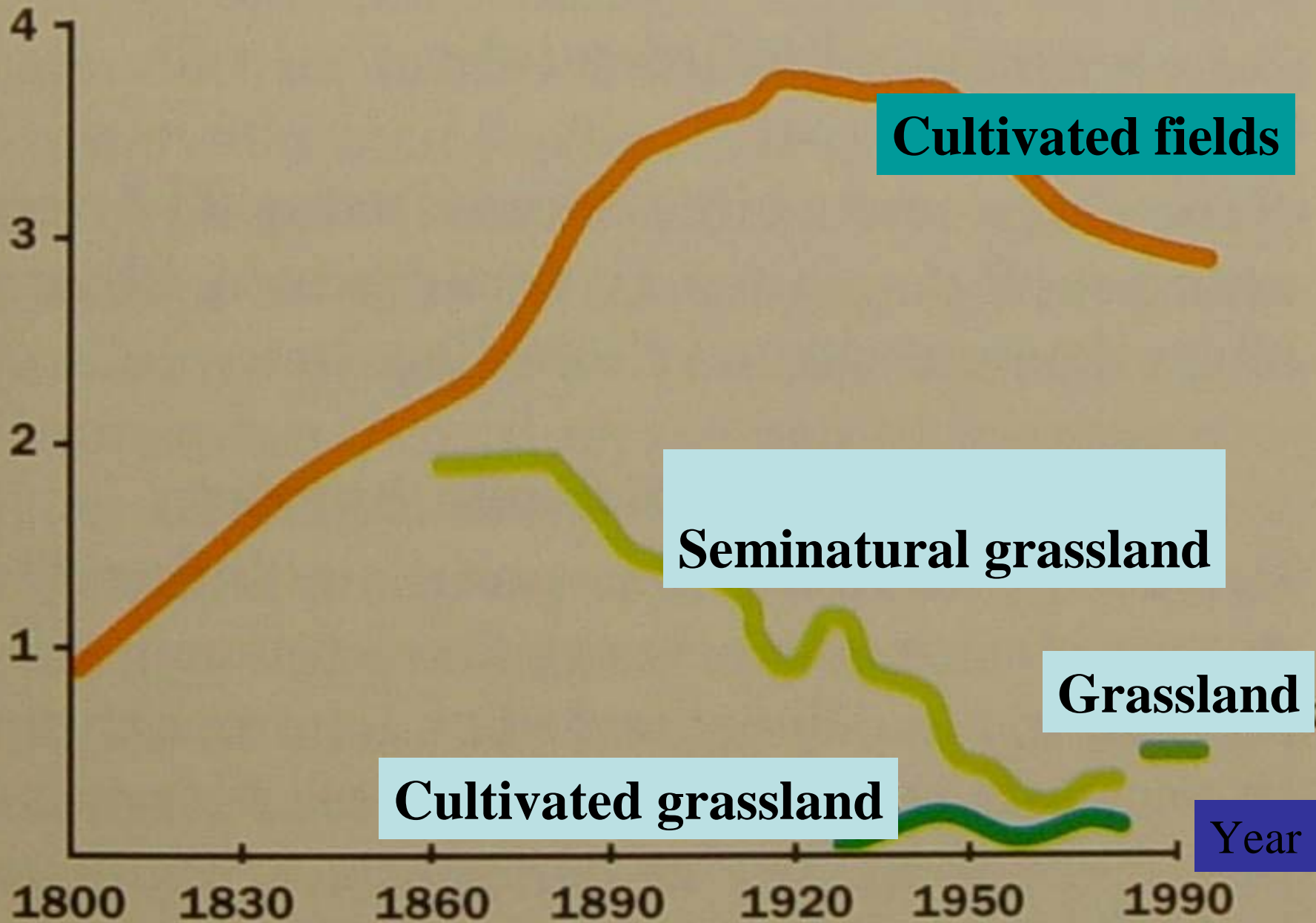
citizens

county council





Milj ha



Cultivated fields

Seminatural grassland

Grassland

Cultivated grassland

Year

How did the coopartion with farmers start?

- ◆ Before 1990 - Advisers
- ◆ 1990-1995 Support to pastures with high nature value
- ◆ 1996 – The Swedish agrienviromental programme





The Swedish environmental support programme 2007-2013

Alvar

92 € per ha,

Coastal meadows

260 € per ha



Coastal
meadows
1,5 – 2 animal
unit per ha

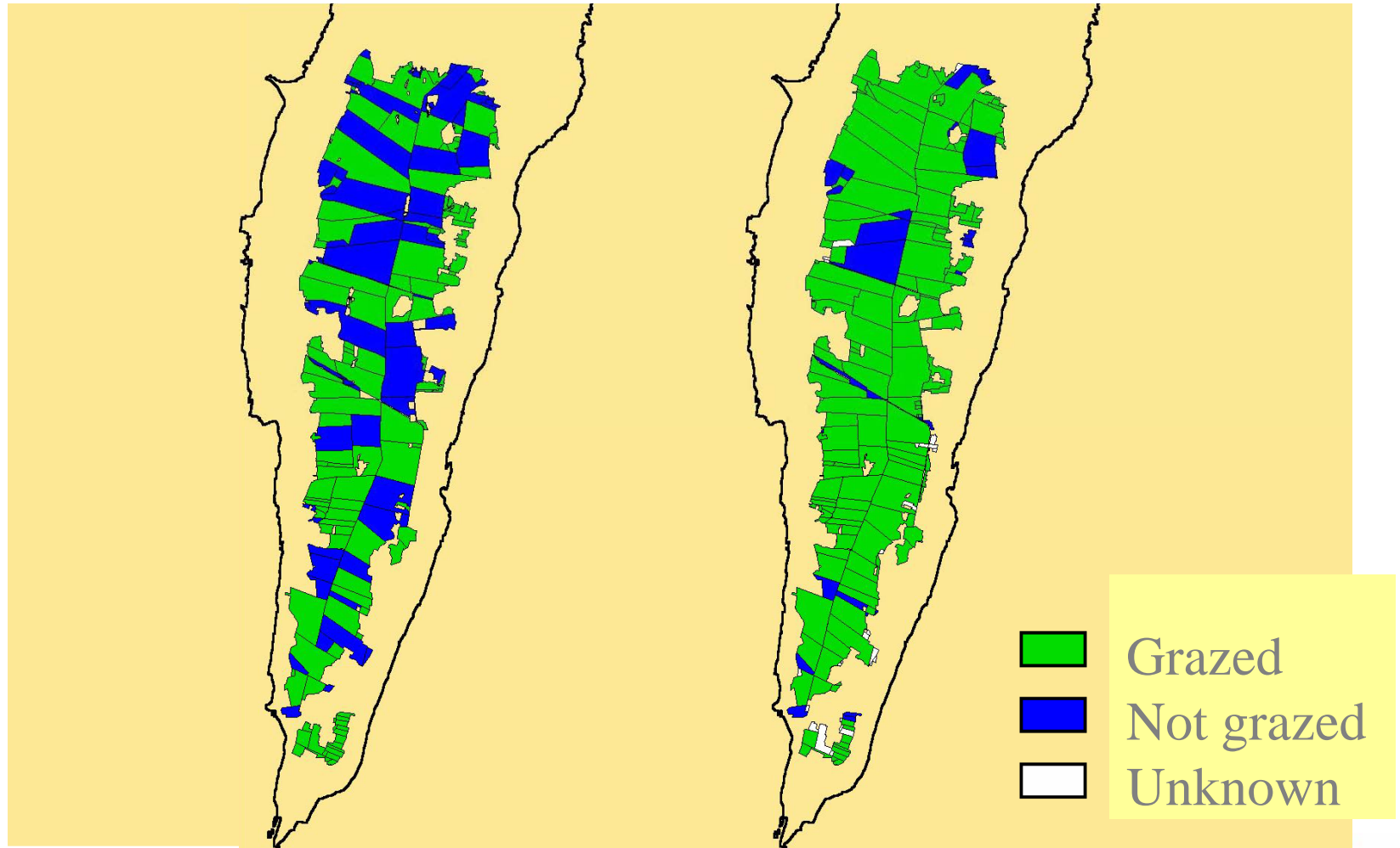


Grazing



Alvar,
1 animal unit per 6 ha

Grazing at Stora Alvaret



1994

1999





Life Nature project
Protection and restoration
of Stora Alvaret, Öland

World Heritage Area;
The Agricultural Landscape of southern Öland



Agreement t Cooperation

- The farmers, the Municipality of Mörbylånga and Kalmar County Administration are jointly responsible for the persistence of the values and that agriculture can proceed and develop in a reasonably profitable way.



- Mutual understanding of the interests of the different parties is basic to the co-operation.
- A consultation group shall be formed and will handle matters dealing with the values of the proposed World Heritage site. The group will consist of representatives from the Federation of Swedish Farmers, Kalmar County Administration and the Municipality of Mörbylånga. The group shall meet on a regular basis and treat issues that may arise between different interests such as agriculture, natural and cultural values (archaeology, roads, nature reserves etc.) and the tourism. Large projects, dealing with e.g. development or inventories within the area, shall be discussed in the group before being carried out. The Municipality is responsible for calling the group together.





Life Natur project;

Coastal meadows and wetlands in the
Agricultural Landscape on Öland

Longterm results from our Life-projects

- ◆ New Nature reserves and bird protection areas
- ◆ Rural development
- ◆ Local initiatives
- ◆ Better knowledge of management
- ◆ Ongoing dialog between authorities, farmers and scientists



Cooperation with the local farmers is absolutely crucial to maintain the values of the alvars and coastal meadows on Öland!

