



KINGDOM OF DENMARK STRATEGY FOR THE ARCTIC 2011-2020



INTRODUCTION

Joint project for Denmark, Faroese Islands and Greenland. No "5 years plan": a framework for activities.

No "new money".

- The main objectives of the strategy:
 - •1: A peaceful, secure and safe Arctic
 - •2: Self-sustaining growth and development
 - 3: Respect for the Arctic's fragile climate, environment and nature
 - •4: Close cooperation with our international partners General focus: There live people in the Arctic.







Pillar 1: A peaceful, secure and safe Arctic



A peaceful, secure and safe Arctic

- To maintain a continued peaceful cooperation. No "Arctic treaty – we have the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea
 - Ex: Ilulissat Declaration 2008, cooperation on research on the continental shelf
- To strengthen maritime safety through cooperation with other Arctic states
 - Ex: SAR agreement (AC), work on IMO Polar Code
- To enforce sovereignty by Danish armed forces
 - Ex: Greenland Command > Arctic Command



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Pillar 2: Self-sustaining growth and development



Self-sustaining growth and development

In general: the population in the Arctic has a right to development
To exploit mineral resources under the highest international standards

Ex: Norsok

•To increase the use of renewable energy sources significantly

Ex: New hydro power plants

To harvest living resources in a sustainable manner based on science and research

- Ex: fish, seals and whales based on scientific advice
- To exploit new opportunities in the Arctic in and establish an optimal regulatory framework with regards to future export and investments.
 - Ex: Legislation on "large scale projects"







Pillar 3: Development with respect for the Arctic's vulnerable climate, environment and nature



Development with respect for the Arctic's vulnerable climate, environment and nature

 To build up essential and ambitious knowledge on climate change in the Arctic and its consequences in order to foster global and local adaptation

Ex: Climate research at Institute of Natural Resources, Nuuk

- To manage the Arctic nature and environment based non the best possible scientific knowledge and standards for protection Ex: Institute of Natural Reources
- To promote international cooperation in this area
 - Ex: Working groups under Arctic Council







Pillar 4: Close cooperation with our international partners



Close cooperation with our international partners

- Prioritizing global cooperation relevant to the Arctic,, and continue giving high priority to indigenoues peoples's rights
 - Ex: Polar Code
- Enhancing cooperation in the Arctic Council."Arctic 5" is an essential complementary regional forum for the coastal states of the Arctic Ocean.
- Upgrading bilateral cooperation and dialogue regarding the Arctic, both with established and new partners.
 - Ex: Joint Committee with the US, continental shelf cooperation with Canada



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Implementation and follow-up

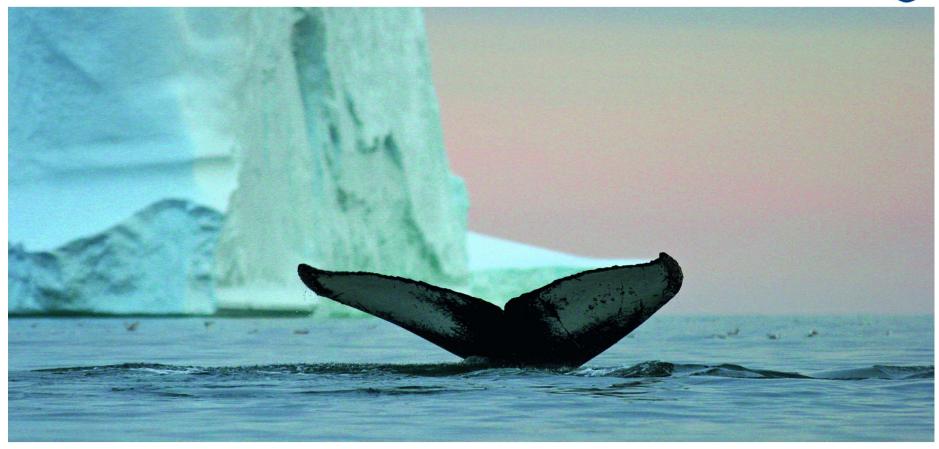


Implementation and follow-up

- Framework for focusing of existing programs no new money
- A joint Steering Committee will be established for the Arctic Strategy. Appointment of an Arctic Ambassador
- Joint public diplomacy effort
- Annual report on the development in the Arctic land the status of the implementation of the Strategy
- Mid-term evaluation of the strategy in 2015
- Development of a new strategy in 2018/19







The end - thank you for your attention