



The Beginning of a Transatlantic Community Story

Collaboration Platform between
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Vision without action
is merely a dream.

Action without vision
just passes the time.

**Vision with action
can change the world.**

Joel A. Barker



How it all started in Sweden...



OLA JOHANSSON

Local Fisherman & Polymath



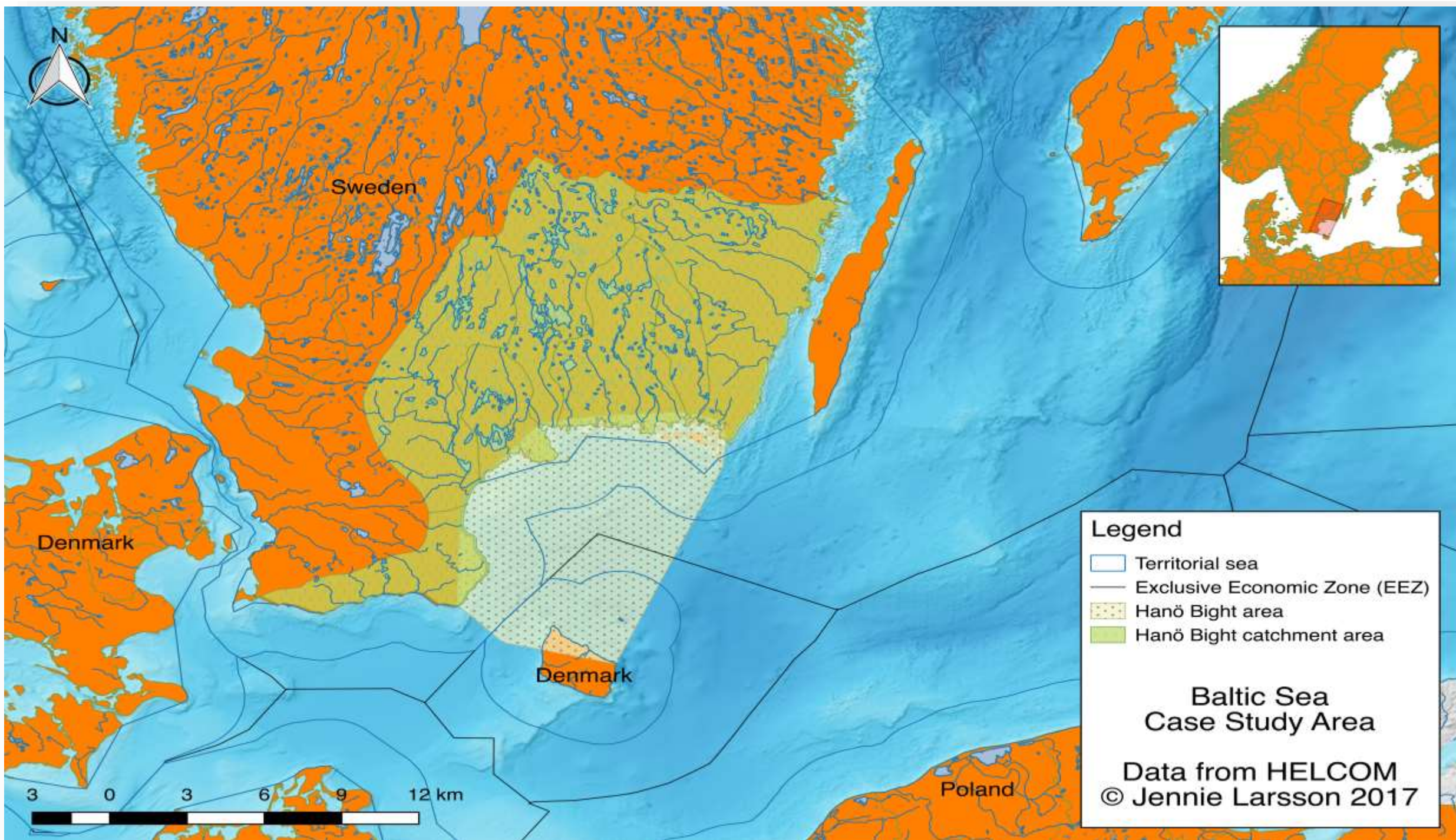
FISH WITH WOUNDS

More and more frequent since 2010



ENGAGED LOCALS

Started to take samples themselves



Sweden

Denmark

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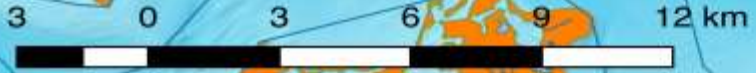
Poland

Legend

- Territorial sea
- Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)
- Hanö Bight area
- Hanö Bight catchment area

**Baltic Sea
Case Study Area**

Data from HELCOM
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The Story of Hanö Bight





WWW.WORLD
HISTORY
DIARY

Key Priorities



Pollution in Water

- The Baltic Sea (old sins and on-going)
- Upstream & Land (old sins and on-going)



Beach Erosion/Storm preparedness

- Coordinated measures
- Coast-effective measures



Drinking Water

- Ensure the quality
- Ensure the quantity



Business opportunities

- Be prepared for transformation
- New solutions to improve environmental degradation

The Story of the Stakeholders



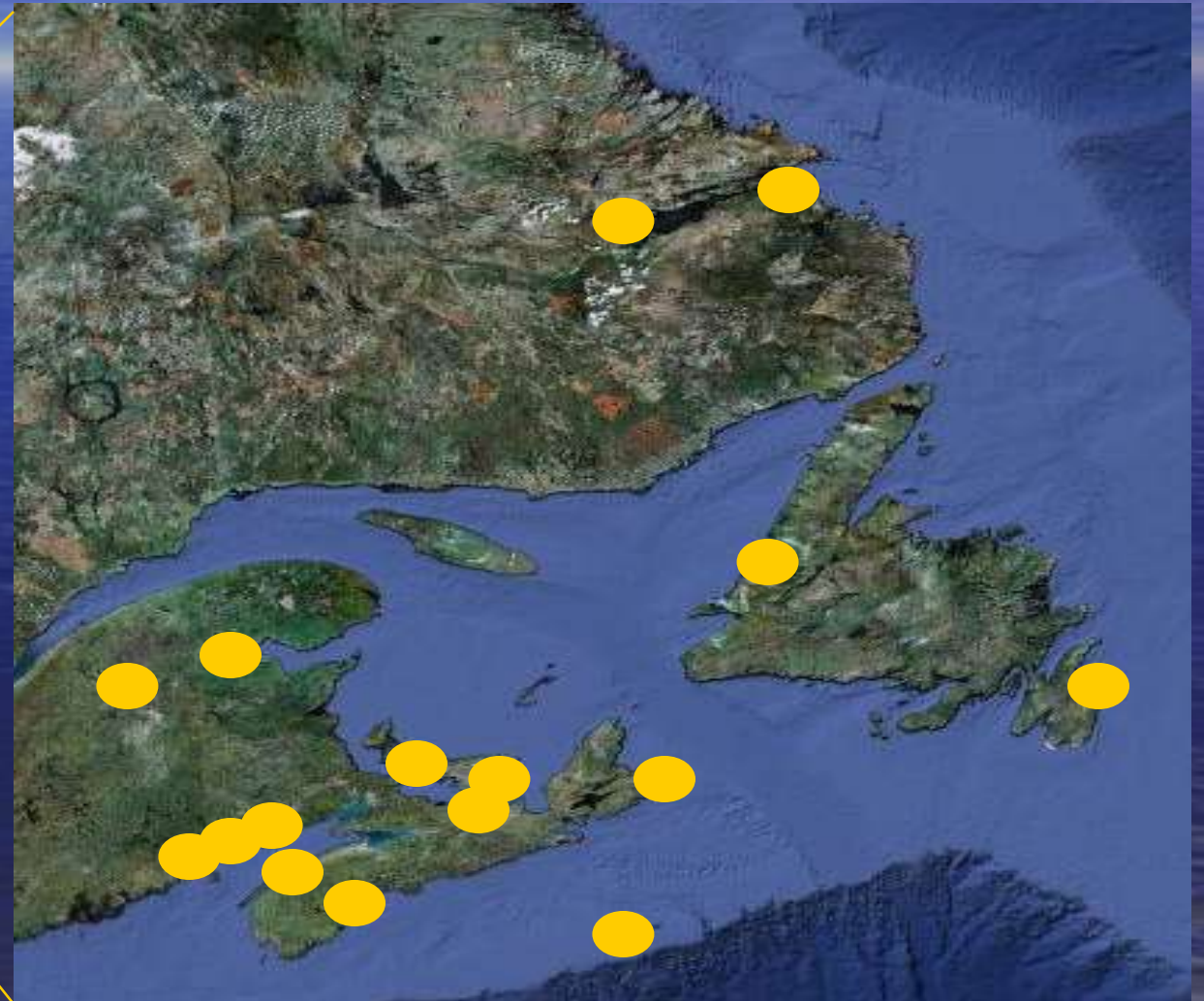
What shall we do?

The Canadian ACAP Model

- Common denominator
 - Larry Hildebrand
- Introduction to Coastal Action as a resource
- Trip to Sweden (Skane Region)
- Funding secured



The Atlantic Coastal Action Program



Key Components of ACAP

- 16 independent, ecosystem-based **local orgs**
- **Comprehensive environmental management plans** for each watershed/estuary community
- **Personal relationship** through ACAP 'Windows'
- **Partnerships** – built in the community
- **Capacity Building** - for management and action (short term and long term)
- **Knowledge Generation** - of local ecosystem
- **Science** - partnerships with scientific community
- **Action** – on priority issues in the local area
- **Economic System** for Financial leverage on investment

Bluenose Coastal Action Foundation

- Inception – December 1993
- Vision – “A healthy environment for future generations.”
- Mission – “To restore and protect the environment through research, education, and action.”
- Water quality monitoring, fisheries research, species at risk, environmental education, microplastics and marine debris, climate change, wetland remediation, habitat restoration...



Team Work
- Building a
Transatlantic Bridge



ACAP MODEL

ACTIONS

COLLABORATION

A young girl with brown hair, wearing a white cardigan and a blue patterned skirt, is running barefoot on a sandy beach. A small, fluffy, light-colored dog is running ahead of her. The ocean waves are breaking in the background under a clear blue sky. Four large blue circles are overlaid on the image, each containing white text. The circles are arranged in a diamond pattern around the girl and dog.

**CIRCULAR
COASTAL
REGIONS**

**COMMUNICATION
PLATFORM**

**TRANSATLANTIC
PARTNERSHIP**

**HELP
OTHER
REGIONS**



Discussion & Questions

