



The Protocol- Experiences so far

- Differences in legislation and procedures
- Small municipalities sometimes lack knowledge and resources
- Often tight time frame for land use planning- political agendas
- Wide range of different plans and programs, different geographical scales, procedures must be flexible
- SEPA dependent on the County administrative board when assessing the need for notification
- Direct transboundary consultation common (and often fruitful), difficult role for central authorities
- No Esbo-consultation means no information at all?



Projects with both EIA and SEA

- Same project- different processes and issues?
- SEA and EIA, does it matter what comes first?
- Often similar statements in both processes, is this a problem?
- Sometimes new opinions about the project in the consultation regarding the plan, new stakeholders
- Do we always need both? When do we need both?
- Circumstances may change between project and plan- continuous exchange of information is important
- What can be done to avoid "pro forma" procedures?