



# Stakeholder engagement in conservation

- working with a variety of nature values in practice

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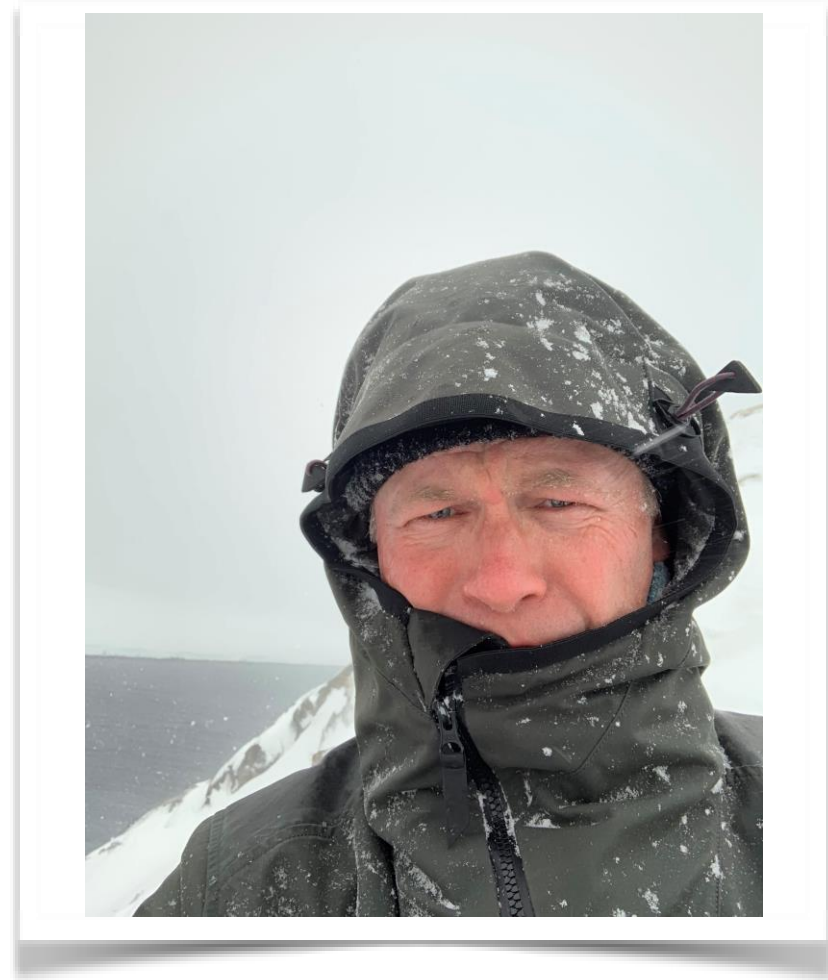
***-Think larger - at a landscape scale***

***-Design processes that values a variety of nature values***

***-Organize for the long term - formalizing partnerships***

# Varanger peninsula, Norway

- North of Alaska and east of Istanbul



# A Crisis of Connection

- The need for “weavers” to bridge silos and sectors

*Separation*

*Loss of connection*

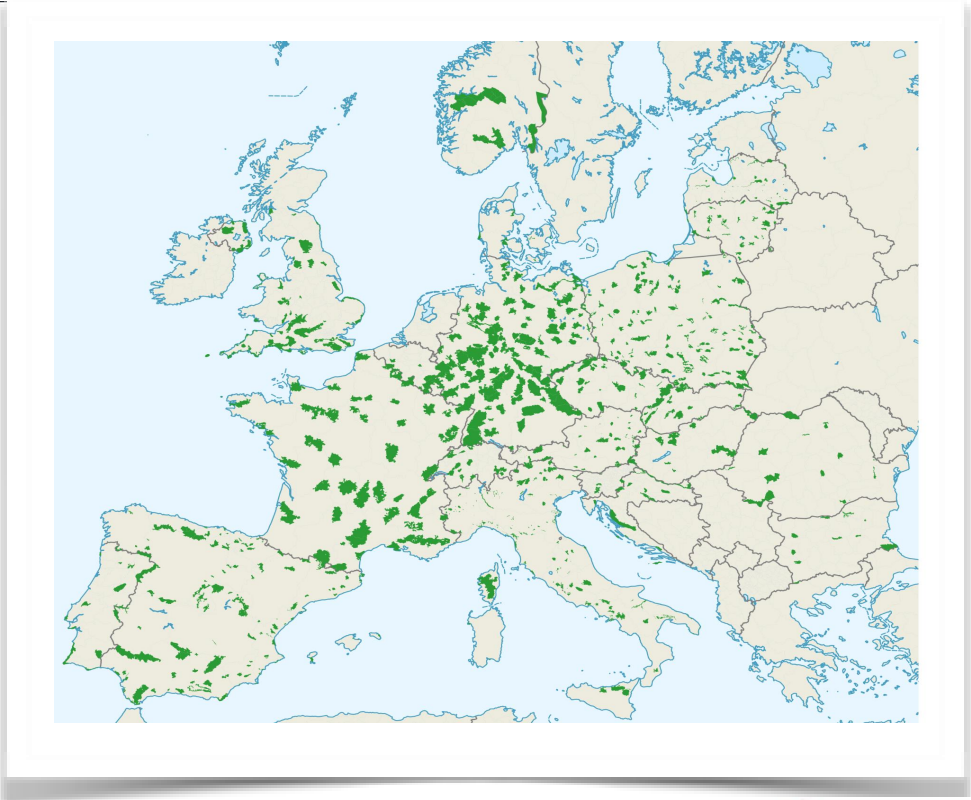
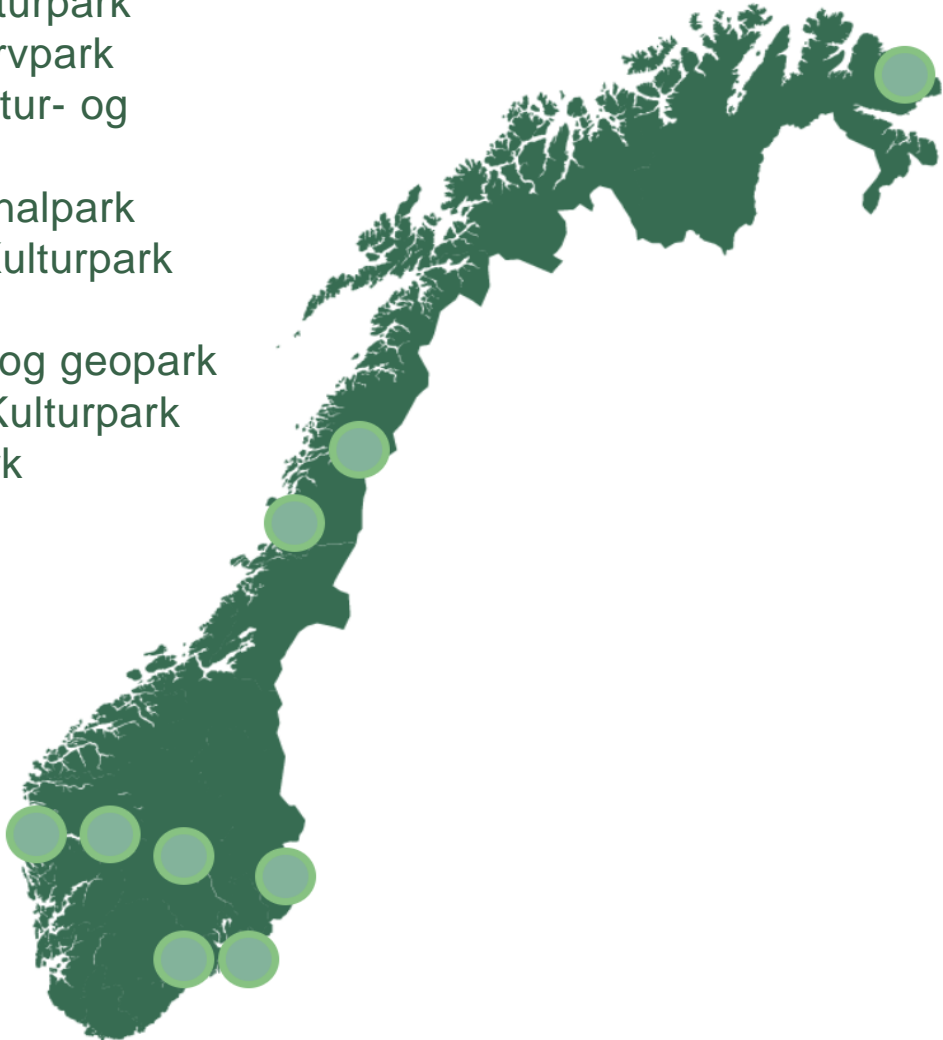
*Integration*

*New connections*

# Stakeholder engagement in practice - over time

- Valdres Natur- og Kulturpark
- Nærøyfjorden Verdsarvpark
- Telemarkskanalen Natur- og kulturpark
- Haldenkanalen Regionalpark
- Finnskogen Natur & Kulturpark
- Vefsna regionalpark
- Fjordkysten regional- og geopark
- Okstindan Natur- og Kulturpark
- Varanger Regionalpark

+2 new park projects



europa's  
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**Fjordkysten**  
— regional- og geopark —



# Landscape-scale approach

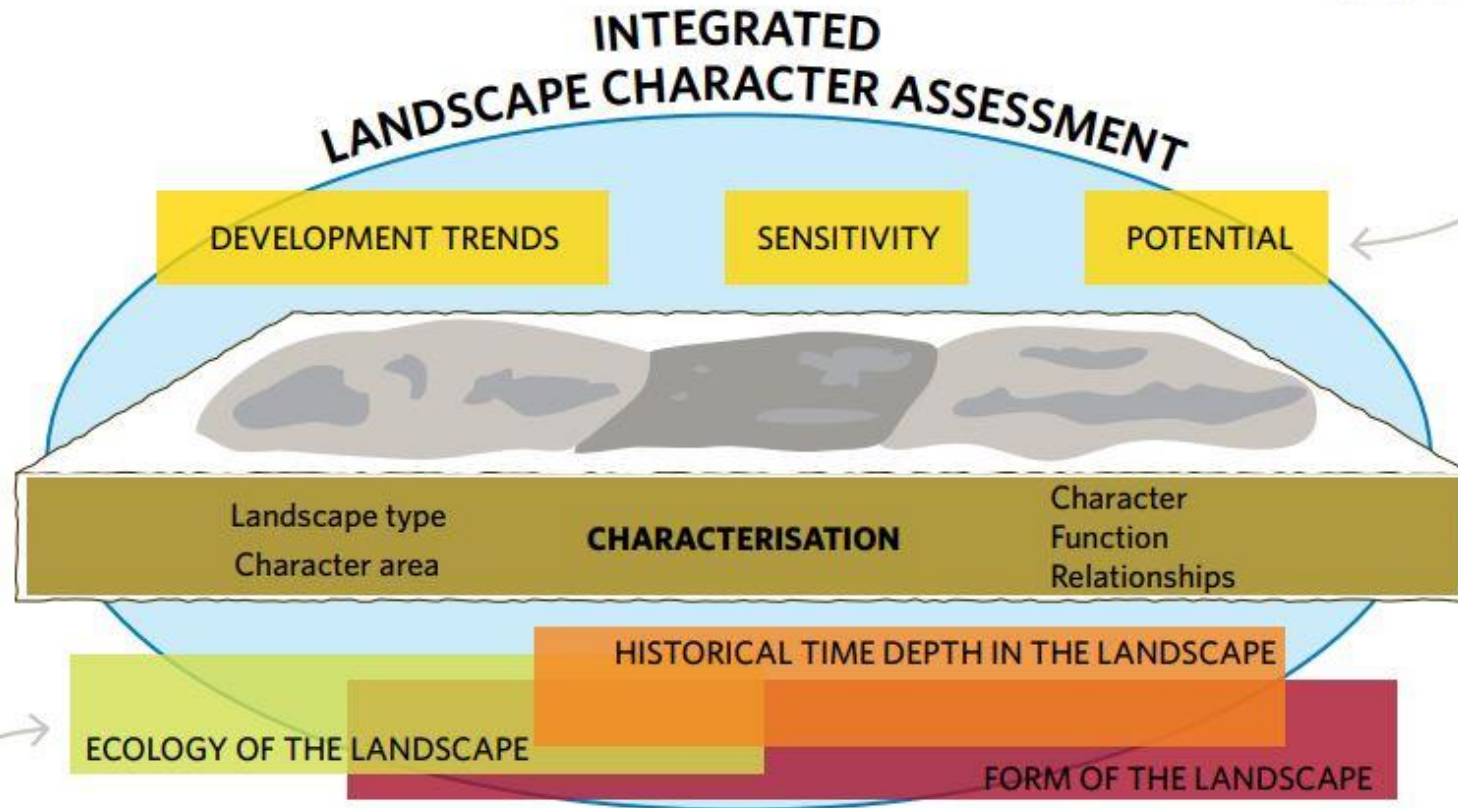
- Øyeren area as the first periurban regional park in Norway





A. **What** does the landscape look like, and how does it function?

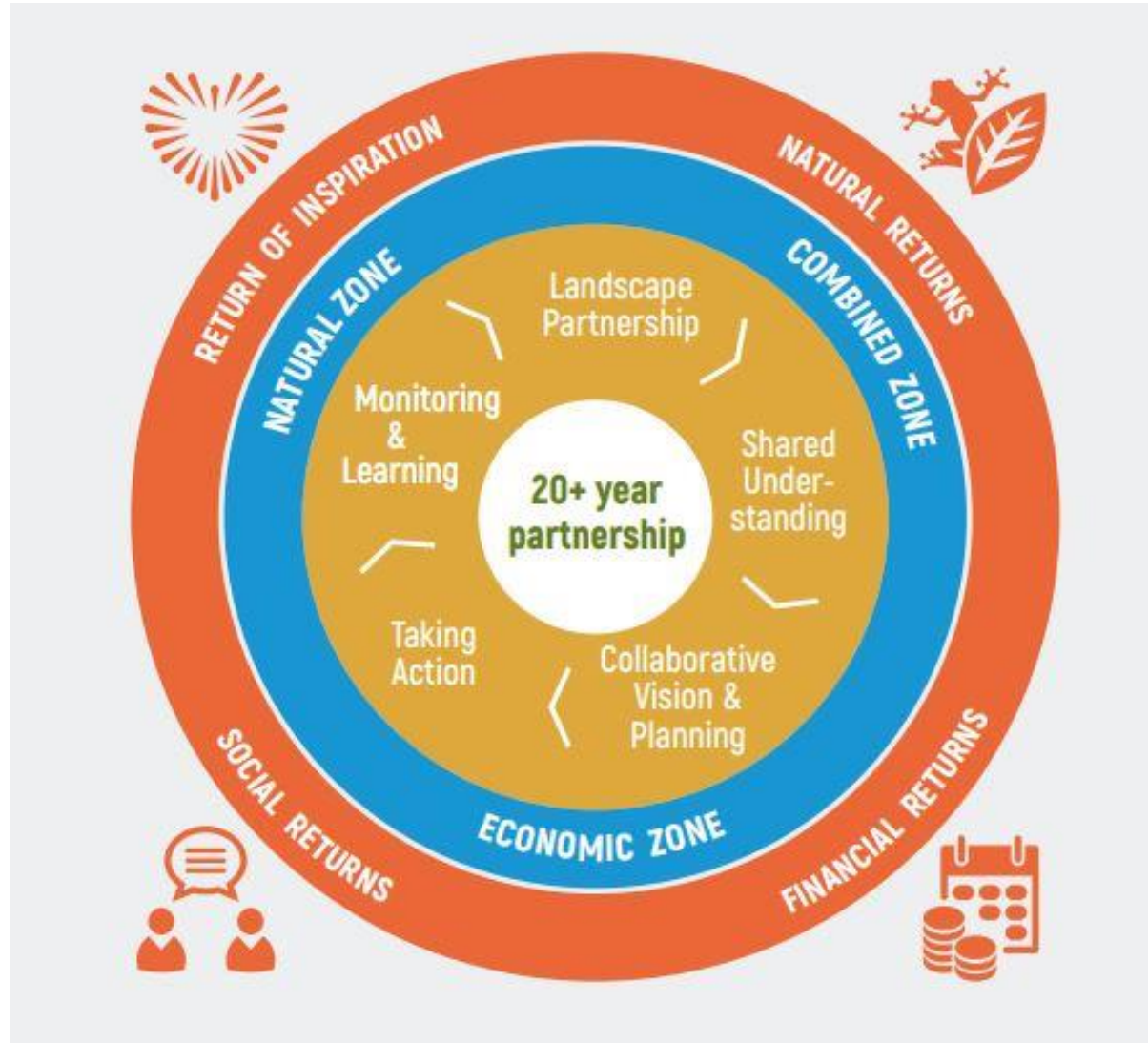
C. **Where** is the landscape heading, and where does it lead us?



B. **Why** does the landscape look and function the way it does?

# Landscape-scale approach

- The 4 returns of landscape restoration and regeneration





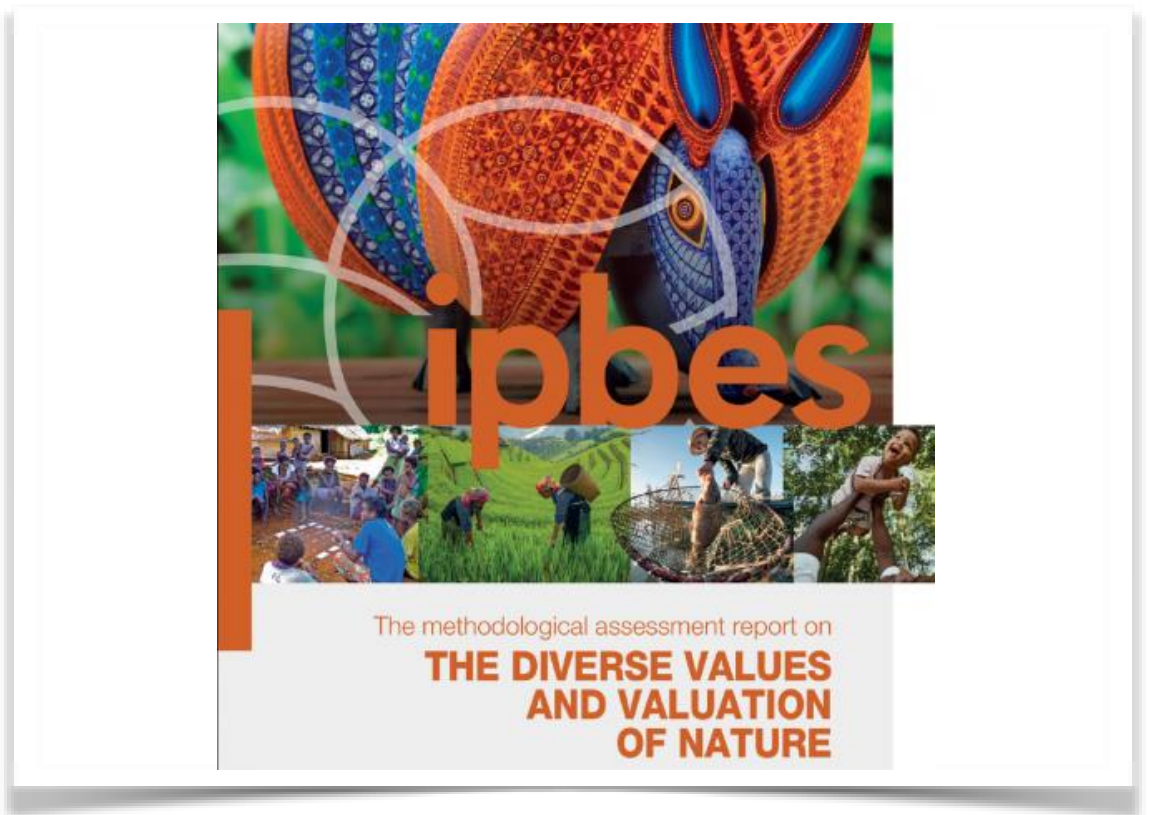
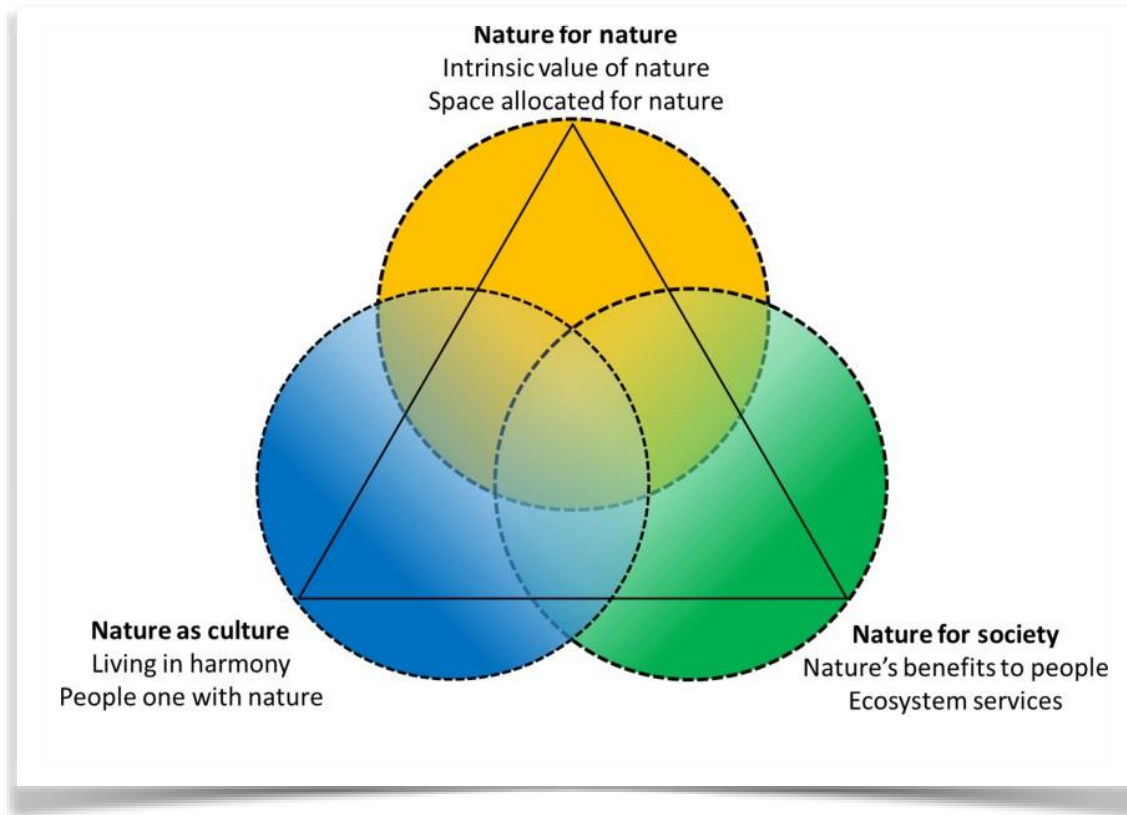


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# A Variety of Nature Values

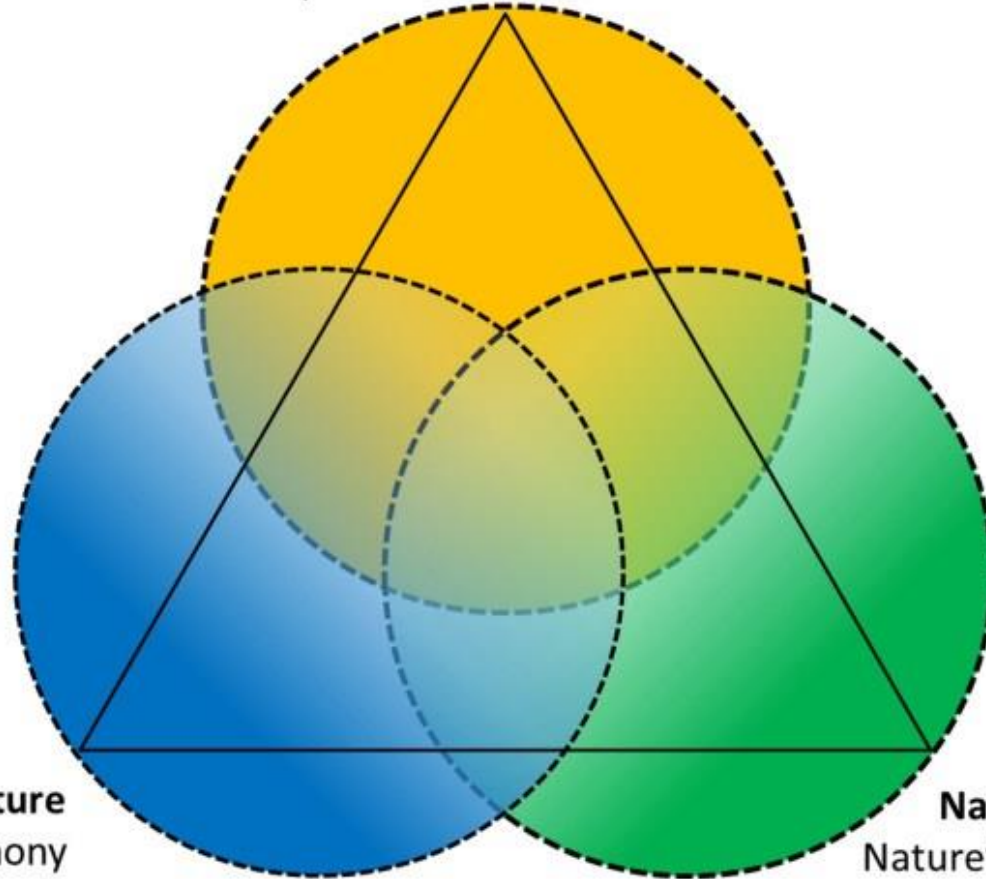




VARANGER  
ARCTIC NORWAY



**Nature for nature**  
Intrinsic value of nature  
Space allocated for nature



**Nature as culture**  
Living in harmony  
People one with nature

**Nature for society**  
Nature's benefits to people  
Ecosystem services

**«We need to protect arctic nature, it's vulnerable»**



**«This is our cultural landscape.  
It is part of us»**

**«We need to make a living!  
We need development»**



Morten Clemetsen/Jorun  
Barane, NMBU





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HEAD

HEART

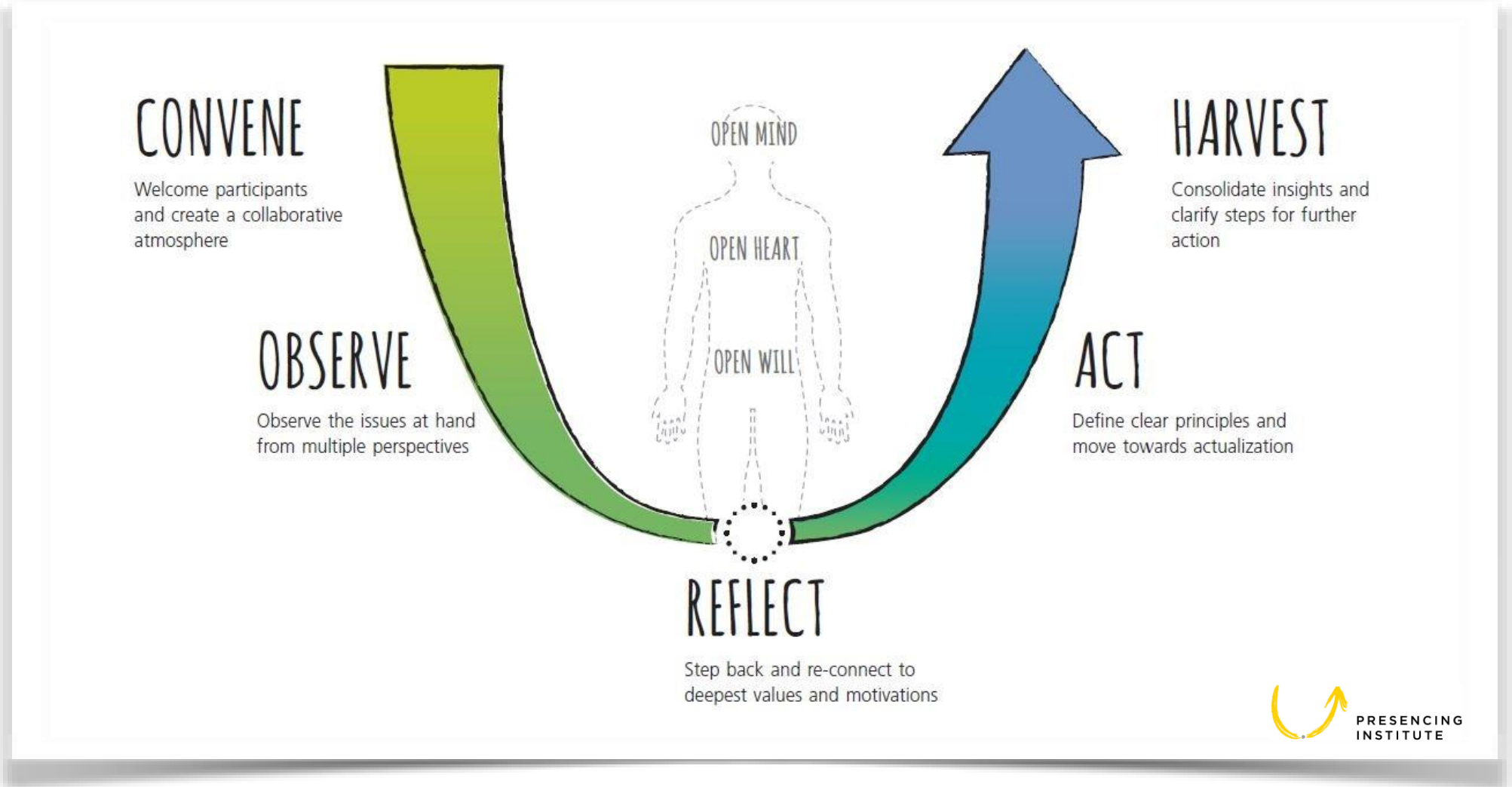
SOUL

HANDS

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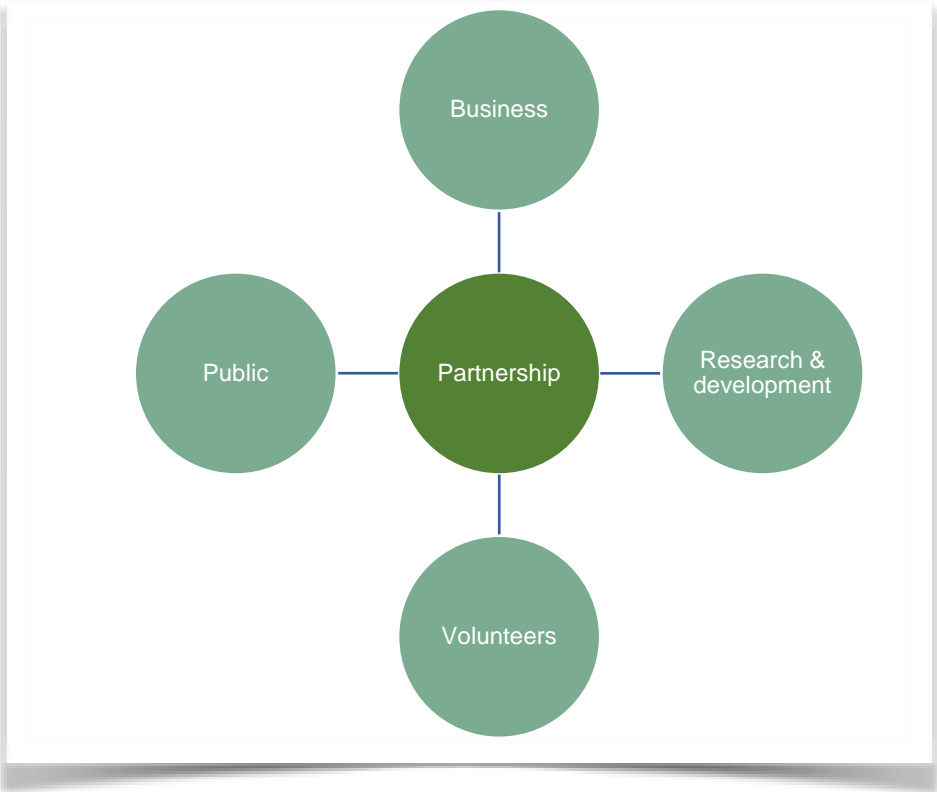


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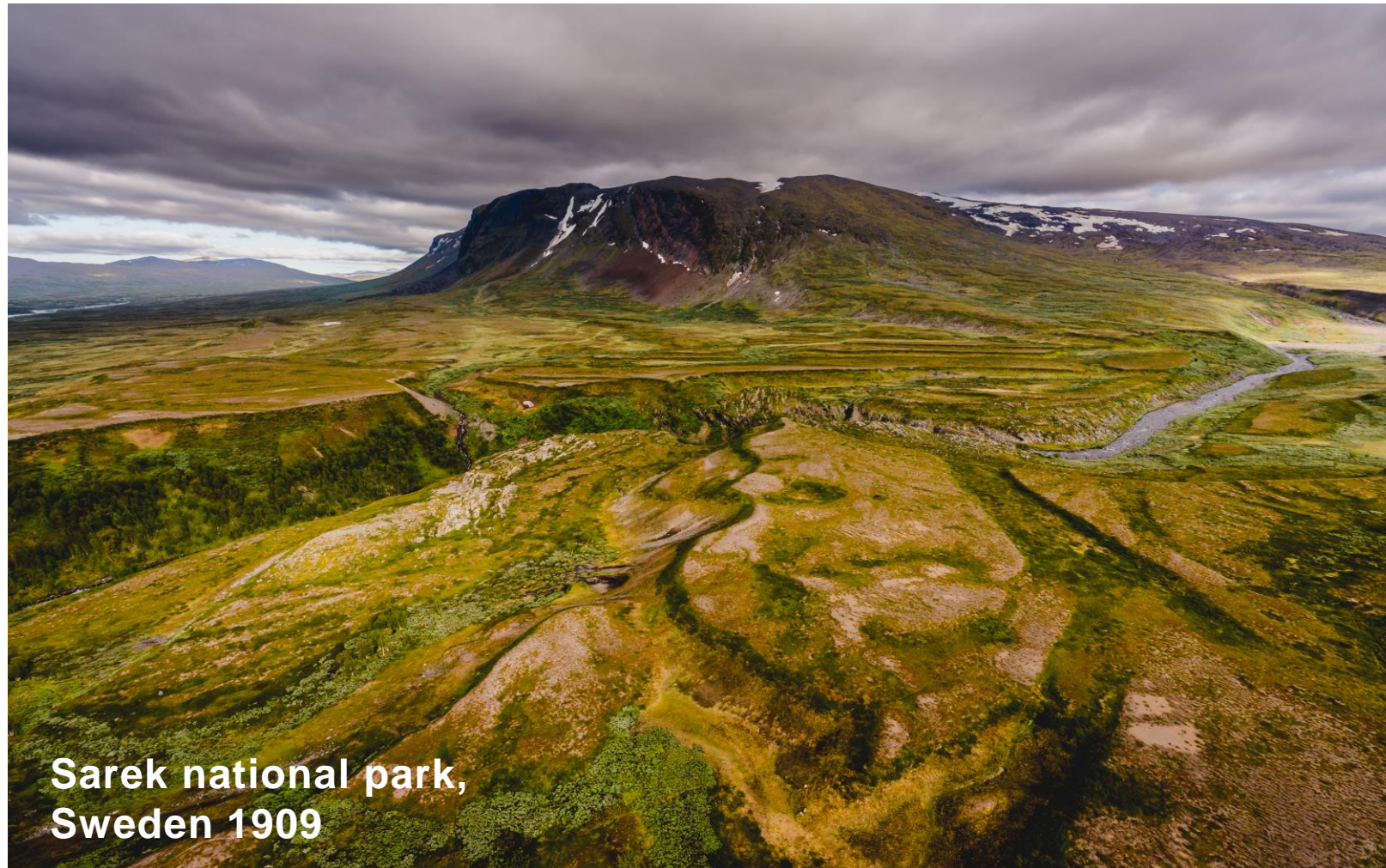
# Formalizing partnerships over time (in parks?)





# Nature for nature

- conservation approaches



Sarek national park,  
Sweden 1909

## National parks

«Large natural sites that are primarily dedicated towards protecting ecological and biological systems and species»



# Nature for society

- conservation approaches



## OECM Areas

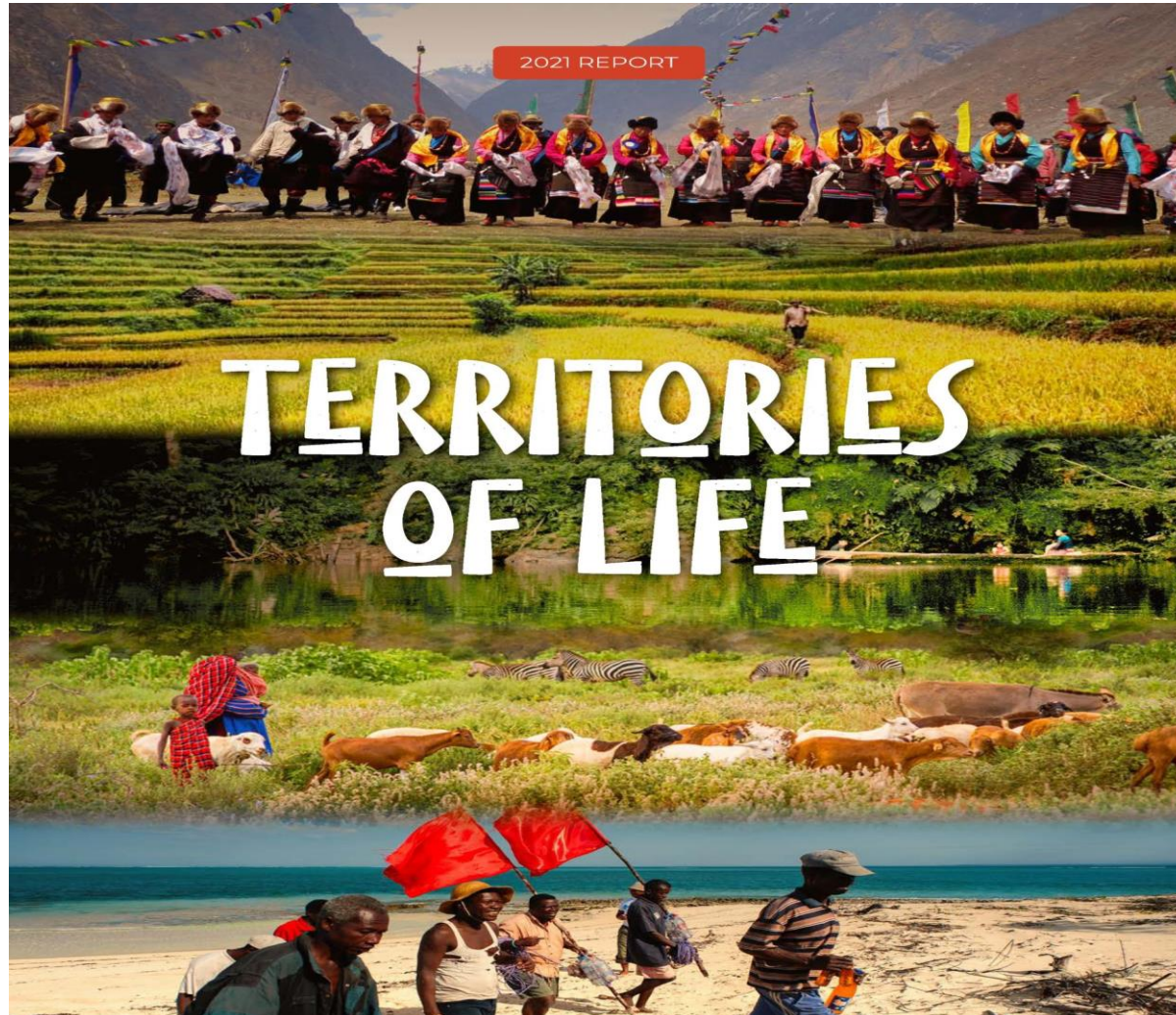
**Other Effective Area-based  
Conservation Measures**

«Areas achieving long term and effective conservation of biodiversity indirectly and outside protected areas»



# Nature as culture

- conservation approaches



## ICCA Areas

Indigenous and Community  
Conserved Areas

«Managed areas governed  
by local or indigenous  
communities for conservation  
and cultural purposes»



# europa's

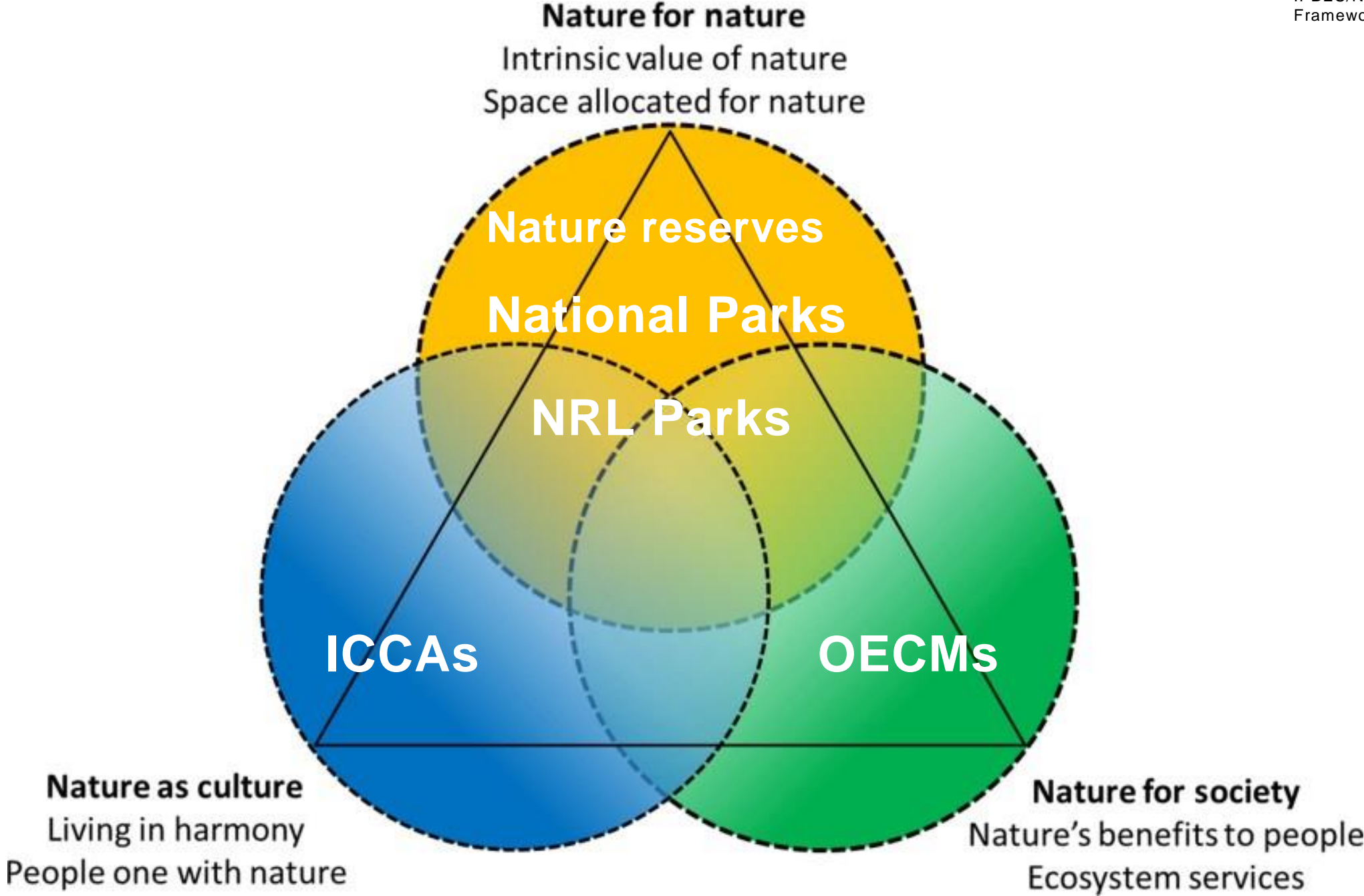


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# PARKS

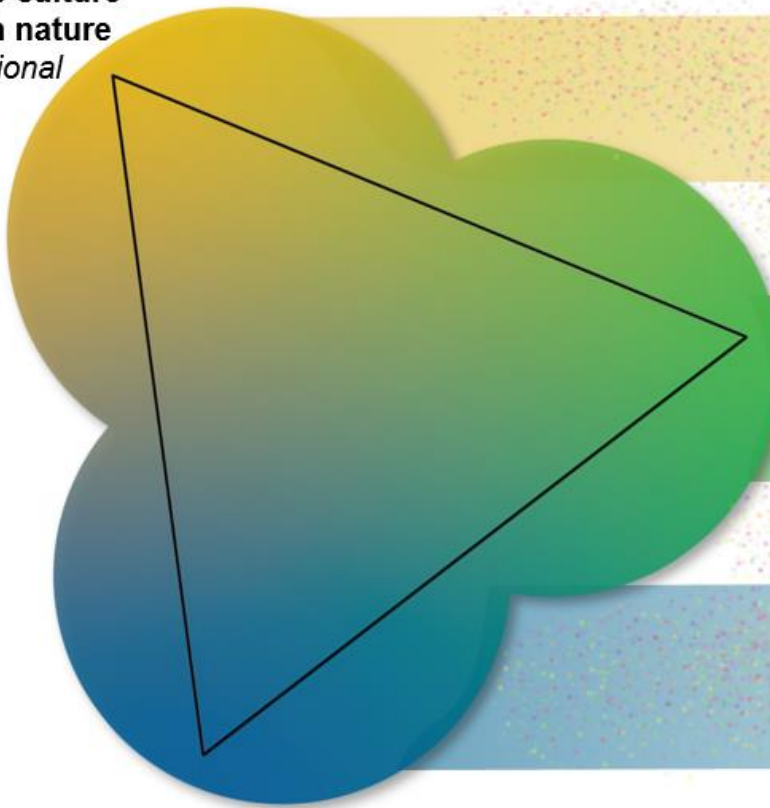
(900+ NRL Parks in Europe)





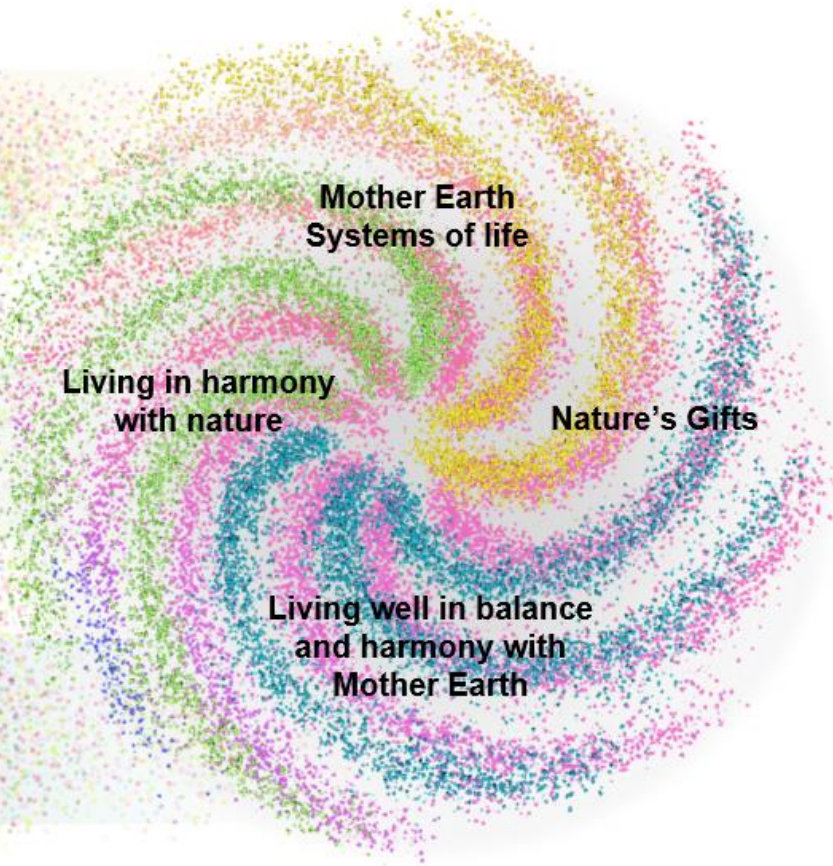


**Nature as culture**  
**One with nature**  
*Relational*



**Nature for nature**  
*Intrinsic*

**Nature for society**  
*Instrumental*



**Mother Earth**  
**Systems of life**

**Living in harmony**  
**with nature**

**Nature's Gifts**

**Living well in balance**  
**and harmony with**  
**Mother Earth**

## ***Conclusion:***

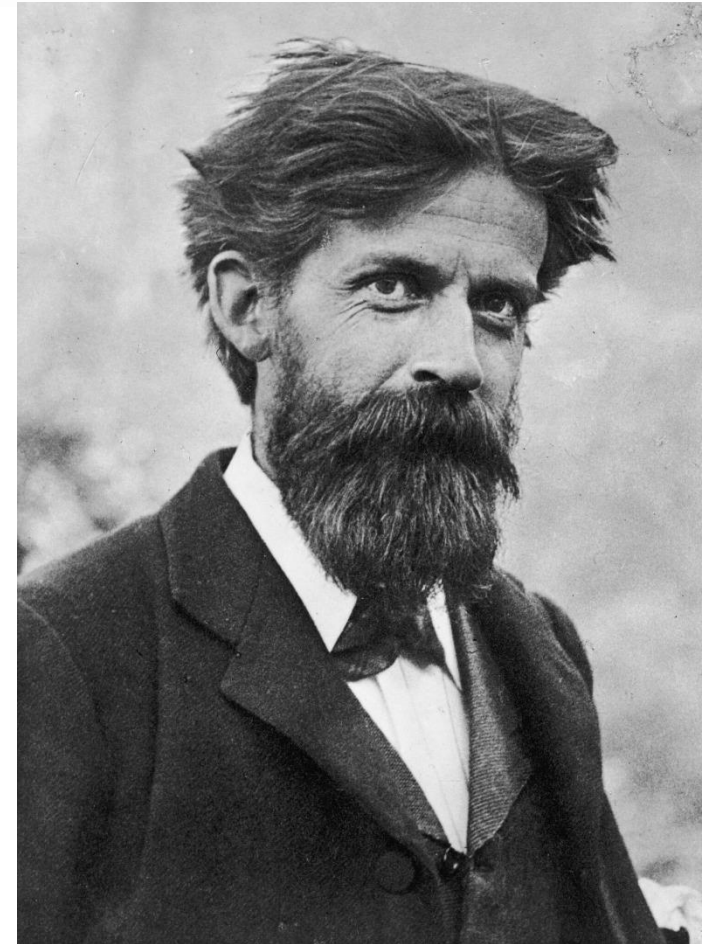
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*“Our greatest need today is to grasp life as a whole, to see its many sides in their proper relations; but we must have a practical as well as a philosophical interest in such an integrated view of life”*

Patrick Geddes





# Europe's Nature Regional Landscape Parks (NRL) Task Force (Europarc)



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Belgium, England, Switzerland and  
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