

# **Information about the Barents Area**

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# Geografi

### Norway:

- Finnmark
- Nordland
- Troms

### Sweden:

- Norrbotten
- Västerbotten



### Finland:

- Lapland
- Oulu
- Kainuu

## Russia:

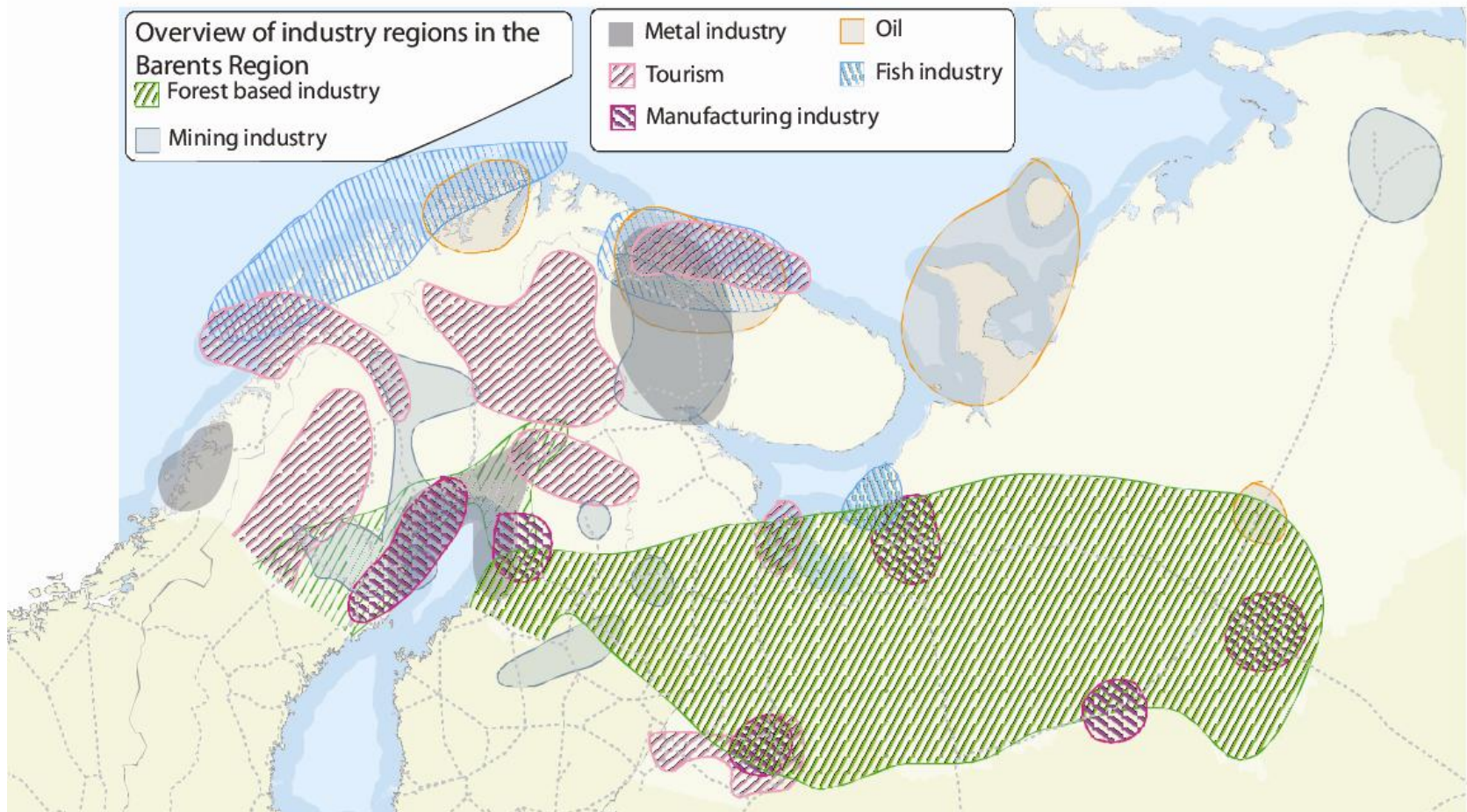
- Arkhangelsk
- Murmansk
- Karelia
- Nenetsia
- Komi

# Sparsely populated – but rich

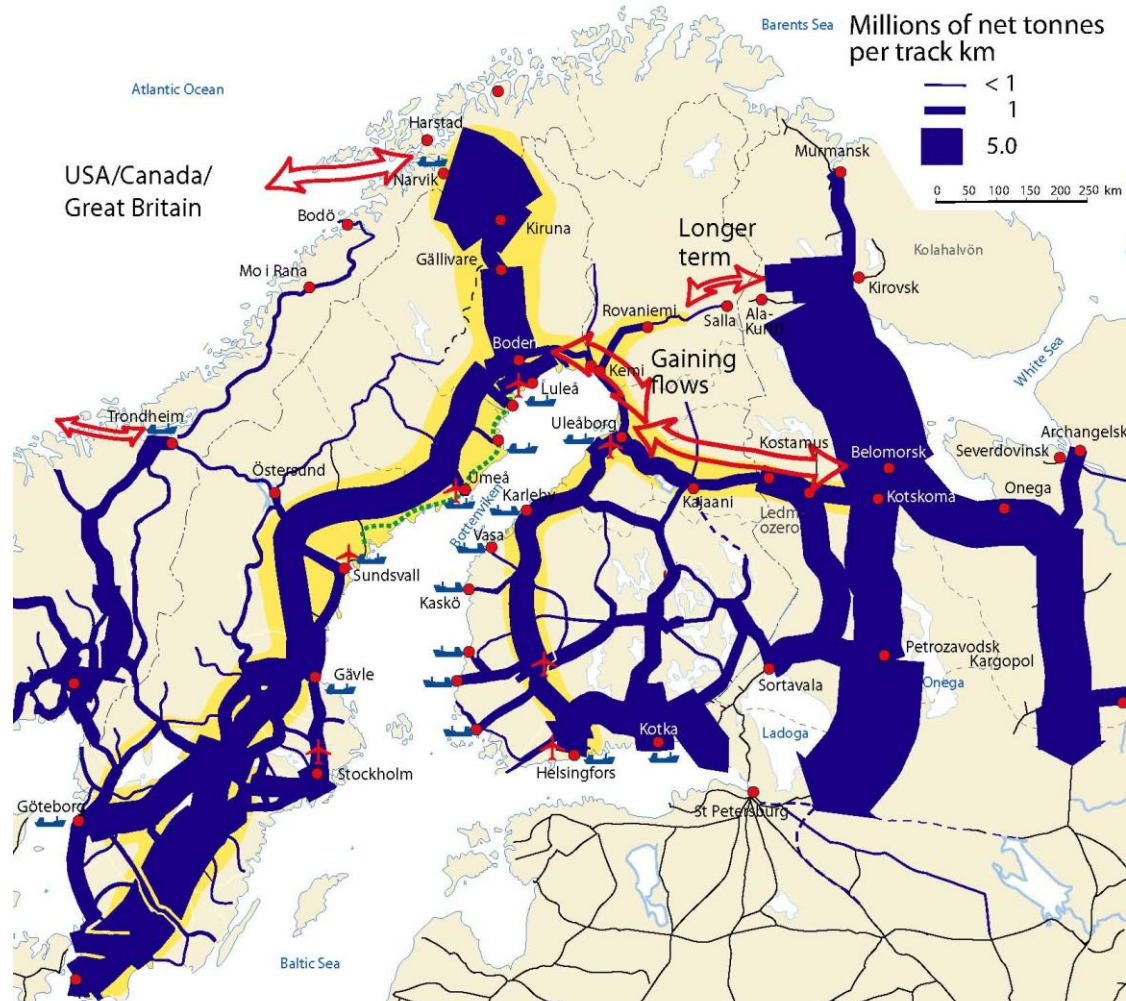




# We have a lot that other needs



# A lot of transport volumes that could increase



# Cooperation

- **Barents Euro-Arctic Concil BEAC  
(National)**
- **Regional Concil of Barents Region  
(Regional)**
- **Barents Euro-Arctic Transport Area  
(EU)**

# Possibilities in the Barents Area

Development in both north-south and east-west connections. Topics for a former project: Sustainable Transport in the Barents Region (STBR)

<http://www.barentsinfo.fi/stbr>

- Railroad
- Roads
- Port cooperation
- Aviation

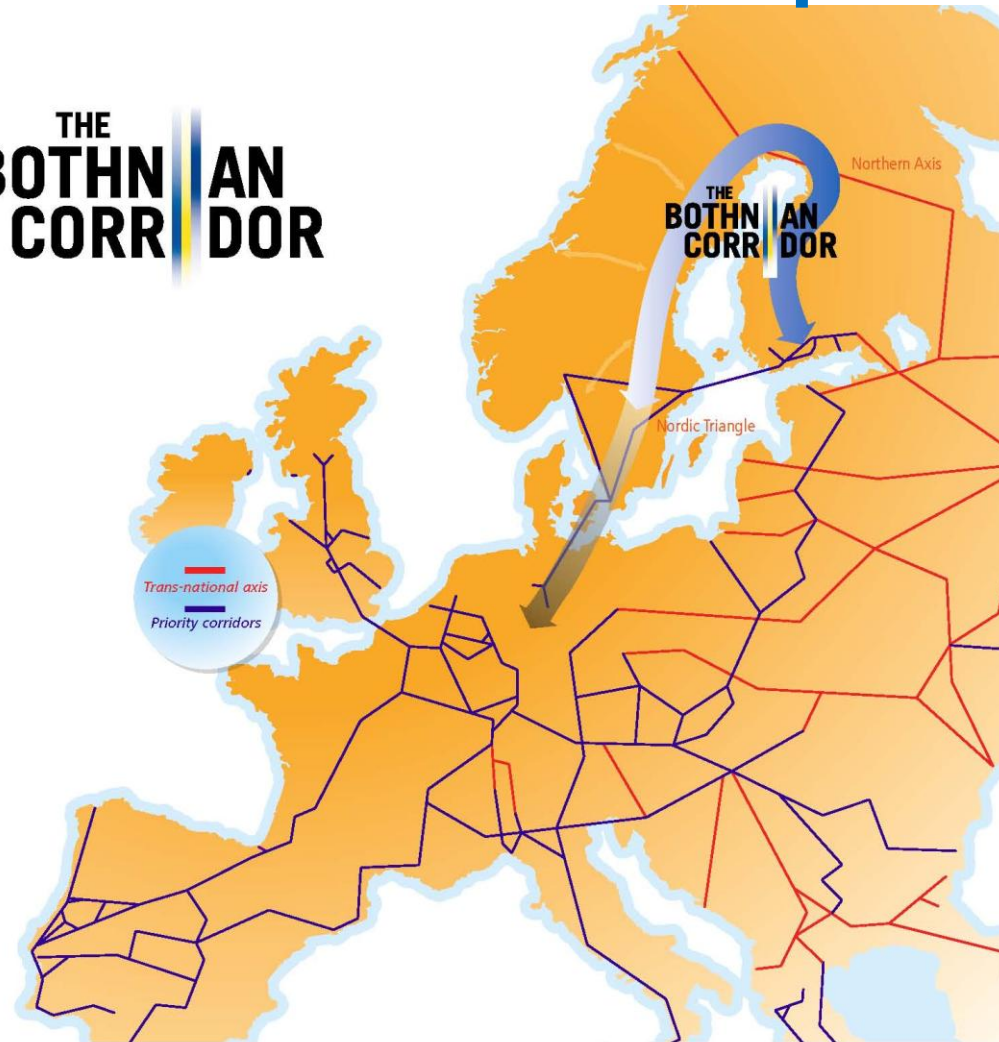
## Challenges:

- Cross border – with Russia
- Lack of strong interest on Russian side – concentration to national level have taken away power from the regional side.
- **Hard to know what Russia want – cooperation or “do it their own”.**



# Corridor connecting the Barents Area with the rest of Europe

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**CORR** | **DOR**





# **Oportunities of cooperation between TransBaltic and other partners**

- **Barents Euro-Artic Transport Area (EU) Sweden have the chair 2010-2011**
- **The Botnian Corridor project** (owned by Swedish Railroad athority) **and supported by a regional project.**
- **Northern Dimension (?)**