

### Forest & Landscape Denmark



National centre for research, education and advisory services within the fields of forest and forest products, landscape architecture and landscape management, urban planning and urban design







### Vision



We will provide the best coherent programme for research, education and communication for the forest, nature, urban and landscape sectors of the twenty-first century with the aim of promoting a sustainable development





### **Mission**



#### Our activities include:

- research and development
- education and continuing education
- monitoring
- advice and communication
- services to public authorities
- international development and environmental assistance

within the fields of forest, landscape and planning





### Starting from

Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University Dept. of Economics, and Natural Resource

Research based education



Danish Forest and Landscape Research Institute Ministry of the Environment

Research based advisory services and dissemination of

knowledge

Danish Forestry Colleg Ministry of Education

Vocational study programmes

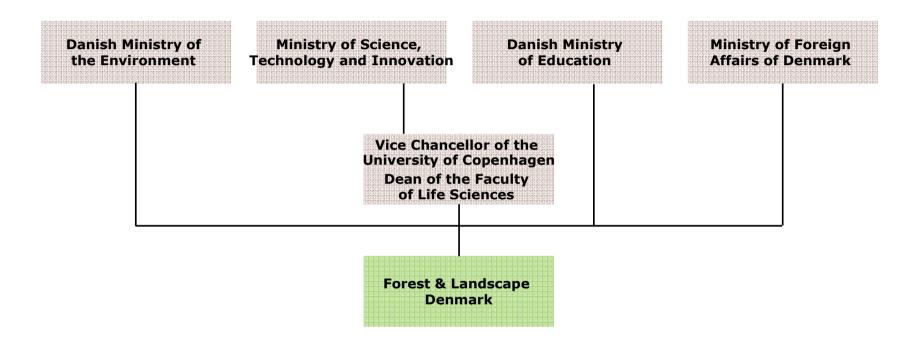
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Development assistance

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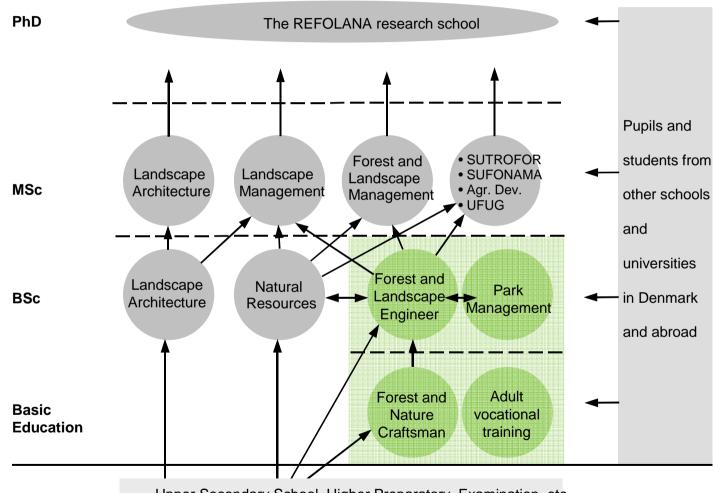
### Ministerial affiliation







### **Education:** Coherence







### Employees and budget

- Approx. 300 employees
- A total annual budget of approx. 20 million €









# Forest Educations in a Changing World

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### WHAT DO NATURAL RESSOURCE (NR) MANAGERS MANAGE?

- ◆ Not just for good NR <u>stuff</u> (trees or deer) themselves ...
- ◆ Not just for <u>people</u> themselves ...
- ◆ But for valued <u>relationships</u> between them--
- ♦ We manage for people-nature or peopleecosystem <u>relationships</u>--
- ♦ NR managers are <u>relationship</u> managers.



### LET'S TRACE OUR NR MANAGEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY EVOLUTION FROM:

- ◆ TRADITIONAL STAGE #1. NRs FOREMOST AND FOREVER, TO ...
- ◆ TRANSITIONAL STAGE #2.. PROTECTING AND MANAGING NRs INVOLVES PEOPLE (FOR BETTER OR WORSE), TO ...
- ◆ SOCIAL VALUE STAGE #3. WE MANAGE NRs FOR IMPORTANT SOCIAL VALUES, TO ...
- ◆ <u>RELATIONSHIP STAGE #4</u>. WE MANAGE NRs FOR VALUED PEOPLE AND ECOSYSTEM RELATIONSHIPS.



# TRADITIONAL STAGE #1. NRs FOREMOST AND FOREVER CREDO...

- ♦ We manage for good NR stuff...
- ◆ Such as trees, deer, and clean water...
- ◆ That we personally cherish, and...
- ◆ That our country and future generations obviously need... End of story.



### B. E. Fernow. 1902. ECONOMICS OF FORESTRY (P. 86)

"The first and foremost purpose of a forest growth is to supply us with wood material; it is the substance of the trees itself, not their fruits, their beauty, their shade, their shelter, that constitutes the primary object..."

Any questions?





THE PORESTER AT HOME



### I WAS EDUCATED IN THE TRADITIONAL FORESTER MODE IN THE 1970s...

- ◆ The curriculum foundation was math and science...
- ◆ Professional courses were dominated by forest protection and wood production silviculture...
- ◆ Economics (mostly microeconomics) was the only legitimate social science.



### I WAS ALSO EDUCATED IN THE ENTROPY-AMUCK AND COLD-WAR CONSERVATION ERA--Act #1 the Premise:

- ◆ Abundant, threatening entropy forces of insects, diseases, frost and storm damages lurked within our forests and NRs...
- ◆ Abundant, threatening entropy forces of human greed, ignorance or politics lurked <u>outside</u> our forests and NRs...
- ◆ Somehow God must have been asleep at the switch when creating such a complex, interrelated, unorganized ecological and sociopolitical mess......



# THE ENTROPY-AMUCK AND COLD-WAR CONSERVATION ERA--Act #2. Enter Heroes:

- ◆ We are scientific, objective, caring professionals who must save forests and NRs from <u>themselves</u> and from many alien, <u>outside</u> sociopolitical forces or people.
- ◆ God, science and some informed people are on our side ...
- ◆ But many of the public are not so enlightened and must be "educated".





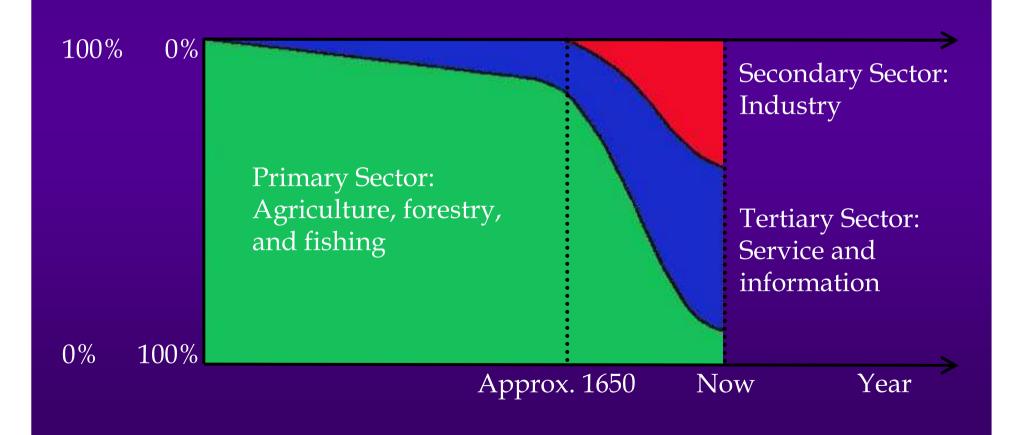
### THE ENTROPY-AMUCK AND COLD-WAR CONSERVATION ERA--Acts On-going...

- ◆ In case you haven't noticed, this has all the ingredients of a Greek tragedy...
- ◆ Evil forces confronted by well-meaning heroes-- who are righteous and unintentionally turning many things (deserving or not) into the enemy...
- Enter hubris and alienation...and begin the tragic ending.





### WESTERN WORLD EMPLOYMENT TRENDS





# TRANSITIONAL STAGE II. NR MGMT (FOR BETTER OR WORSE) INVOLVES PEOPLE

- ♦ NRs first and foremost, but their protection and management ...
- increasingly (and often unfortunately) involves people and their institutions.
- ◆ Like Chicago-school economists, many NR managers considered these increasing people impacts as "imperfections" in a more "pure era" of our dreams, or of the past.



# THIS HUMAN DIMENSION O.J.T. WOULD HAVE BEEN ENHANCED IF WE WERE GIVEN....

- ◆ Good <u>attitudes</u> and learning <u>skills</u> to be sensitive, effective students of human behavior.
- ♦ We were given neither.
- ◆On the contrary, most of us had to unlearn the Victorian and Chicago School pure NR management biases and fantasies we took, along with our diplomas, from university.



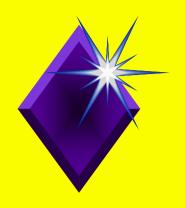
## AS A RESULT, THIS HUMAN DIMENSIONS O.J.T. WAS...

- ♦Often slow and inadequate...
- ◆And sometimes tragic...
- ♦... for us, the public and the resources we all cherished.
- ◆That's a loose-loose situation; it's a Greek or Shakespearean tragedy.
- ♦How sad...



## "FUTURE SHOCK"

(A. TOFFLER, 1970)



### "SHOCK"

Foresters have often been "shocked" in the last 20 years by rapid changes in their professional roles and public trust



### STAGE III. MANAGING NRS FOR SOCIAL VALUES

- ◆ Kennedy (1985) and Koch & Kennedy (1991) propose a concept that brings people into NR management for social values from the start and by the "front door"...
- ◆ Not the back door (as in Stages I and II), as changing sociopolitical circumstances <u>force</u> them into our management considerations.



# NR SOCIAL VALUES ARE <u>COMMUNICATED</u> TO MANAGERS BY THREE INTERRELATED SYSTEMS...

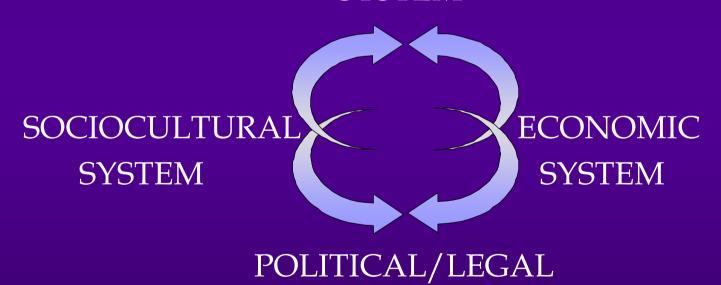
- ◆ ECONOMIC--through prices, jobs, taxes...
- ◆ POLITICAL/LEGAL--in budgets, laws, litigation, user fees...
- ◆ SOCIOCULTURAL--in newspapers, clubs, social protest, messages on T-shirts or vehicle bumpers, personal community encounters of managers and/or family...



## IN THE SOCIAL VALUE CONTEXT, THE NATURAL RESOURCE SYSTEM IS DEFINED BY AND INTERRELATED WITH THREE HUMAN SYSTEMS:

#### NATURAL RESOURCE SYSTEM

**SYSTEM** 





## MANAGING NRs FOR SOCIAL VALUES...

- ◆ Puts people and natural resources <u>first</u> and on <u>equal</u> status...
- ◆ But the social value concept is a new and complex abstraction for many people...
- ♦ How about a core management concept that begin by recognizing that we do <u>not</u> manage: for <u>NRs</u> themselves, or... for <u>people</u> themselves,...
- ◆ But for valued <u>relationship</u> between the two.



### <u>STAGE IV</u>. THE CORE NR MANAGEMENT PREMISE BEGINS:

- ◆ Not with people alone...
- ♦ Not with ecosystems alone...
- ◆ But with the <u>intersection of both</u> sets (recall your math set theory)...
- ◆ that yield valued people-nature
   relationships...
   defining natural resources in human
   heads and hearts, and <u>driving NR</u>
   management in 21<sup>st</sup> century and beyond.



### C<u>ONCLUSIONS</u>: OUR NR MANAGEMENT PREMISE SHIFTING FROM...

- ◆ Managing NRs for good tree, deer or water <u>stuff</u>, to...
- ♦ Managing NRs for social values, to...
- ◆ Managing NRs for valued human and nature <u>relationships</u>...
- ◆ Is quite a transition in our thinking and management responsibilities.



# CONCLUSIONS -- I BELIEVE MANAGING FOR VALUED HUMANNATURE RELATIONSHIPS IS:

- ◆ A logical, valid and operational core-concept for managers and lifetime learners.
- ◆ It meets important <u>criteria of a lifetime</u> learning concept in being...
- ◆ <u>Inclusive</u> of ecological, economic, sociocultural and political systems...
- ◆ <u>Integrative</u> of their complex interrelationships...and...
- ◆ <u>Adaptive</u> in recognizing the way these systems interact and adapt to one another.





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