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#### The human dimension of fisheries management

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## **AgriFood**

- The centre is a collaboration between the Swedish University for Agricultural Sciences (SLU) and Lund University.
- The AgriFood Economics Centre provides economic expertise in the fields of agriculture, food, fishing and rural development.
- The aim is to supply government bodies with a solid foundation supporting strategic and long- term policy choices.

Agriculture



Food



Fisheries



Rural development





#### **Fisheries**



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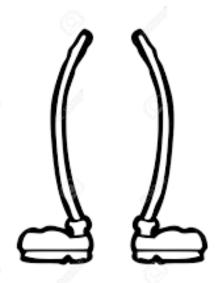
# Fisheries research at AgriFood

#### **Policy**

Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation

Swedish Board of Agriculture

Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Managment



Research

Methodology

Scientific review process

Fishing industry







#### Research areas

Ecosystem based management

Rights based management (e.g. ITQs)

Marine
environment
(nutrient uptake,
trawled areas)



Markets

Subsidies (EMFF, CO2 tax exemptions)

Fleet structure and economic sustainability

Technical regulations

**Tourism** 

Aquaculture
Processing industry
Recreational fisheries

### **Coexisting with large carnivores**

- the case of seals
- Biology (LU, SLU Aqua)
  - Seal predation from fishing gear
  - Field experiments
- Environmental psychology (LU)
  - Coping with seals (fishers, society)
  - Preferred management actions
  - In-depth interviews with fishers, locals, etc.

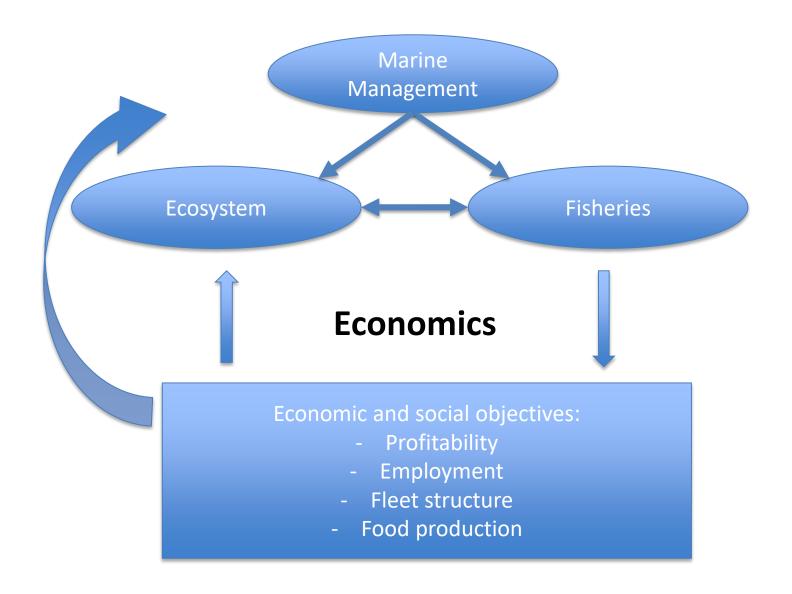


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- Economics (SLU)
  - Costs from seal predation (lost catch, broken gears)
    - Input from biologists, surveys
  - Do fishers quit because of seal interactions?
    - Econometric analysis of logbook data and seal interaction
  - Economic effects of seal management scenarios
    - · Bioeconomic modelling
    - Scenarios (with biology, env psy)



#### **Future research areas**



### **Example of future collaboration?**

- Formas project 2021-2023
  - New modelling tools to understand fishing fleet dynamics under changing economic and management conditions
- Spatial model for fisheries
  - Costs, revenues
  - Expected change in fishing behaviour if a fishing area is closed or gets new technical regulations
- We can model economic impacts and fishing behaviour of spatial regulations, but...
  - Areas of biological interest?
  - Areas of social interest?
  - Biological effects of new fishing behaviour?
  - Relevant management options?
  - Etc.



### Other research areas

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## Thank you

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