

Northern Sparsely Populated Areas

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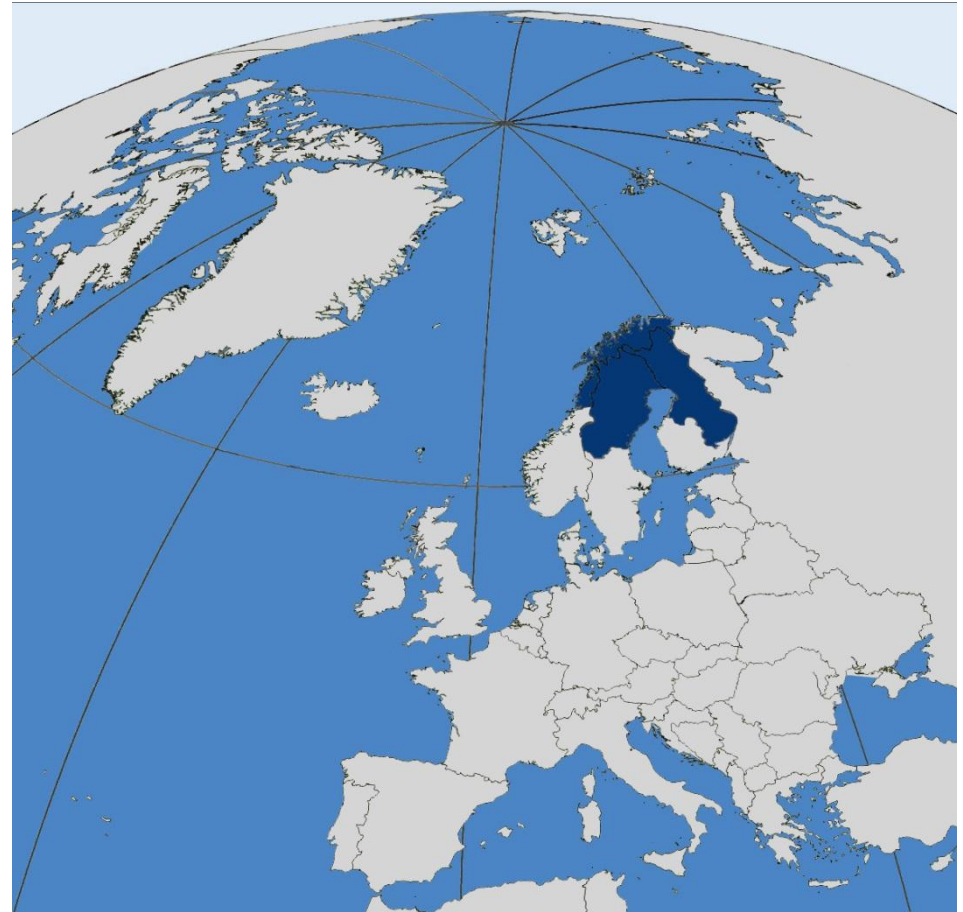
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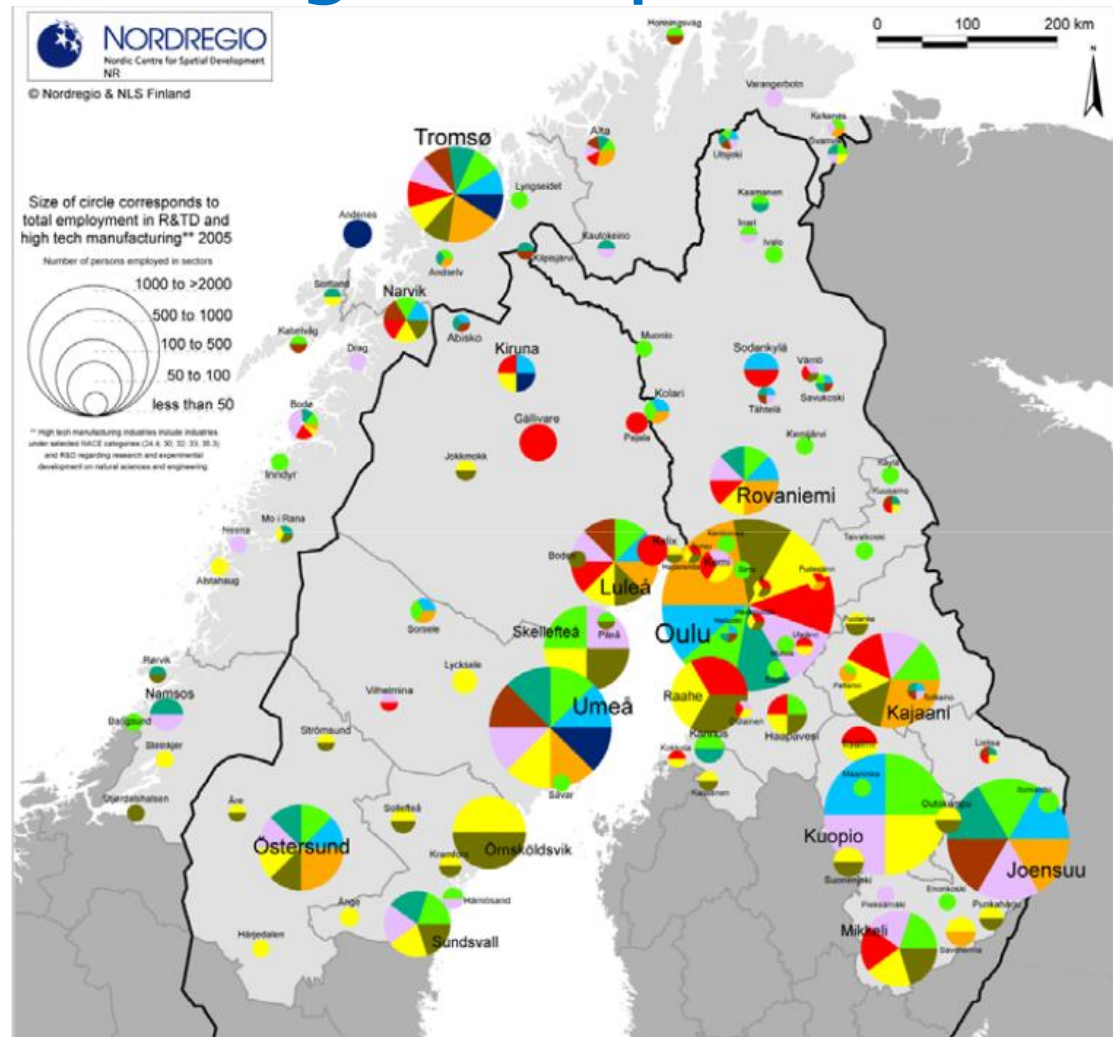
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- Long distances
 - 500 000 km²
 - Equals the size of Spain
- Harsh climate
 - Ranging from -40C to +35C
 - Four different seasons
- Sparse population
 - 2,2 million inhabitants
 - Less than 5 people/km²
 - European average is 166 people/km²



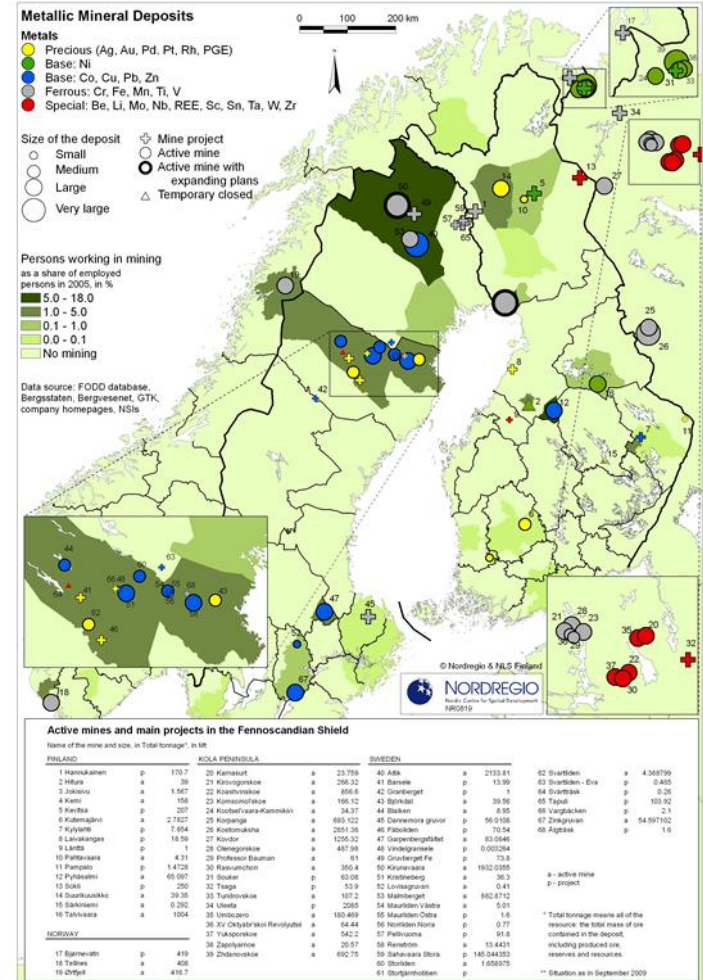
NSPA Region with High Competence

- Top level interdisciplinary universities
- Growth centres
- High level of regional specialisation
- R&D activities strong also outside of the growth centres



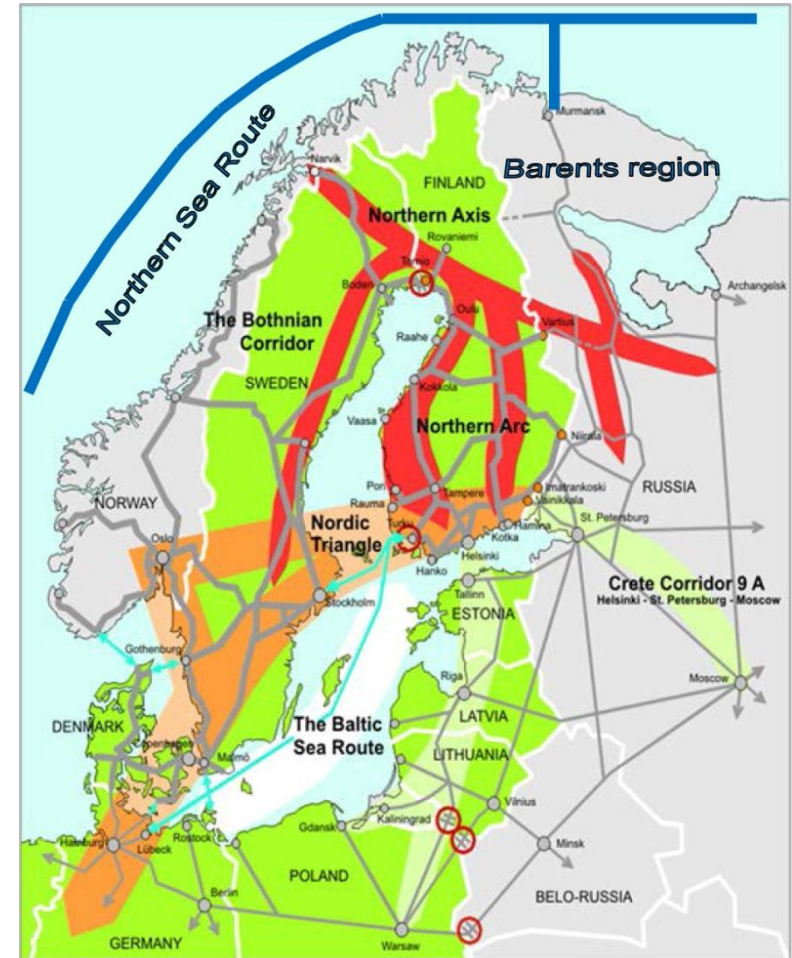
NSPA Rich in Natural Resources

- Minerals
- Forestry
- Fisheries



NSPA Challenges in accessibility

- Long distances inside the NSPA
- Long Distances to European and global markets
- Investments to infrastructure will lift the region's importance in global scale



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