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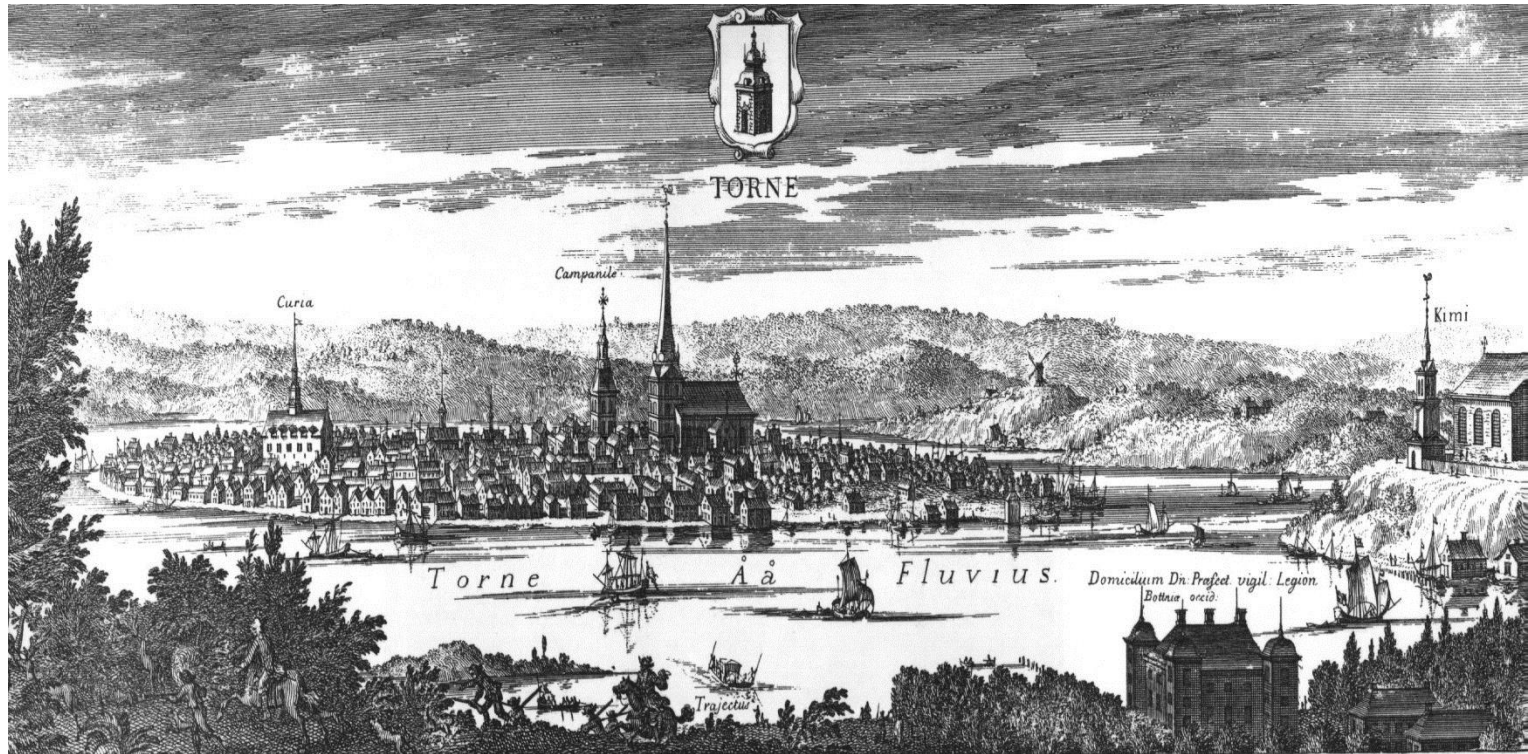


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HaparandaTornio today

- Provincia Bothniensis was founded in 1987
- Three languages: Finnish, Swedish, Meänkieli
- Two currencies: EUR, SEK
- Two time zones
- Total Area 3 216 square kilometres (land&sea)
- Population around 32 500
- Population Density (land sq km) 15,4





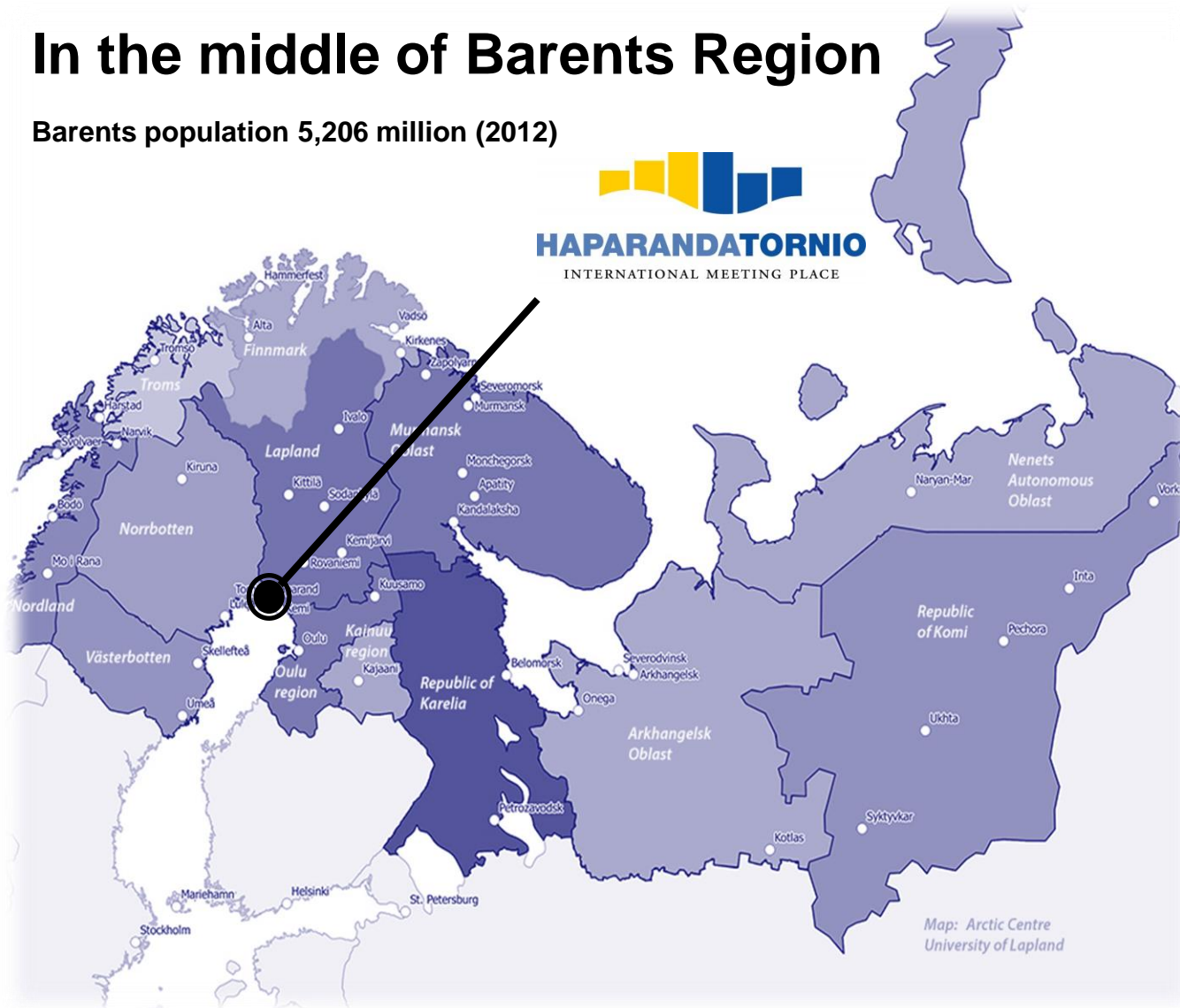
In the middle of Barents Region

Barents population 5,206 million (2012)



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HaparandaTornio: Where Barents meets Bothnian Bay

The Barents region has a population of **5,2 million** and the Bothnian Arc over **700 000**. Within 30 km of HaparandaTornio live around **70 000** people and within 120 km around **400 000** people.





Business and industry in HaparandaTornio

Most important private sector employers

	persons	
• Outokumpu Tornio Works	2200	(metal and steel industry)
• IKEA HaparandaTornio	130	(retail)

Main business fields: Steel & metal industry, shopping and tourism

Potentials in the future: Transportation and logistics, shopping and turism
Steel & metal industry, energy sector (wind power)





Outokumpu's site in Tornio (stainless steel production facility)

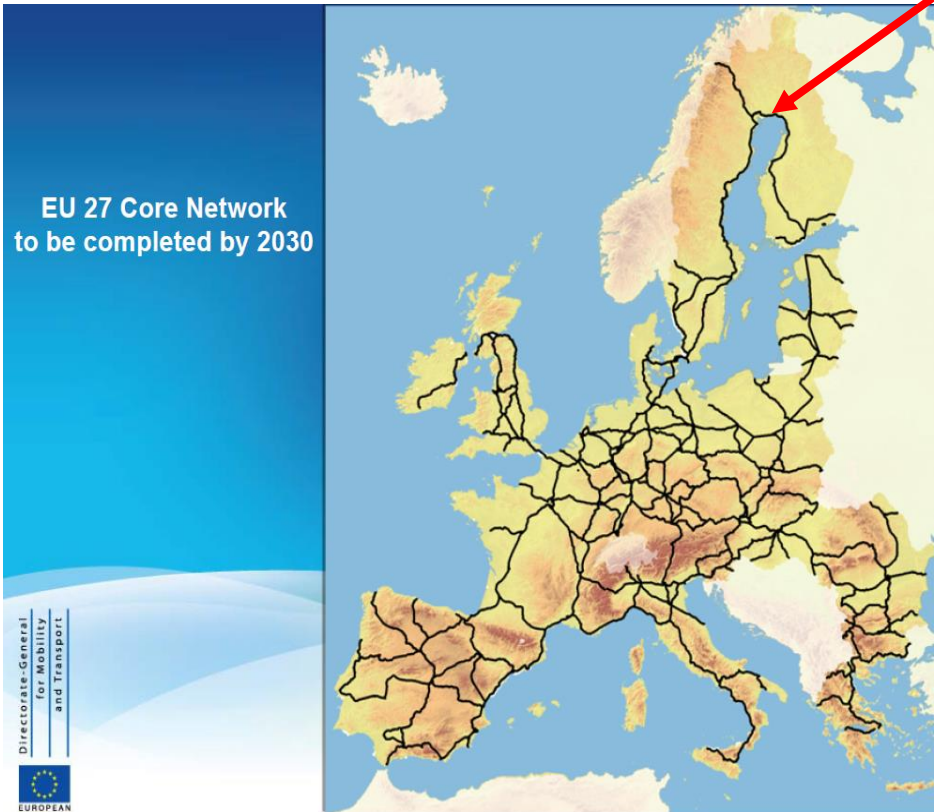
A Great Logistical Potential

- Busiest land border crossing in Finland
- The only railway border crossing point between Finland and Sweden
- The Port of Röyttä is open year-round (with the help of ice breakers)
- Kemi-Tornio Airport (18 km, flights to Helsinki), three other airports within 130 kilometers
- TornioHaparanda Travel Centre



The Bothnian Corridor -project

- Part of EU 27 TEN-T core network





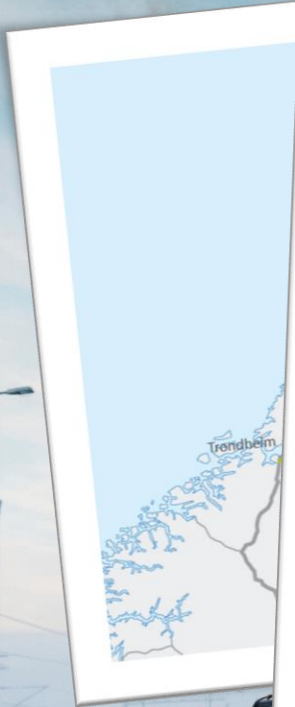
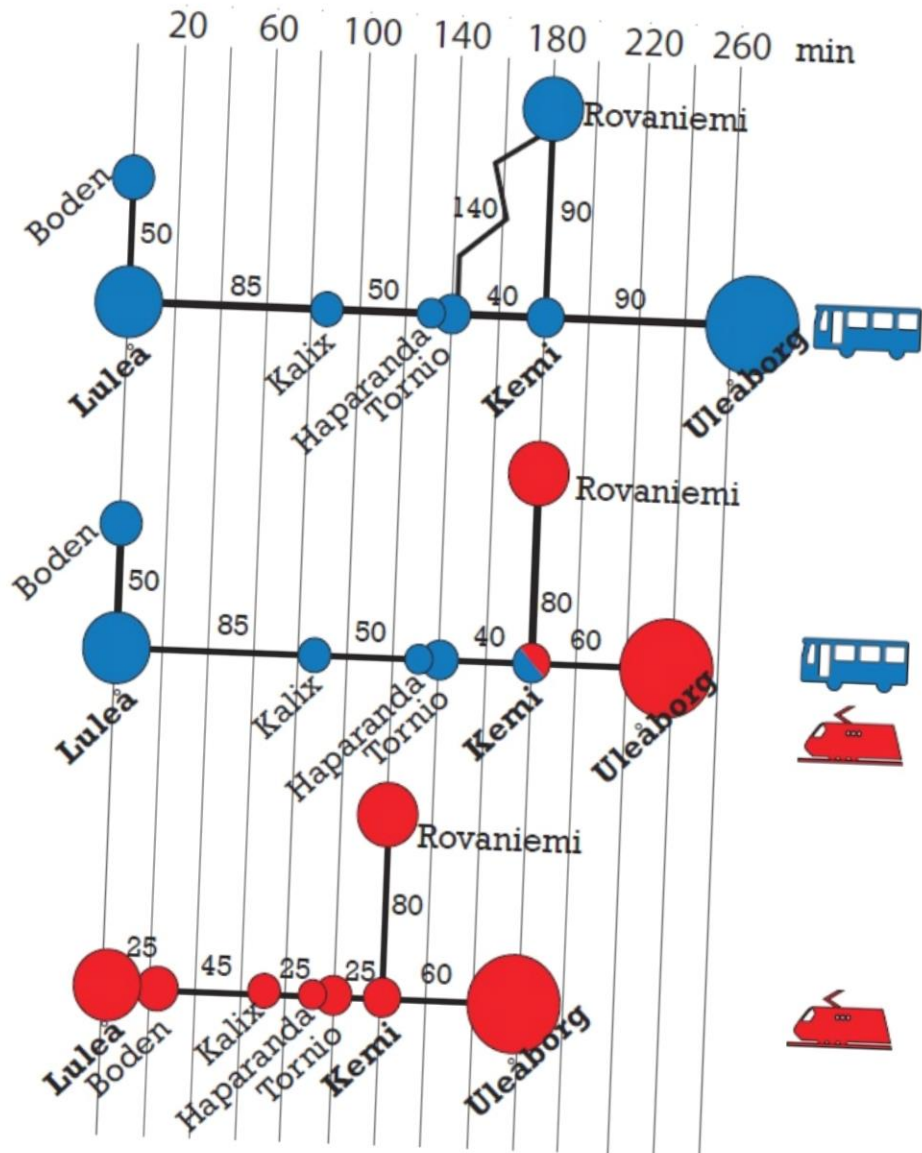
RESECENTRUM

TornioHaparanda – Travel Center



- **Travel Center opened 2013, opening ceremony 15.1.2014**
- **Future transport award 2013 in Sweden, top 3 finalist**
- **Financed mostly through Interreg Nord funding**

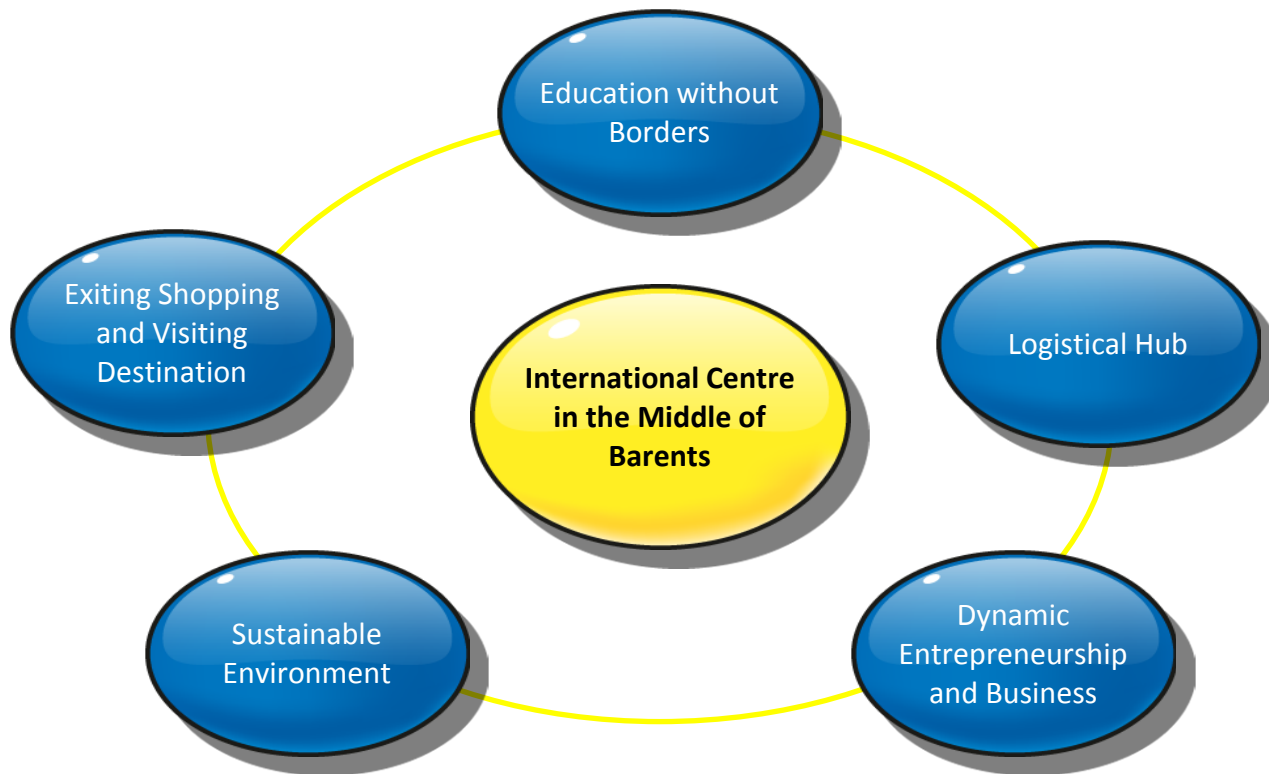
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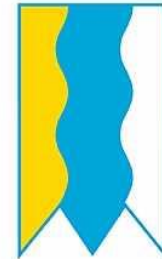


HaparandaTornio and Common Vision 2020



HaparandaTornio Cooperation

- Common City Council meetings once/year
- Common City Board meetings twice/year
- Cooperation Working Groups
- Daily contacts between civil servants, politicians
- Provincia Bothniensis Board (5+5)
- Joint city planning
- Pupils without Borders, free choice of primary school
- Unrestricted use of sport facilities across the Border
- Sport Teams without Borders (e.g. HT Bandy)
- Common investments (infrastructure, rescue service, sports)
- Common arrangements (eg. Festivals, Common New Year)
- Common culture and sports events (eg. Kalott Jazz & Blues)
- Common marketing through a common brand and vision

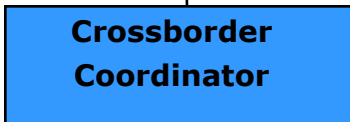
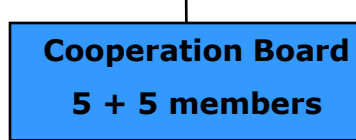
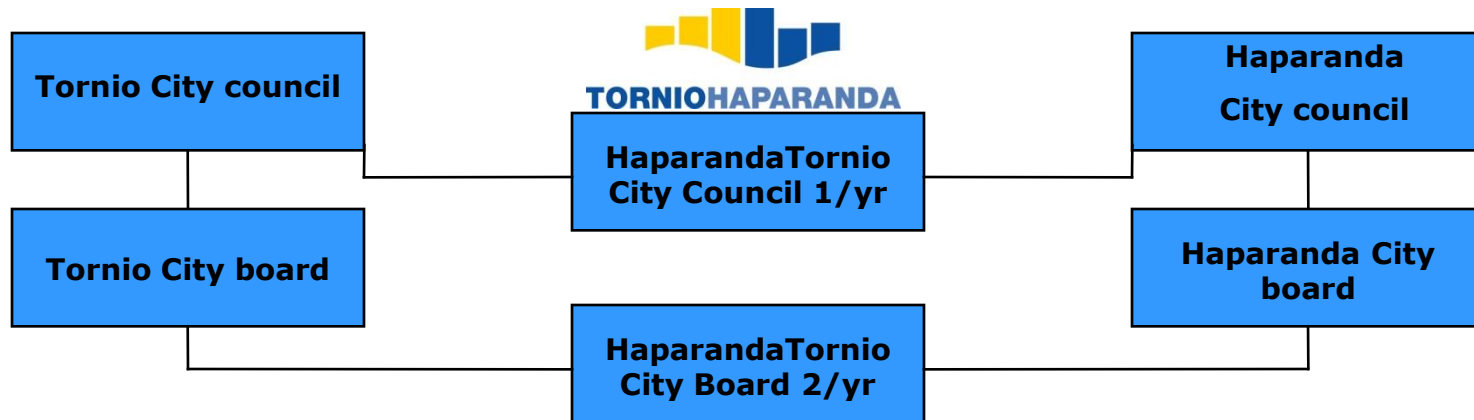


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Organizational Chart



International relations and municipal co-operation of Tornio

- **Provincia Bothniensis (1987)** - TornioHaparanda FIN, SWE
- **Council of Tornio Valley (1987)** - FIN, SWE, NOR
- **Barents Road (1997)** - FIN, SWE, NOR, RUS
- **Bothnian Arc Association (1998)** - FIN, SWE
- **Town Twinning** - Devizes, Hammerfest, Ikast, Kirovsk, Szekszard, Vetlanda
- **The North Calotte Border Information Service (2011)** - FIN, SWE, NOR
- **The Regional Council of Lapland** - FIN
- **Sea Lapland regional co-operation association (1991)** - FIN



Agreements between Haparanda & Tornio 1960-2002

- joint use of Haparanda swimming pool, mid-1960s
- agreement on joint sewage treatment plant, 1971
- shared landfill, 1976-85
- cross-border school attendance at comprehensive school level, 1978
- Provincia Bothniensis cooperation organisation founded, 1987
- joint language school, 1989
- agreement on treatment of sludge from the sewage plant, 1990
- fire and rescue service co-operation agreement, 1993
- co-operation in ambulance services, 1993
- agreement on the connection of district heating networks and deliveries of heat over the national frontier, 1993
- agreement on joint use of ladder truck, 1994
- privatisation of the sewage treatment plant, 1996
- merging of tourist offices, 1998
- joint Euro upper secondary school, 1998

Agreements between Tornio and Haparanda 2002-

- Nursery agreement 2002
- Refuse disposal 2002
- The Museum of Torne Valley 2013
- TornioHaparanda Travel Center 2014
- Renewed Agreement on TornioHaparanda crossborder co-operation 2015





ON THE BORDER 2001



ON THE BORDER 2012



ONE OF THE DRAFTS OF THE BORDER AREA





IF WE HAD A BORDER... IT WOULD GO HERE...

TornioHaparanda Tourism

UNESCO World Heritage site

Alatornio Church 1797 (Struve Geodetic Arc)

National Parks in Finland and Sweden

Bothnian Bay, Haparanda Archipelago

Tornio River

Salmon and whitefish fishing, Kukkolankoski rapids

Shopping Centre on the Border

2-3 million visitors per year all around Barents region

GreenZone Golf Club (18 holes)

In the middle of Finnish-Swedish border area





BARENTS CENTER



QUALITY BARENTS



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ONE CITY. *TWO COUNTRIES.*