

Landscape ambassadors

-with the task to stimulate, facilitate and coordinate landscape actions



Landscape ambassador refers to an educational training organized by the Periscope group; a network of researchers coming from six countries in Europe. The group utilizes the great differences in Europe as a strength.

The universities have a unique role to go in and out of landscape processes, interact, and play a creative role in between the local people, the municipality and experts.

Starting in France 2004, this year they came to the river valley of Bräkneån in Sweden



The educational model is called a "Real Life Studio". The Periscope group stresses a prolonged communication and also to practice meeting and working with different educational profiles. The educational model is based on learning by direct meetings with actors as well as with landscape, giving full-scale experiences with all senses involved. The students are always living in the project area. Eating, sleeping, giving seminars, presentations and having fun will all emerge into something hopefully much larger, aiming for a deeper insight in the work project.



The Landscape Ambassador Course in Blekinge, 2008 made a great impression on the local organisations and to some extent, also the municipality. To use the dialogue with local people as much as possible worked out as method, but it required a huge effort from the teachers to organize meeting before the students' arrival, to gain approval for the project locally.



Today the local organisation use the name of the course and the students results in many different ways. The landscape ambassadors left the river valley of Bräkneån, but their projects are still there...

