

Trafikdage 06
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### INTERREG IIIB project REMARCC

- WP1 North Sea Logistic Cluster
- A situation analysis of each port region has been performed using the SWOT method (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats).
- The regions
  - Bremen/Bremerhaven and Lower Saxony are German partners
  - Belgium: Flanders
  - England: Yorkshire and the Humber region
  - Denmark: Jutland
  - Sweden: the region of Gothenburg
  - Norway: the regions around the ports of Borg, Oslo, Grenland and Kristiansand

# REMARCC WP1 - North Sea Logistics Clusters

- "NSLC carry out a current analysis on actors, structures, strategies, systems and logistics/information processes in waterborne transport; assess strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT); propose improvement measures on various responsibility levels; take actions to implement these measures. As such it contributes to all three strategic working areas."
- The three working areas mentioned in the quotation, are:
  - Regional strategies for logistic competences
  - Regional strategies for logistic optimisation
  - Regional strategies for logistic marketing

## The findings in REMARCC WP1

- Door to Door or Supply Chain perspective
- Fragmentation in policy institutions
- Hinterland connections
- The role of Ports
- Mode interchange, efficiency, seamless transfer. Rail. IWW.
- ICT
- Environment

## The gap keep increasing

- Freight transport volumes grow with no clear signs of decoupling from GDP
- Greenhouse gas emissions from transport are growing
- Road freight continues to gain market share
- Car occupancy and lorry load factors decline in countries for which data are available
- New technology can cut emissions and fuel consumption, but more effort is needed to achieve CO<sub>2</sub> targets
- Price structures are increasingly aligned with and yet well below external costs level

#### REMARCC recommendation 1

 The North Sea Commission in cooperation with the North Sea countries and the European Union should develop a North Sea Region Framework for Intermodal Transport Policy.

#### REMARCC recommendation 2

 The position as the North Sea Region intermodal transport facilitator and observer should be established.

#### REMARCC recommendation 3

 The EU should as an extension of its intermodal transport policy define the information system as part of the basic intermodal transport infrastructure and provide a grant system to fund such systems in selected intermodal ports.

## Future for North Sea Region

- The problems are many and have been identified
- The solutions are evident, but difficult to apply
- A global approach is required involving all players – local, national and European
- North Sea Region strategy for IMT <u>must</u> continually be developed!