



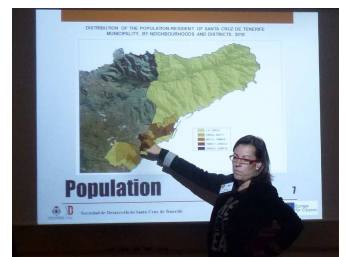
## A summary of the kick-off meeting in Hindås, Härryda municipality 19-21 February **TECT – Towards Excellence in Cultural Tourism**

### Wednesday

Presentation and welcome of everyone in the morning – Hristina from Bulgaria, Camillo from Italy, Lili from Malta, Diana from Tenerife and Lena and Fani from Greece. We got a presentation of the history of Hindås from the local citizen Anders Fors. He took us for a little walk in the neighbourhood and to the old ski-jump. Hindås has got a history of being a popular winter resort.



After lunch we were greeted by the local commissioners and then our International coordinator presented a short overview of Härryda municipality and the programme Europe for Citizens. Our partners did the presentations of their regions with focus on cultural tourism and challenges. Nice pictures and interesting facts were presented. After that we ended with a discussion about the goals of the project.



Before dinner we were invited to the dancehall “Rotundan” where Hindås dansgille did a little performance of their folkdance. Some of us also got to try on a waltz. At night there was a dinner with local commissioners and representatives from the municipality. A group from the culture school was also playing folk music.

### Thursday

In the morning we discussed structures and questions about project documents as well as priorities of long-term and short-term goals. Anders, Heli and Mette participated from the local community.



We had lunch at the stationhouse while the local artist Mia Branzell presented the activities of the culture association in Hindås. Christian and Madeleine had made a really nice lunch and desserts for us, the Swedish pastry “semla” among other delights.

After lunch we went for a “walk and talk” to local cultural sites such as an interior design shop – “Helis hem”, the church, the library and an arts and crafts shop “Gyllene Hinden”. Mette pointed out the wilderness trail which was realized with funding from another European project.





The afternoon was spent at the stationhouse where many creative, local artists and artisans had made an exhibition for our partners and for the public. Local musicians played for us and knitting, painting, pottery were made and shown at different stands.



Björn Edsholm showed us wooden sculpturing and Camillo and Lili were brave enough to try it out with the chainsaw. Several newspapers were there to take pictures and interviewing our guests. Dinner at the hotel Hjortviken in the evening.



### Friday

A short sightseeing was made in Gothenburg city in the morning. Shopping salmon and moose sausage at “Saluhallen” and “Feskekörkan” (fishing market) as well as visiting the harbour and the opera house. Gothenburg is approximately 30 minutes away. Lunch at Hjortviken and then farewell for now. Thank you everyone. We look forward to see you again!

