RE-SCALING CULTURAL GOVERNANCE SPACES
The PhD Project

- Local and Regional Development
- Small Cities and municipalities
- In the light of postindustrial transition
- Neo-liberal planning context
The Challenge

“Globalisation, mobility and the easy access to experiences; live or virtually, results in greater and greater demand for a high quality of the cultural experiences at a local scale. The user expects a cultural quality lift”

(Interview with Per Voetmann, 2012)
Cultural Policy Development

- Various approaches to cultural policy relations over time.
- Instrumentalisation of culture – Culture is used to other ends than development of culture.
- Experience economy perspective
The General Development

- A need to separate from the masses...
- More competition between places
- Culture is often thought of as a lever for development and growth.
Municipal Structural Challenges

- Transition from the industrial society
- Demography
Structural Challenges in Different Scales

- Global development
- Municipal reform

National
Regional
Kommunal

Kommunal-reform (2007)
The Culture Regions

- Thoughts rooted in the late 1980s - early 1990s
- The regional culture experiment in 1995
- Law about ‘regional cultural agreements’ in 1999
- From operation contribution in focus - To development agreements
Culture Region East Jutland
Growth Alliance
Focus of the Empirical Research
The Spatial Development of the Culture Regions

- The collaboration brings the potential to jump scale.
- Mismatch between the imaginaries of the Culture Region.
Rescaling - Development

- Does the Culture Region enhance the area of culture?
- Plays a role in relation to the development of culture.
- The project based work – Temporary spaces
Potentials

- Closer collaboration – more focused projects
- Integration of culture in more sectors
- Collaboration with other Culture Regions.
Future Thoughts about the Culture Region

- Focus on the advantages of the limited time period (Temporary space)
- Experimental Spaces
- Knowledge about the Culture Region across municipalities
- Relational critical mass – the potential in leading people with niche interests together across municipalities. Create milieuxs.
Thank you for your time

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