Lyftet (the Raise)

A joint project between

Lulea University of Technology & Malardalen University

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...raises experiences

...from businesses, networks, resource centres and NGOs managed by women

... in middle and northern Sweden

...to a common platform of knowledge

Lyftet involves four regional networks:

SAGA in Norrbotten Emma Resource Centre in Vasterbotten Lika Villkor in Sodermanland Företagsamma kvinnor in Vastmanland

In Lyftet I study

* Organization of clusters and innovation systems

* In relation to Sweden's innovation policy

Definitions

Clusters =

geographical concentrations of interconnected businesses and actors characterized by mutual dependence and influence, exchanging technology, information and tacit knowledge.

Innovation systems =

systems of organized research and knowledge production, based upon collaboration between the business world, academia and public authorities.

Four characteristics

Areas: service sectors and ICT

Actors: women

Involves: the civil society

Responds to: the demand of potential users



Trouble with public funding

Priority of...

Industries dominated by men

Areas envisioned as "masculine"



Effects

Labour market for women and men

Innovations enhancing peoples lives

Lyftet website

www.ltu.se/web/projekt/lyftet

> info about Lyftet
> activities
> profile of the month
> articles and documentation
> and more