

A place based policy for depopulating areas

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The task

- Write a paper for OECD, deadline May
- Give a presentation in June
- Make suggestions for public goods provision in depopulating areas.



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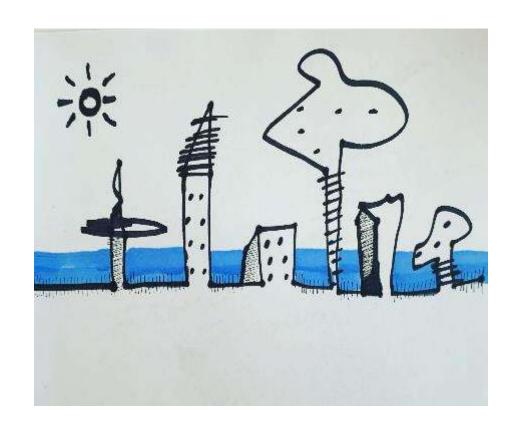
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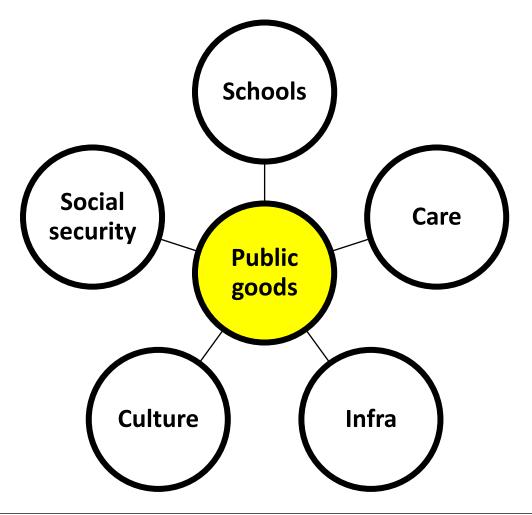
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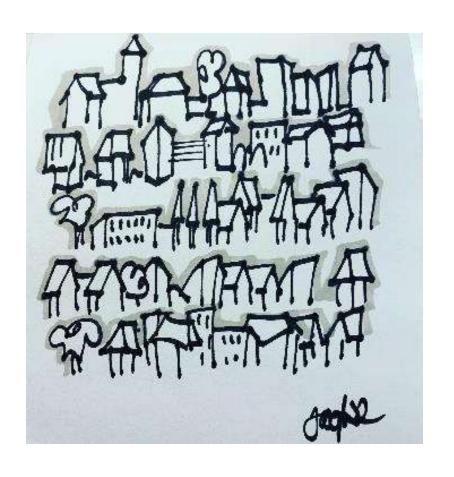
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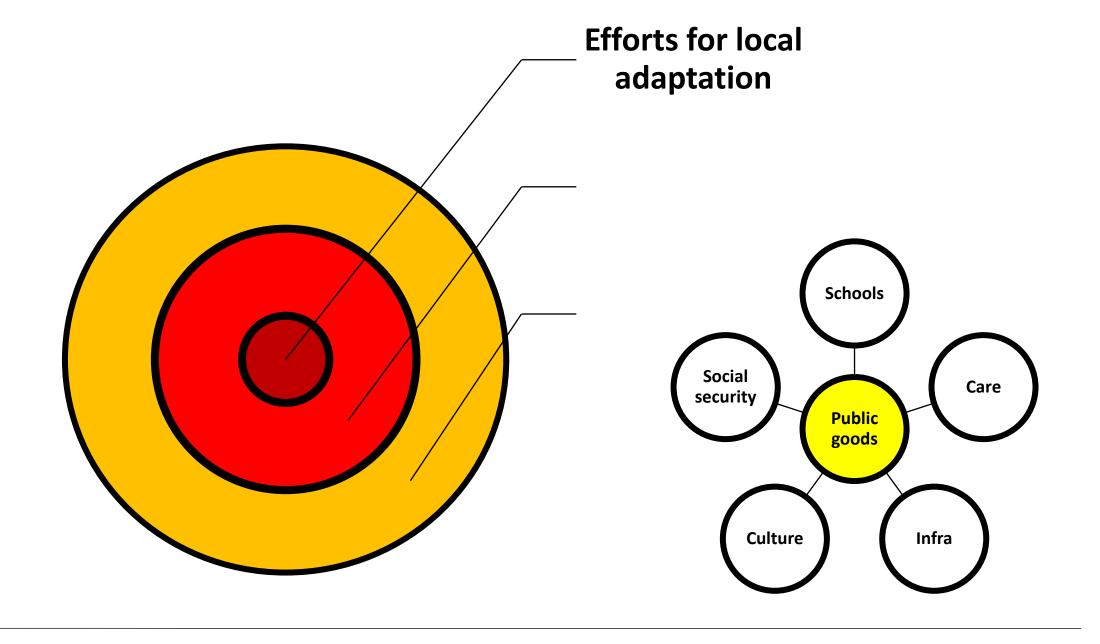


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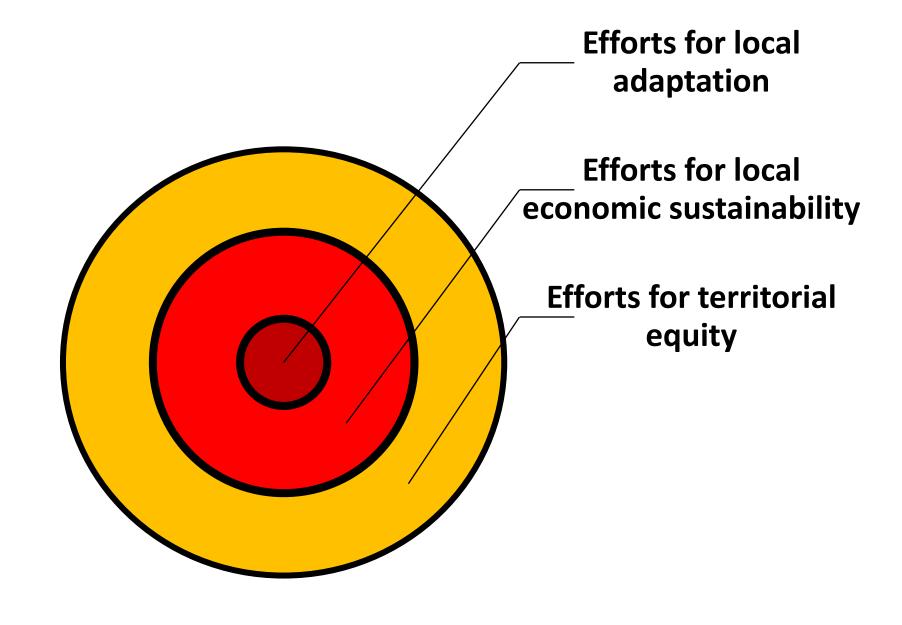


- ✓ Shrinking communities should develop explicit and transparent local adaptation policies,
- ... but such a policy must go hand-in-hand with
- ✓ state goals of territorial equity and cohesion, and
- ✓ local policy goals of economic sustainability.











Equity	Adaptation	Economic sustainability
The aim is to reduce the underutilization of resources and to reduce a persistent social exclusion of specific places, in order to achieve territorial equity.	The aim is to adapt to new demographic and economic conditions, in order to achieve a balanced public economy and consistent quality in the provision of public goods.	The aim is to promote new models of local economic sustainability in depopulated areas, in order to form resilient, sustainable, and liveable communities.
Fiscal equalization	Increased taxes	New economic targets
Asymmetric implementation	Inter-municipal cooperation	The municipality as a development actor
Infrastructure investments	Adapt physical infrastructure	Co-location of resourcess
Support learning and innovation	Innovation, digitization, efficiency	Social procurement
Subsidies	Scale down public goods offerings	Less dependent on external invest
	Civil society cooperaration	Multi locals as a resource

Now I need your help...

- Brainstorm in groups of 2-3 around the policy measures that are pin pointed under each goal (equity – adaptation – sustainablity).
- Could other policy measures be added?
 What have I over-looked?
- Write down keywords on the whiteboards







Thank you!

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