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Oummu rââst raaj - People Cross the Borders Project Plan

1. Background Information

Nuõrttsäämkiõll, the Skolt Saami language is on the UNESCO endangered languages list, and has a critical status in Norway, Finland, and Russia. The overall number of Skolt Saami speakers is small. According to T. Rasmussen's report 2021, in Norway there are about 400 Skolt Saami, and 10-12 speakers. In Russia, there are about 500 Skolt Saami, and 15-20 speakers. In Finland, the number of Skolt Saami is estimated to be 600-700, with about 300 speakers.

In Finland, Skolt Saami is classified as the most endangered of the Sámi languages, but the systematic language revitalisation work has already shown good results. In Norway, Skolt Saami has no official status, but the Sámi Parliament in Norway has adopted Skolt Saami as one of its official languages. The main body promoting Skolt Saami culture in Norway has been Ä'vv Skolt Saami Museum. In past years, interest from the community to take back own language and culture has sufficiently increased.

The project identifies the main problem as lack of common language use arena for Skolt Saami living in Norway and Finland. The project aims to tackle this by launching joint measures to strengthen the Skolt Saami cross-border community, language and culture environment, taking advantage of the experience of revitalisation work in Finland. The project new approaches include creating new cross-border low-threshold formats and spaces for common Skolt Saami language use and introduction with culture, piloting learning opportunities on the Norwegian side to raise own new speakers and enhancing institutional competences regarding Skolt Saami matters.

2. Project Overall Objective

The **Oummu rââst raaj** (English: People cross the borders) project overall objective is to strengthen the Skolt Saami language and culture environment across the border and establish common language use arena for Skolt Saami living in Norway and Finland.

By the end of the project, there will be about 10 new Skolt Saami learners of the Skolt Saami language on the Norwegian side; a long-term strategy for strengthening existing cross-border culture and language centres (utilizing existing entities, such as Skolt Saami Cultural Foundation, Skolt Saami Siida Heritage House, and the new multipurpose house in Sevettijärvi or Ä'vv Skolt Saami museum and Skolt Saami village (Skoltebyen) in Neiden) for the preservation, support, and promotion of the Skolt Saami language and culture will be developed; institutional competences in Skolt Saami matters will enhance; the cross-border Skolt Saami language community will be strengthened; new cross-border language and culture learning formats will be introduced; the visibility of Skolt Saami culture will increase in the region. Continuous monitoring and flexibility in adapting strategies based on progress will be done by the partners to achieve the objectives of the project successfully.

3. Work Packages and Success Criteria

WORK PACKAGE 1. Cooperation and knowledge exchange between the institutions for crossborder Skolt Saami language and culture revitalisation work

Activity

- 1.1 Kick-off seminar and launching event
- 1.2 Mapping the Skolt Saami language and culture professionals across the border and reaching out to the Skolt Saami community at wider scale
- cross-border Skolt Saami language centre and culture network
- 1.4 Organizing a concluding seminar

Success criteria

- At least two larger networking events for the project's target group for building connections and knowledge exchange are held
- → A network of Finnish and Norwegian Skolt Saami consisting of at least 50 representatives is established (including artists, teachers, translators, researches etc.)
- 1.3 Developing a road map for strengthening existing → Further actions for strengthening of the existing Skolt Saami centres are planned; possible financial mechanisms to strengthen the centres are investigated
 - Results of the project are shared with the experts and Skolt Saami community to be used in future activities and follow-up projects

WORK PACKAGE 2. Developing new cross-border learning opportunities and competences in Skolt Saami language and culture

Activity

teaching materials for the Norwegian use

Success criteria

- 2.1 Translation and adjustment of the existing Finnish → A network of Finnish and Norwegian researches in Skolt Saami language is established Materials for studying Skolt Saami language translated from Finnish to Norwegian and adjusted for Norwegian speakers (e.g. Tiorv textbook) available for further use
- basic study course for the Norwegian side
- 2.2 Piloting of the Skolt Saami language and culture \implies An online/hybrid course of Skolt Saami language (8 credits, 100 h of lessons + 100 h of independent work) is developed by the Sámi Education Institute, Inari At least 5-10 Norwegian Skolt Saami have taken the pilot course in Skolt Saami language
- 2.3 Developing cooperation in early childhood education and school education in Skolt Saami language between Inari and Sør-Varanger municipalities
- → A common language use arena for Skolt Saami living in Norway and Finland is created

WORK PACKAGE 3. Enhancing culture: measures for continuation of Skolt Saami traditions and rediscovering Skolt Saami culture and identity

3.2 Genealogy circles and history courses with researches support for the project

Success criteria

A network of Finnish and Norwegian researches in Skolt Saami language and culture is established; A course on Skolt Saami genealogy, history, archaeology and culture is compiled and presented for the audience in different forms like lectures, community-based conversations

- 3.3 Organising new cross-border Skolt Saami culture and language activities for people of all ages on a regular basis

 → At least five joint trips to traditional Skolt Saami settlements (Sevettijärvi, Nellim, Pasvik, Neiden, etc.) are arranged; at least 50 participants
 - settlements (Sevettijärvi, Nellim, Pasvik, Neiden, etc.) are arranged; at least 50 participants altogether have been involved and got better understanding of Skolt Saami culture A cross-border Skolt Saami language café for

A cross-border Skolt Saami language café for adults is held in hybrid format starting from February 2025;

Skolt Saami culture in general and the project in particular are presented at **bigger cultural events** to raise the visibility (for example Sámi Arena in Kautokeino)

Joint artistic production of Skolt Saami artists and Pikene på Broen (Sør-Varanger) is prepared and presented at the annual festival Barents Spektakel in Kirkenes in February 2026 (the year of the states' border 200-anniversary) making Skolt Saami cultural heritage more visible.

4. Milestones and Schedule

Activity	Tasks	Responsible partner	Timeframe
WP 1 Cooperation and kno	owledge exchange betwe	en the institutions for cr	oss-border Skolt Saami
language and culture revit	alisation work		
1.1 Kick-off seminar and	To prepare and	Inari municipality,	October-November
launching event	arrange launching	Sør-Varanger	2024
	event in Neiden and	municipality, Ä'vv	
	kick-off seminar in	Skolt Saami Siida	
	Svanhovd	Administration, NIBIO	
		Svanhovd;	
		Other partners:	
		Norrõs, Skolt Saami	
		Cultural Foundation,	
		UiT, Pikene på broen	
1.2 Mapping the Skolt	To develop a	Inari municipality,	November 2024 –
Saami language and	database of Skolt	Sør-Varanger	August 2026
culture professionals	Saami language and	municipality,	
across the border and	culture professionals	Ä'vv Skolt Saami	
reaching out to the Skolt	and a list of potential	Museum	
Saami community at	students of Skolt	Other partners: Skolt	
wider scale	Saami pilot course	Saami Siida	
		Administration, Skolt	
		Saami Cultural	
		Foundation, Norrõs,	
		Sámi Educational	
		Center, UiT the Arctic	
		University of Norway,	
400 1 1		Pikene på Broen	
1.3 Developing a road	To establish a	Inari municipality,	January 2025 –
map for further	working group and to	Sør-Varanger	August 2026
strengthening of existing	map future activities	municipality	
cross-border Skolt Saami	on revitalisation of	+Ministries of Culture	
culture and language	Skolt Saami language	of Finland and	

centres in Finland and	and culture and	Norway	
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Norway	strengthening the	Other partners: Ä'vv	
	existing structures	Skolt Saami Museum,	
		Norrõs, Skolt Saami	
		Siida Administration,	
		Skolt Saami Cultural	
		Foundation, Sámi	
		Educational Center,	
		UiT the Arctic	
		University of Norway	
1.4 Organizing a	To prepare and	Inari municipality,	August 2026
concluding seminar	arrange concluding	Sør-Varanger	
	event in Inari	municipality	
		Other partners: Skolt	
		Saami Siida	
		Administration, Skolt	
		Saami Cultural	
		Foundation, Norrõs,	
		Sámi Educational	
		Center, UiT the Arctic	
		University of Norway,	
		Pikene på Broen	
Activity	Tasks	Responsible partner	Timeframe
language and culture 2.1 Translation and	To translate materials	Inari municipality,	March-December
		Sámi Education	2025
adjustment of the existing Finnish teaching	for studying Skolt Saami language from	Institute; Sør-	2023
materials for the	Finnish to Norwegian	Varanger municipality	
Norwegian use	(e.g. Tiõrv textbook);	Other partners:	
Not wegian use	to make a digital	Norrõs, UiT the Arctic	
	version available for	University of Norway;	
	downloading for free	Giellagas Institute for	
	downloading for free	Sámi Studies	
2 2 Diloting of the Chalt	To arrange a rilet		May 2025 April
2.2 Piloting of the Skolt	To arrange a pilot online course of Skolt	Inari municipality,	May 2025 – April
Saami language and		Sámi Education	2026
culture basic study	Saami for 10-15	Institute, Sør-	
course for the	interested students of	Varanger municipality	
Norwegian side	all ages; To establish an online	Other partners:	
		Norrõs, UiT the Arctic	
2.2 Davidentes	learning platform	University of Norway	Fohmung: 2025
2.3 Developing	To investigate	Inari municipality,	February 2025 –
cooperation in early	possibilities for	Sør-Varanger	February 2026
childhood education and	language nests in	municipality,	
school education in Skolt	kindergarten/school	Ä'vv Skolt Saami	
Saami language between			i e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
	of Sør-Varanger	Museum	
Inari and Sør-Varanger	of Sør-Varanger	Other partners: Sør-	
	of Sør-Varanger	Other partners: Sør- Varanger Culture	
Inari and Sør-Varanger	of Sør-Varanger	Other partners: Sør- Varanger Culture School, Sámi	
Inari and Sør-Varanger	of Sør-Varanger	Other partners: Sør- Varanger Culture	

Activity	Tasks	Responsible partner	Timeframe
WP 3 Enhancing culture: n	neasures for continuation	n of Skolt Saami tradition	s and rediscovering
Skolt Saami culture and ide	entity		
3.1 Skolt Saami language	To prepare and	Sør-Varanger	March-June 2025
and culture camps (2	arrange summer	municipality,	July 2025 (week
summer+1 winter)	camp No.1 in Pasvik	Inari municipality	30/31)
		Pasvik Folkhøgskole,	
		NIBIO Svanhovd	
	To prepare and	Inari municipality,	December 2025 –
	arrange winter camp	Sør-Varanger	February 2026
	No.2 in Sevettijärvi	municipality,	March 2026
		Skolt Saami Cultural	
		Foundation	
		Premises: Sevettijärvi	
		multipurpose house	
	To prepare and	Inari municipality,	April-May 2026
	arrange summer	Sør-Varanger	June 2026
	camp No.3, place tbc.	municipality	
3.2 Genealogy circles	To develop a course	Inari municipality,	March - September
and history courses with	in genealogy and	Sør-Varanger	2025
researches' support for	history	municipality	
the project	To implement the	Other partners: Skolt	On a regular basis
	course in forms of	Saami Cultural	September 2025 –
	lectures and	Foundation,	May 2026
	discussions in Finland	Ä'vv Skolt Saami	
	and Norway	Museum,	
		Sør-Varanger Library,	
		Norrõs + History Club	
		of Sør-Varanger	
	To launch	Inari municipality,	On a regular basis
	cooperation on Skolt	Sør-Varanger	September 2025 –
	Saami geographical	municipality	May 2026
	names on maps and	Other partners: Skolt	
	road signs	Saami Cultural	
		Foundation,	
		Ä'vv Skolt Saami	
		Museum, Norrõs	
	Seminar on history,	SANKS, Uvja, Project	September 2025
	cultural heritage and	Petsamo	
2.2.0	psychological support	Lagrantina and Atlantia	Manah Ostala 2007
3.3 Organising new	To arrange	Inari municipality,	March-October 2025
cross-border Skolt Saami	introductory joint	Sør-Varanger	March-October 2026
culture and language	trips to Finland and	municipality	
activities for people of all	Norway (Inari,	Other partners: Skolt Saami Siida	
ages on a regular basis	Sevettijärvi, Nellim,		
	Neiden, Pasvik)	Administration, Skolt Saami Cultural	
		Foundation	
		Ä'vv Skolt Saami	
		Museum, Norrõs	
		iviuseuiii, NOITOS	

	To arrange hikes to places of traditional Skolt Saami settlements; to create social-media channel for spreading the information To raise the visibility of Skolt Saami culture through participation in bigger cultural arrangements (Skámbagovat film festival in Inari, GIISÁŘEÄISS festival in Sør-Varanger, LÁVDAN SÁMI ARENA in Kautokeino, Vuonnamarkanat in	NIBIO Svanhovd, Pasvik Folkhøgskole, Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality Other partners: Ä'vv Skolt Saami Museum, Norrõs Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality Other partners: Skolt Saami Siida Administration, Skolt Saami Cultural Foundation Ä'vv Skolt Saami Museum, Norrõs	June-September 2025 June-September 2026 January 2025 – August 2026
	Varangerbotn etc.) To arrange Skolt Saami cultural café (to be launched at Sør-Varanger Library, Kirkenes 20.2.2025) To prepare and arrange joint artistic production of Skolt Saami artists and	Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality Other partners: Ä'vv Skolt Saami Museum, Norrõs, Skolt Saami Cultural Foundation, Sør-Varanger Library Sør-Varanger municipality, Inari municipality, Pikene på Broen, Ä'vv	On a regular basis from February 2025/ week 8 (side-event within the Barents Spektakel) February 2026 (Barents Spektakel) (preparatory phase May 2025 – Feb
	Pikene på Broen (Sør- Varanger) Cooperation with other Interreg Aurora projects, including Máhtut	Skolt Saami Museum, Norrõs Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality, Ä'vv Skolt Saami Museum, Siida museum	2026) February 2025 – August 2026
Steering Committee's Meetings	Meeting in person: to establish contacts, adopt the project plan and budget Online/hybrid meetings	Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality	Schedule - to be discussed From February 2025
Activities of the Project Management Team	Regular online meetings and e-mail exchange In person meetings on ad-hoc basis	Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality	Weekly February 2025 – October 2026

	Trainee working on preparation of learning materials, processing video and audio material and media education	Inari municipality	February 2025 – June 2025
	Supporting staff consisting of financial managers etc.	Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality	September 2024 – August 2026
REPORTING to Interreg Aurora Programme	To deliver Progress report I To deliver Progress	Inari municipality, Sør-Varanger municipality, all project partners	January-February 2025; Deadline 28.02.25 May-June 2025;
	report II To deliver Progress report III		Deadline 30.06.25 September-October 2025; Deadline 31.10.25
	To deliver Progress report IV		January-February 2026; Deadline 28.02.26
	To deliver Progress report V To deliver Final report		May-June 2026; Deadline 30.06.26 September-October 2026; Deadline 31.10.26

5. Communication Strategy

The project communication strategy aims at increasing visibility and presence of Skolt Saami language in cross-border region, disseminating knowledge about Skolt Saami culture and promoting interest and positive attitude towards introducing with and learning about Skolt Saami language and culture, thus supporting active participation in the project activities. Project communication will aim at reaching out to the Skolt Saami community in and outside the IA programme area, professionals of the Skolt Saami culture and language, main stakeholders as governmental, educational, Saami institutions, as well as wider audiences. The communication will be organised in Finnish, Norwegian, Skolt Saami languages, and English.

Communicating on the project's activities and results both internally and for external actors is of vital importance for the project team. All project information materials, including press-releases, newsletters, publications, etc. will be published on the homepage-of-Inari municipality, project's lead partner, in Finnish, English Scandinavian (Norwegian/Swedish) and Skolt Saami (whenever possible).

Project's <u>Facebook page</u> was opened and will be regularly updated. A closed Facebook group will be launched for communication of Skolt Saami community across the border. Inari municipality's <u>Facebook account</u> and <u>YouTube channel</u> will also be used for communication purposes.

Ä'vv Skolt Sami Museum (Neiden, Norway) as the operating partner on the Norwegian side will publish project materials in Norwegian, English and Skolt Saami on its https://example.com/homepage. Sør-Varanger

municipality will put the links to the project information on the <u>municipality's homepage</u>, and publish the news on the <u>Facebook account</u> of the SVK Culture and Leisure Department.

All project partners will contribute to spreading the information about the project through their channels: webpages, social media accounts, contacts with local press and other relevant means. Short information about the project, as well as chosen news and materials will also be published on Interreg Aurora homepage under the project devoted section.

Newsletters will be issued on a regular basis, published on the project's homepages and social media accounts and distributed among all project partners and stakeholders. Local and regional press in Lapland and Finnmark will be invited to take part in the events for a wider media coverage. The partners will use the public space as an arena for activating conversation on Saami language revitalisation issues, professional discussions, joint knowledge production and exchange.

The project will also organise effective internal project communication between all partners via regular online and live meetings, and written communication in-between. The will be one kick-off seminar to launch the project processes and one final seminar where the project outcomes and outputs will be presented. Steering Committee of the project has been formed to supervise the project's implementation and give recommendations to the project management team.

Municipalities of Inari and Sør-Varanger and all other project partners are responsible for implementation of the communication plan throughout the whole project period. **Skolt Saami Cultural Foundation**'s, **Ä'vv Skolt Sami Museum**'s and **Norrõs**'s websites and social media channels will be particularly used for spreading the information.

6. Roles of the project partners, steering group and other organizations

The Steering Committee is established to provide strategic guidance and expert advice to the project team. Its responsibilities include offering insights and recommendations on project-related matters to support the project's success, engaging in discussions and providing input on project strategies, plans, and risk management, and assisting in identifying resources and facilitating communication with stakeholders. The Steering Committee's role is consultative, providing valuable perspectives to inform the project team's decisions. Final decisions regarding the project will be made by the project managers and staff, incorporating the committee's advice as appropriate. The Steering Committee will meet according to a schedule decided by Inari Municipality and Sør-Varanger Municipality. The committee receives regular updates from the project managers, and recommendations and feedback from the Steering Committee are documented and shared with the project team.

As a Lead Partner, Inari Municipality has comprehensive responsibility for the financial management and all other obligations under the Interreg Aurora program associated with the project. This includes ensuring compliance with all financial regulations, reporting requirements, and administrative duties as stipulated by the Interreg Aurora guidelines. Furthermore, Inari Municipality retains ultimate decision-making authority on all matters pertaining to the project, ensuring that all critical decisions are made in alignment with the project's goals and objectives, maintaining coherence and strategic direction throughout the project's lifecycle. Inari Municipality, along with Sør-Varanger Municipality, will have full authority regarding the project's implementation and all related aspects, ensuring effective management and execution of the project.

Additionally, the project partner on the Norwegian side, Sør-Varanger Municipality, retains authority regarding decisions related to their obligations with Norway's managing authority. This ensures that

Sør-Varanger Municipality can effectively manage and fulfil their specific responsibilities while contributing to the overall success of the project.

7. Delimitation

The project is limited in implementation by the timeframes, set in the contract between the Lead Partner, Inari municipality, and the Interreg Aurora Programme Secretariat: **2024-09-01–2026-08.31**. Final report of the project should be submitted by 2026-10-31. However, possible prolongation of the project until 2026-12-31 (alternatively until 2027-02-28) had been discussed by the project team and a preliminary request was sent to the Interreg Aurora Programme Secretariat in December 2024.

The main geographical area for the project activities is **Northern Finland** (Inari municipality, Lapland) and **Northern Norway** (Sør-Varanger municipality, Finnmark). At the same time, the project is open for representatives of Skolt Saami community from other regions, who will be invited to take part in the project events in person or online. Other interested actors will also be involved.

The project will not be directly working with the establishment of the Skolt Saami Language Centre, but it will develop a road map and prepare background information for the next application for funding.

The project will develop a pilot online course of Skolt Saami language and will organise it for the first group of Norwegian students. However, the project will not be able to disseminate the course further, and responsible partners/possible new project will be dealing with organisation of follow-up courses.

In case of insufficient number of participants for planned events, event may be rescheduled or cancelled to avoid inefficient use of project funding.

8. Risk Analyses

Financial risks:

The sum of the approved funding is less than the requested one. Discrepancy between planned budget and actual expenses: actual expenses may exceed the costs estimated in the budget.

Inflation is not foreseen in the budget. Ratio Euro/Norwegian crone has changed which may also have negative effect on the project's economy.

Part of Norwegian co-financing is not confirmed which has to be considered when planning the activities. Missing co-funding should be secured; applications for funding to be sent to local financial institutions (including the Norwegian Barents Secretariat).

Other risks:

Limited timeframe of the project may influence the amount of planned activities and project results. The list of activities should be adjusted according to the resources available.

Language issues may challenge Skolt Saami pilot language course to be organized by the Sámi Education Institute in Inari for Norwegian listeners. English as a common language doesn't suit all potential teachers/students, and interpretation from Finnish to Norwegian is not always possible. The same concerns other project activities, such as summer and winter camps or history courses.

Recruiting experts and participants for certain project events may be challenging due to the narrowly focused target groups and limited timeframe.

The community has requested translation from Finnish to Norwegian and vice versa for project events. This expense was not taken into account when the budget was drawn up to the extent necessary. Expenses will be exceeded in this respect.

Concurrent competing events may limit participation in project events.

The lack of transportation to events may limit participation in events for those coming from further afield.

9. Project Partners

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