

# Young nature park guides in Denmark



# Development project 2015-16

## Learning and ownership

- 3 nature parks
- 11 schools
- 5 municipalities
- Project oriented learning

# Development project 2017-19

## Learning and ownership

- 1 national park
- elective courses in elementary school's oldest classes
- Twenty afternoons once a week in a semester
- Students will work with nature, landscape culture, outdoor life

# Two major directions

1. School orientation
  - School is primary organiser
  - Time-limited
  - School based activity
2. Park orientation
  - Park is primary organiser
  - Indefinite
  - Leisure time activity



## **Varieties**

**Commercial safari park; 1 or 2 days camps and summer camps, paid vacation, activity based  
Municipality; after school activity, limited number of participants, small fee, event based**



# Organisational models for junior rangers

1. integral part of the professional staff's tasks
2. Voluntary organization is established in parks  
- in cooperation with the professional staff
3. Voluntary organization is established in parks  
by existing voluntary outdoor organisations  
like scouts, birdlife, mountainbikers etc. - in  
cooperation with the professional staff

# Recruitment scenarios for junior rangers

- Schools
  - for example through regular activities for schools in the parks while also promoting junior rangers
- Existing outdoor organizations
  - For example through partnerships between parks and outdoor organizations
- The public at large
  - For example through advertisements etc. in traditional and social media

# Financing models for junior rangers

- Part of parks's general funding
- Project fundings
- Voluntary based junior rangers thus none or minimum funding required



# The future

- Possible joint approach to park oriented junior rangers
- Possible joint approach to school oriented junior rangers



**Thanks for your  
attention**

