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## Sustainable Development - Project Management and Communication Fall 2018

### Literature Seminar II : Ethics and Values in Projects

The aim of this seminar is to examine upon your critical understanding of ethics and values in relation to projects for sustainable development. It will specifically focus the classes and literature covered in the scheduled week covering '*Ethics and Values in Projects*'.

#### Instructions

##### **Preparation**

- Ensure you are update with course literature, in particular, relating to those associated with the Ethics and Values classes.
- Read up on the below case study. Feel free to supplement the case with your own research

##### **Submission**

- Answer the following questions relate to the case study. Brief dot points are fine, the most important thing is that you are familiar with these questions and prepared to discuss them in class.
  - *What are the facts of the case?*
  - *What are the problems?*
  - *What are the causes?*
  - *What happens if no action is taken?*
  - *What action(s) would you suggest?*
  - *What are the consequences of these actions?*

##### **Requirements**

- Put your name on the top of each page. For the file name of the document, use your name plus assignment number (e.g. 'Name\_Seminar 2').
- Submit your seminar as a **PDF** on Studentportalen – you will find the link under "Seminars". The deadline is the **morning of class on the 10th October, 08.00.**
- This seminar preparation task forms part of the active participation component of the course. It is designed to ensure you are adequately prepared to actively participate in the seminar and is graded as **Pass/Fail**. Failing to complete this task before the seminar will require completion of a make up task.



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## **Ethical Case Study : The Markbygden Wind Park Project**

The Markbygden Wind Park is located 30 km west of Piteå and is planned to cover an area of 450 km<sup>2</sup> in Northern Sweden. The project is expected to be completed in 2025. It will comprise 1101 wind turbines, generating up to 12 TWh/year, and is going to be one of the largest Wind Parks in Europe.

Markbygden Vind AB, a daughter company of the Swedish Svevind, operates the project. There are a number of other corporations financially invested in the project. The area was chosen by the corporations due to several favourable conditions. These include good topography, suitable wind conditions, a sparsely populated area, low number of landowners, closeness to large power grids, few opposing interests, authority support, and logistically a “low cost” construction concept due to existing railway and harbour infrastructure.

The Markbygden Wind Park is partly based within the Sami reindeer herding area called Östra Kikkejaure, a Sameby (*Sami community*) located close to Piteå, where eight Sami families reside. The Sami are indigenous peoples that live across Norway, Sweden, Finland and Russia and have a culture that is strongly connected to the environment and practicing subsistence or commercial based reindeer husbandry. Given the scale of the Markbygden Wind Park project it stands to reason that there will be extensive changes to the surrounding environment, which would impact the livelihoods of the surrounding communities. In fact, about 25% of the Sami's reindeer winter grazing land will be directly affected by the Wind Park and has the potential to impact reindeer movement corridors through land fragmentation.

Additional information and perspectives can be found here:

Industry Voice:

<https://www.svevind.se/NewsEntry/c192d233-6fc6-4492-b9e2-d5443f26b55d>

Sami Perspectives:

<http://samer.se/english>