

Living heritage in the Nordic countries, Hanasaari, Helsinki, 31.10-1.11.2019

Living heritage, cultural diversity and indigenous people

Friday 1st November 13.30 – 15.30.

Moderator: Marit Myrvoll

Hildegunn Bjørgen - Opening

Marit Myrvoll - Indigenous cultural heritage and forced relocation

Break with coffee/tea

Gazi Özcan - ICH through the eyes of a migrant

Kirstine Eiby Møller- Displayed and disoriented in Kalaallit Nunaat

Ellacarin Blind - Forced displacement from north to south in Sápmi

Plenary discussion



Intangible cultural heritage and forced relocation

Marit Myrvoll

Living heritage, cultural diversity
indigenous peoples

Session at the conference Living heritage in the Nordic countries oct 2019

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Intangible cultural heritage

**Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage
2003 - definition:**

- (a) oral traditions and expressions, including language as a vehicle of the intangible cultural heritage;**
- (b) performing arts;**
- (c) social practices, rituals and festive events;**
- (d) knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe;**
- (e) traditional craftsmanship**

Forced relocation / deportation

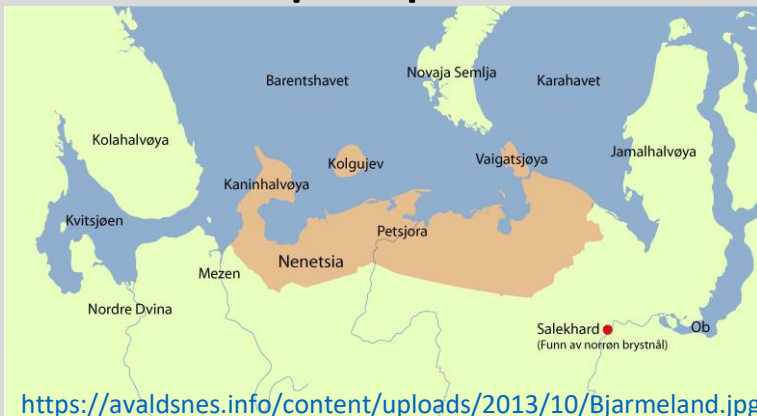
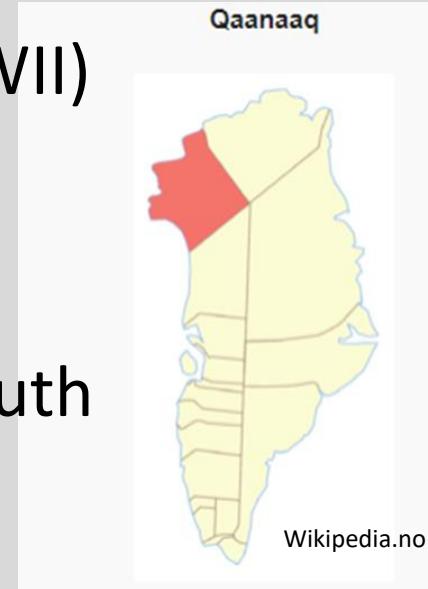
The International Criminal Court in The Hague, has sentenced criminal cases involving crimes against humanity

- Murder
- Extermination
- Slave Hold
- Deportation or forced transfer
- Imprisonment or other strong interference with physical freedom contrary to fundamental rules of international law
- Torture
- Rape, sexual slavery, forced prostitution, forced pregnancy, forced sterilization or any other form of sexual violence of comparable severity
- Persecution of an identifiable group or collective based on political, racial, national, ethnic, cultural, religious or gender reasons ...
- Disappearance under duress
- Apartheid
- Other inhumane acts of a similar nature that cause great suffering or serious injury to the body or to mental or physical health



Examples of forced relocations

- Northern Norway and Finland 1944 (WWII)
- Kalaallit Nunaat (Greenland) 1953
- Skolt Sámi after WWII
- Reindeer-sámi families from north to south
- Kola Sámi, Russia
- Nenets people in Russia



Forced relocations of the Kola Sámi people:
background and consequences



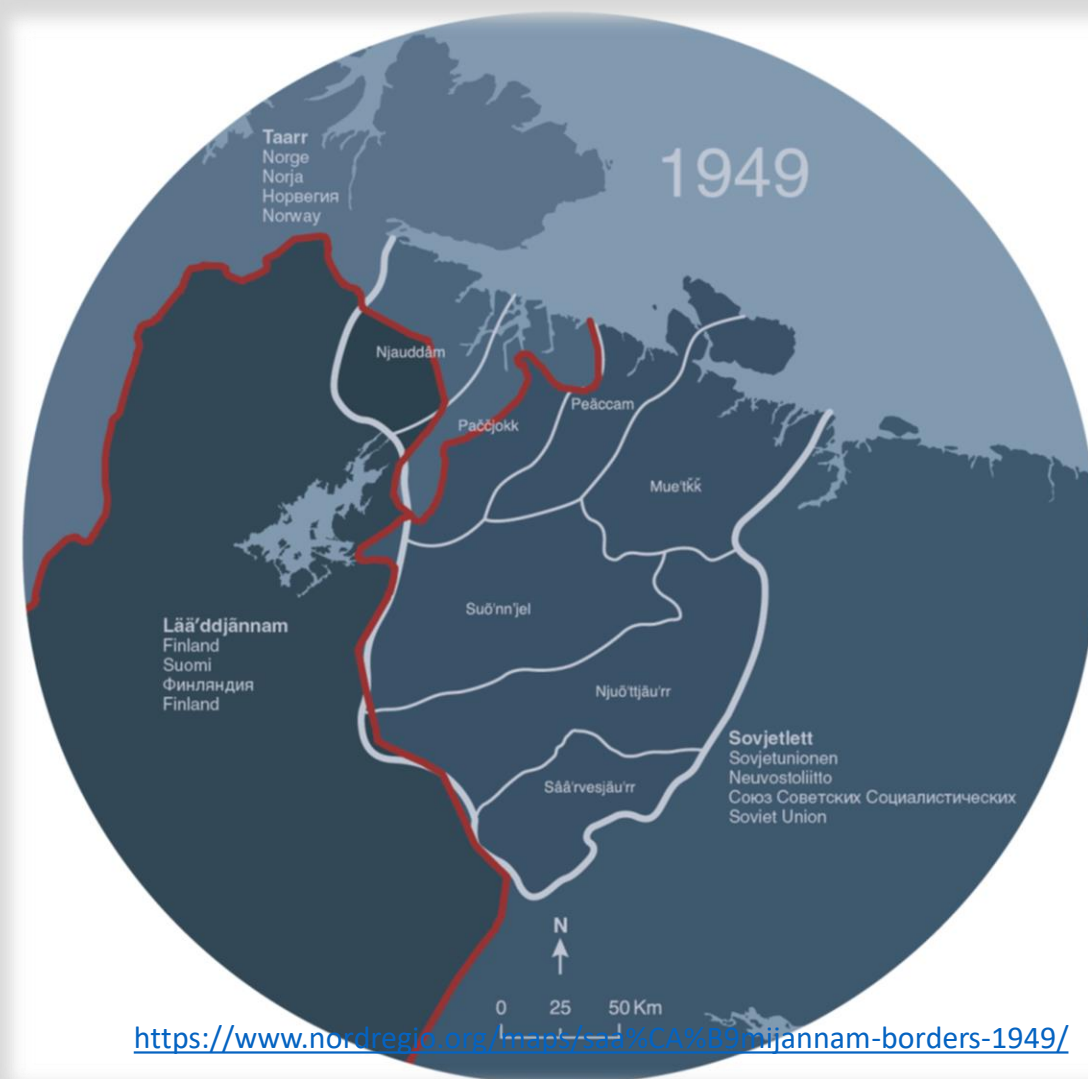
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Saa'mijännam – The Skolt Sámi Land

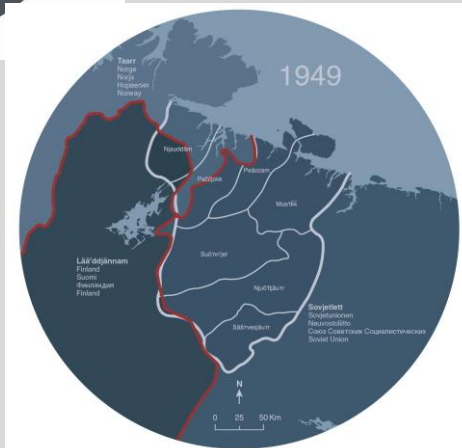
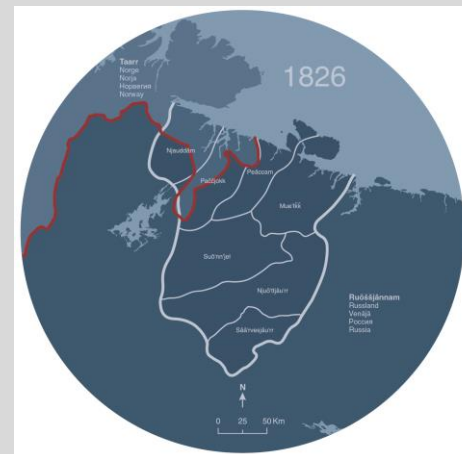
The Skolt Sámi traditional territory is divided between Norway, Finland and Russia

- **The Skolt Sámi language**
- is one of the ten Sámi languages
- is spoken today by appr. 300 people
- is on the UNESCO list of endangered languages





<https://www.nordregio.org/maps/saa%CA%B9mijannam-borders-1949/>





**Maa33sâžjäu'rr,
Suõ'nn'jel sijdd
1912**

Fofonoff-family
fishing with nets.

Foto: T.I. Itkonen, Museovirasto



**Mue'tkĭ sijdd
1928**

The Ageev
family during the
autumn
migration

Photo: Vladimir Charnoluskiy, Murman Regional Museum

Consequences?



https://www.matportalen.no/uonskedestoffer_i_mat/tema/biologiske_gifter/giftig_sopp



eanan
lea earálágan
go das leat orron
vánddardan

bivastuvvan
šuvččagan

oaidnán beaivvi
luoitime loktaneame
láhppome ihtime

eanan lea earálágan
go diehtá
dáppe
máttut
máddagat

the land
is different
when you have lived there
wandered

sweated
frozen

seen the sun
set rise
disappear return

the land is different
when you know
here are
roots
ancestors

Nils Aslak Valkeapää

Consequences?



...to maintain your intangible cultural heritage after relocation

- (a) traditional craftsmanship
- (b) performing arts;
- (c) social practices, rituals and festive events;
- (d) knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe;
- (e) oral traditions and expressions, including language as a vehicle of the intangible cultural heritage;



Traditional craftsmanship



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<https://digitaltmuseum.no/011025212009/skaller/meldia?slide=0>



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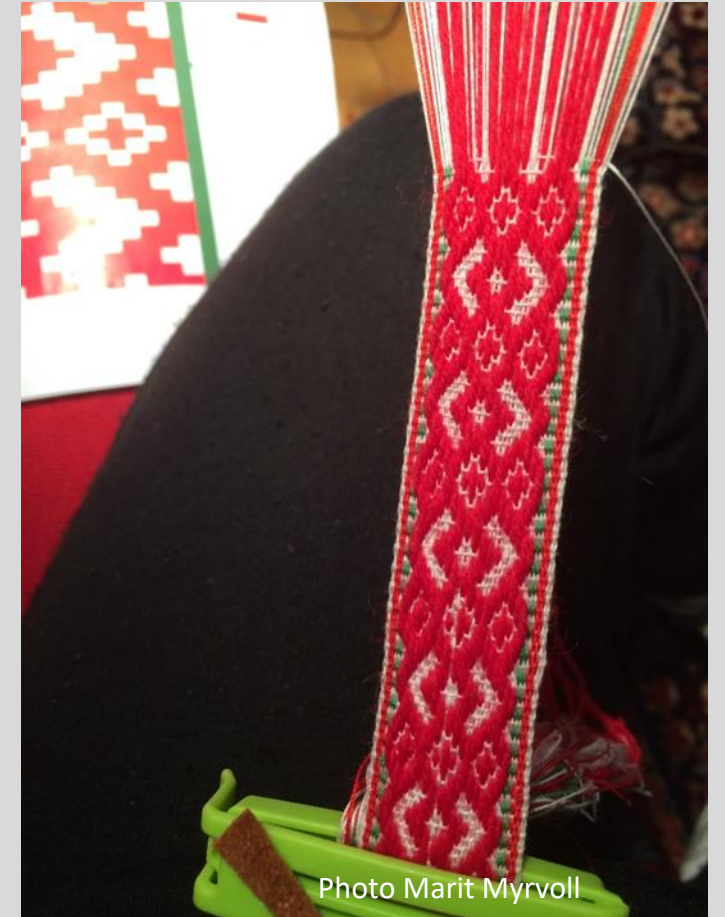


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Knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe



<https://nordnorsk.vitensenter.no/sites/default/files/styles/large/public/field/image/nordlys.jpg?itok=IzIKoXdz>

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Language and oral traditions





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Ollu giitu!
Thank you!



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