



HINTERLAND

potentials for a spatial development under decline

Project activities, results and recommendations

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Hinterland

Where are we moving to?

Project focus:

- decline information and management
- selection/mobilisation key potentials
- Installation of strategic Vorderland links
- regional foresight
- 13 partners (from DK, DE, LT, PL, RU)





Project activities to support development in declining villages

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decline information packages and events

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**Dirk Ahner (Director-General DG Regio) on electronic
HINTERLAND infopoint with hidden treasure boxes**

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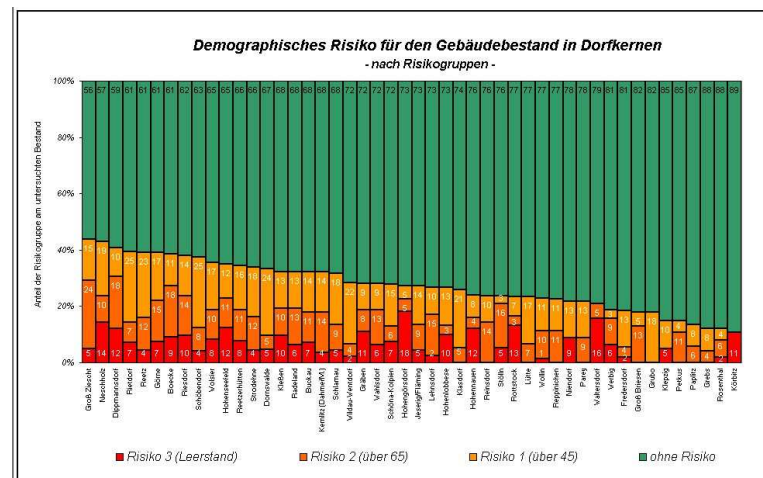
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Decline check of potentials



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Stadt/Gemeinde:

Ortsteil:

Kotzen

Hinterland

HINTERLAND-POTENZIALE:

ökonomisch	Bedeutsamkeit (-keine ... +hoch)				sozial/ Einzelaktivitäten	Bedeutsamkeit (-keine ... +hoch)				ökologisch/ historisch	Bedeutsamkeit (-keine ... +hoch)			
	Beschäftigte	überörtlich, regional	Berlin-Kooperation	innerörtlich		überörtlich, regional	Berlin-Kooperation	innerörtlich	unter "Schrumpfung"		überörtlich, regional	Berlin-Kooperation	innerörtlich	unter "Schrumpfung"
Party service	1	+	-	-	Feuerwehr FFN	+	++	-		Kirche ^{Supas Kunstszene}				
Farmer Voigt	2	+	+	-	Jugendclub (KKL)	+	-	+	-	Radweg	+	+		
Veterinar	7	+	+	+	medizinische Behandlung					Tafelberg				
	2	+	+	+	Parkfest	-	+	+		Hohes Rott				
Auto Schlosserei	1	+	+	++	Ostes fumer	-	+	-		Reiterhof ^(Pferdehof)	+	+	+	+
Pflege stelle	1	+	-	+	Ostes fumer	-	+	-		Wildgehege	-	-		+
Waldgastäfte	1	+	-	++	Choir ^(zusam.)	-	+	+		Naturge...				
Erziehungsheim	4	+	+	-	Angelverein (KKL)	+	-	+	-					
Bau firma (Putz)	2	+	+	-	Jagd (KKL)	++	+	-						
Frisör (Teilzeit)	1	-	-	+	Seniorenbeft (KKL)	-	-	+	-					
					Pokalampeln / Paarampeln	-	-	+	-					

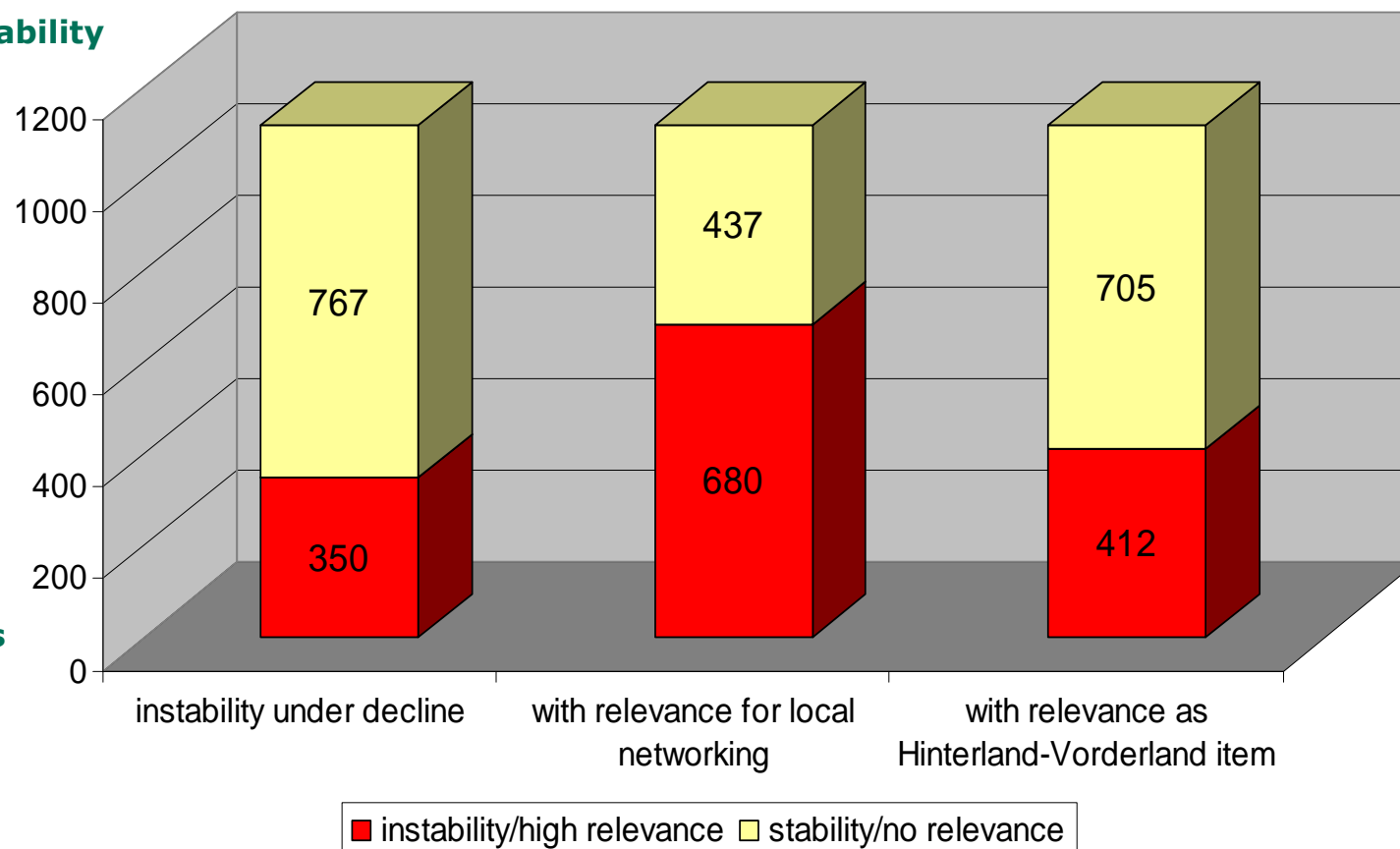


Decline check economic potentials

- highest decline instability
- high importance to Vorderlands



70 Hinterland villages
in DK, LIT, PL, RU, DE



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**Demographic Change has reached our villages
- can and should we react?**

An opinion from anywhere	Clever people's opinion
 <p>Demography? This is a matter for higher politics!</p>	 <p>Demography? That concern us! We should react!</p>
If you agree with this opinion - please quit here!	If you agree with this opinion - please click here!

Hinterland Village Vitality Check - please see www.hinterland-info.net

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Vitality-Check for Villages
up to approx. 1 000 inhabitants

www.hinterland-info.net

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- Demographic transition
- Project HINTERLAND
- Test in function
- Why this test?
- Questions, questions...
- **Result in comparison**
- Duty of secrecy
- Feedback & Questions

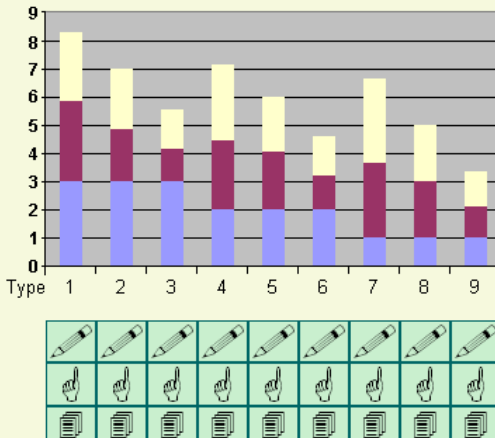
Result in comparison

The diagram shows the results from preceded investigations in 117 villages. Results are combined in three groups of characters.

Columns in violet show the demographic position of a village. The more age groups and other attributes are balanced, the better the demographic situation and expectation for the future.

Red columns are to represent the economic situation in comparison to other villages. The higher the number of employed people and the number of enterprises and the smaller the number of unemployed, the better the economic situation can be described.

Finally yellow columns reflect the conditions for social life. The more groups and group members are active and the higher the rate of young and active group members, the more stabile is the village's society.



Type 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

You did the typology some time ago.
Look where you can find your village now!

Choose country Choose village

UPDATING VILLAGE

login

.....

ENTER CLEAR

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- **transnational decline knowledge transfer
(Hinterland village scenarios)**



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How may look my village in 20 years?


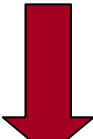

Scenario 1: trend

Scenario 2: disaster

Scenario 3: villages with future



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	trend	desaster	villages of future
Population development 2030	- 25%	- 45%	- 15%
Aging - older than 65 - younger than 21	+80% - 35%	+110% - 45%	+65% - 20%
Migration until 2030	-3%	-10%	+0%
Number of non-agro enterprises in village	3	0	6
Social groups in village	5	1	10
future development			

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Scenario 1: trend

what happens?

- growing vacancy of houses
- closing of schools and other supplies
- emigration of young and active people
- economic and social problems

... lesser chances, reduced motivation of remaining inhabitants!



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Scenario 2: disaster

what happens?

- permanent settlement dilapidation
- lot of supply gaps
- total deficit on qualified workers – economic burn out
- social segregation

... loss of all chances!



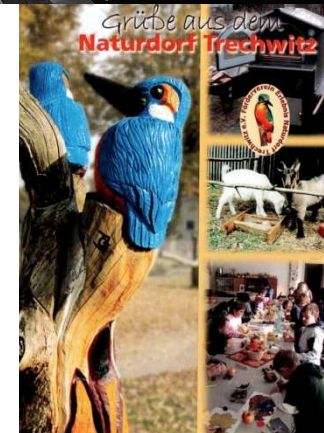
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Scenario 3: villages with future

what happens?

- management of abandoned houses
- flexible supply solutions (e.g. small primary school)
- public-business networking
- social profiling, targeted Vorderland cooperation

... all chances of modern village community!





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“Yes, we have decline ...
... but we are aware this situation!
Such as more we like to deal with our strengths”

Dalia Dijokaite,
2nd Hinterland Forum, Siauliai, 09/10/06

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decline information packages application rate

village vitality check rate and multi lingual

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- **decline strategy approaches and programs**

trans-national Hinterland concepts

policy recommendations

Policy recommendations for depopulation areas (excerpt from project website results WP4)

**Depopulation will come to a permanent process in many remote areas!
Inside those areas is a large diversity (e.g. East Germany = Region of Contrasts)!**

Policy in general:

Changes at European, national, regional and local policy level are necessary for

- **strengthening regional and local civil society and public authorities,**
- **developing local capacities for change,**
- **mobilizing local and regional potentials and**
- **creating / supporting innovation in organisational and institutional processes**

Policy recommendations for depopulation areas (excerpt from project website results WP4)

For spatial planning and spatial development:

Ways of solving Hinterland problems are to be integrated into spatial development activities by developing new visions, targets and measures. Main aspects are:

- **revise of spatial development plans and programs for reflecting and integrating decline issues (all levels),**
- **elaborating endogenous development options in combination with Vorderland-Hinterland-linkages and external support,**
- **initiating regional management activities (including cross-border-development).**

Policy recommendations for depopulation areas (excerpt from project website results WP4)

Examples from further policy areas by (1):

- establishing educational networks for guaranteeing support and transparency of local job-markets and elderly adaptation
- using and supporting the high potential of renewable energies (wind, water, solar, biomass, tides, urban waste recycling),
- securing nationwide basic local minimum standards in infrastructures (health care, security, water, energy etc.),
- using potentials of information technologies and services based on telecommunication, including improvement of education regarding technological knowledge
- ensuring regional access to infrastructure and knowledge (network management, mobility management)

Policy recommendations for depopulation areas (excerpt from project website results WP4)

Examples from other policy areas by (2):

- supporting interconnectivity between urban areas and the countryside,
- redefining administrative regulations for facilitating flexible supply solutions
- change in income tax distribution (check of the Japan modell)
- developing cultural landscapes
- support of non-agricultural sources of income: crafts, services, trade
- training of local administrations as key actors in change management processes for remote area innovation profiling ('remote InnoLand')



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