

Sustainability actions in Uppsala

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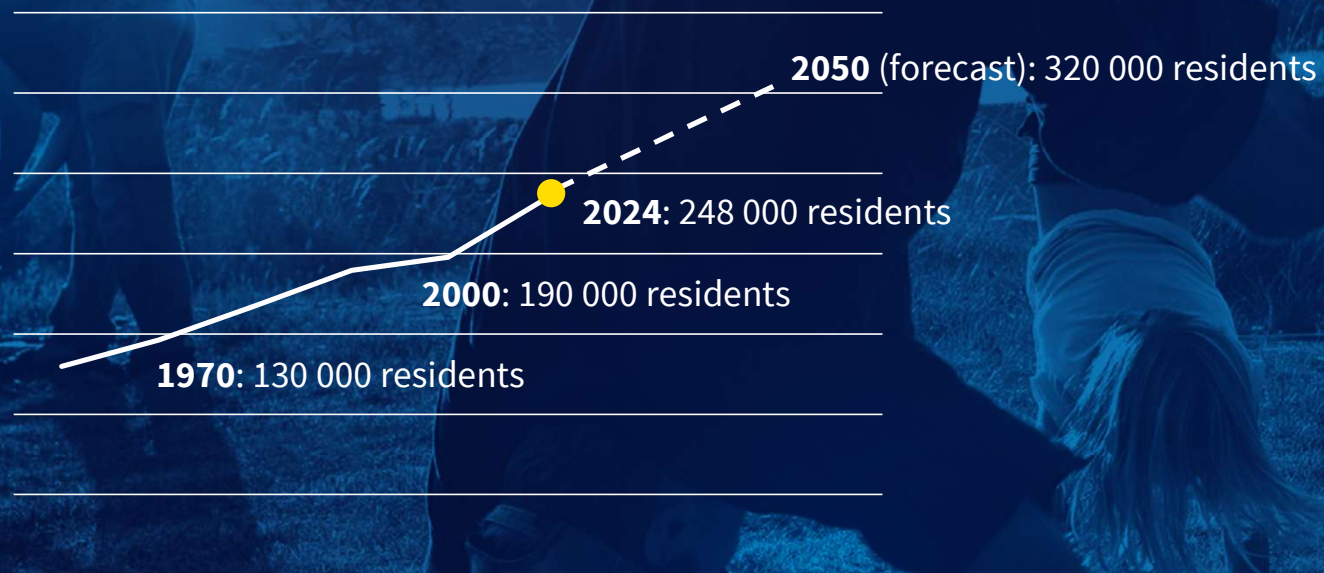
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248 000 residents
2 182 sq km

Sweden's fourth
largest municipality
and city

Sweden's
largest rural
municipality

Uppsala's **demographic** development



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1 municipal management
office

9

9 offices

13

13 municipal companies

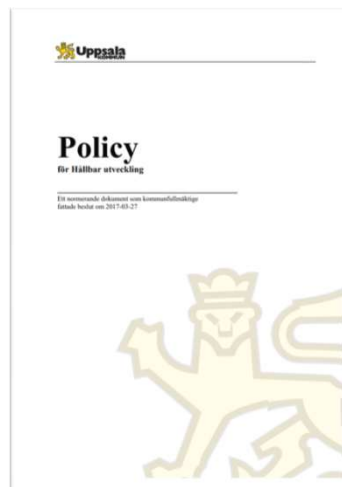
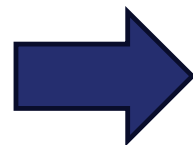
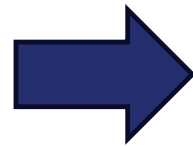
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18 000 employees

We prioritize our residents

Sustainable development

Grounded in the UN:s Agenda 2030



The municipal council's Objectives and budget

- The global goals are integrated with four overarching objectives encompassing all boards and companies within the municipality.
- The objectives are the basis of specific tasks that boards and companies will carry out within the designated timeframe.
- To assess progress the municipality uses the national indicators for Agenda 2030.

Policy for sustainable development

- Adopted by the municipal council.
- Presents six principles that shall be integrated in all municipal operations.
- Establishes that Uppsala municipality shall be a leading force in sustainable development, globally, nationally, regionally and locally.

Economy

Uppsala will ensure a robust
economy and safeguard our welfare

Jobs

Uppsala will foster a thriving business
community and generate more jobs

Climate

Uppsala shall lead the climate transition

Safety

Uppsala shall become safer with
equal living conditions



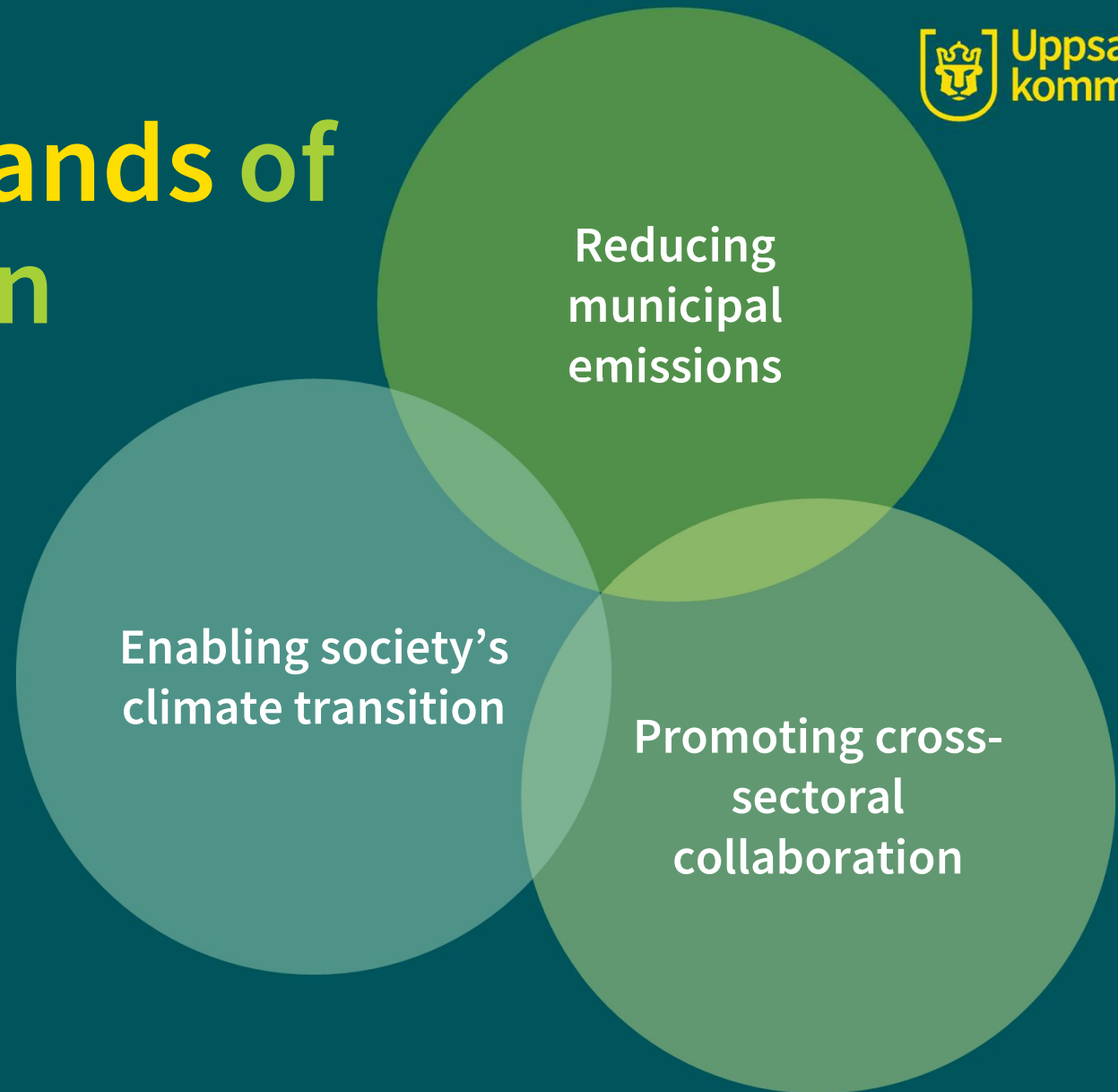
**Overall goals of Uppsala's
Environmental and Climate Programme**

Toxin-free Environment 2050 and Sustainable Resource Flows

**Climate-Neutral Uppsala by 2030 for
a Climate-Positive Uppsala by 2050 at the latest**

A Climate- Adapted Uppsala 2040

The three strands of climate action



Reducing **municipal** **emissions**

Paving the way for climate-positive neighbourhoods

In the municipal districts of Ulleråker and Rosendal, future construction will have a minimal carbon footprint. We will make this happen by:

- calculating emissions for each construction phase
- used machines and transportation should be as climate-friendly as possible
- increasing the use of wood as a primary construction material.
- preserving and restoring instead of demolishing
- setting strict environmental requirements for private constructions on municipal land.



Photo: Lilla Produktionsbolaget

Ensuring a sustainable energy supply

Uppsala Municipality acts to ensure a long-term and sustainable energy supply that covers future needs.

Examples of prioritised actions are:

- More efficient grid capacity management.
- Improving energy efficiency in municipal properties and operations.
- Increasing the use of renewable energy.



Photo: johner.se/Christian Ferm

Making **sustainability** the easy choice

A circular Uppsala promoting circular flows

Uppsala Municipality provides numerous solutions to simplify circular practices for citizens, organisations, and companies.

Examples:

- Public libraries
- Fritidsbanken ('library' for recreational equipment)
- Återbruket (municipal second-hand store)
- Byggåterbruket (construction material reuse centre)



We collaborate locally,
regionally, nationally,
and internationally

Uppsala Climate Protocol

Uppsala Climate Protocol is a local network composed of companies, public organisations, universities, and organisations, that collaborate and inspire one another to scale up their climate action.

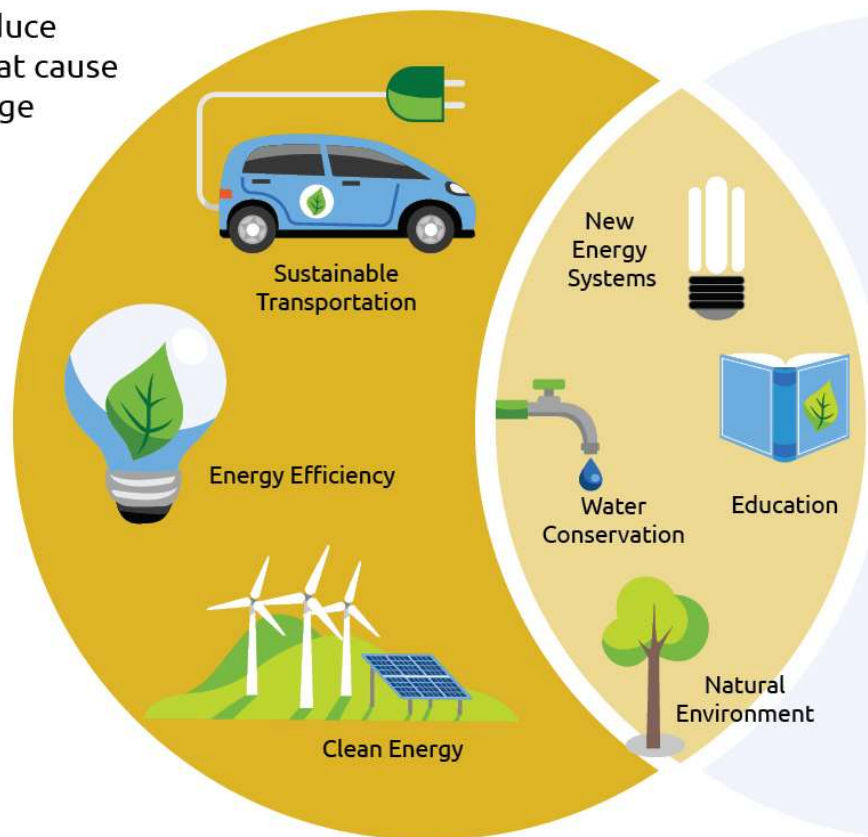
Members accept different Climate Challenges to focus their action, and the work is carried out in Focus groups.



Climate **adaptation**

Mitigation

Action to reduce emissions that cause climate change



Adaptation

Action to manage the risks of climate change impacts

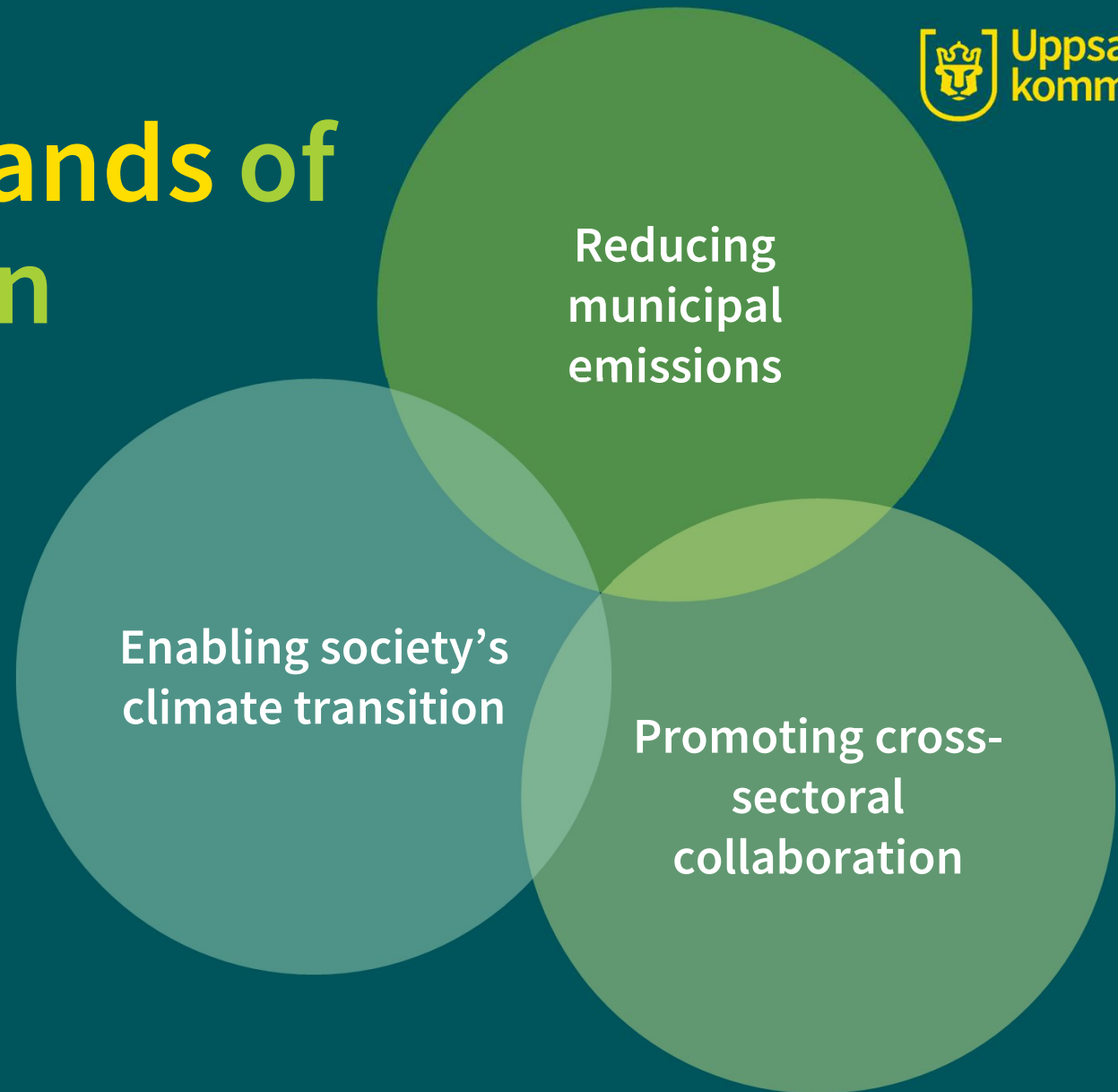


Climate-adapted Uppsala by 2040

- Focus on developing the systematic work
- A broad cooperation with local actors is needed
- The work should take place in dialogue with residents, civil society and business to ensure the participation of all social groups



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Thank you!