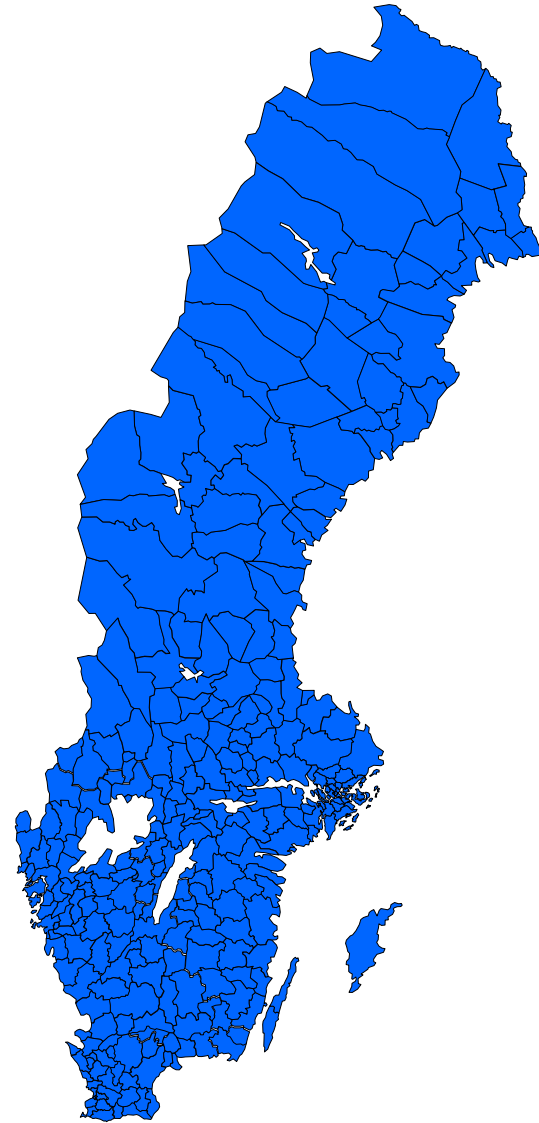


# Participatory budgeting in Sweden

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- SALAR represents Sweden's 290 municipalities.
- SALAR acts as an employer's organisation, and defends and promotes the interests of its members.
- 10 million inhabitants.



# SALAR Congress 2015

”SALAR will support it´s members in the work to develop the dialogue and co-creation with citizens and to integrate the results in governance processes and development for a socially and democratic sustainable society”

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FATTIGDOM



**5** JÄMSTÄLLDHET



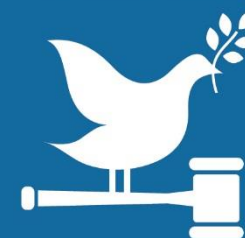
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**11** HÅLLBARA  
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# Start 2008 – inviting municipalities to networks



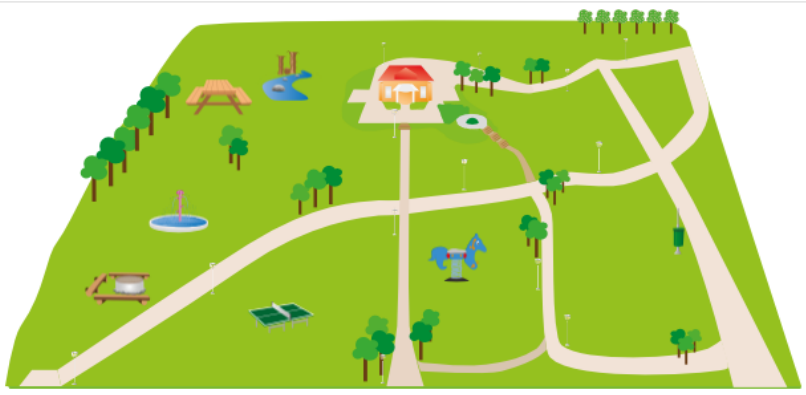
***Park  
Budget***

## Lesson learned - blending needed


**Submit your proposal**

What do you wanna see in City Park? Use your imagination!  
Max budget is 35 000 euro.

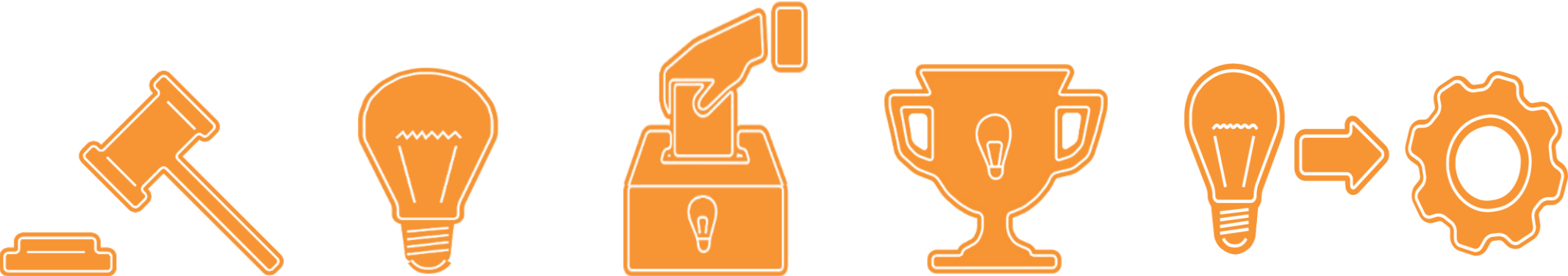
Budget: 35000 €      You have spent: 23150 €



Activities   Decoration   **Tables and chairs**   Water



# Lesson learned - structure needed



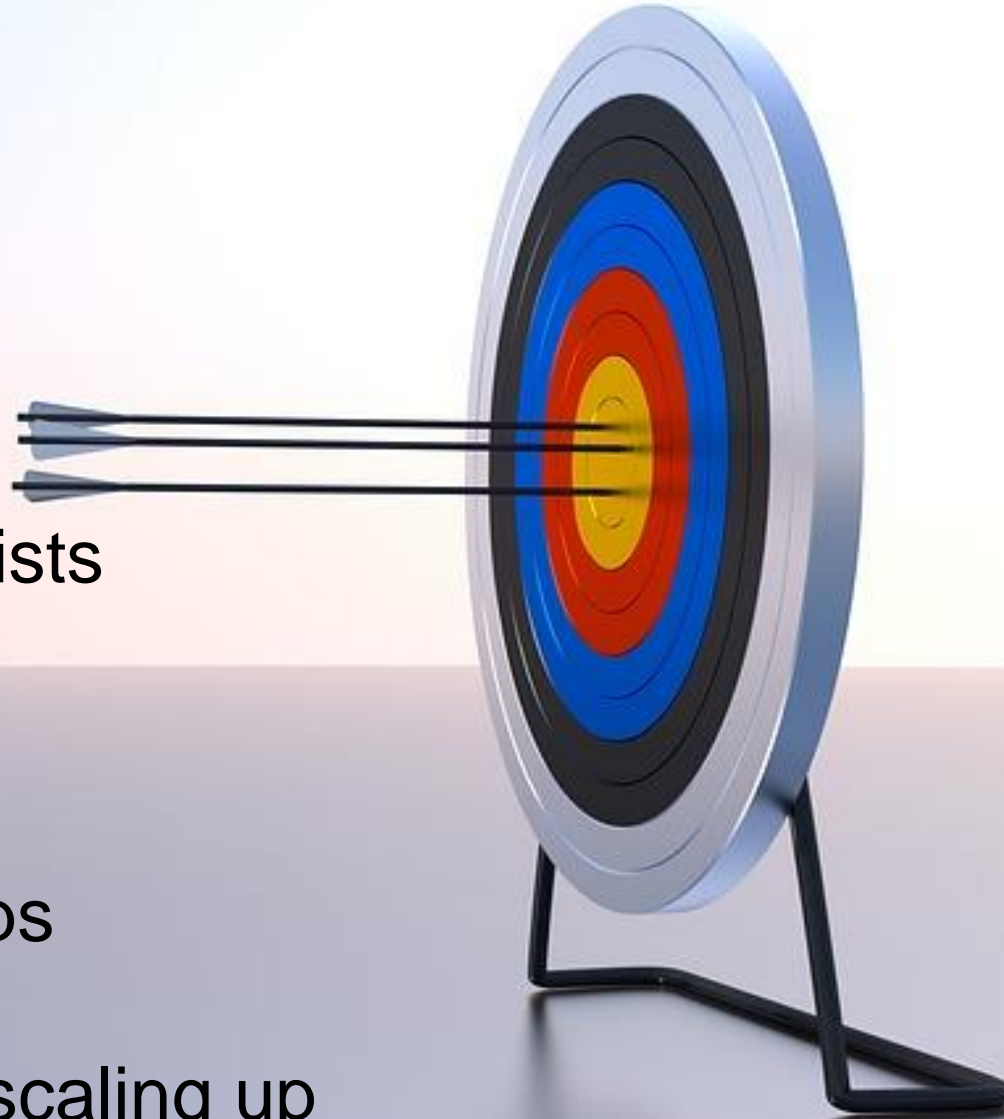
# Experiences



- Participaters are positive
- Increased interest in Cities
- Women in majority
- Important to learn from others

# Challenges

- Be persistent
- More money in PB
- Convince the economists
- Political ownership
- Reach excluded groups
- Time for next level of scaling up



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This is a great opportunity if you want to learn more about participatory budgeting and participation in complex issues such as social inclusion and infrastructure development. At the conference you will be able to learn from the experiences of others, share yours and discuss how participatory processes can be developed in the future.

Conference participants will include experts, researchers, representatives from municipalities and civil society, from both Sweden and other countries.

Conference language: English

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**Thank you  
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