#### Pellet market driven by carbon pricing

#### - Our Swedish choice

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#### Let me first briefly introduce Sweden....



- Our population has just passed 10.0 million....
- About 85% of the population live in urban areas...
- GDP per capita\* is about \$46 702 (OECD \$40 084)
- We have no oil, gas, or coal resources of our own......
- ..and we are at the forefront of environmental thinking....

\* source: OECD (2016)

## Why a carbon tax - back in 1990?

#### Seen through my Swedish eyes

- Higher oil prices have hardly hit our economy
- Timing with an "wake-up time era" in environmental questions
- Politicians in agreement that something has to be done
- Insight about the need of a future safe and local energy source
- Increased price of fossil energy will benefit local economy





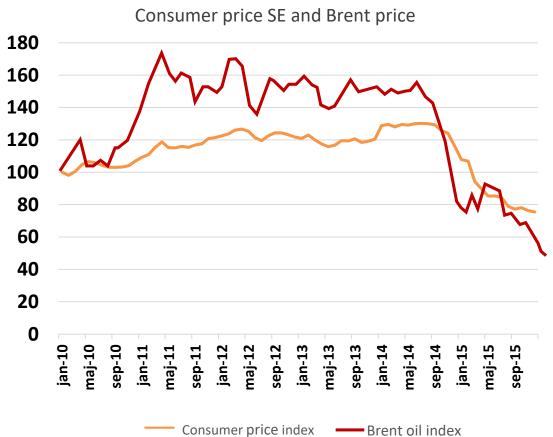
## **My first Conclusion**





# High taxation will contribute to more stabile oil prices...





- Taxes on fossil energy gives cash flow in to the government and stimulates the development of all alternatives
- High total tax on all fossil energy
  - Oil **€85 + €320 = €405** per m<sup>3</sup>
  - Natural gas **€90 + €240 = €330** per 1000 kg
- Only carbon tax is €115/ton CO<sub>2</sub>
  - 4 times higher than in any other country.
  - 25 times higher than the price of emissions in cap and trade.
- We have already tested the carbon tax in full scale.
  - Our economy has not collapsed
  - Jobs have not moved abroad.

Our carbon tax has boost all kind of renewables...



# Our roadmap is simple and easy to understand



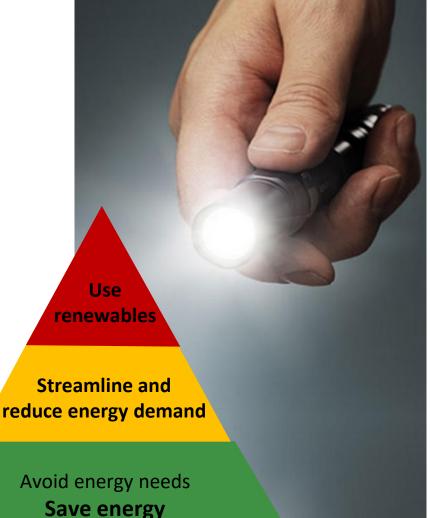
Replace fossil energy with renewables 55,000 employees

Cut the losses – save energy 13,000 employees



Maximum RECYCLING 18,600 employees

Always focus upon *sustainable resources* that are not "running out"



#### Not only woodpellets!

- We look upon all types of waste as a resource!



#### It's not at my topic today but...

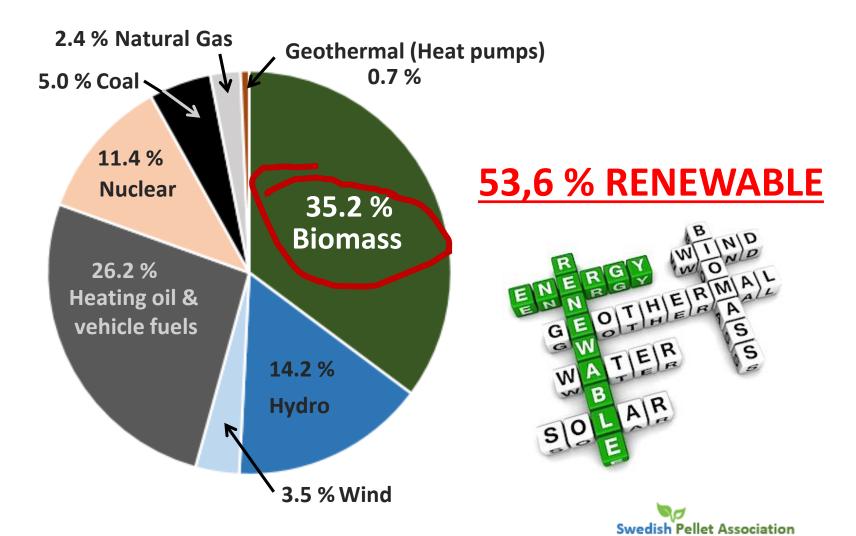
## Responsible forestry is increasing the growth...

- A well-managed forest is growing faster and binds more carbon dioxide as an old forest
- As long as the harvesting of biomass is lower than the growth of the forest is bioenergy almost carbon neutral
- Caring with thinning and harvesting at the right time increases the profitability of forest owners
- Byproducts provide extra income as bioenergy



#### Final <u>Use</u> of Energy 2015 (in Sweden)

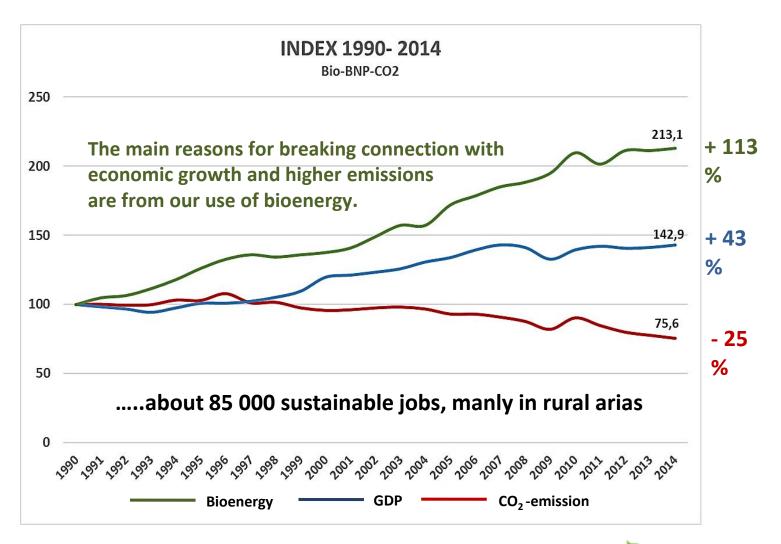
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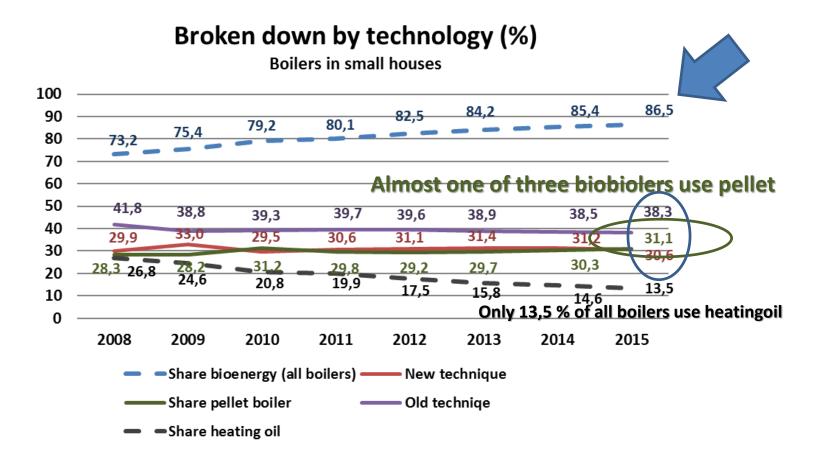




#### Swedish GDP increased while CO<sub>2</sub> emissions went down



## 86,5 % of all boilers in private homes are fired with biomass...



#### **Final conclusions**

#### High carbon pricing are better than grants

Our experience can be implemented in all countries

Active forestry management boosts forest growth

Increased profitability for the forest industry

- Create sustainable jobs in rural areas
- Reduces the cost of heating
- More money stays in the local economy
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions



# Everything can not be solved with electricity from wind and sun....



I would like to end up my presentation with a quote that feels just as relevant today - when we talk about pellet and renewable energy - as it was in back in 1969 - when Neil Armstrong called Houston and said.....

It's only one small step for a man, but a giant leap for the manking

Thank you for listening!

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