NORKLIMA (2004-2013): Climate change and its impacts in Norway

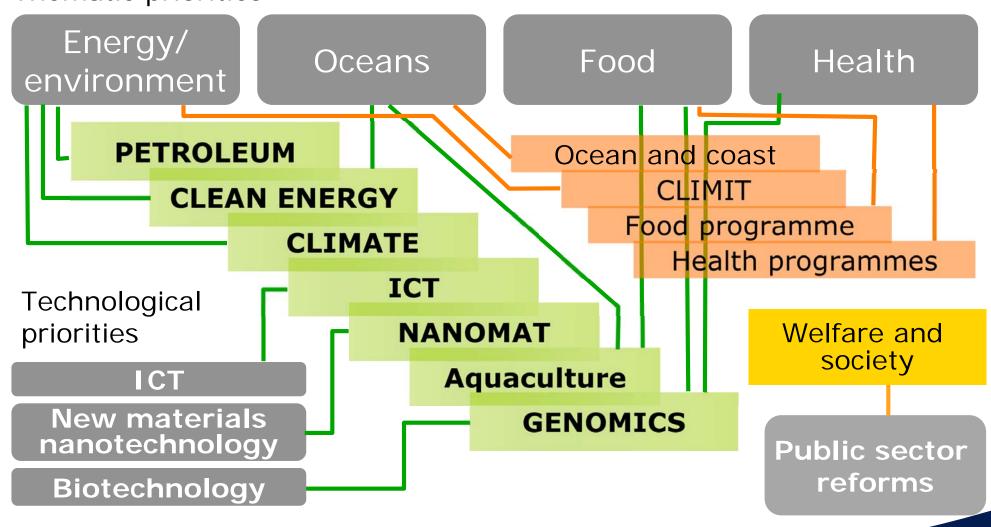
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National priorities

Thematic priorities





Climate change and its impacts in Norway

- NORKLIMA



The primary objective:

Generate vital new knowledge on

- •The climate system
- •Climate trends in the past, present and future
- •Direct and indirect impacts of climate change on the natural environment and society, as a basis for adaptive responses by human society.
- Budget 2007: Ca. 70 mill. NOK.

Scientific objectives

- Climate systems: Improved undestanding and quantification of uncertainty
- Impacts of abiotic systems: Climate change and its impacts on abiotic systems
- Impacts of biotic systems: Climate change and its effects on ecosystems
- Climate change and society: Identify elements of a national strategy for adaptation to projected climate change.

Call for proposals June 2006: Social impacts of and adaptation to climate change (NOK 12 million per year for 3-4 years)

- Research on how particularly vulnerable regions, sectors and groups will be affected by climate change either in the form of long-term gradual change including more extreme weather conditions and a higher frequency of extreme weather events, or in the form of rapid, large-scale climate change.
- Research on processes of change in society that directly or indirectly increase or reduce the vulnerability of different sectors, regions and groups to climate change

Call for proposals June 2007

- Coordinated projects, integrating impacts of and adaptation to climate change (NOK 25 million per year for 3-4 years) – social science
 - Social impacts of climate change in the High North
 - The importance of climate change in policy development
- Impacts of climate change for ecosystems and industries based on biological resources (NOK 22 million per year for 3-4 years)
 - Encourage multidisciplinary projects: social sciences
 & ecological impacts