Parallel Session 4B – Station Management & Financing

Managing stations on a commercial basis in a liberalized railway market – a case study from Sweden

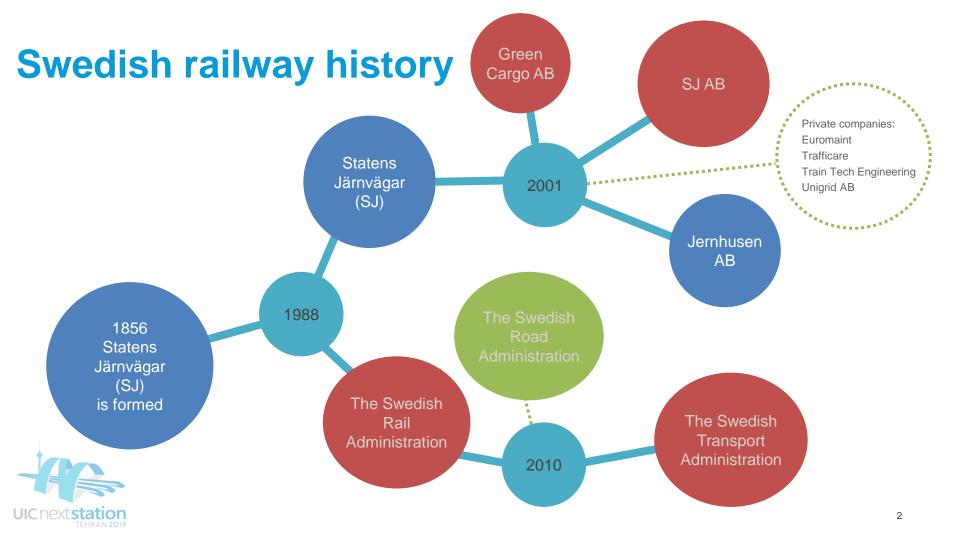


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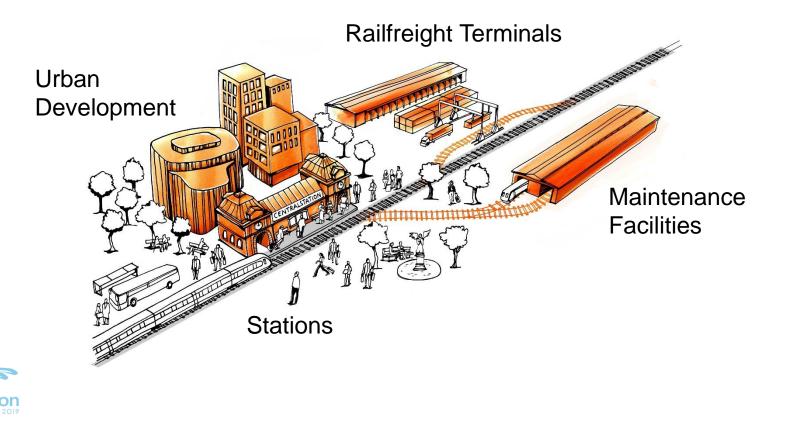
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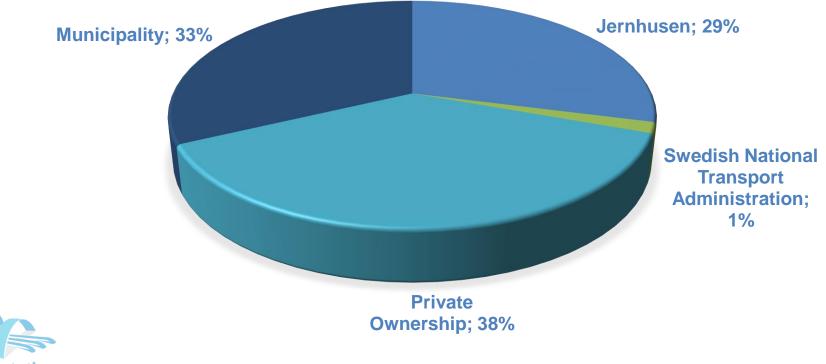


Sweden, a liberalized railway market

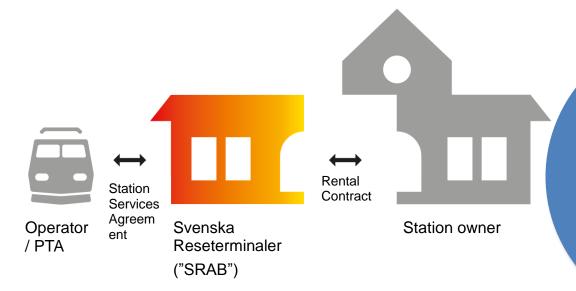


Who owns station buildings?

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Svenska Reseterminaler, a specialized and neutral agent that manages basic station functions



133 stations 38 transport operators

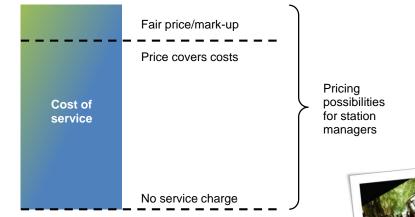
Station owner has 1 contract with SRAB covering all operators

Operator has 1 contract with SRAB covering all stations



Station services are financed on a commercial basis

- Shared core services
 (e.g. waiting rooms) available
 to all operators on fair cost basis, allowing for a reasonable profit
- All modes of transport, using the station, share the cost for common services, thus reducing cost for TOCs
- Station Service Agreements are valid for 1 year at a time
- Most station owners contract with Svenska Reseterminaler to manage waiting rooms
- Other services, retail and office premises are offered at market rates; profit and risk remain with property owner







Basic and supplementary functions

A number of functions are always offered in order to fulfill the travellers' basic needs for their trip and to secure a safe and comfortable environment.

Supplementary services are defined per station, based upon local needs and circumstances (e.g. cleaning, security)

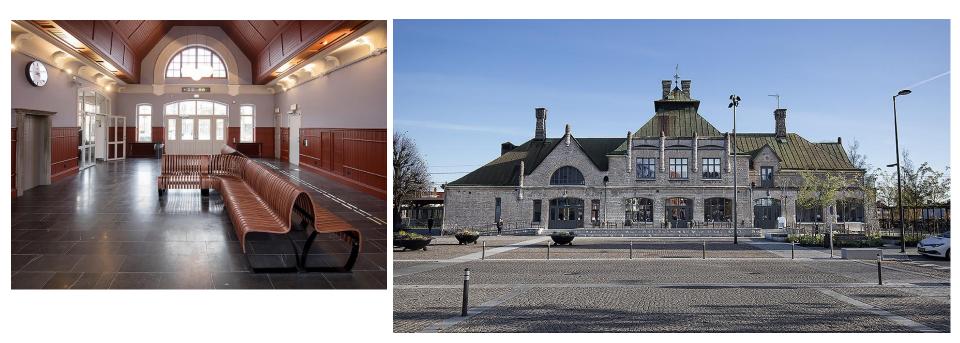
FURNITURE, INFORMATION	STATION CLASS
Seats	0-5
Entrance sign & opening times	0-5
Waste baskets	0-5
Lighting	0-5
Frames 70 x100 for train and bus timetables,	
traffic info and a local map	0-4
Toilet	0-4
Info about the property	0-5
Contrast markings / guidance paths	In accordance with legislation
Signage for traffic purposes	0-4
Meeting point	In accordance with legislation
Clock	0-5
Audible information	0-4
Dynamic traffic information	
(Screen with real-time information)	0-3







Nattavaara (pop. 115)





Kumla Listed building owned by the municipal real estate company



Åmotfors Privately owned station / guest house / art gallery

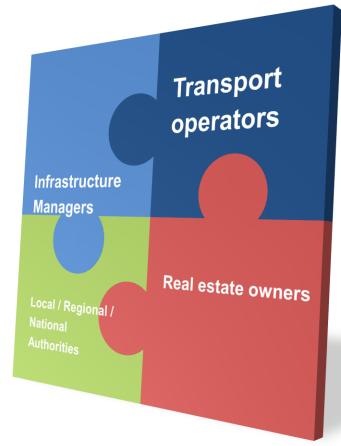






Växjö Station and city hall (under construction)

Cooperation is the key to success





Lessons learned & Challenges

- 1. Genuine customer-supplier relationships drive the necessary dialogue about value for money and "need vs. nice to have".
- 2. Small stations thrive under local ownership.
- 3. Legislation lags business practice, causing uncertainties (and extra work) for all parties involved.
- 4. Conflicts of interest do arise how remain agile and decisive while making sure the large number of stakeholders have a saying?



Thank you for your kind attention

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