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Young people bring Nordic food heritage to life

How do we bring Nordic food heritage into the future? By engaging young people.

Through the NKJ co-funded project "UWC Red Cross Nordic: Building a New Nordic Food and Sustainability Program", young people explored Nordic food culture through sustainable school meals, local ingredients, and hands-on experiences such as harvesting, cooking, and preserving food.



The project shows that food is more than what is served on a plate. It is culture, methods, values, and a powerful tool for learning, integration, and connection across backgrounds. By involving both kitchen staff and students, the initiative sparked a lasting interest in food and sustainability among young people.

The project was co-funded by NKJ. **We have an open call right now** – last chance to apply before deadline January 31st!

[Judith Kyst, coordinator, about the outcomes of the project](#)

NKJ co-funded research network strengthens knowledge on cover crops

The research network CoverCropsNordic strengthens collaborations and advances understanding of how cover crops can improve soil health, reduce environmental impacts, and support climate change mitigation. By bringing together expertise from multiple countries, the network has improved the shared understanding of both trade-offs and synergies linked to the many impacts of cover crops, while also laying the groundwork for future joint activities and research projects.

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[More about the results of the networking activities here!](#)

NKJ has an open call for agriculture and food networks across the Nordic countries – hurry up to apply to strengthen knowledge exchange in your area of interest!

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OPEN CALL

Calling all researcher networks in food and agriculture!

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR NORDIC RESEARCHERS



OPEN CALL: Networking in agriculture and food

NKJ welcomes applications for funding to boost Nordic collaboration and spark new ideas across disciplines. The call aims to strengthen Nordic cooperation and inspire new, cross-disciplinary collaborations.

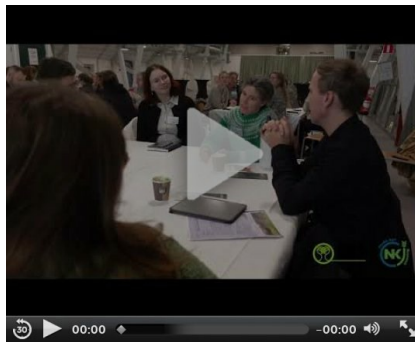
Deadline for application: 31 January, 2026

[STILL TWO WEEKS TO GO! Apply now](#)

The Nordic Land Use Conference: Final report is on its way

How can we balance the multiple needs of land use in the Nordic region? Nordic Agri Research (NKJ) and Nordic Forest Research (SNS) invited to a conference where solutions for sustainable land use was discussed from both research and policy perspectives.

The final report is coming soon – we will keep you updated in the coming newsletters and on [LinkedIn!](#)



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