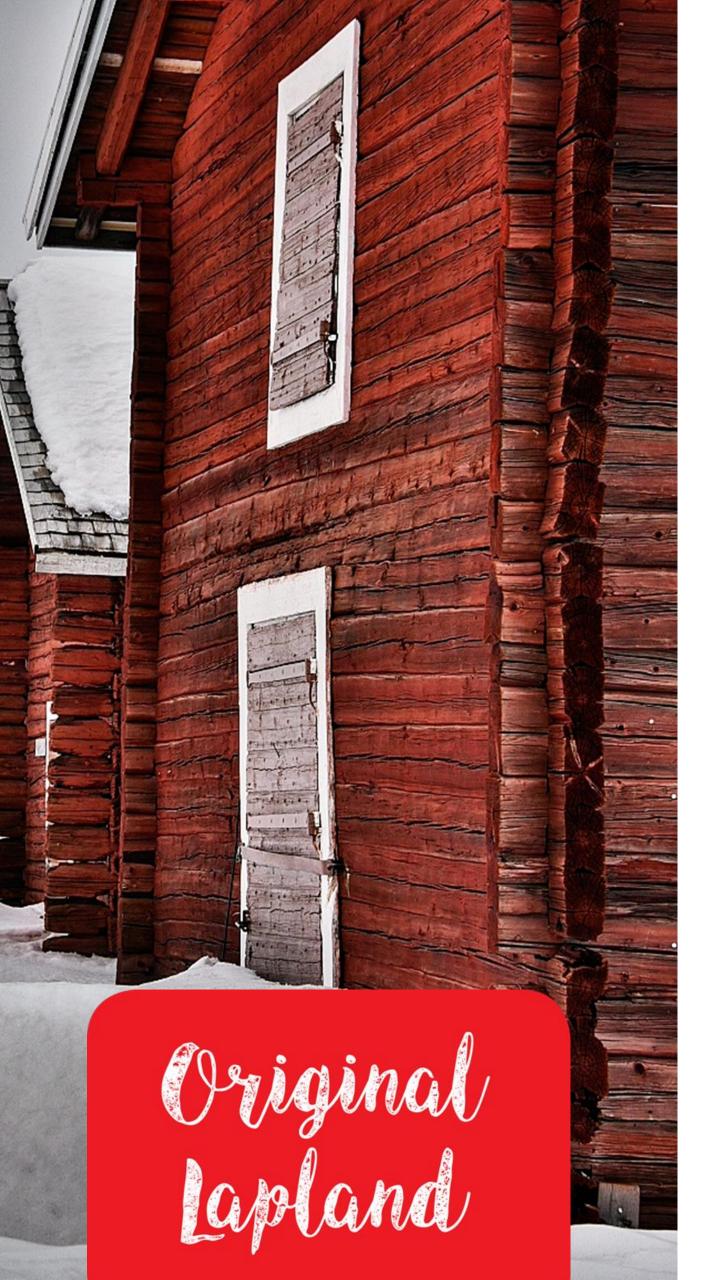


# ALONG THE RIVER TO THE ARCTIC - ORIGINAL LAPLAND -

Let's go!

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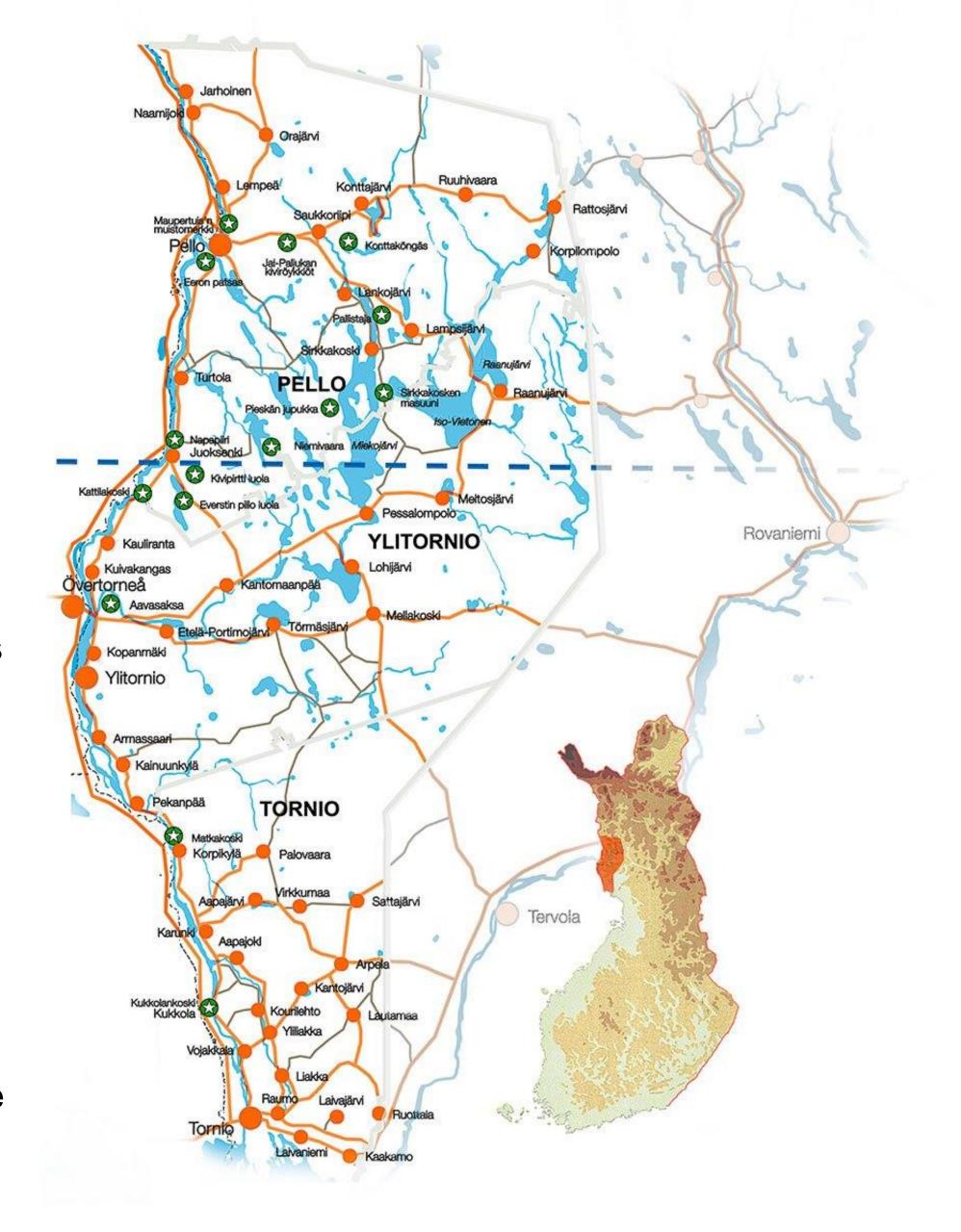


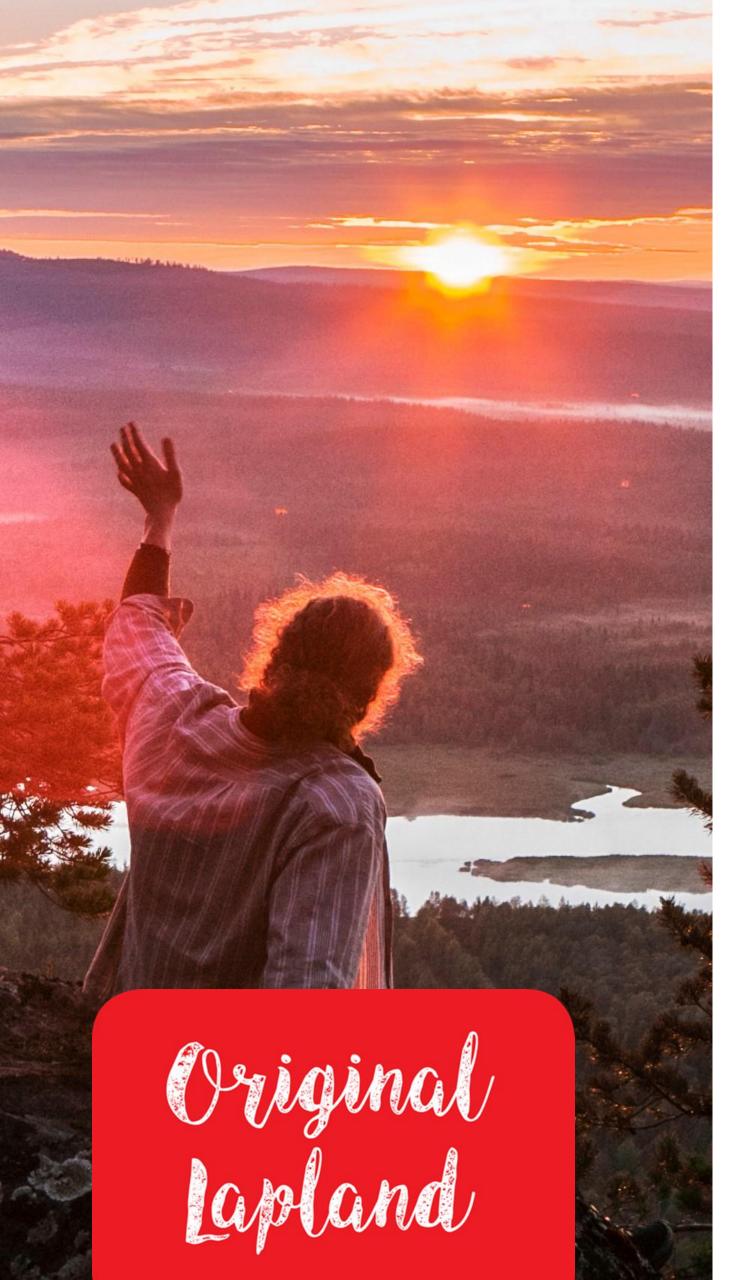


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### PELLO, YLITORNIO & TORNIO

- About 29 600 residents(~22 000 in Tornio)
- About 52 village associations
- About 70 tourism companies
- About 1600 beds
- Main season summer
- Main activities fishing, hunting, trekking, rafting, canoeing, reindeer, huskies, snowmobiles, snowshoes, shopping (in Tornio/ Haparanda)...
- Events play an important role





#### IT ALL STARTED FROM HERE

- The development of tourism in Lapland has started from our area - since the 16th century when European expeditions headed for our River Valley.
- Our Valley was Finland's best known area in the 18th and 19th century in Western Europe.
- Aavasaksa, the Lapland's oldest tourist destination
- Tornio, the oldest city in Lapland and the most important border crossing point between Finland and Sweden









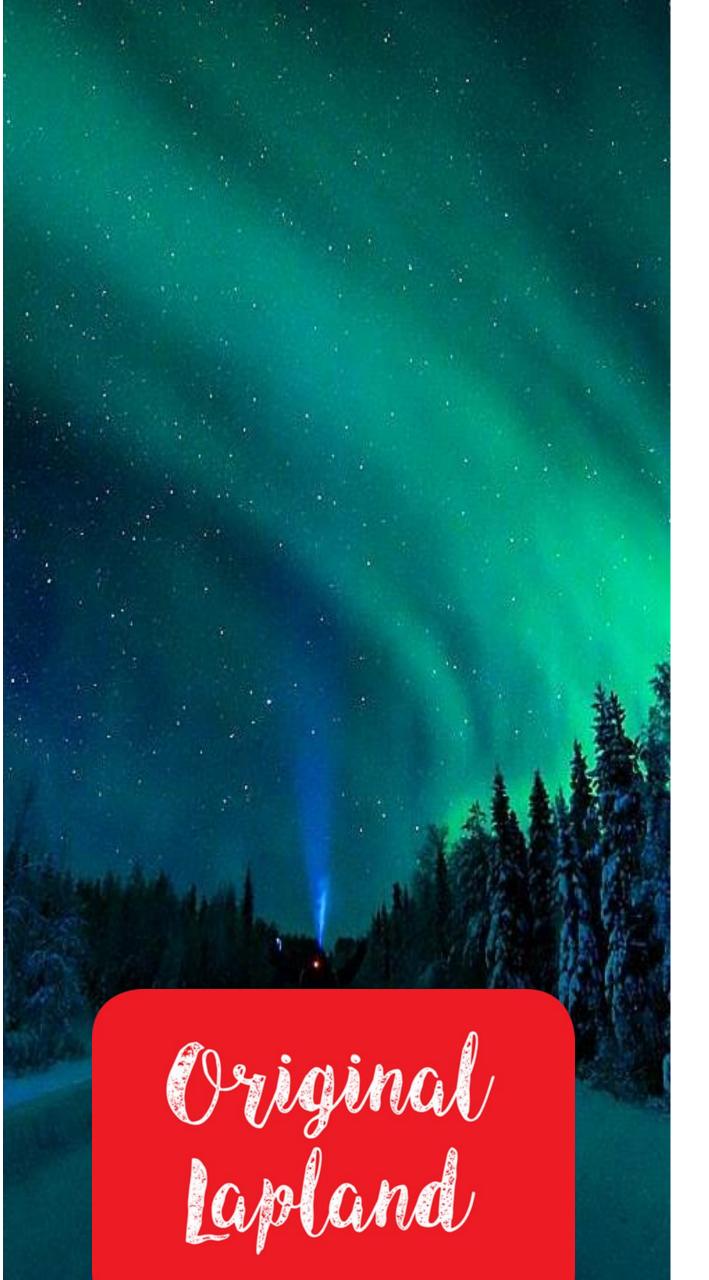
#### **OUR OWN ACTIONS AND GOALS**

- To create a village tourism development guide
- To activate and start development efforts in villages who are interested in tourism
- To arrange meetings between actors
- To bring out new travel products
- To map and develop the events in the area
- To organize a trip to explore the future of tourism in some other part of Europe (that have similar target groups)









#### WE HAVE SO MUCH TO OFFER!

- Open border and a genuine common culture and history
- Arctic nature with all the eight seasons, northern lights....
- Wild and free river with salmon and other fish...
- Clean water & air, security, space, silence and peace...
- Berries, mushrooms, reindeer, huskies, wild herbs,...
- The Arctic Circle, The Northern Lights Route, ...
- Routes to go by snowmobiles, fat bikes, snowshoes, skies, etc...
- All the other activities and events

#### HOW CAN WE MAKE IT HAPPEN?

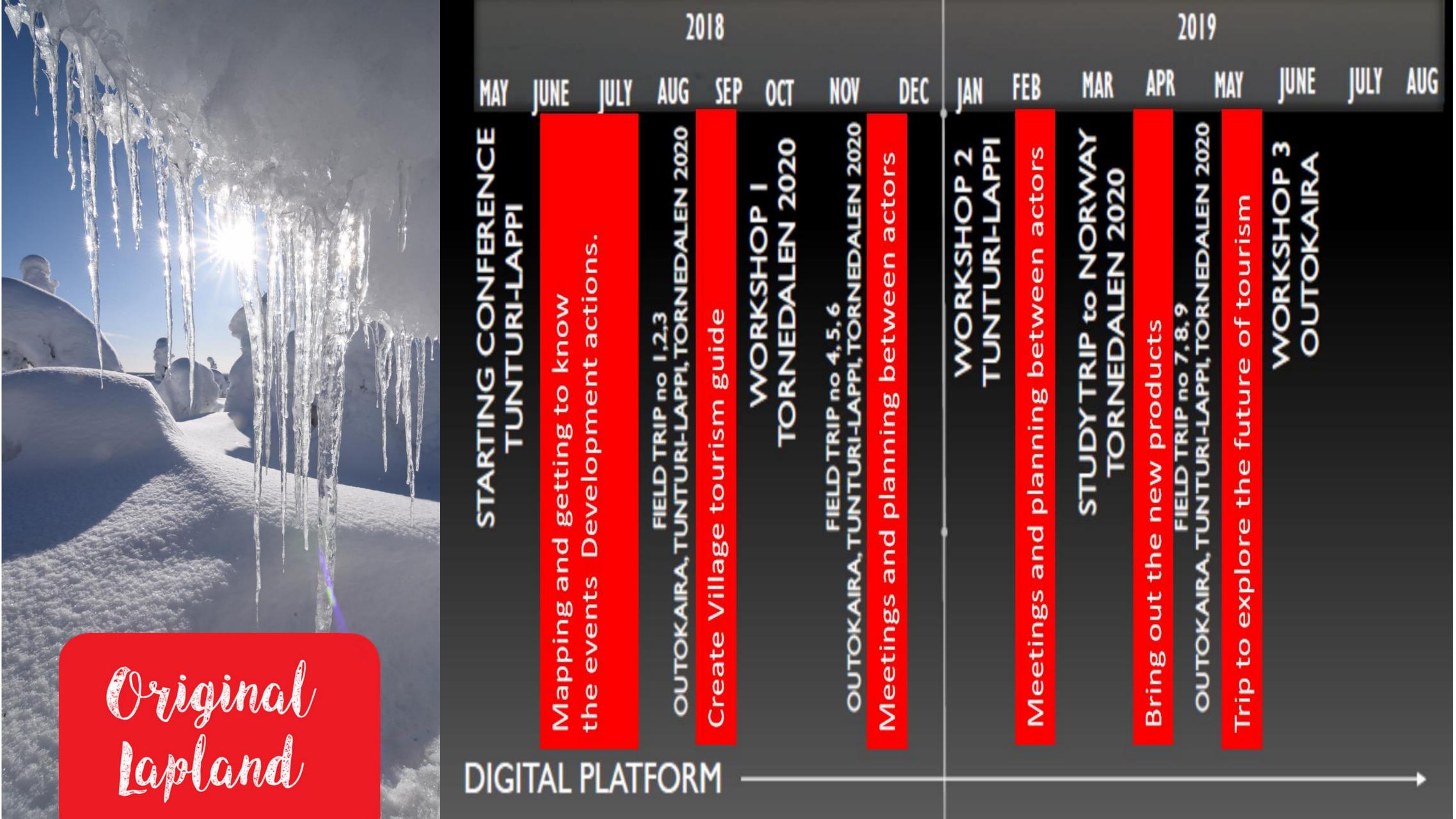
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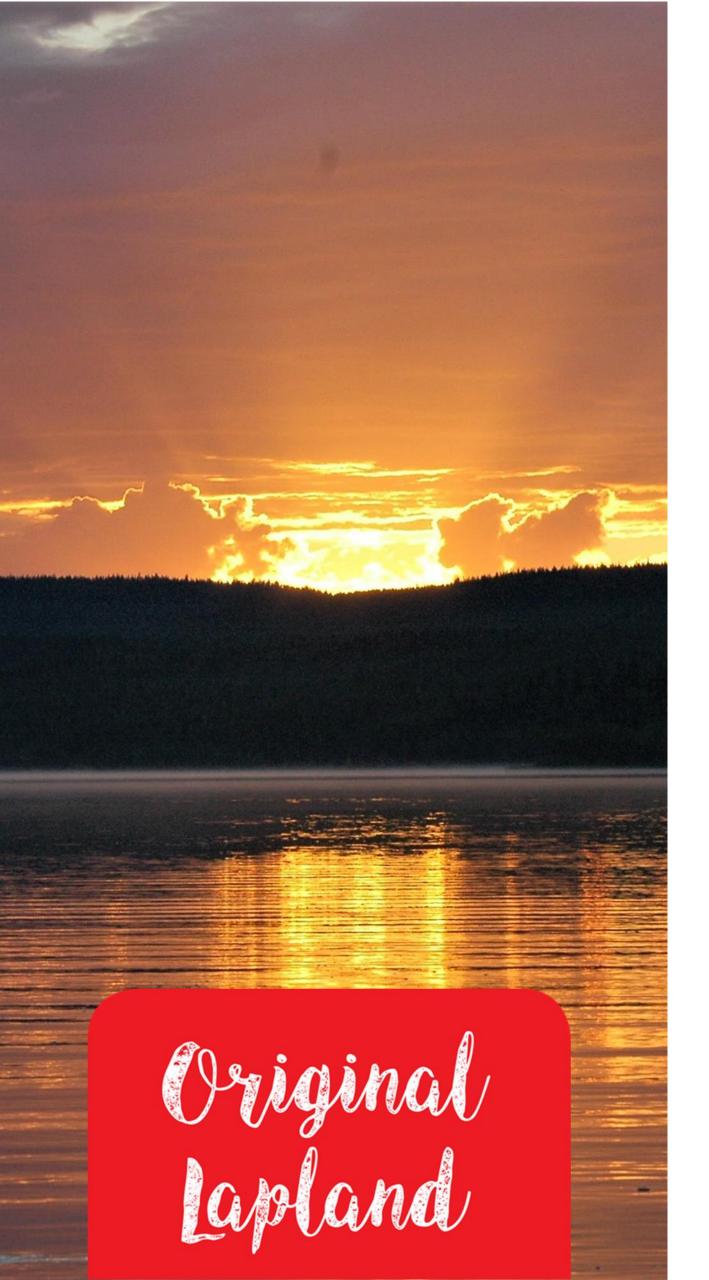






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#### LET'S DO IT!

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