

Leonardo da Vinci

Community Vocational Training Action Programme Second Phase: 2000-2006 (MOBILITY)



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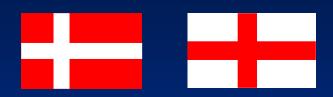


A unique partnership...





A joint-submission...



- 16 members of SF&RS have visited Falck
- 12 members of Falck have visited SF&RS











Shropshire Fire & Rescue Service





- Local Authority Service
- 1 of 47 in England
- 580 employees
- 23 Fire Stations
- Annual budget £18m









Falck



- largest private emergency service provider in Europe
- 100 years of experience
- Over 8,000 employees (5,500 in ambulance operations, more than 2,500 firefighters)
- Turnover: £445m
- Presence in:
 - Sweden, Norway, Finland,
 Estonia, Poland, UK, Belgium,
 The Netherlands, Slovakia,
 Malaysia, Brazil, Trinidad &
 Tobago











Programme Summary

"An international exchange programme that promotes the sharing of ideas, strategies and innovative practice between Falck and SF&RS, leading to improvements in non-formal and informal learning"





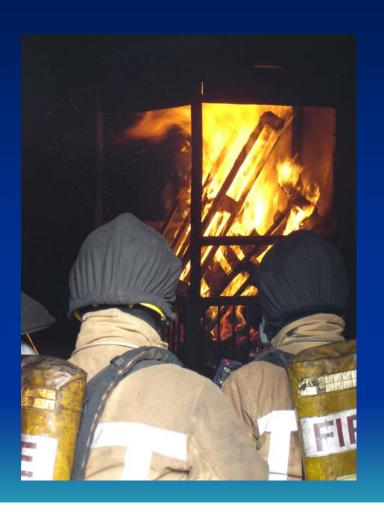






Key Aims

- 1. To address individual training needs
- 2. To enable the individual to identify, develop and improve core competencies of other fire and rescue personnel











Areas of Research

- Road Traffic Rescue Techniques
- Fire-fighting
- Breathing Apparatus
- Fire Investigation
- Inter-agency planning
- Control Room Operations
- Hoax Calls











Areas of Research



- Branding
- Marketing
- Equality & Diversity
- Recruitment
- Statistical Management
- Health & Safety
- Training
- Physical Fitness



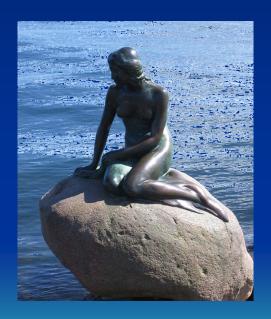






Participant Preparation

- Awareness of LDV Programme
- Memorandum of Understanding
- Cultural awareness of Denmark
- Language basics
- Overview of Falck
- Research techniques
- Presentation skills
- Report writing











Participant Support

- Single Point of Contact for outgoing staff
- Single Point of Contact for incoming staff
- Centralised booking:
 - Travel
 - Subsistence
 - Accommodation
- 24 hour support













Participant Recognition











Individual Benefits

- Exposure to a different culture
- Experiences of private sector working
- Alternative approaches to traditional fire and rescue work
- Improved confidence
- Developed skills
- New networks
- New friends!











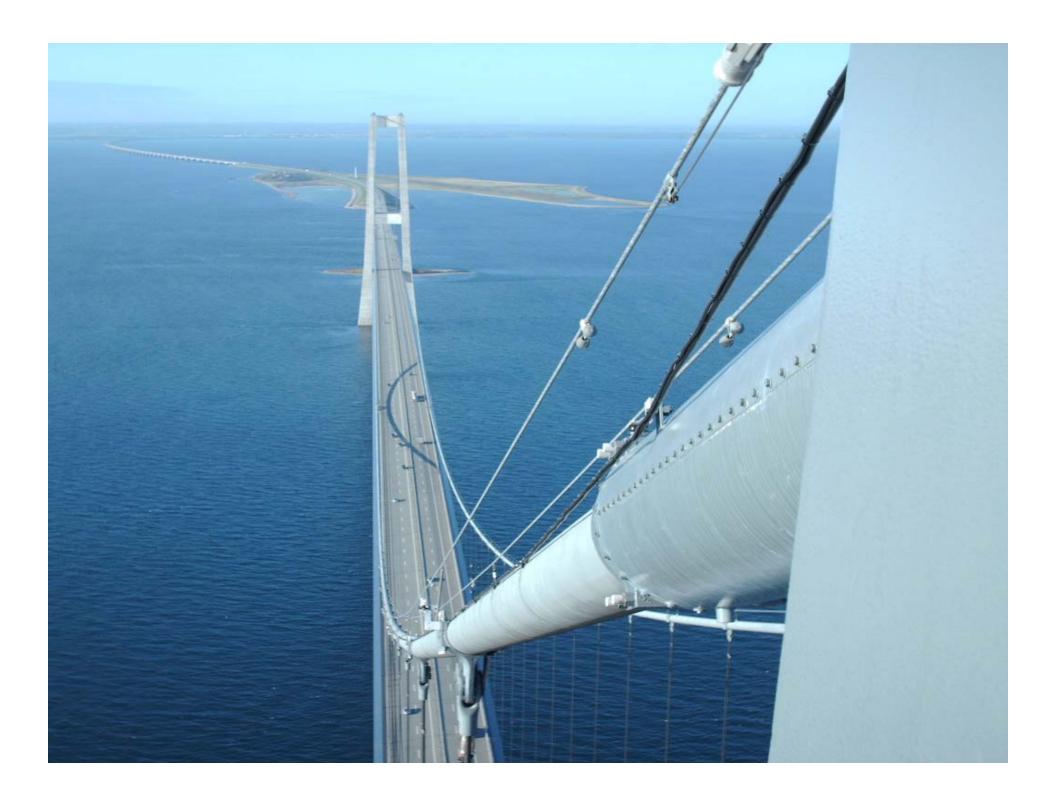


















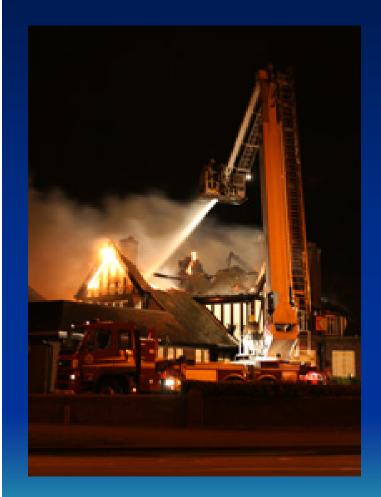
- Motivated staff
- Developed individuals
- New 'critical friends'
- New ways of working
- New alliances
- Improved networking
- Sharing of best practice













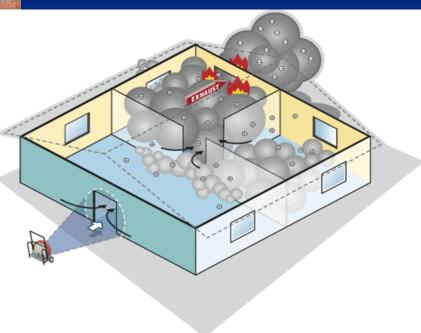














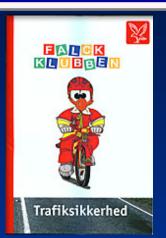
















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Unexpected Benefits











Benefits to Falck

















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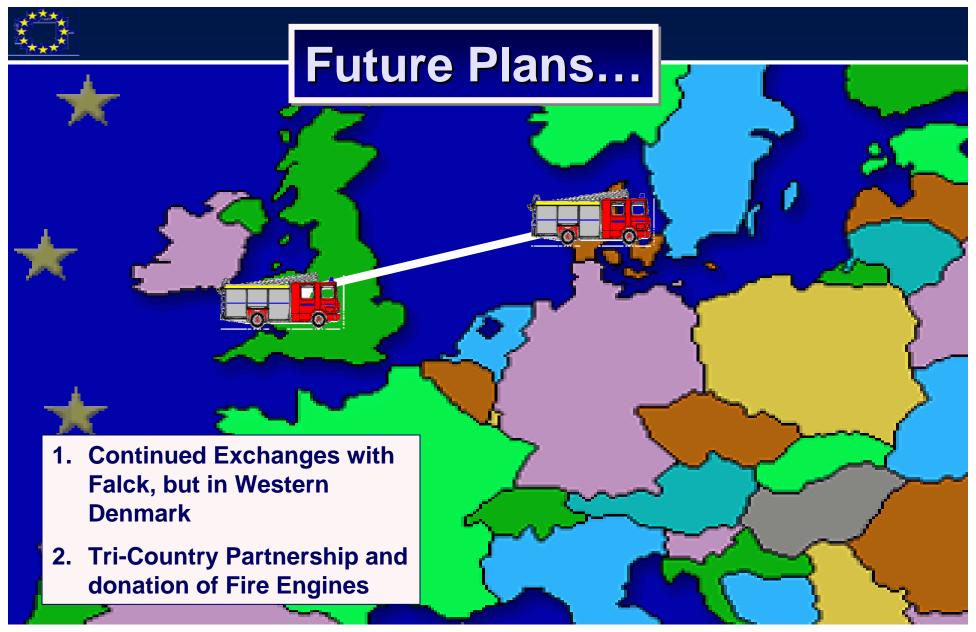
In summary...

- An excellent staff development opportunity
- Significant organisational benefits
- Unique 'Public-Private' partnership
- Language was not a barrier
- Culture has a huge influence on our 'business' operations
- New opportunities identified
- Expectations have been raised...

















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