

Workshop: Grow Your Business Nordic

Results from the group discussions

Discussion 1	Similar culture
What would	The close culture reduces hurdles
be the point	Strong Nordic brand: clean, nature and trust
for me/us go-	Trust in the Nordics - both between and from the rest of the world
ing Nordic?	Nordics as a steppingstone - funding and network
	More and easier visibility in the Nordics than e.g. USA
	Similar healthcare system/market
	Good solutions shared to the benefit of the Nordics
	Bigger knowledge pool
Discussion 2	Not knowing the opportunities
What difficul-	Awareness and Learning from each other
ties do you	Search for profits
see going	Finding providers/someone who is interested in investing
Nordic?	Providers being too slow
	Risk aversion
	Procurement procedure
	Legal barriers - taxes
	Few opportunities for focussed networks
	Finding relevant connections (on the markets)
	Solutions:
	Together on solving our welfare challenges
	Speeding up how to do the procurement process in the Nordic countries
	(EU) Accelerator awareness/access
	Matchmaking with potential providers
	Cities/municipalities join forces in applications/procurements
	Multilevel discussions
	Joint Nordic governmental effort - platforms, speed
	Platform for networking and collaboration between Nordic companies,
	stakeholders and facilitators (A similar platform are to be found within
	the Smart City cooperation. The project is called the Nordic Urban Living
	Labs — a cooperation between 13 cities sponsored by Nordic Innovation)