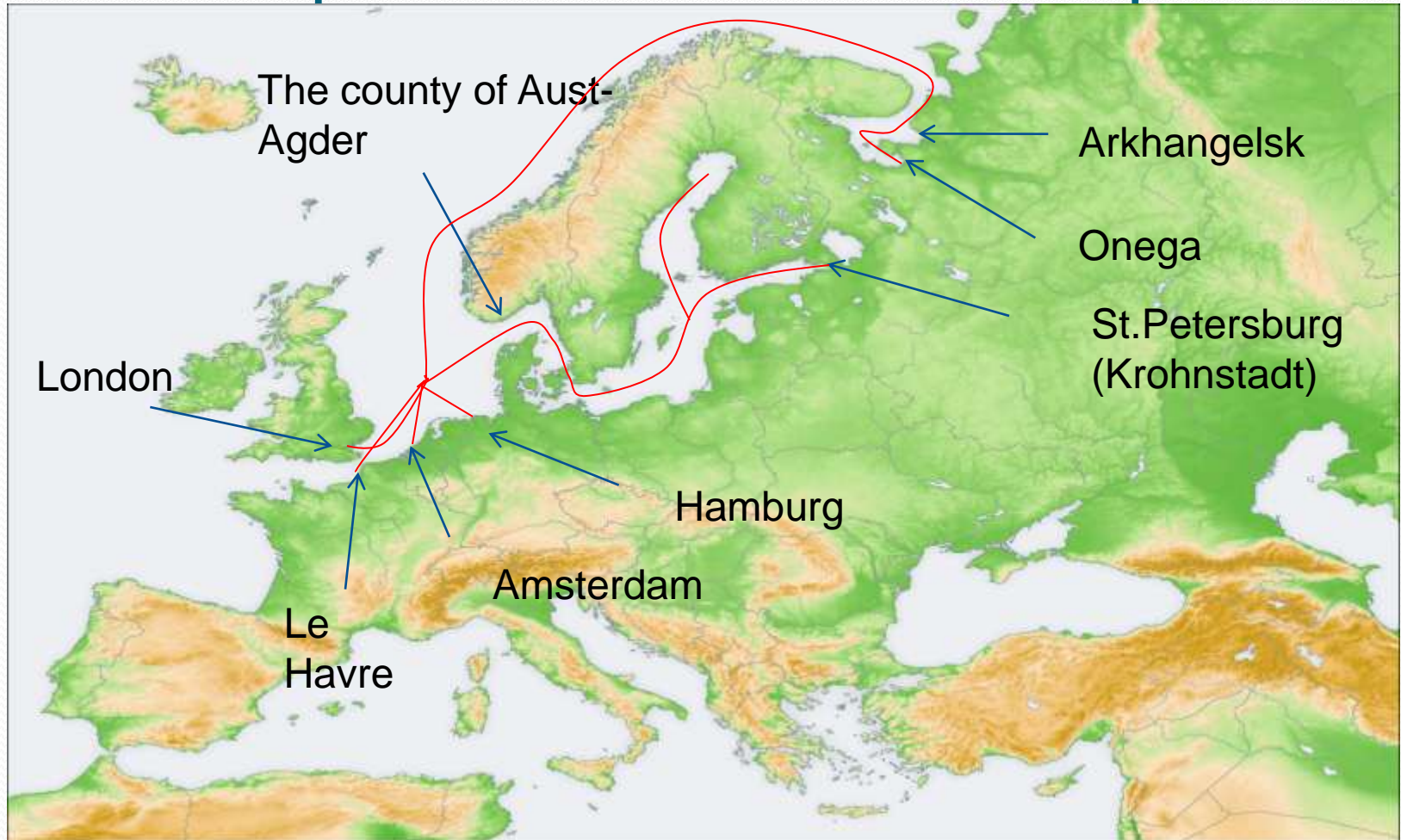


A Norwegian-Russian history project – 2011-2014

*”Transport of Forestry Products on Norwegian ships
- from Russia to Europe 1850-1939”*



Transport from Russia to Europe



Maritime historical overview

- *Industrial revolution (1750)*
- *Navigation Act (1849)*
- *Crimean War (1854-1856)*
- *Expansion in Europe (1865-1890)*
- *World War I (1914-1918)*
- *World War II (1939-1945)*



Highlights

- *1865 – 1885: Arkhangelsk – Onega – Khrohnstadt – export forestry products to England, France, Holland, Germany.*
- *Sailing vessels from the Norwegian counties of Aust-Agder, Telemark and Vestfold.*
- *Time window – June-September because of ice in the White Sea*
- *825 vessels arrived Arkhangelsk and Onega in 1867 – 260 Russian -150 Norwegian*
- *During Soviet-time*



The situation

- *Not much written history – even though very important trade.*
- *In 1885 approx. 80% of total Norwegian freight income came from this.*
- *Russia – Sweden - Finland*
- *Challenge: Sources – museums – pictures etc.*



A joint project between University of Agder and Northern (Arctic) Federal University (SAFU) in Arkhangelsk (2011-2014)

- *Scientific articles – anthology – documentary - exhibitions*
- *The value chain:*
- *Forestry: ownership, local structure –human factor*
- *Sawmills: ownership, location –technical*
- *Transport: rivers, barges, towing/floating –ports*
- *Export: harbors, infrastructure, freight broking etc.*
- *Import: European ports, infrastructure, commercial aspects*
- *Usage: industry, distribution chains, private usage etc.*

