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During the first half of the fall semester 2022, I got the opportunity to do an internship at Miljöstrategiska enheten at the County Administrative Board (CAB) of Skåne. During the internship I participated in various activities such as meetings in different constellations, presentations and a study visit. I have also had my own assignments as well as assisted in others.

To give two examples, one assignment regarded Hemp insulation while another one the capacity flexibility on the national grid that can be provided by farmers. However, the main assignment was about agrivoltaics which is the combination of photovoltaics and agriculture. The assignment was to make a research synthesis about the current knowledge about agrivoltaics as a preparatory work for a potentially larger project. Through the project I learnt about agrivoltaics, but also CAB's role and organisation. This comes with the fact that the CAB is a unique governmental authority given the wide span of expertise and responsibilities within the same organisation. The CAB both work with exercise of authority which means they for example have the power to decline actors and citizens from building solar parks. However, at the same time they are supposed to work to achieve regional and national goals, which sometimes can be contradicting.

Except for fact knowledge regarding the subjects I have been working with, the internship has provided insight in how work in general is done in a governmental authority, not the least how extensive the collaboration with other actors are.

I am grateful for the opportunity to do my internship at Miljöstrategiska enheten. Everyone have been very welcoming and openly shared of their knowledge. I am happy to have gotten an insight in how they every day work to promote the transition to a fossil free energy consumption and improve the environment so that we can meet both regional goals as well as Sweden's environmental objectives.