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# Today's Agenda

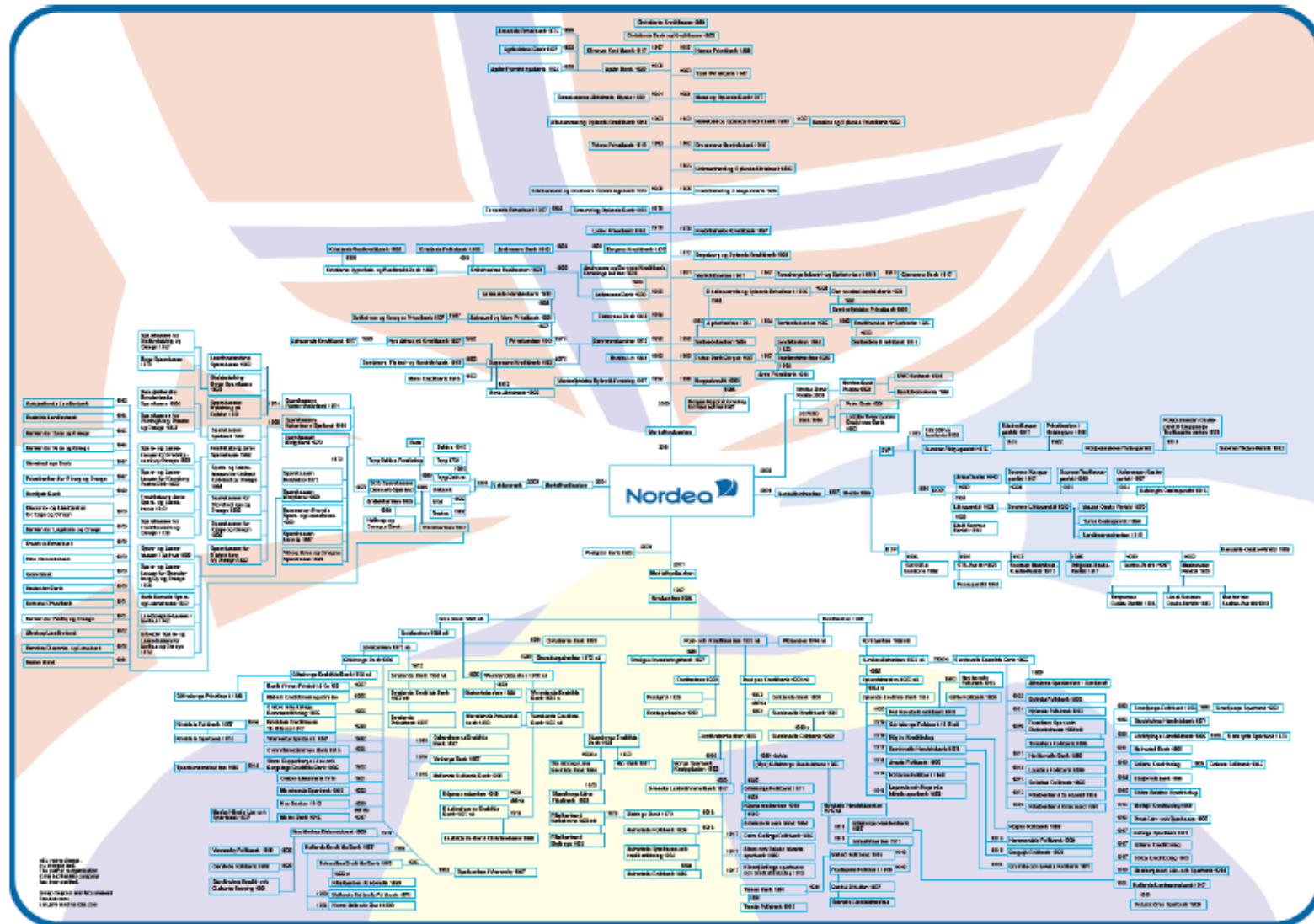
- Briefly about Nordea
- My background
- Some final thoughts

## Nordea = Nordic ideas

- Largest financial group in Northern Europe
- AA credit rating
- Created through a string of mergers of Nordic banks.
- Approximately 800 locations worldwide
- 11 million customers
- Approx. 10 billion EUR in full year income (2013).



# Map of mergers



# Strong customer-oriented values and culture

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A Great European bank,  
acknowledged for its people, creating superior  
value for customers and shareholders

Great customer experiences



It's all about people



One Nordea team



Foundation: Profit orientation and prudent cost, risk and capital management

# My background

- Started at Lund University in 2009 (age 23).
- Why mathematics?
  - Personal interest
  - Few people study mathematics. Easy to get a job.
- Why the Science Faculty ?
  - Freedom to customize your education
  - Theory vs. Application
- Bachelor in Mathematics
- Master in Mathematical Statistics
  - Work with real-life data
  - PhD, Signal Processing or Finance
  - Teaching Assistant (Stationary stochastic Processes, Time Series Analysis, Biostatistics)

# What do I do now?

- **Assistant Market Risk Manager**
  - **Group Market Risk:** Model development/validation, Desk Risk Management, Report & Control.
  - **Stress test:** Technique to determine how certain stressors affect the bank
  - **Useful courses:**
    - Pricing of derivative assets
    - Extreme Value Theory
    - Programming
    - Financial statistics
    - Also: Mathematical foundations of probability, economics and teaching
- **Career opportunities at Nordea:**
  - We are looking for people who can think logically. Both theory and application.
  - Risk management, IT, Model development/validation, Trading, Quantitative work.
  - Internships and summer jobs



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- **Everyone is new in the beginning!**



**Thank you for listening!**

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