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# Implementation of the territorial cohesion at regional level

## Case of Pomorskie

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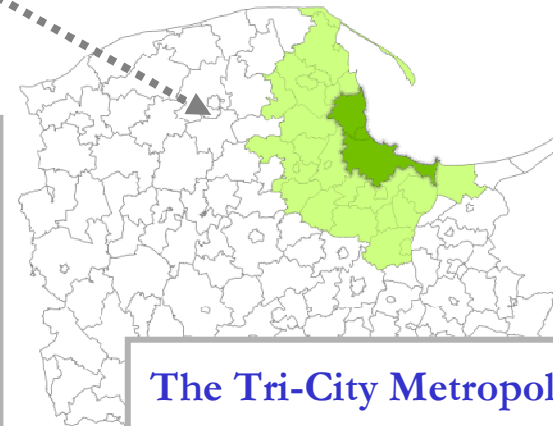
# Basic facts about Pomorskie



- one of 3 coastal regions in Poland
- border with Kaliningrad District (Russian Federation)
- area: 18 000 km<sup>2</sup> (5,9% of Poland's area)
- population: 2,2 mln (5,8% of Poland's population)
- 16 poviats, 4 poviat-cities and 123 gminas

**% of Polish GDP**    **5,5%** (2008)  
**GDP per capita:**    **5th place** (2008)  
**export per capita:**    **6th place** (2009)  
**unemployment rate:** **12,0%** (2009)  
**no of SMEs:**        **249.000**  
**private investments:** **11,2 bln PLN** (2009)

*Source:* GUS ( 2008, 2009)

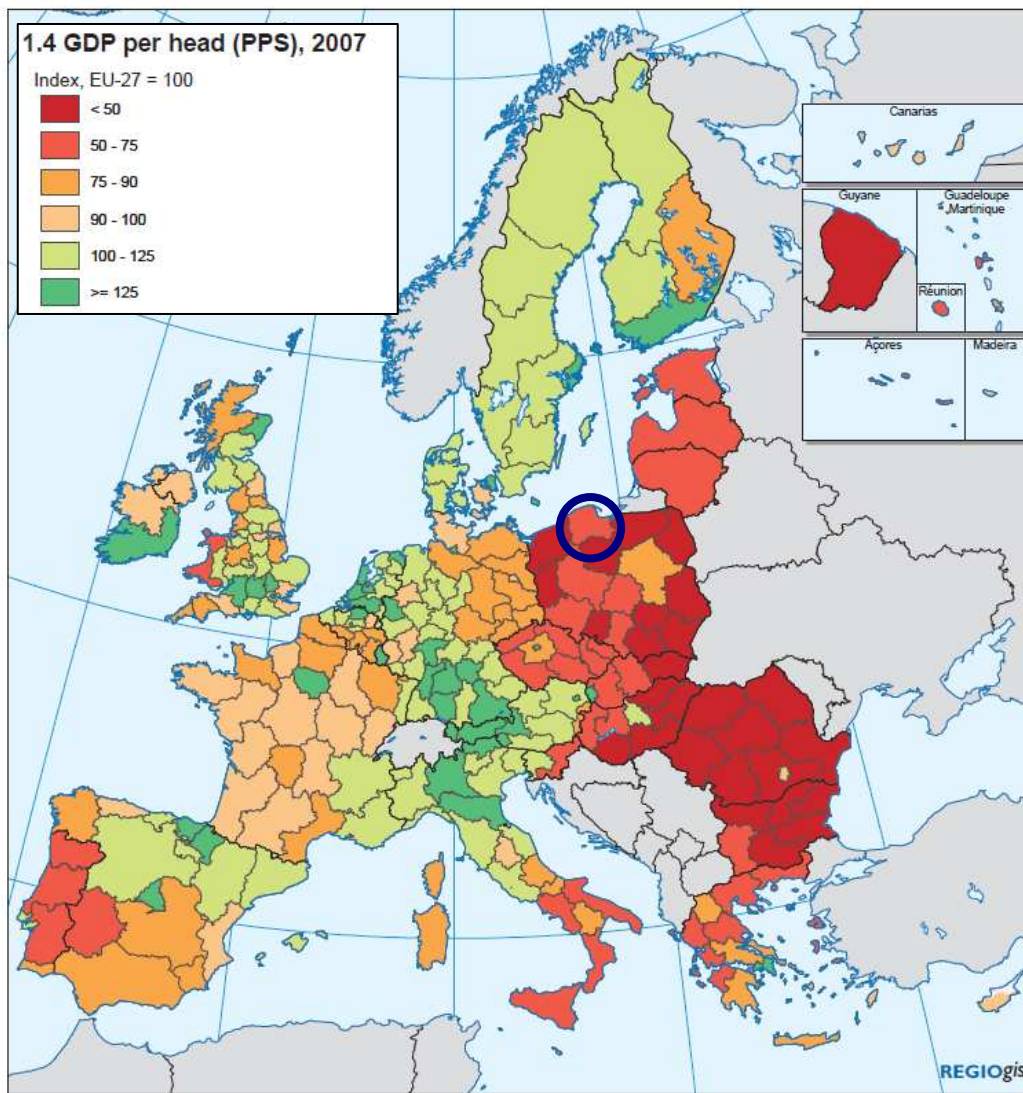


## The Tri-City Metropolitan Area

- area of high socio-economic potential
- nearly 1,2 mln inhabitants
- over 100 enterprises in hi-tech sector
- centre of business activity
- high dynamics of development



# Pomorskie vs. EU



Index	Pomorskie (EU = 100)	
	2005	last available
<b>GDP per capita (2005, 2008)</b>	<b>50,0%</b>	<b>54,1%</b>
<b>Employment rate (2005, 2009)</b>	<b>74,3%</b>	<b>89,9%</b>
<b>Labour productivity (2005, 2007)</b>	<b>65,1%</b>	<b>68,5%</b>

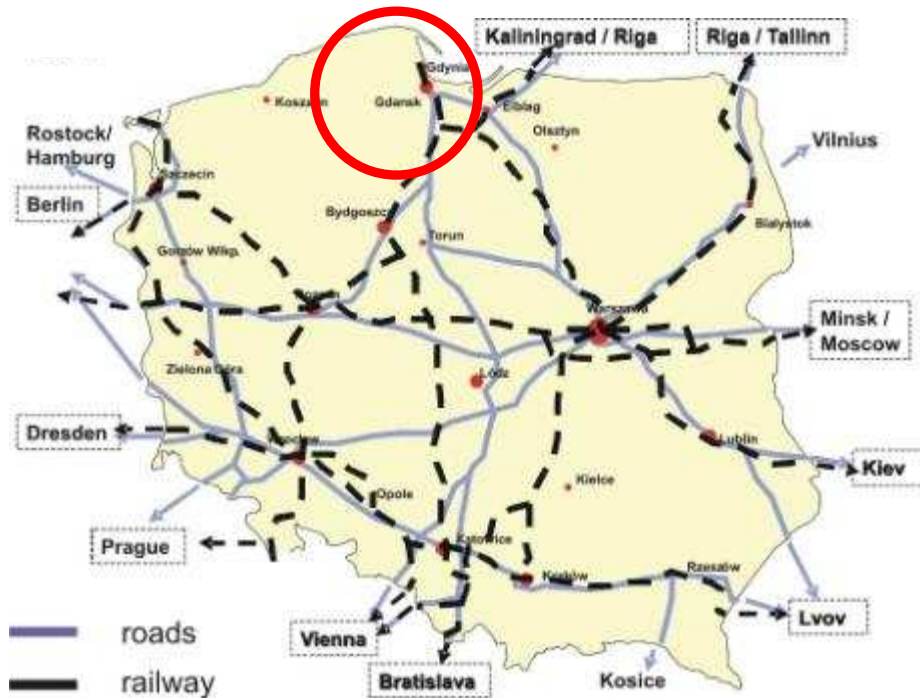
Source: Eurostat

Source: GUS, Eurostat (2005, 2007, 2008, 2009)



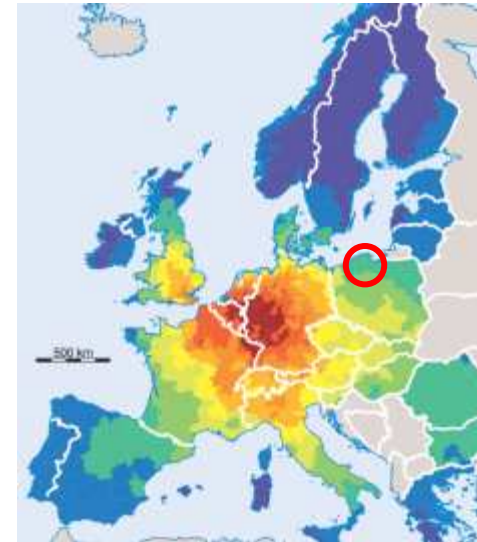
# Transport status quo in Pomorskie

## TEN-T network in Poland

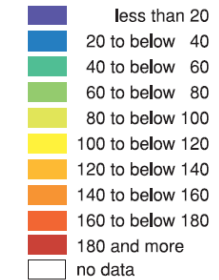


**Competitive position of Pomorskie is seriously affected by its transport accessibility**

## External accessibility



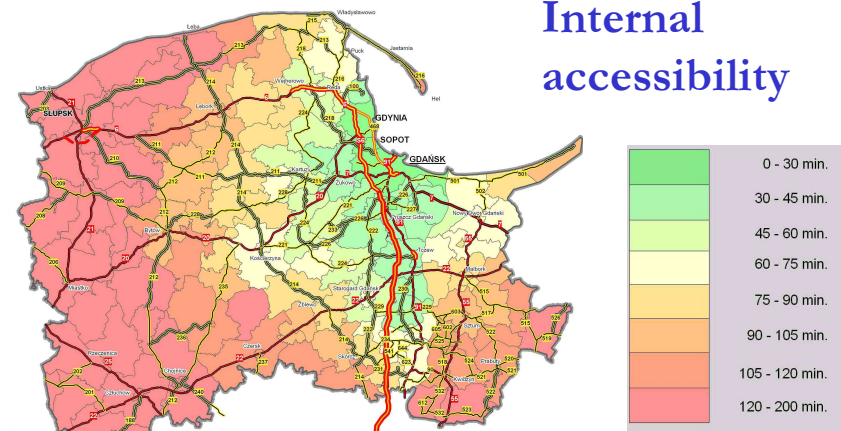
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Potential accessibility by road

Source: *ESPON Atlas (2005)*

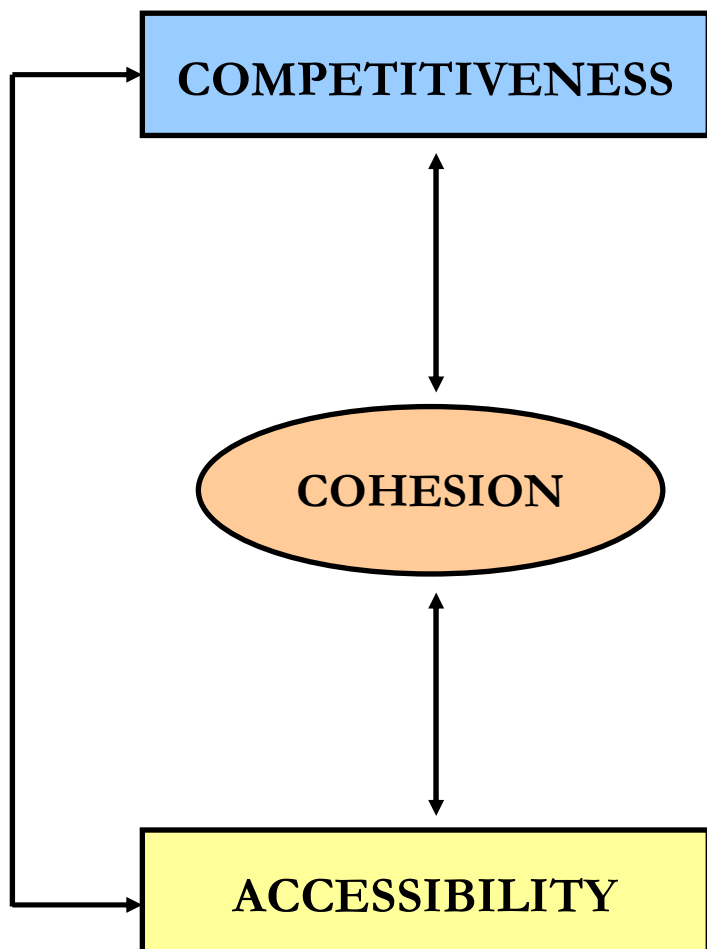
## Internal accessibility



Average time of road-trip to Gdansk (2008)



# Priorities of Pomorskie Development Strategy



To create a strong and sustainable position for the **region in Europe** by: stimulating **enterprises, innovation and new technologies**; establishing an active **knowledge-based society**; improving the region's attractiveness for settlement, investments and tourism

To help to reduce the disparities **within the region** in the area of **social, economic and spatial development**

To ensure the **mobility of people**, access to **services**, efficiently safe **transfer of goods, information, knowledge and energy** through **developed infrastructure**, which respects **the environmental assets**.

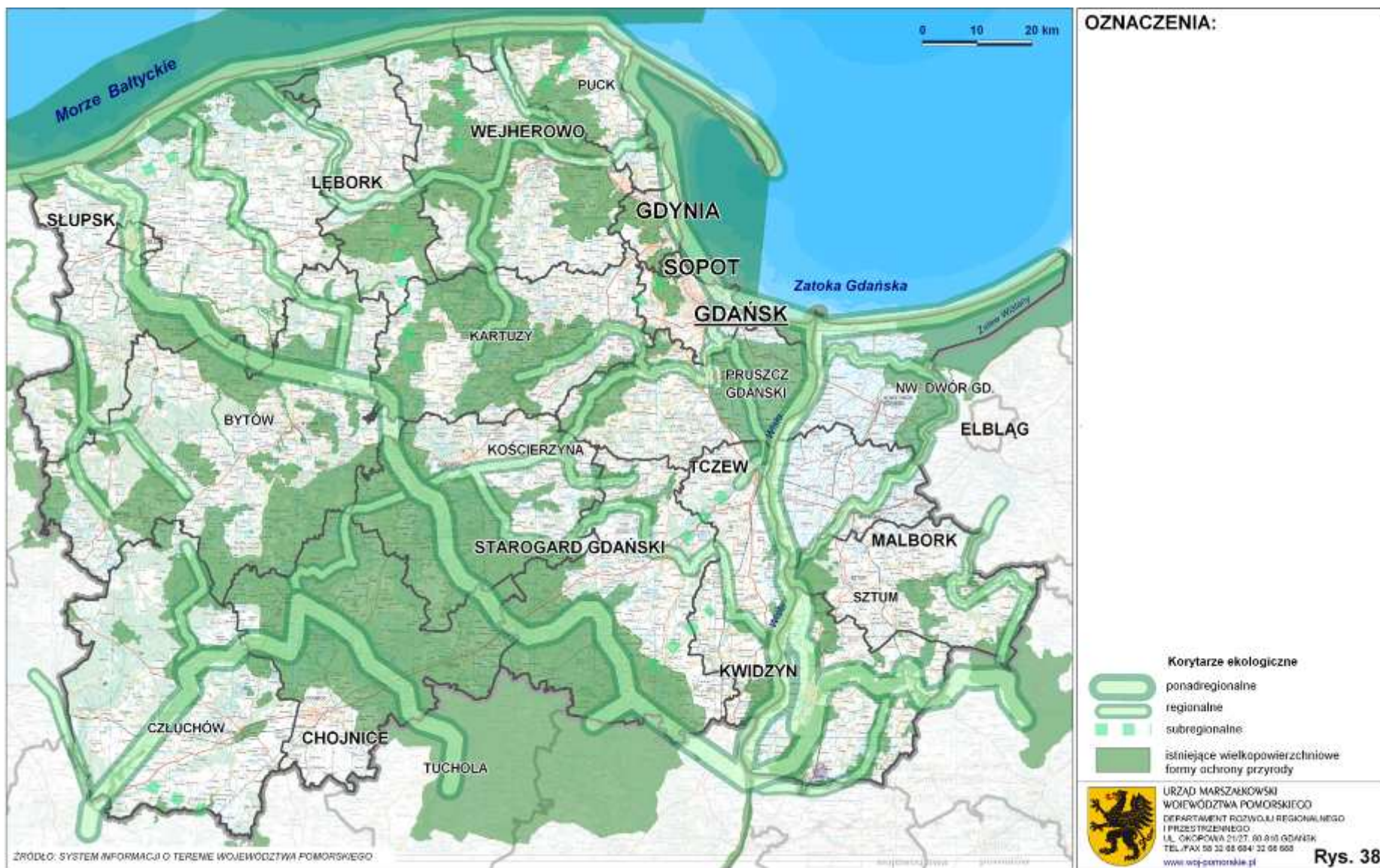


# Architecture of Pomorskie Development Strategy

COMPETITIVENESS	COHESION	ACCESSIBILITY
Improved conditions for enterprise and innovation	Employment creation and increasing labour mobility	Efficient and safe transport system
High quality of education and research	Strong, healthy and integrated society	Improvement of technical and tele-informatic infrastructure
<b>Development of economy based on specific regional resources</b>	Development of civil society	<b>Better access to social infrastructure, especially in structurally disadvantaged areas</b>
Efficient public sector	<b>Creating social and spatial processes to improve standard of life</b>	<b>The conservation and improvement of the natural environment</b>
<b>Strong position and effective links between the Tri-City Metropolitan Area and other, mainly Baltic, regions</b>	<b>Strengthening sub-regional development centres</b>	

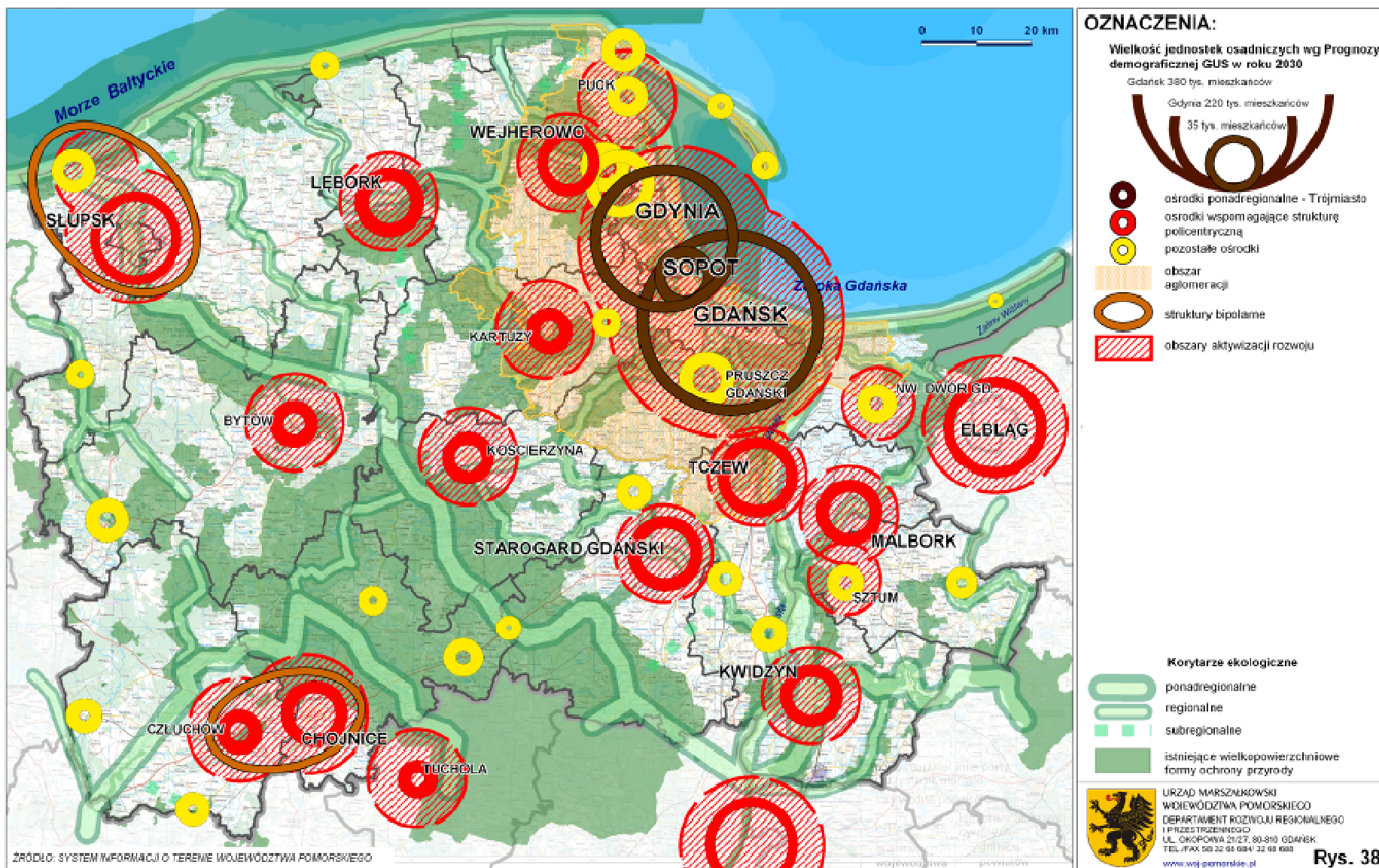


# Spatial Development Plan for Pomorskie (1)





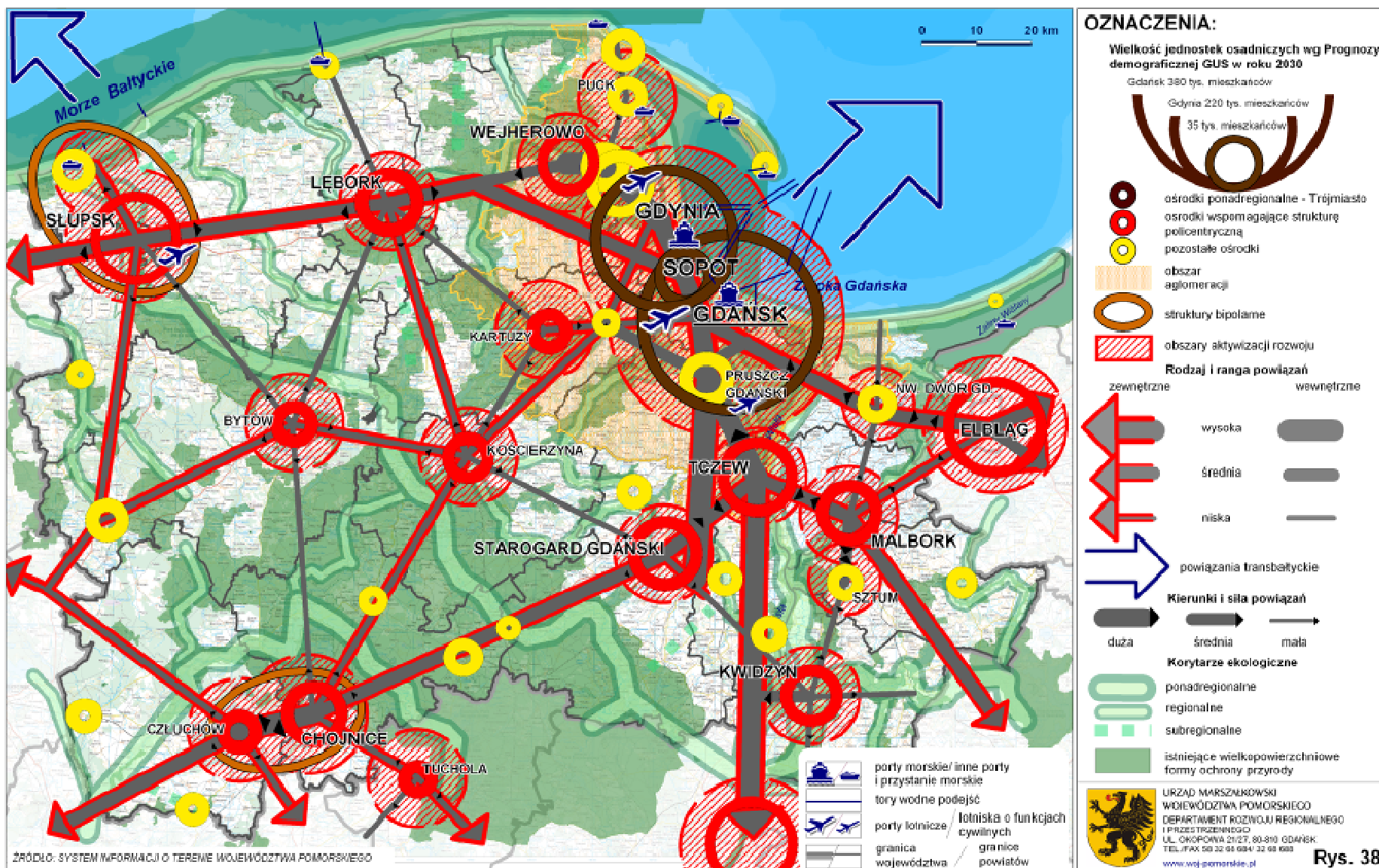
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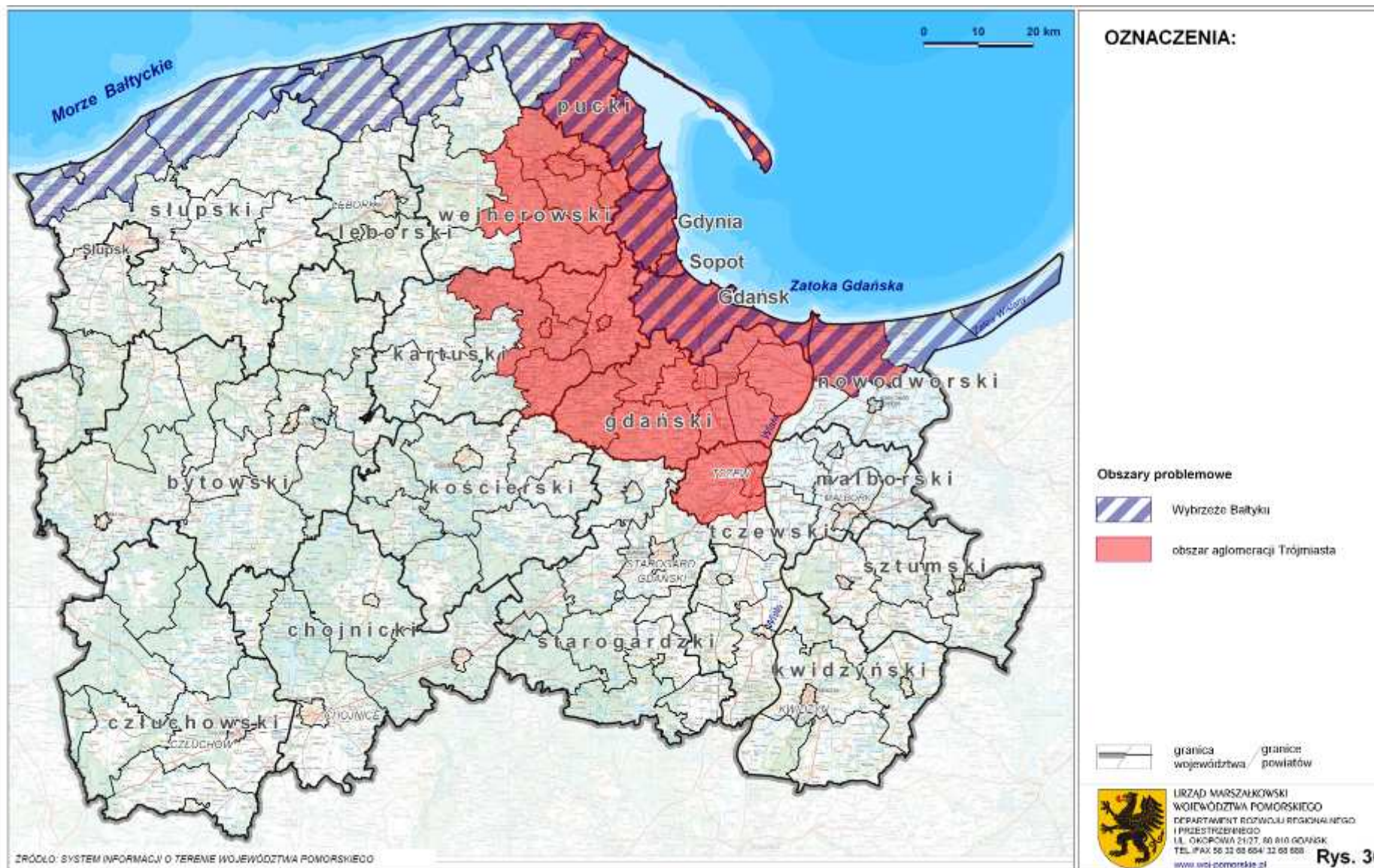


# Territorial-and-thematic problem areas (1)



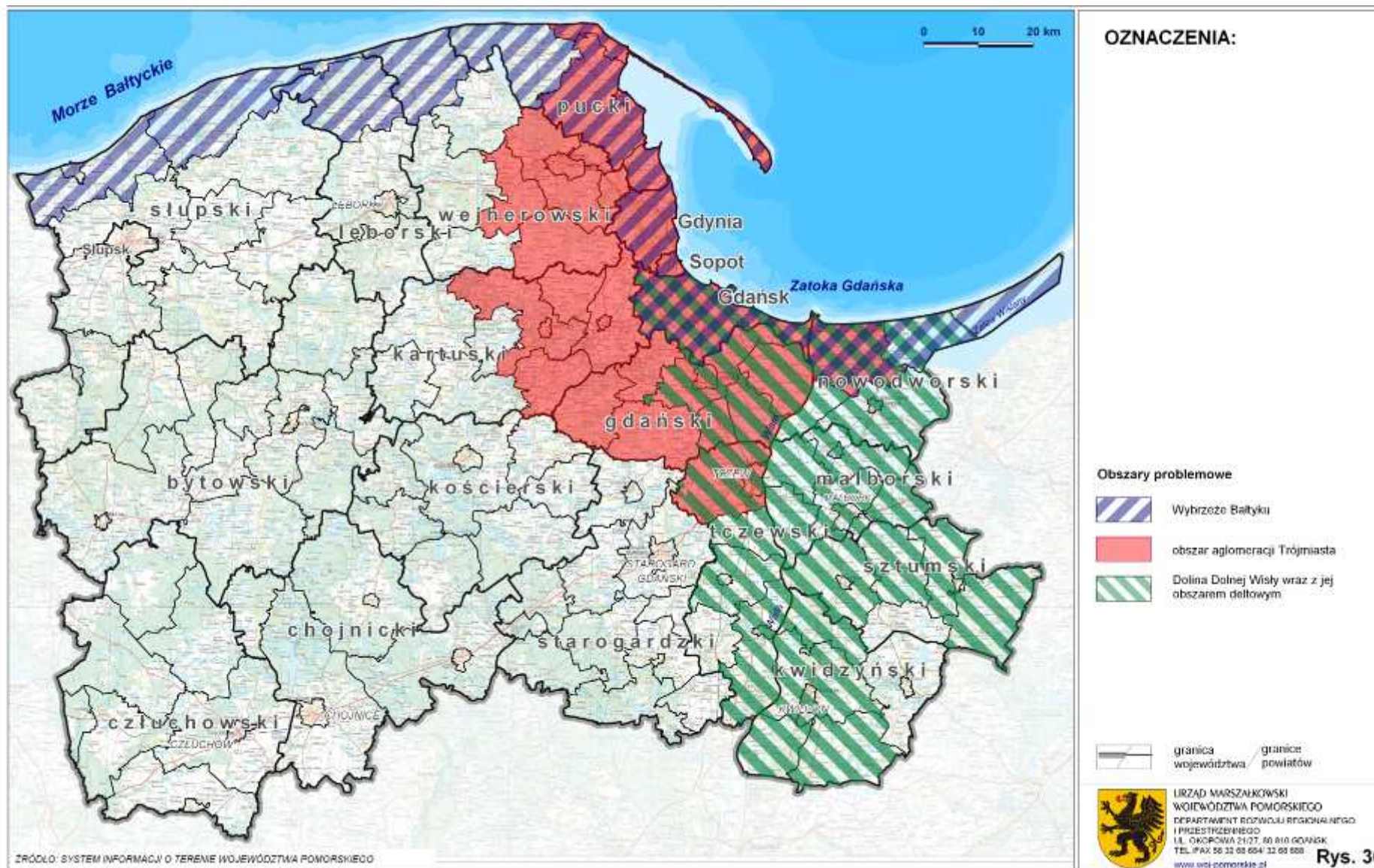


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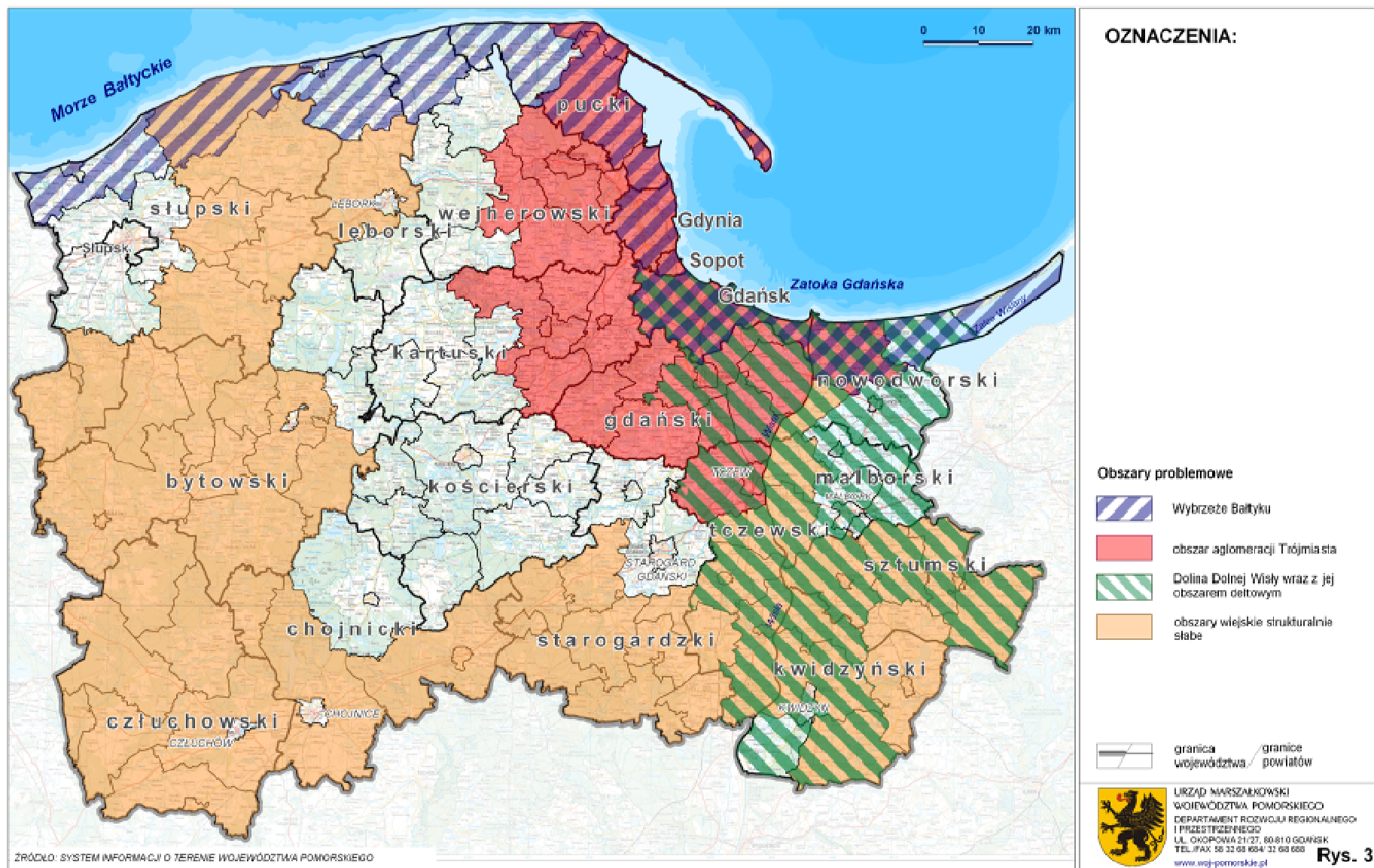


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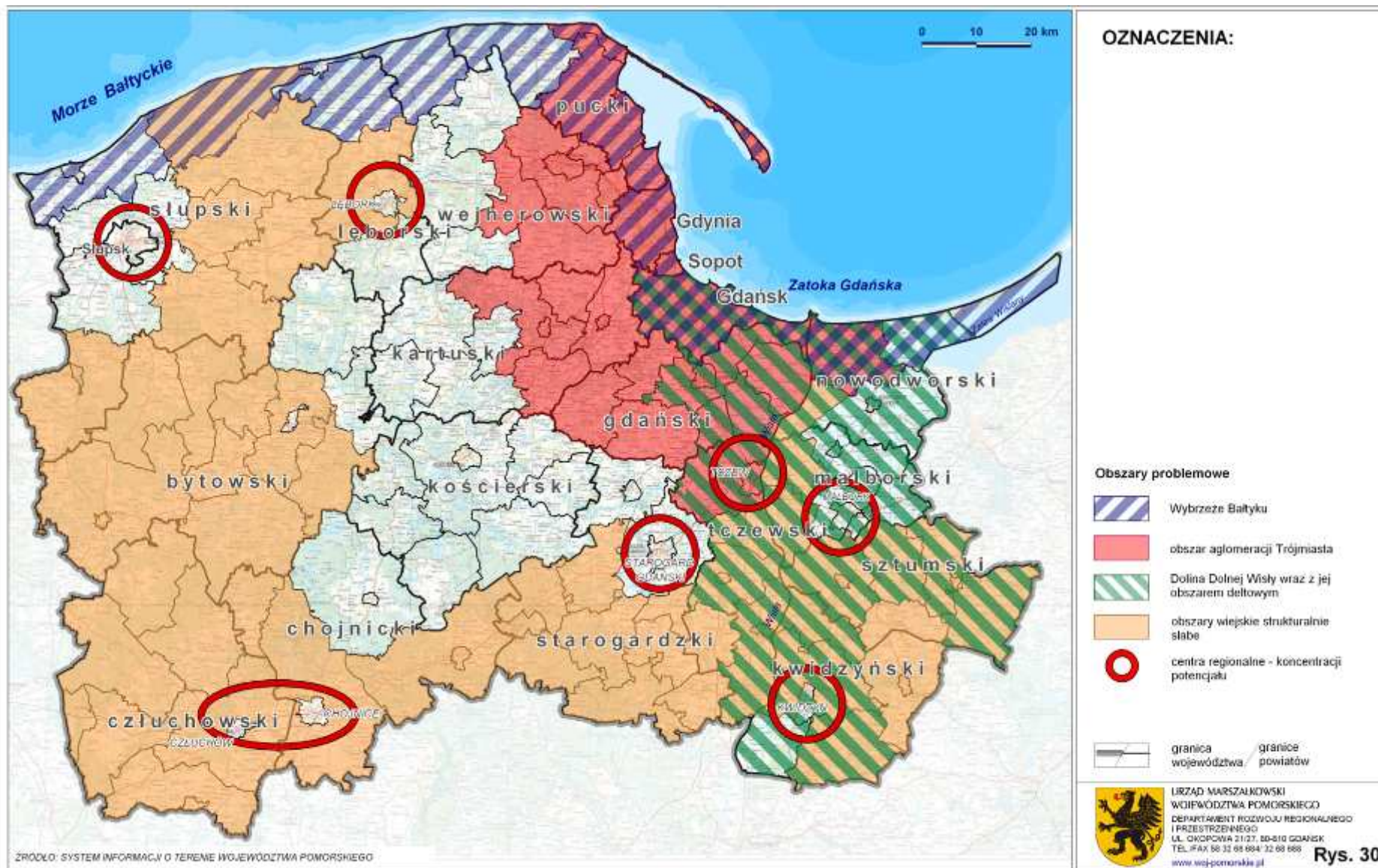


# Territorial-and-thematic problem areas (4)





## Territorial-and-thematic problem areas (5)





## Pomorskie Operational Programme 2007-2013 (1)

### Major challenges

- **Concentration** of limited resources on the most important, development-oriented issues
- **Formulating preferences** for some areas, types of projects, types of beneficiaries
- **Finding a balance** between the needs of:
  - metropolitan area and main cities (competitiveness)
  - structurally disadvantaged areas (cohesion)
- **Finding a balance** between:
  - large infrastructure needs
  - production sector expectations
  - innovation deficiencies

**Total value  
of Pomorskie OP (EUR)**

ERDF allocation	885 065 762
Total funds	1 227 167 232



## Pomorskie Operational Programme 2007-2013 (2)

<b>PRIORITY</b>	<b>ERDF (mln EUR)</b>	<b>Spatially oriented</b>	<b>Preferences for structurally disadvantaged areas</b>
1. Development and innovation in SMEs	173,9		+
2. Information society	47,8		
3. Urban and metropolitan functions	140,4	+	
4. Regional transport system	203,6		
5. Environment and environment-friendly energy	53,9		+
6. Tourism and cultural heritage	44,2		+
7. Health-care and rescue service	35,4		
8. Local basic infrastructure	123,9	+	+
9. Local social infrastructure and civil initiatives	35,4	+	+
10. Technical assistance	26,5		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>885,1</b>		

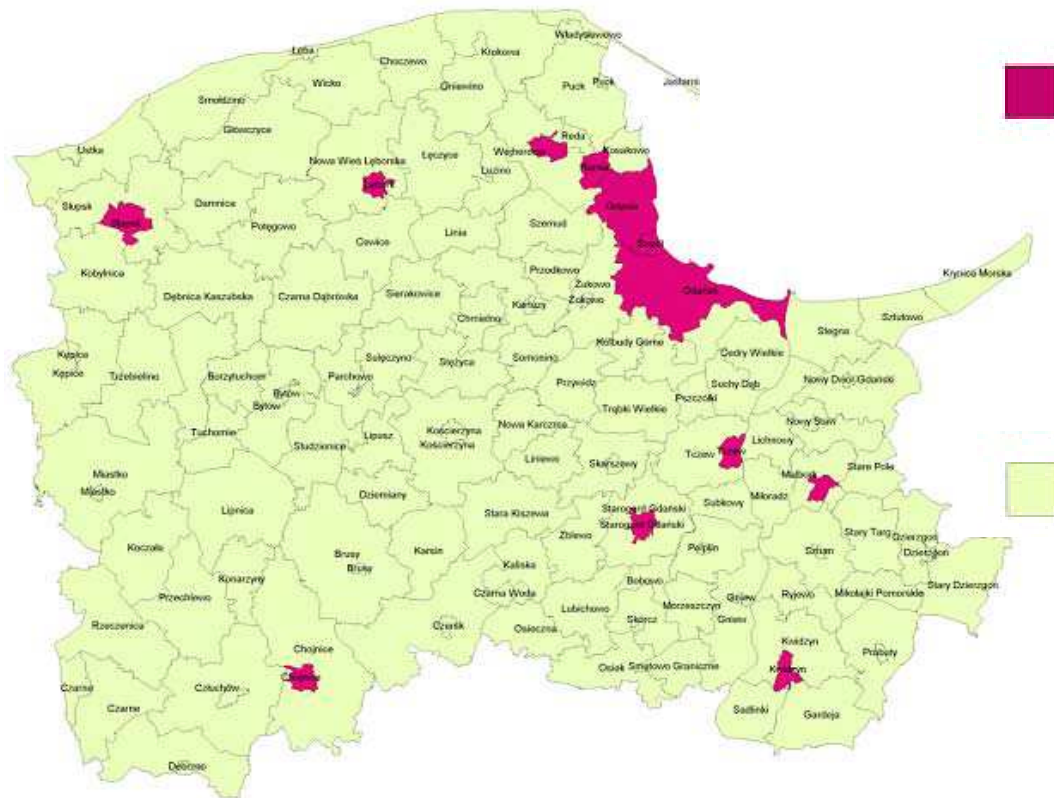




## Pomorskie Operational Programme 2007-2013 (3)

### Support for growth centres vs. local development

Areas eligible for support under following **Priority Axis:**



**3. Urban and metropolitan functions**

**89 EUR/per capita**

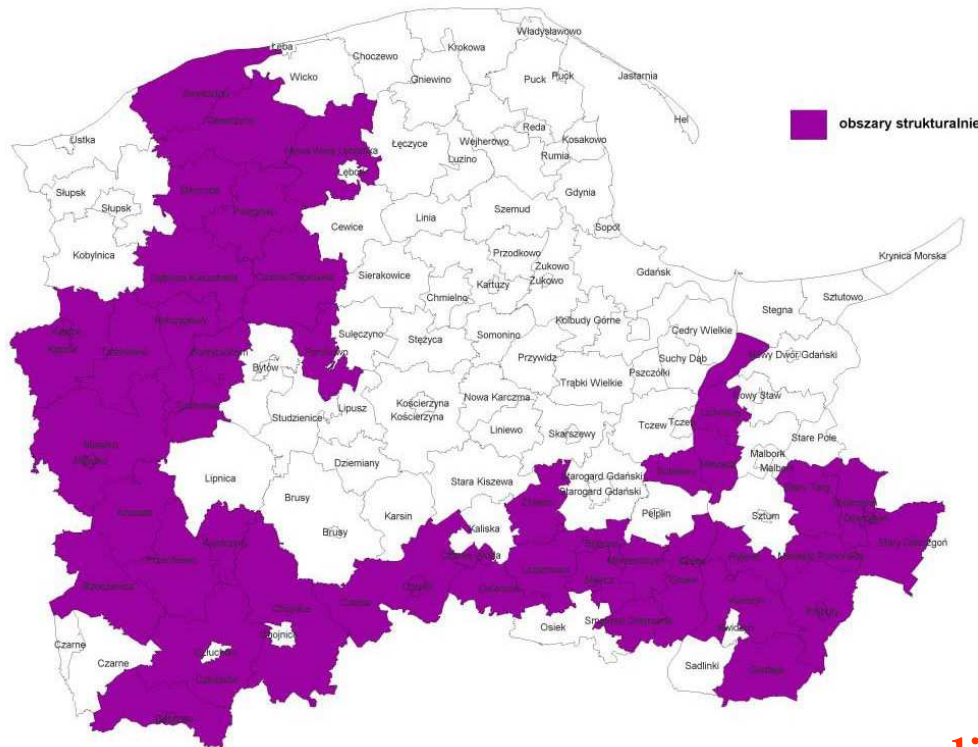
**8. Local basic infrastructure  
+  
9. Local social infrastructure  
and civil initiatives**

**158 EUR/per capita**



# Pomorskie Operational Programme 2007-2013 (4)

## Structurally disadvantaged areas



**designation** based on:

- unemployment rate
- social welfare
- own incomes

**preferred** under **Priority Axes:**

**1. Development & innovation in SMEs**

**6. Tourism and cultural heritage**

**8. Local basic infrastructure**

**9. Local social infrastructure  
and civil initiatives**

**eligible for support** under **Priority Axis**

**5. Environment and environment-friendly energy**



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# Thank you!

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