

# BALTWISE -project

*Baltwise MSP seed money project 2014*

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## EUSBSR Seed money project

- European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR)
- Seed money facility funds planning of international projects
- Seed money projects will produce:
  - Report on the state of play
  - Plan for the main project:
    - A work plan
    - The composition of potential project partnership
    - An indicative budget plan
  - Report on funding possibilities for the main project and a road map
- Supports EUSBSR goal "Drawing up and application of transboundary, ecosystem-based Maritime Spatial Plans" and HELCOM/VASAB MSP goals (the Roadmap)

## BALTWISE project

- A 'next generation' MSP project to focus on transboundary planning and application of the ecosystem approach to maritime planning.
  - How to organise effective, efficient and acceptable transboundary MSP?
  - What are the legal challenges of transboundary MSP?
  - How to analyse and evaluate the potential impact of MSP on sustainability of the Baltic Sea ecosystem services and the maritime economy?
  - How to analyse and describe spatial effects of future developments in the Baltic Sea?
  - What are the knowledge needs and best practices for applying the ecosystem approach to MSP?

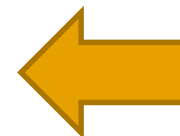
# Project implementation

## State of the play analysis

- Review of the previous MSP projects
- Institutionalisation of MSP in the Baltic Sea region
- Meta data analysis

## Policy developments, e.g.

- MSP directive
- Blue Growth Policy
- BSR Programme 2014-2020



Knowledge gaps and policy needs



## Planning of the main project

- Outline of the next generation MSP project
- Identification of potential project partners
- Identification of promising funding sources
- Define the next steps



## (very) Preliminary findings

- Review of 13 projects (more to come)
  - BaltSeaPlan, GAP2, AQUABEST, AQUAFIMA, PartiSeaPate, BSR EastWest Window, BaltCoast, PlanCoast, MASPNOSE, TOPCONS, TPEA, (PlanBothnia, HELCOM Base, SUBMARINER, GoF MSP pilot in Russia, Barents Sea MSP)
- Processes and procedures of MSP have been developed and tested, even some for transboundary planning (implementation challenge remains)
- Data needs of MSP identified (not all problems solved)
- Economic development addressed in few of the projects (environment more prominent)
- Strategic planning aspect of MSP not well developed

## BALTWISE project

- Partners:
  - Finnish Environment Institute (coordinator)
  - University of Turku, Finland
  - HELCOM secretariat
  - University of Tartu, Estonian Marine Institute
  - Research and Design Institute of Urban development (NIIP Gradostroitelstva), Russia
  - Maritime Institute in Gdańsk, Poland
  - University of Eastern Finland
- Time schedule
  - Spring and summer 2014: state of play analyses
  - Autumn 2014: planning of the main project, identification of potential partners and outlining the next steps (funding opportunities)

# Thank you!

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