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PLANNING WORKING GROUP (HELCOM -VASAB MSP WG) 2

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- Currently the discussions are taking place in trilogue (Council, Parliament and Commission), with the aim to reach a compromise on the whole text, including references to ICM, the Directive's objectives, application of the ecosystem based approach and implementing provisions.
- The aim is to reach a compromise between the institutions and have the directive adopted before the EU elections in spring 2014.

2.2 The Meeting took note that the European Commission has a support contract with consultant, with the main task to draft implementation guidelines relevant for MSP/ICM that could serve as support for a common implementation strategy of the forthcoming Directive once adopted. The Commission invited the Working Group to contribute to the elaboration of the Guidelines. Identified guidance topics are related to:

- application of the ecosystem approach,
- consideration of land-sea interactions (practice, cross-sectorials),
- public participation processes,
- trans-boundary cooperation across sea basins.

2.3 The Meeting took note that the European Commission has established two expert groups, one on MSP and another on ICM, and that these groups will be actively involved in the elaboration of these Guidelines. The next joint meeting of the groups will be held on 5 June 2014 (to be confirmed) in Athens, Greece. The outline of the Guidelines will be discussed at the Meeting.

2.4 The Meeting requested the European Commission to submit the contact information of the consultant and the non-paper on ecosystem approach by the Commission to the Working Group via the Secretariats.

2.5 The Meeting took note that the series of MSP workshops organized by the Commission will continue to exchange best practices with the next event to be arranged on 6 June 2014 (to be confirmed) in Athens, Greece on shipping and transport.

2.6 The Meeting took note of the information by the HELCOM Secretariat on the 2013 HELCOM Ministerial Meeting, which was held on 3 October 2013 in Copenhagen, Denmark, and the MSP related commitments included in the HELCOM Copenhagen Ministerial Declaration (document 2/1/INF). The Ministerial Meeting adopted the Regional Baltic Maritime Spatial Planning Roadmap 2013-2020 (document 3/4) and the Joint HELCOM-VASAB Maritime Spatial Planning Working Group report 2012-2013 (document 3/6/INF) was submitted as a background document to the Meeting among other documents relevant for MSP.

2.7 The Meeting noted that the new HELCOM Recommendation HELCOM Recommendation 34E/1 "Safeguarding important bird habitats and migration routes in the Baltic Sea from negative effects of wind and wave energy production at sea" was adopted by the HELCOM Ministerial Meeting. The recommendation text has been considered by previous meetings of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG (document 2/1/INF/Add).

2.8 The HELCOM Secretariat thanked the Working Group for the valuable input to the 2013 HELCOM Ministerial Meeting.

2.9 The Meeting took note of the information by VASAB Secretariat on the VASAB Ministerial Conference to be held on 25-26 September 2014 in Tallinn, Estonia and that the main substance will be a review of VASAB Long Term Perspective and MSP.

2.10 The Meeting took note that Estonia is in charge of the drafting of the 2014 VASAB Declaration. Estonia welcomed input from the Working Group on MSP related matters as early as possible and promised to circulate via the Secretariats the first draft of the Declaration for commenting by the Working Group.

2.11 The Meeting took note of the indicative timeframe for the drafting process of the VASAB Declaration as follows:

- first draft ready by end of February 2014,
- comments to first draft by end of April 2014,
- second draft available by 7 May 2014 at the VASAB Troika meeting (previous, current and incoming chairs),
- second draft discussed on 21-22 May 2014 by the VASAB CSPD/BSR meeting,
- third, possibly final, draft Declaration to be available by the end of June 2014 with still possibilities for late comments.

2.12 The Meeting welcomed that Germany is prepared to provide a visualisation/ maps of the existing MSP situation in the Baltic Sea, that a draft is arriving shortly and that the HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG will be involved in finalising the maps.

2.13 The Meeting took note that VASAB has involved a consultant to write a progress report on the recent work of VASAB and a concise publication drafted on the basis of this report will be presented to the Ministers.

2.14 The Meeting agreed that the VASAB Ministerial Conference should adopt the Regional Baltic MSP Roadmap 2013-2020 and consider the joint HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG report 2010-2013 for the sake of symmetry.

2.15 The Meeting took note of the invitation from the VASAB Secretariat to submit proposals for any exhibition material (visualisations, publications, reports) on MSP for the Ministerial Conference by 15 September 2014.

2.16 The Meeting appreciated the work by the Secretariats in preparing MSP related input for the HELCOM Ministerial Meeting and the VASAB Ministerial Conference.

2.17 The Meeting recalled the role of HELCOM and VASAB as the Horizontal Action Leaders (HALs) for Horizontal Action (HA) Spatial Planning of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) and the role of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG as the Steering Committee for the HA.

2.18 The Meeting took note of the following past and upcoming activities within the EUSBSR:

- EUSBSR Annual Forum 2013, 11-12 November 2013 in Vilnius, Lithuania,
- EUSBSR Annual Forum 2014, 3-4 June 2014 in Turku, Finland,
- 5th Working Meeting of the EUSBSR, beginning of April 2014, Tallinn, Estonia,
- Meeting of Priority Area Coordinators (PACs) and HALs on the EUSBSR Seed Money Facility, 5 February 2014, Berlin, Germany,
- Individual meetings of PACs and HALs upon invitation by DG REGIO, December 2013-February 2014, Brussels, Belgium.

2.19 The Meeting also took note of the following two workshops organized by HELCOM and VASAB, respectively, and partly funded by the Technical Assistance for HA Spatial Planning:

- "Fishing for space" workshop on 14 November 2013, Vilnius, Lithuania, jointly with the PartiSEApate project (document 2/2/INF),
- "Cultivating new ideas for the territorial development of the Baltic Sea Region" on 28 November 2013 in Riga, Latvia (document 2/7/INF).

2.20 The Meeting noted that the following two project applications under HA Spatial Planning for EUSBSR Seed Money Facility (second round) have been approved in January 2014:

- Baltwise Seed, lead partner Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE),
- Liveable Baltic Cities (LiveBaltic), lead partner Uusimaa Regional Council.

2.21 The Seed Money Committee will decide if a third round for seed money applications will be launched. The Seed Money Facility will be further discussed on 5 February 2014 at the PACs and HALs meeting.

2.22 The Meeting took note of the new logo for HA Spatial Planning produced by INTERACT Point Turku to improve the visibility of the EUSBSR and ensure consistency with the EUSBSR visual identity.

2.23 The Meeting recalled the status of the PartiSEApate (Multilevel Governance in Maritime Spatial Planning throughout the Baltic Sea Region) project as a Flagship project under HA Spatial Planning and the role of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG as the Project Advisory Group for the project as decided by [HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG 5/2012](#) (c.f. paragraph 2.15 and 2.17).

2.24 The Meeting took note of the presentation by Ms. Angela Schultz-Zehden, PartiSEApate External Project Coordination Office, on the current status of the PartSEApate project as a result of the 4th Partner Meeting held on 2-3 December 2013 (document 2/4/INF) and the key findings from PartiSEApate single-sector workshops held in 2013 (document 2/10/INF, **Presentation 1**).

2.25 The Meeting considered the proposal by Germany for establishing a subgroup on MSP data to the joint HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG based on the PartiSEApate Stakeholder Workshop on MSP Data Networks in October 2013 (document 2/9/INF) and agreed to come back to the topic under Agenda item 3 (c.f. paragraphs 3.18-3.19).

2.26 The Meeting took note of the information on national MSP developments (documents 2/8/INF, 2/8/INF/Add) and requested the Contracting Parties/Member States to provide any updates to the Secretariats (laura.meski@helcom.fi and info@vasab.org) at the latest **by 1 March 2014**.

2.27 The Meeting also took note of the outcome of a meeting of MSP practitioners organized by Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management (SwAM, document 2/5/INF).

2.28 The Meeting considered the usefulness of the outcome of the regional workshop on the evaluation of marine and coastal ecosystem services in the Baltic Sea in relation to MSP, which was held on 7-8 November 2014 in Stockholm, Sweden (document 2/3).

2.29 The Meeting recognized that even if not fully mature the ecosystem services concept is a potentially powerful tool in MSP especially when discussing the linkages between ecology and economy and underlined that the ecosystem services should not be considered in MSP only for the purpose of protecting the environment as the services have impact also on the economic and social dimensions of sustainability.

2.30 The Meeting took note of the information by Germany that a national project to explore the role of ecosystem approach in MSP, started in 2013 and will go on until beginning of 2015.

2.31 The Meeting took note of the comment by WWF that the report "[Turning adversity into opportunity: A business plan for the Baltic Sea](#)" commissioned by WWF from the Boston Consulting Group includes more information on ecosystem services and could be interesting for the Working Group.

2.32 The Meeting took note of the information by Finland on the Nordic Council of Ministers (NCM) workshop on MSP, which was held in Reykjavik, Iceland, on 12-13 November 2013. The Meeting took note that the workshop was a continuation of the workshop organized by the NCM a few years ago in Faroe Islands and that this time the participants were able to take part in a simulated MSP "serious game".

2.33 The Meeting took note of the information by Finland on the opening event of the Gulf of Finland (GOF) Year 2014 on 21 January 2014 in Helsinki, Finland. The event was opened by Mr. Sauli Niinistö, president of Finland, who acts as a patron for the Gulf of Finland Year 2014 together with Mr. Vladimir Putin and Toomas Hendrik Ilves, presidents Russia and Estonia, respectively. One of the themes for the GOF Year 2014 is MSP other

being bio- and geo-diversity, shipping including winter navigation and eutrophication. The outcome of the scientific part of the GOF Year 2014 will be ready in early 2015.

2.34 The Meeting welcomed the funding for the Baltwise EUSBSR Seed Money project (c.f. paragraph 2.20) and took note of the information that the funding of the project will have some synergies with the GOF Year 2014 MSP activities.

2.35 The Meeting considered it useful to link the Baltwise project to other ongoing activities, for example for the EUSBSR-Russia cooperation as Russia is a partner in the Baltwise project.

2.36 The Meeting took note that within the EUSBSR-Russia cooperation various themes have been suggested as priority areas including environment, business, people to people cooperation and MSP.

2.37 The Meeting further noted that MSP has been suggested to be included also in the St. Petersburg Initiative, which is a result of the Baltic Sea Summit in St. Petersburg on 5-6 April 2013.

2.38 The Meeting took note of the information that a MSP roundtable will be organized during the Baltic Sea Days in St. Petersburg on 19 March 2014.

2.39 The Meeting took note of the BONUS call "Sustainable ecosystem services" which was opened on 16 January 2014 (document 2/11/INF). One of the addressed themes for the call is "Maritime spatial planning from local to Baltic Sea region scale" (theme 4.3).

2.40 The Meeting took note of the following information on available funding from the European Union for MSP projects:

- European Maritime and Fisheries fund has funding dedicated for MSP preparatory action, however, the fund is still under discussion and awaiting agreement,
- EU structural and investment funds (namely the Regional Development Fund) are available but there is a need that countries earmark funds in these instruments to make sure that MSP is included in the priorities of the partnership agreements and operational programs,
- Territorial cooperation programmes (including the Baltic Sea Region Programme Central Baltic Programme etc.),
- EU research programmes like Horizon 2020,
- EU Life, pending approval, will include funds for interactions between MSP and ICM (more focus on best practices in combining these two).

2.41 The Meeting further noted that funding opportunities for MSP projects have also been listed in document 2/7/INF.

2.42 The Meeting agreed that the ecosystem approach document, elaborated by the Working Group, will be discussed during the next meeting of the Working Group.

Agenda Item 3

Future work and meetings

Documents: 3/1/INF, 3/2, 3/3, 3/4, 3/5, 3/6/INF, 3/7/WP1

3.1 The Meeting welcomed the prolongation for the mandate of the HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG until the end of 2016 by the 62nd VASAB CSPD/BSR meeting and by the 41st Meeting of the HELCOM Heads of Delegation (HELCOM HOD 41/2013) (document 3/1/INF).

3.2 The Meeting took note of the outcome of the 62nd and 63rd meetings of VASAB CSPD/BSR (document 2/6/INF) and the selected key proposals for the Work Plan 2014-2016 of the joint HELCOM VASAB MSP WG drafted by the VASAB CSPD/BSR 63rd meeting (document 3/3), based on the HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG draft Work Plan for 2014-2016 (document 3/2). VASAB CSPD/BSR is in favour of having a focused and time wise realistic work plan for the Working Group.

3.3 The Meeting considered the Regional Baltic MSP Roadmap 2013-2020 (document 3/4) and agreed that it provides a good starting point for drafting the Work Plan of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG for 2014-2016 and also underlined the importance of the Baltic Sea broad-scale MSP principles as a valuable guiding document for drafting the Work Plan.

3.4 The Meeting proudly took note of the work already done by the Working Group as presented in the joint HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG report 2010-2013 (document 3/6/INF).

3.5 The following issues were highlighted by Contracting Parties/Member States and WWF as priorities for the future work of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG:

- Sharing experiences and information,
- Ecosystem approach in planning,
- MSP data and regional data sharing,
- Transboundary cooperation/consultation,
- Public participation and involvement,
- Linking MSP and ICZM,
- Regional dimensions of the MSP Directive,
- Cooperation between EUSBSR and the Russian Federation,
- Indirect market values (ecosystem approaches) in addition to direct (short term) market values,
- Fostering long term thinking.

3.6 The Meeting appreciated the renewed offer by Poland to take the lead in drafting the “Guidelines on transboundary consultations and cooperation in the field of MSP” and the offer by the European Commission to provide input.

3.7 The Meeting appreciated the renewed offer by Finland to have the lead for finalizing the document on the understanding of the ecosystem approach considered by the Working Group in previous meetings and the offer by the European Commission, Germany and Sweden to provide further input. The European Commission further offered to support the work on drafting the “Guidelines on the application of Ecosystem Approach in transnationally coherent MSP”.

3.8 The Meeting appreciated the offer by the European Commission to provide input to the “Guidelines on public participation for MSP with transboundary dimensions”

3.9 The Meeting welcomed the offer by VASAB Secretariat to provide some small funding for some tasks indicated in the Roadmap.

3.10 The Meeting recognized that, should the Directive be adopted, there would be a need to align the work within the Working Group with the future MSP directive but also keeping in mind that not all Baltic Sea countries are EU Member States.

3.11 The Meeting was informed by the European Commission that a common implementation strategy will be developed for the Directive, once it is adopted, and that important partners will be the regional seas conventions including HELCOM.

3.12 The Meeting split into parallel groups and drafted a new Work Plan 2014-2016 based on the Regional Baltic MSP Roadmap 2013-2020 (document 3/7/WP1).

3.13 The Meeting agreed that a fundamental value of the Working Group is as a regional framework for MSP cooperation and exchange of related information.

3.14 The Meeting agreed that the Work Plan should enable the Working Group to fulfil its mandate.

3.15 The Meeting discussed the possibility to outsource tasks and the need to look into funding sources. The Meeting requested the Secretariats to report back to the next Working Group meeting on the budget items available from the Secretariats. The Meeting

noted that the PartiSEApate project will look into the options for funding possibilities of actions in the Roadmap.

3.16 The Meeting recognized the need to consider the links between MSP and the implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) within the Working Group.

3.17 The Meeting invited the PartiSEApate project to submit the updated country fiches (files) to the next meeting of the Working Group and welcomed the proposal to have the final country files published on the HELCOM and VASAB web pages.

3.18 The Meeting recognized the need to work further on MSP data according to the new Work Plan. The Meeting welcomed that a more complete proposal on MSP data will be submitted by Germany to the next meeting of the joint HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG, after consultation with the Chairs and Secretariats.

3.19 The Meeting further requested Contracting Parties/Member States and Observers to consider who could be the MSP data experts who could work further on the data issue, also with connections to other data developments on the Baltic Sea and EU level, and invited the experts to attend the next meeting of the Working Group.

3.20 The Meeting approved in principle the new draft of the Work Plan 2014-2016 for HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG as included in **Annex 2** and agreed that the participants should submit any possible comments on the draft Work Plan concerning timing to the co-chairs (cieslak@umgdy.gov.pl and anita.makinen@trafi.fi) and the Secretariats (hermanni.backer@helcom.fi and info@vasab.org) at the latest **by the 14 February 2014**.

3.21 The Meeting mandated the Secretariats to forward the amended draft Work Plan 2014-2016 to HELCOM HOD and VASAB CSPD/BSR for approval after inserting the input on timing received by the deadline.

3.22 The Meeting took note of the draft calendar of MSP events during 2014-2015 (document 3/5) and requested participants to send any updates to the Secretariats (laura.meski@helcom.fi and info@vasab.org) at the latest **by 1 March 2014**.

3.23 The Meeting considered the working practices of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG and agreed that at least two two-day meetings are needed per year with the possibility to arrange a third meeting, if needed, and took note of the suggestion to develop the working methods of the Working Group further, including using drafting groups more often.

3.24 The Meeting reflected on the composition of the HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG and noted the concern by some participants on the lack of participation of delegates which attend also other HELCOM meetings.

3.25 The Meeting reflected further that cross-sectoral dialogue during the Working Group meetings could be strengthened, and considered that this might be facilitated through an additional agenda item, giving the possibility for statements of both spatial planning and environment protection/conservation positions.

3.26 The Meeting took note of a survey to be made by the PartiSEApate project on the transnational MSP governance system in the BSR, including cross-sectoral participation. The members of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG are invited to participate in the survey.

3.27 The Meeting took note of the information that VASAB in cooperation with the PartiSEApate project plans to organise a conference for MSP practitioners, also being the final conference of the PartiSEApate project, on 17-18 June 2014 in Riga, Latvia.

3.28 The Meeting decided to arrange its next meeting (HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG 9/2014) in Riga, Latvia, on 16 June 2014, as a back-to-back meeting with the MSP practitioner's conference

3.29 The Meeting re-elected Mr. Andrzej Cieslak, Poland, and Ms. Anita Mäkinen, Finland, as Co-Chairs of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG and re-elected Mr. Kai Trümpler, Germany as Co-Vice-Chair of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG for the next three-year period

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ANNEX 2 DRAFT WORK PLAN 2014-2016

Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
0. Joint Baltic MSP principles	Continuously update national information on MSP developments including implementation of the joint MSP principles, especially those principles not covered by guidelines development or other targeted activity.	All H-V MSP WG Update the "Follow up table"	Continuous
	Follow up the overall situation in the BSR countries with regard to implementation of the regional target of setting MSP plans applying ecosystem approach.	All H-V MSP WG,	
1. Intergovernmental cooperation on MSP			
1.1 Cooperate in the field of MSP using <i>inter alia</i> the HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG framework and thus facilitate reaching the target of drawing up and implementing transnationally coherent Maritime Spatial Plans applying the ecosystem approach throughout the region by 2020.	Exchange experiences and best practices in the WG.	All H-V MSP WG, Series of workshops among practitioners	Continuous
	Series of workshops among MSP practitioners	Secretariats Countries and the European Commission invited to provide support.	Continuous
1.2 Take into consideration and cooperate upon global and European policy and regulatory developments related to MSP.	Participate/contribute to development of EU, global and other international guidelines on MSP implementation, putting forward Baltic Sea perspectives on MSP.	All H-V MSP WG [European Commission]	Continuous

	Exchange experience of how to link implementation of EU MSFD with MSP	All H-V MSP WG	Continuous
	Actively promote cooperation among all the Baltic Sea countries and facilitate cooperation in transnational projects.	All H-V MSP WG	Continuous
1.3 Draft and adopt by 2015 Baltic Sea regional “ <i>Guidelines on transboundary consultations and cooperation in the field of MSP</i> ”. These guidelines could address the initiation of the process, consultations, cooperation, institutional arrangements and time schedules as well as possibilities for preparing joint transboundary MSPs.	Provide input to Draft PartiSEApate project Recommendations on transboundary consultations and cooperation.	All H-V MSP WG/PL	Feb-June 2014
	Consider PartiSEApate outputs/recommendations as a basis for the Guidelines	PL/ All	2014-2015
	Draft and agree on joint regional Guidelines on transboundary consultations <i>See 6.2 for national implementation follow-up</i>	PL/ All	2015
1.4 Coordinate the MSP related actions and projects, including those implemented within the framework of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region and its Action Plan, noting the role of HELCOM and VASAB as the Horizontal Action Leaders for MSP.	Identify MSP cases that would benefit from cross border projects on the basis of common experiences.	All H-V MSP WG	Continuous
	Evaluate possible project ideas and match them with available funding	Secretariats Sweden Germany	

	sources to complete specific actions in this workplan through projects/consultancy work	Possibly carried out through a consultancy, pending availability of funding.	
	Grant and follow up EUSBSR Flagship status to Baltic Sea MSP projects	WG	Continuously
	Provide input, in terms of project ideas, to EU-Russia cooperation in the context of the EUSBSR regarding MSP	WG	Continuously
Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
2. Public participation			
2.1 Draft and adopt by 2015 Baltic Sea regional “Guidelines on public participation for MSP with transboundary dimensions”. These guidelines should address means of public consultation and transparency of information.	Provide input to PartiSEApate project “Recommendations on stakeholder involvement for MSP with transboundary dimensions.”	All H-V MSP WG/	Feb-June 2014
	Consider draft PartiSEApate recommendations as a basis for the Guidelines	All H-V MSP WG	2014-2015
	Draft and agree on joint regional Guidelines on public participation for MSP with transboundary dimensions. See 6.3 for national implementation follow-up	All H-V MSP WG	2015
Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
3. Ecosystem approach in MSP			

3.1 Draft and adopt by 2015 procedurally oriented Baltic Sea regional “Guidelines on the application of Ecosystem Approach in transnationally coherent MSP”.	Finalize the ecosystem, approach paper to achieve a common understanding within/of HELCOM and VASAB	FI (lead country) in cooperation with SWE, EU, D, PL, WWF and other interested	By June 2014 (to submit to the VASAB Ministerial Conference)
	Elaborate on what is needed for the Guidelines based on the common understanding	(Lead country and working practices to be agreed after completion of the initial paper on EA)	Inter-sessional cooperation by end of 2014
	Workshop/Seminar on MSP and Ecosystem Approach	Russia/All	June 2015 in St.Petersburg
	Draft and adopt the Guidelines <i>See 6.4 for national implementation follow-up</i>	(Lead country and working practices to be agreed after completion of the initial paper on EA)	Drafting early 2015 Adoption by end of 2015
Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
4. Information and data for MSP			
4.1 Identify by 2013 2014 competent contact points for MSP for the purpose of transboundary consultation and joint planning.	Create and keep updated a list of competent national MSP contact points.	Secretariats supported by countries	By the end of April 2014
4.2 Share basic, relevant and available MSP related information as soon as possible.	Information exchange within MSP WG concerning national MSP data developments		Ongoing From 2015 onwards
4.3 Promote the creation and sharing of MSP relevant Baltic Sea regional datasets.	Explore already existing data networks and products and identify specific MSP evidence / information / data needs	All items under 4.3. could be carried under the lead of the proposed sub-group on MSP DATA to be discussed at MSP WG 9/2014 which should ensure synergies with other ongoing regional work on data.	2014

<i>(to be carried out in accordance with the data relevant joint MSP principles)</i>			
	To identify relevant data (on human activities, socio-economic and environmental issues) available for MSP	[see above]	
	To identify gaps in evidence, information and data available	[see above]	
	To identify detailed (minimum) requirements / necessities and develop most suitable and useful solutions for - inter alia - data scope, content, attributes, formats	[see above]	
	To agree on measures to be taken to ensure transparency	[see above]	
	To define research priorities	[see above]	
	To develop terms of reference for setting up a regional spatial data infrastructure for MSP,	[see above]	
4.4 While creating and sharing MSP related information and datasets utilize existing processes for sharing of spatial information including, for those Baltic Sea States who are EU member states, the implementation of the EU INSPIRE Directive (2007/2/EC).		[see above]	
4.5. Prepare a future oriented report by 2015 on marine and maritime activities and developments of Baltic Sea regional	Prepare a future oriented report by 2015 on marine and maritime activities and developments of Baltic	All H-V MSP WG [Lead and content to be determined] <i>(PartiSEApate project will prepare a report by 201x</i>	by end of 2015

importance.	Sea regional importance.	<i>with sector involvement which could provide input)</i>	
Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
5. Education for MSP			
5.1 Promote the education and professional development of MSP planners.	To follow and support developments regarding education and professional development of MSP planners.	All H-V MSP WG	
	To follow and support updating of database on initiatives/ projects	All H-V MSP WG UN IOC? (tbc) http://www.unesco-ioc-marinesp.be/msp_around_the_world	[latest 2016]
5.2 Initiate and draw lessons from practical sub-regional experiences of coherent MSP to try out guidelines and joint regional working practices.	To follow and support identification of appropriate tools for professional development (e.g. training programme, workshops)	WG	[latest 2016]
Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
6. National and Baltic Sea regional frameworks for MSP in place			NB cross check with Guidelines drafting timelines
6.1 National frameworks for coherent MSP are in place in all Baltic Sea countries by 2017.	Review and use template for concise progress report of regional MSP implementation, regarding application of each of the joint MSP principles.	WG [consultant/project?] Update the WG “Regional MSP follow up table” and revise template if needed	revised template by end of 2014 reports by spring 2015 onwards amend template when needed
6.2 Apply by 2018 Baltic Sea regional “Guidelines on transboundary consultations and cooperation in the field of MSP”.	Review and use template for concise progress report of regional MSP implementation, regarding application of each of the joint MSP principles.	WG [consultant/project?] Update the WG “Regional MSP follow up table” and	revised template by end of 2014 reports by spring 2015

		revise template if needed	onwards amend template when needed
	Actively promote implementation of the Guidelines.	All H-V MSP WG	2016
6.3 Apply by 2018 Baltic Sea regional "Guidelines on public participation for MSP with transboundary dimensions".	Review and use template for concise progress report of regional MSP implementation, regarding application of each of the joint MSP principles.	WG [consultant/project?] Update the WG "Regional MSP follow up table" and revise template if needed	revised template by end of 2014 reports by spring 2015 onwards amend template when needed
	Actively promote implementation of the Guidelines.	All H-V MSP WG	2016
6.4 Apply by 2018 Baltic Sea regional "Guidelines on the application of Ecosystem Approach in transnationally coherent MSP".	Review and use template for concise progress report of regional MSP implementation, regarding application of each of the joint MSP principles.	WG [consultant/project?] Update the WG "Regional MSP follow up table" and revise template if needed	revised template by end of 2014 reports by spring 2015 onwards amend template when needed
	Actively promote implementation of the Ecosystem Approach Guidelines.	All H-V MSP WG	2016
Roadmap	Action	Lead/support	Timeframe
7. Evaluation and follow-up			
7.1 Take further steps related to regular monitoring and evaluation needs of [the] MSP [Roadmap].	Assessment report the implementation of the Roadmap	WG [consultant/project?]	By 2016

7.2 Update the Roadmap, if necessary, in 2014 after HELCOM and VASAB ministerial meetings and assess the implementation of this Roadmap 2016, 2018 and 2020.	Update the Roadmap, if necessary, in 2014 after HELCOM and VASAB ministerial meetings and assess the implementation of this Roadmap 2016, 2018 and 2020.	WG [consultant/project?]	By 2016
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1/1	17.12.13	Provisional Annotated Agenda	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats
2/1/INF	08.01.14	Outcome of the 2013 HELCOM Ministerial Meeting - MSP related commitments	HELCOM Secretariat
2/1/INF/Add	15.01.14	HELCOM Recommendation 34E/1	HELCOM Secretariat
2/2/INF	08.01.14	Findings of the HELCOM workshop "Fishing for Space"	HELCOM Secretariat
2/3	08.01.14	Outcome of the regional workshop on the evaluation of marine and coastal ecosystem services in the Baltic Sea	HELCOM Secretariat
2/4/INF	15.01.14	Current status within the PartiSEApate project	Poland
2/5/INF	15.01.14	The outcome of a meeting of MSP practitioners	Sweden
2/6/INF	15.01.14	Outcomes of the 62nd and 63rd meetings of the VASAB Committee on Spatial Planning and Development of the Baltic Sea Region (CSPD/BSR)	VASAB Secretariat
2/7/INF	15.01.14	VASAB workshop „Cultivating new ideas for the territorial development of the Baltic Sea Region"	VASAB Secretariat
2/8/INF	15.01.14	National Maritime Spatial Planning developments	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats
2/8/INF/Add	22.01.14	National Maritime Spatial Planning developments - updated information from Sweden	Sweden
2/9/INF	22.01.14	Proposal for establishing a subgroup on MSP data to the joint HELCOM- VASAB MSP WG	Germany
2/10/INF	27.01.14	Pan-Baltic stakeholders' dialogue on MSP	Poland
2/11/INF	27.01.14	BONUS call 2014: Sustainable ecosystem services	HELCOM Secretariat
3/1/INF	17.12.13	Decisions of the VASAB CSPD/BSR and HELCOM HOD on the HELCOM- VASAB MSP WG Mandate	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats
3/2	17.12.13	HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG draft Work Plan for 2014-2016	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats
3/3	17.12.13	Selected key proposals for Work Plan 2014-2016 of the joint HELCOM VASAB MSP Working Group	VASAB Secretariat

3/4	17.12.13	Regional Baltic Maritime Spatial Planning Roadmap 2013-2020	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats
3/5	15.01.14	MSP events during 2014-2015	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats
3/6/INF	24.01.14	Joint HELCOM-VASAB Maritime Spatial Planning Working Group Report 2010-2013	HELCOM Secretariat
3/7/WP1	28.01.14	Draft HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG Work Plan 2014-2016 - outcome of drafting	HELCOM Secretariat
4/1	17.12.13	Contact addresses of HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG	HELCOM and VASAB Secretariats