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2. Matters arising from other HELCOM and VASAB work

3. Development of the regional MSP framework

- MSP in the updated Baltic Sea Action Plan (BSAP).
- First draft of the new MSP Roadmap.
- Presentation of Pan Baltic Scope recommendations.
- Initial proposals for the scope of the EBA Guideline update based on input from the Pan Baltic Scope project. Presentation by Sweden on the content of the proposals from the Pan Baltic Scope EBA toolbox activity.
- Progress of the Task Force on criteria for MSP coherence.
- Information from Finland about taking into account ecologically important sea areas in national MSP process, utilizing various data sources and modelling that identified 150 of such areas.
- Development of the HELCOM science agenda.

4. Information and data for MSP

- Progress in the work of the BSR MSP Data Expert Sub-Group:
 - o Recommendations to identify common requirements for aggregated fisheries data.
 - o Initial proposal for the BSR MSP Data ESG for 2021.

5. Intergovernmental cooperation and follow up progress in regional MSP

- Exchange of information on national progress in MSP: updates of national plans, international and national consultations, update of the national focal points, information from Contracting Parties, etc.
- The Secretariats and all Contracting Parties are invited to share information on recent development of the MSP framework, meetings, workshops and other events to update the regional calendar of MSP-related processes and meetings, as well as update of MSP country fiches.

- Planning forum as a long-term mechanism for planners cooperation (brief information on the event preceding the Meeting and future planning).
- Progress in HELCOM work related to climate change and exchange of experience to take climate change into account in MSP.

6. Coordination of Horizontal Action Spatial Planning and MSP related projects and events

- Information on recent developments and activities related to the update of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) Action Plan and Horizontal Action (HA) Spatial Planning):
 - o Information on the update of the EUSBSR Action Plan
 - Rules of Operations and Work plan of the PA Spatial Planning
 - o Prolongation of HASPS 3 project
 - o Information on the BEMIP initiative to establish an offshore wind energy working group
- Follow-up of regional projects, presentation of progress:
 - Status of the Capacity4MSP project and its contribution to the HELCOM-VASAB MSP WG (i.e. support to the elaboration of the new MSP Roadmap, aligning planning forums, meetings and workshops with the Working Group).
 - → eMSP project for North and Baltic Seas 2021-2023 project application of the EU DG MARE call.
 - Presentation of the MUSES project Action Plan on multi-use in European sea-basins main message from MUSES project.
 - Update on progress in MSP Global.
 - Maritime future scenarios 2050 (by Finland).
 - o Underwater heritage Baltic RIM project input to the group work.

7. Any other business

8. Outcome of the Meeting

Action requested

The meeting is invited to adopt the Agenda.