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# UPDATE OF THE VASAB LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVE TOWARDS THE VASAB VISION 2040

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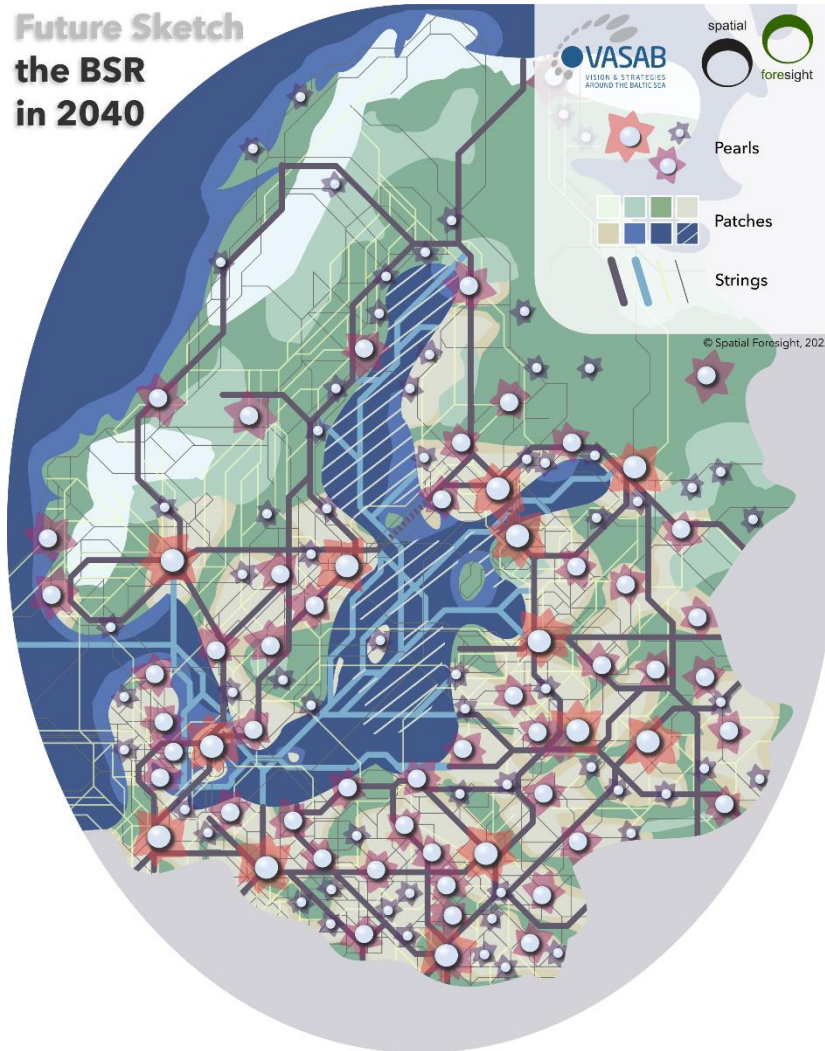
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# The Baltic Sea Region 2040

Future Sketch  
the BSR  
in 2040



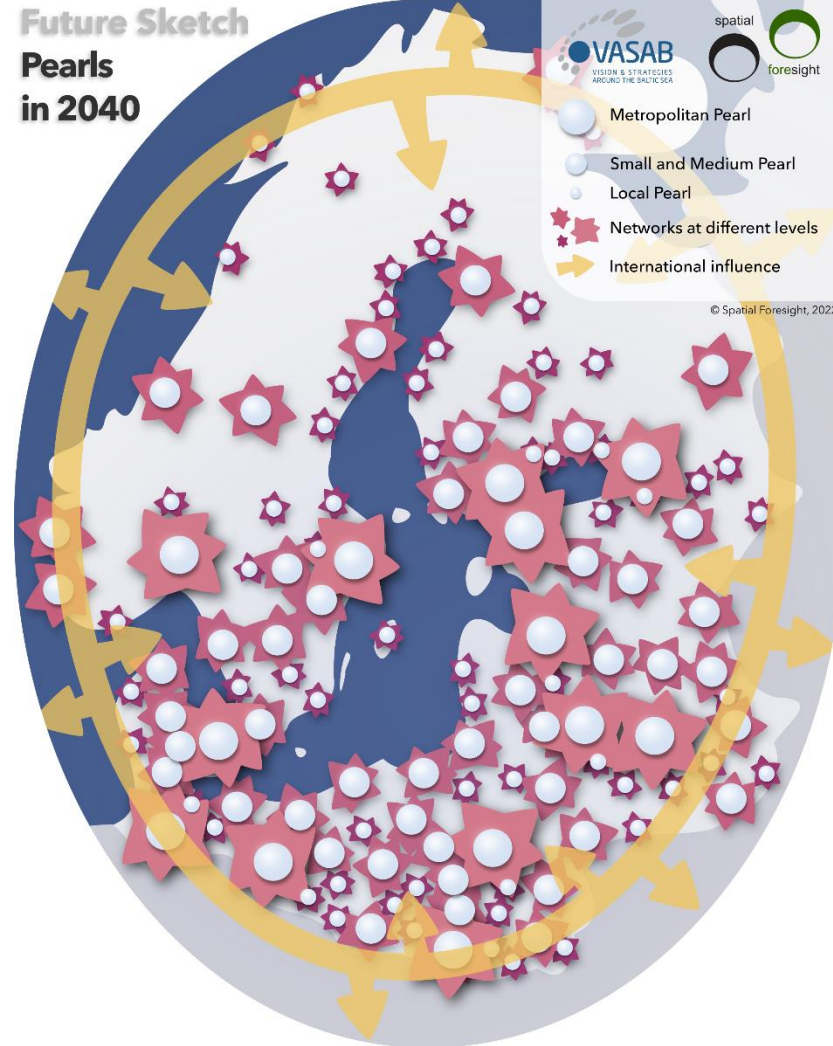
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# Pearls in 2040

**BY 2040 ALL PLACES, RURAL AREAS, SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED TOWNS AND METROPOLITAN AREAS OFFER HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE BUILDING ON THEIR OWN COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGES AND COMPLEMENTARITIES AND BEING WELL NETWORKED WITH AND ACROSS EACH OTHER.**

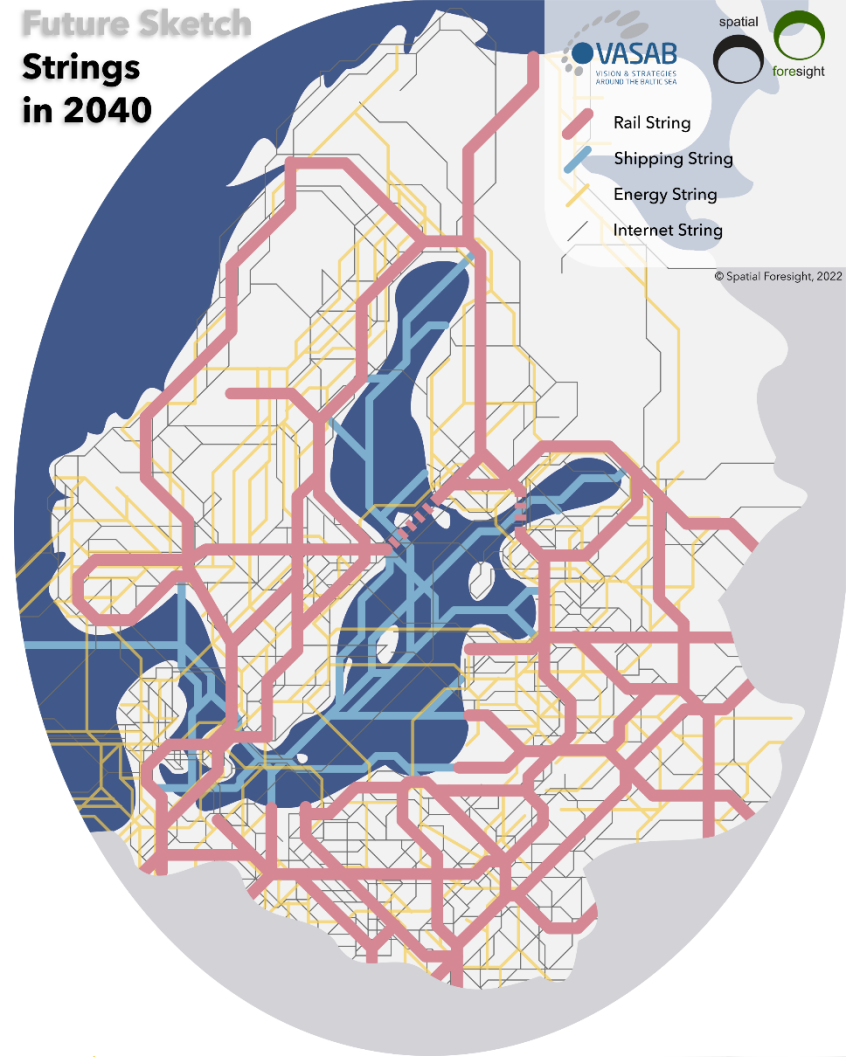




# Strings in 2040

**BY 2040 THE PHYSICAL AND VIRTUAL  
CONNECTIVITY FOR BOTH GOODS AND PEOPLE  
IS GREEN, EFFICIENT, RELIABLE AND  
AFFORDABLE ALL OVER THE BALTIC SEA  
REGION.**

**BY 2040 ENERGY PRODUCTION IS CARBON  
NEUTRAL, SECURE, DECENTRALISED AND WELL-  
CONNECTED THROUGHOUT THE BALTIC SEA  
REGION.**

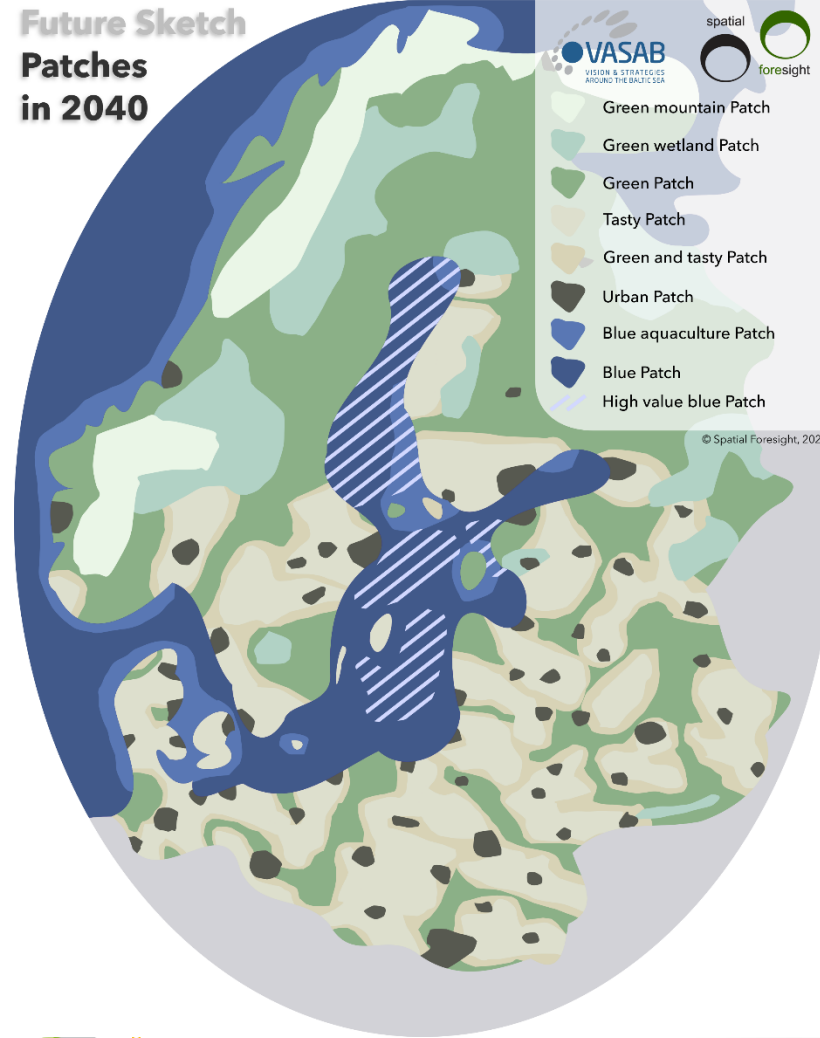






# Patches in 2040

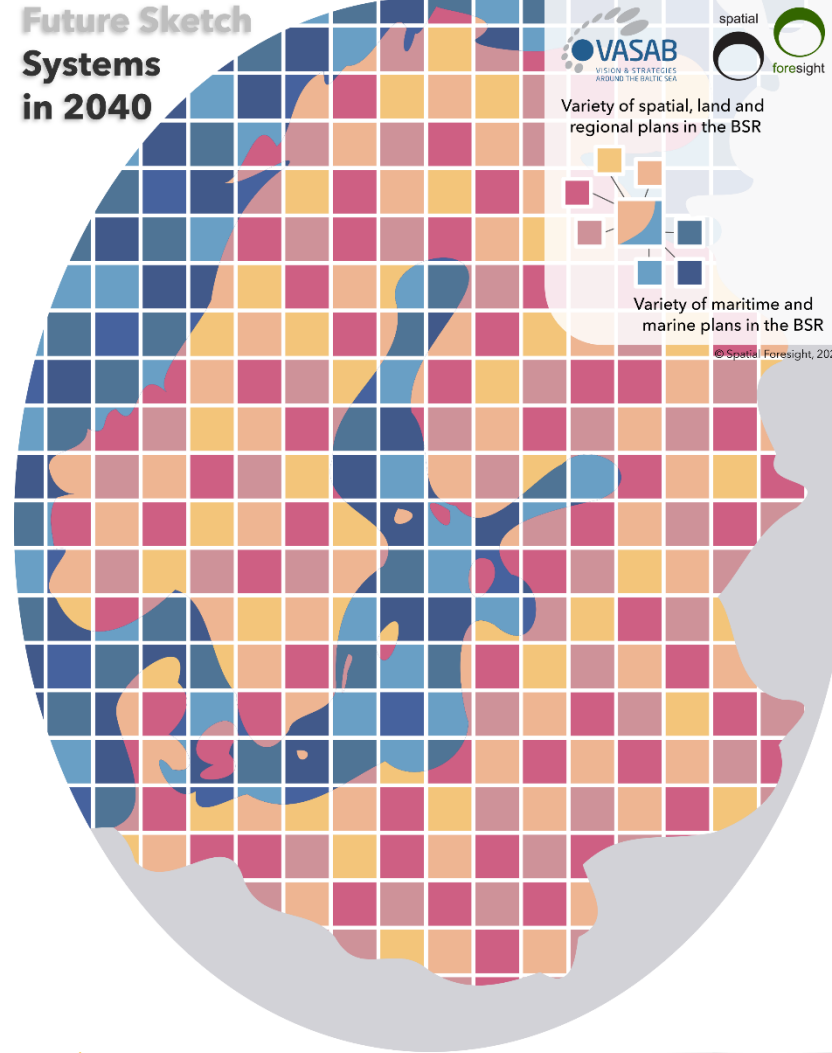
**BY 2040 THE TERRESTRIAL AND MARITIME ENVIRONMENT HAS HIGH LEVELS OF BIODIVERSITY, RESILIENT ECOSYSTEMS AND OVERALL A HEALTHY NATURE ALL OVER THE BALTIC SEA REGION.**





# System in 2040

**BY 2040 THE VARIOUS RELEVANT  
PLANNING SYSTEMS  
COMMUNICATE SMOOTHLY  
ACROSS COUNTRIES, SECTORS  
AND LEVELS OF GOVERNANCE.**





# Thank you!

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