

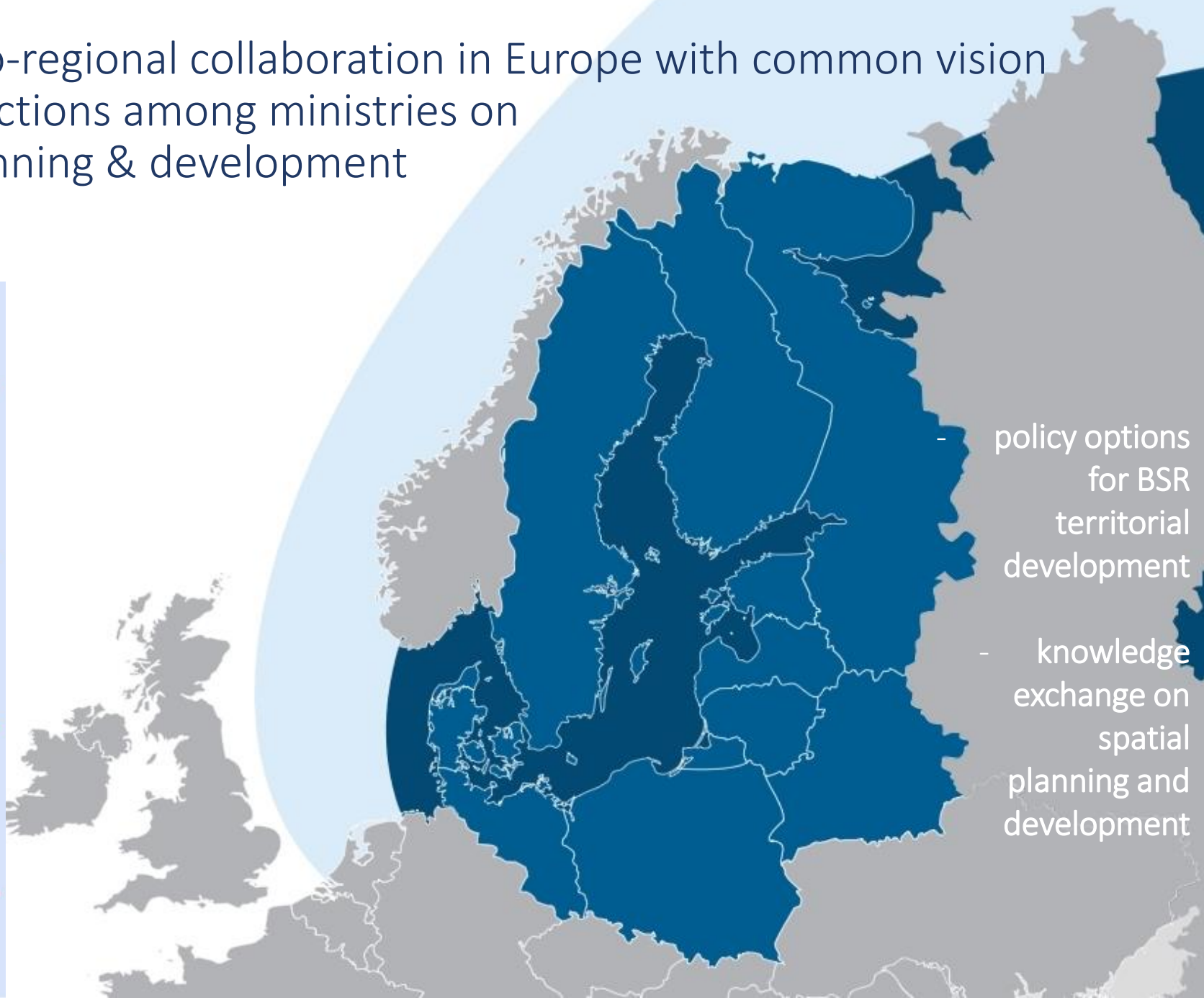
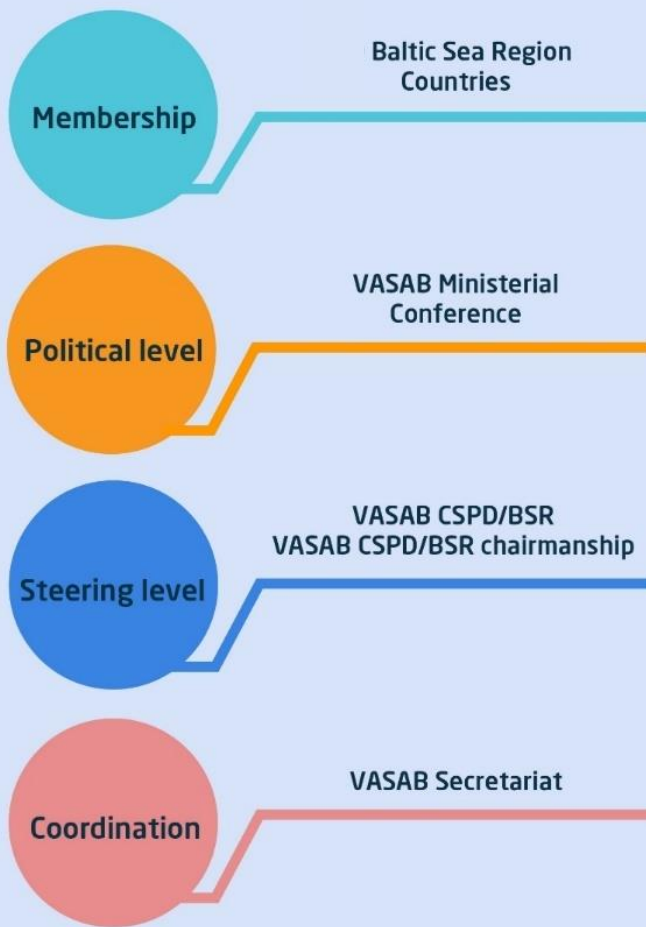
VASAB AND THE NEW DRAFT VASAB VISION 2040

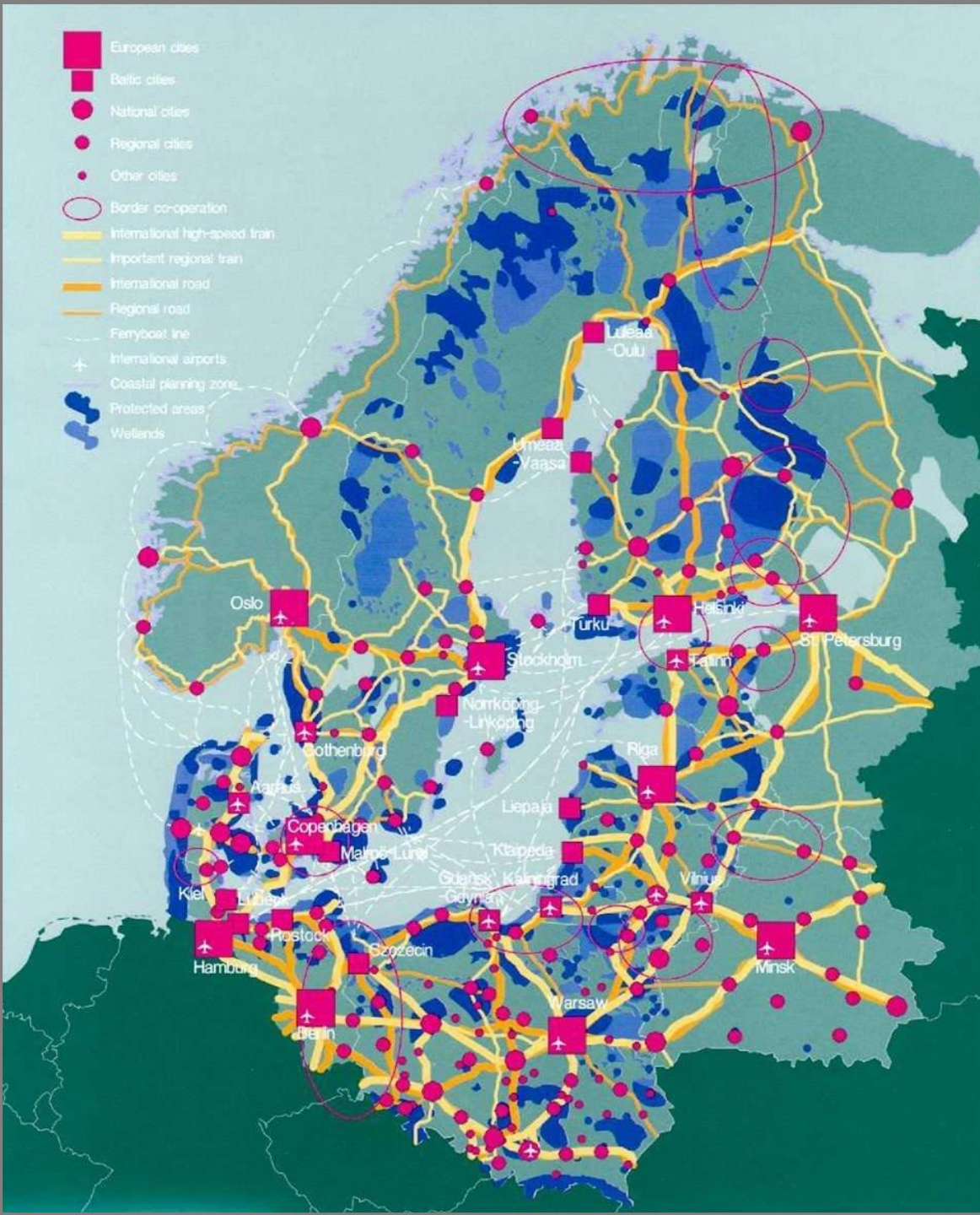
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First macro-regional collaboration in Europe with common vision and joint actions among ministries on spatial planning & development

VASAB since 1992





1994

First common BSR vision

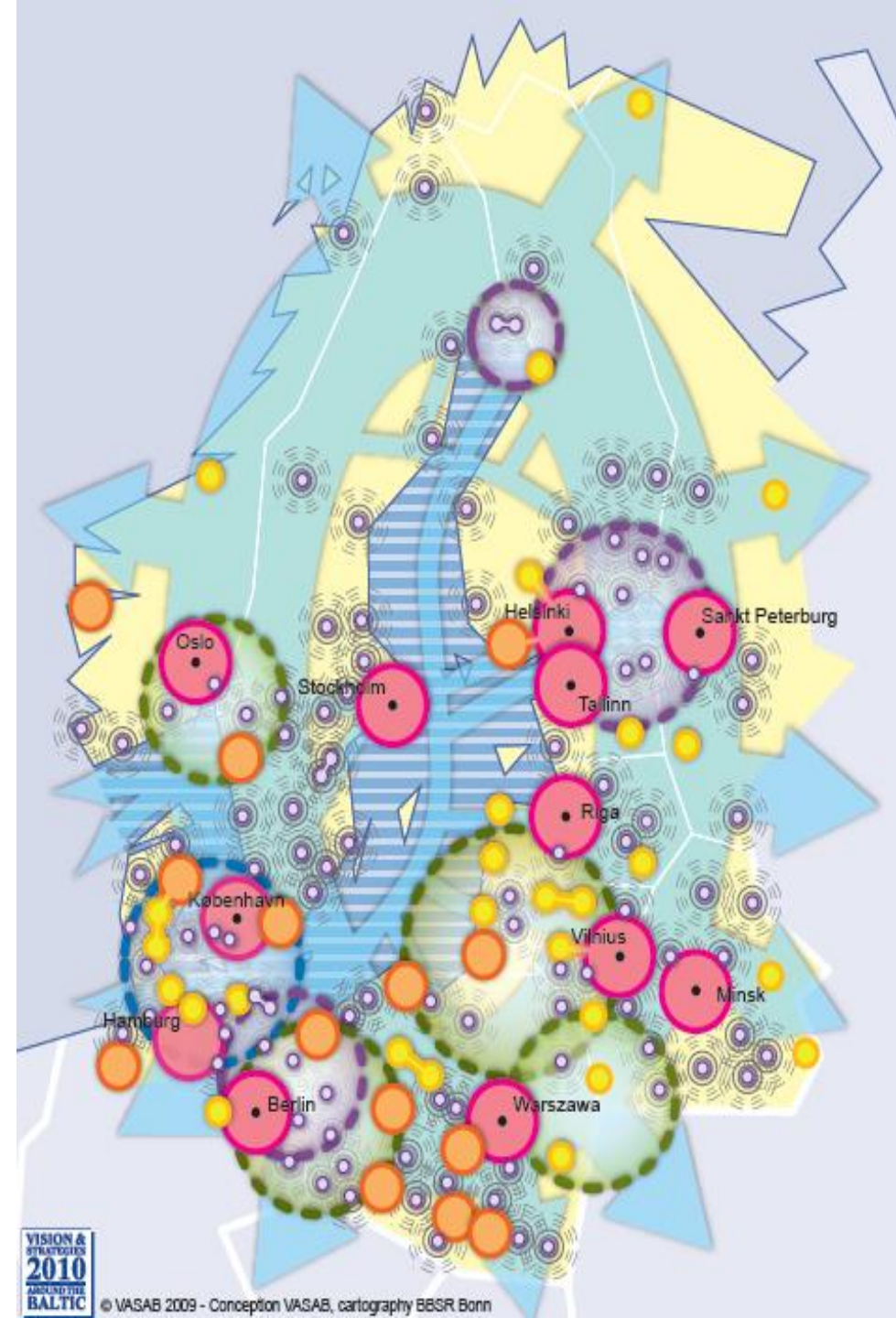
Agreed by the 3rd Conference of Ministers for Spatial Planning and Development, 8 -9 December 1994, Tallinn



- * PEARLS: system of cities and urban settlements
- * STRINGS: effective and sustainable infrastructure networks
- * PATCHES: selected types of uses supporting dynamism and quality of life
- * SYSTEM: spatial planning in function

2009 VASAB Territorial development perspective

- Well integrated and coherent macro-region
- Well-balanced setup of metropolitan centres, medium-sized cities & towns and rural areas
- Fast, reliable and environmentally efficient technologies of transport, information and communication
- Integrated energy system with diversified sources of energy
- Integrated land and maritime spatial planning and management
- Protected Baltic Sea environment and sustainable use of the marine resources





2021-2022

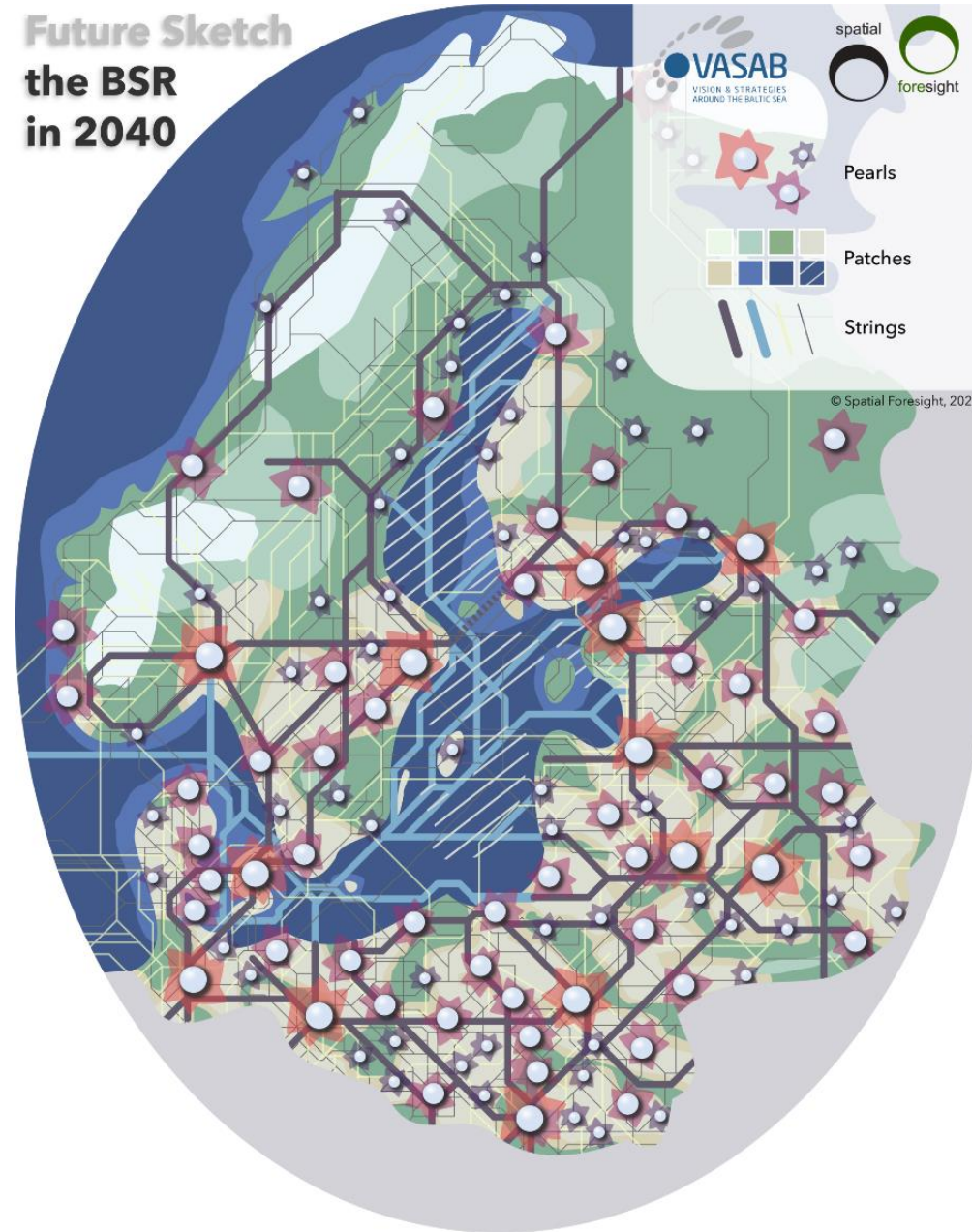
Update of the VASAB Long-Term Perspective 2040

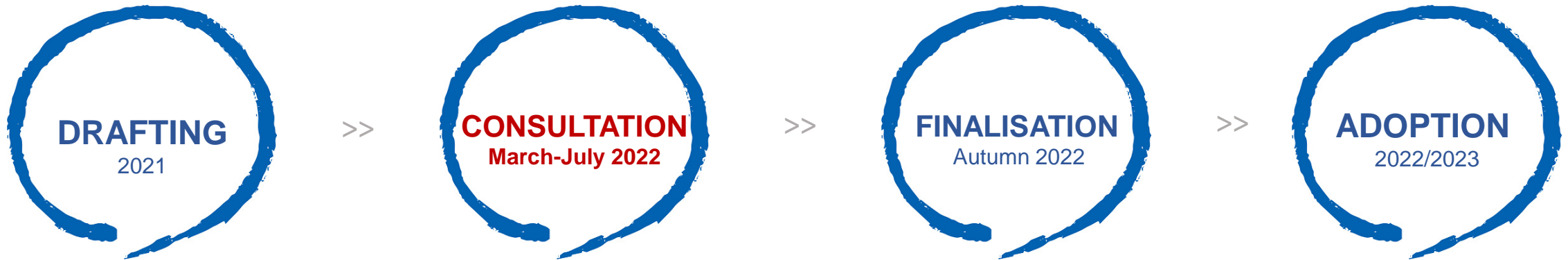
«Bridging the old with the new»:
First common BSR vision 1994 & VASAB
Long-Term Perspective from 2009

Considering new territorial development
trends and arise of new challenges

Co-creative, collaborative and participatory
approach.

Future Sketch
the BSR
in 2040





UPDATE OF THE VASAB LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVE STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS ARE OPEN!

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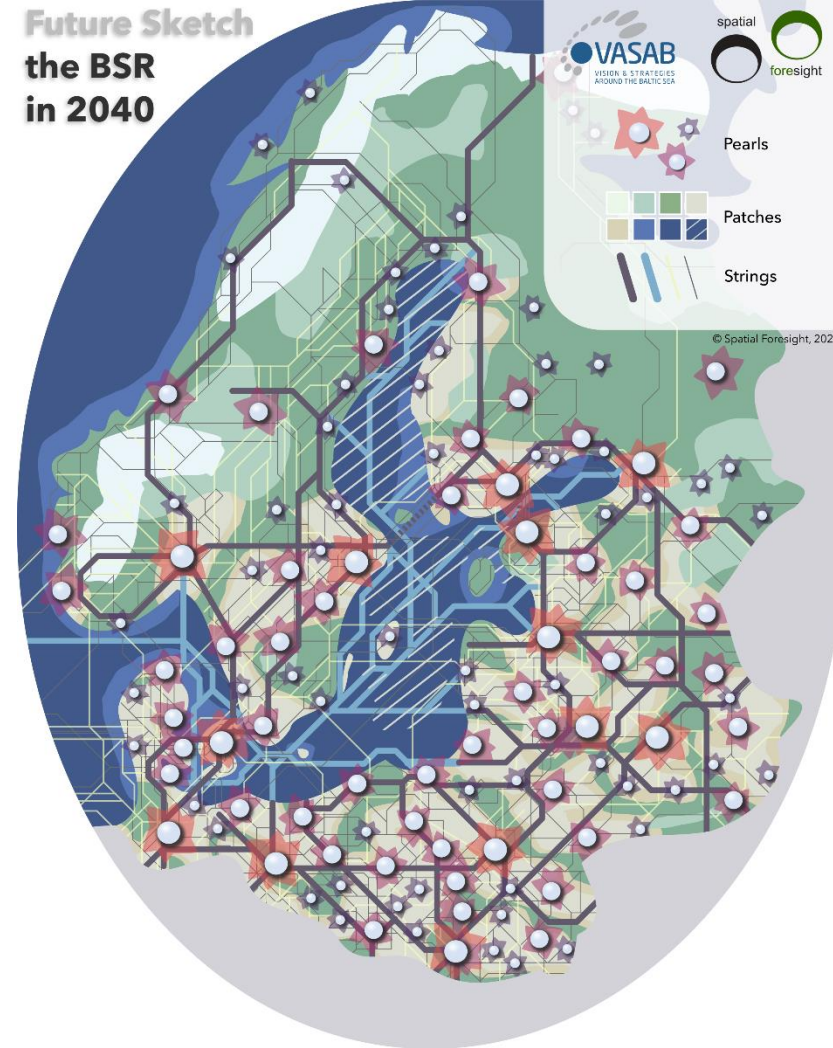
The Baltic Sea Region 2040

Healthy Baltic Sea the central asset around which the region prospers

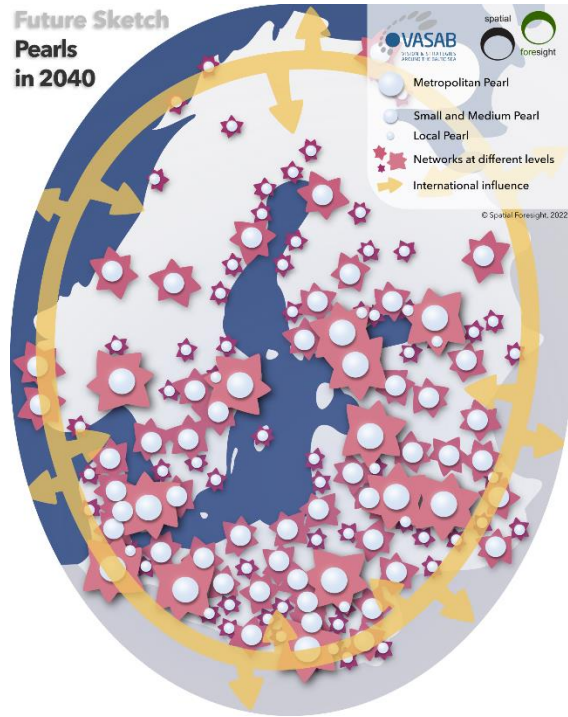
Diversity of places, nature and people co-exist in harmony and stimulate each other

High quality of life based on mindset shift towards sustainability in all aspects of life, on more cohesion, integration, solidarity and macro-regional cooperation

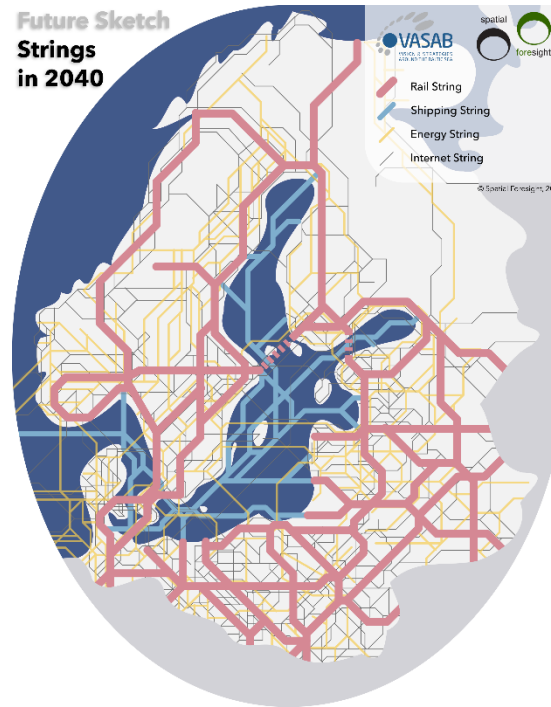
Adequate policies help in coping with challenges



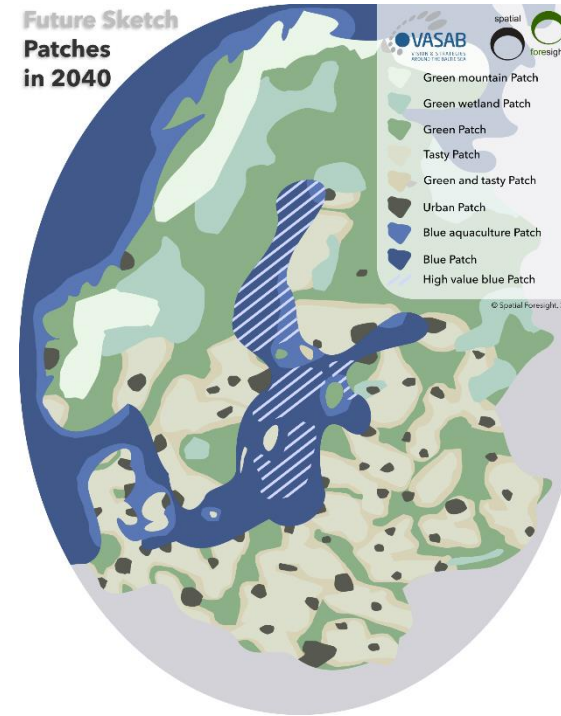
4 metaphors of VASAB 2040 Vision:



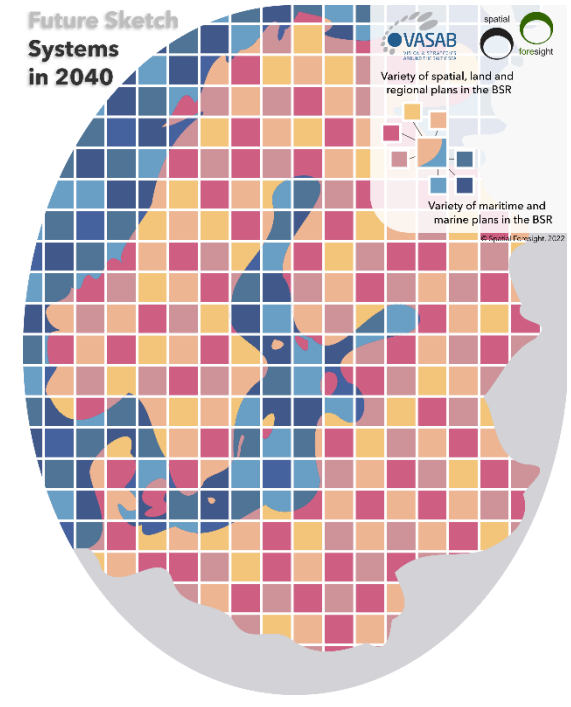
**Vibrant *Pearls*
of all sizes**



**Well-connected
Strings between
people and places**



**Intact *Patches* of
ecosystems at
sea and land**



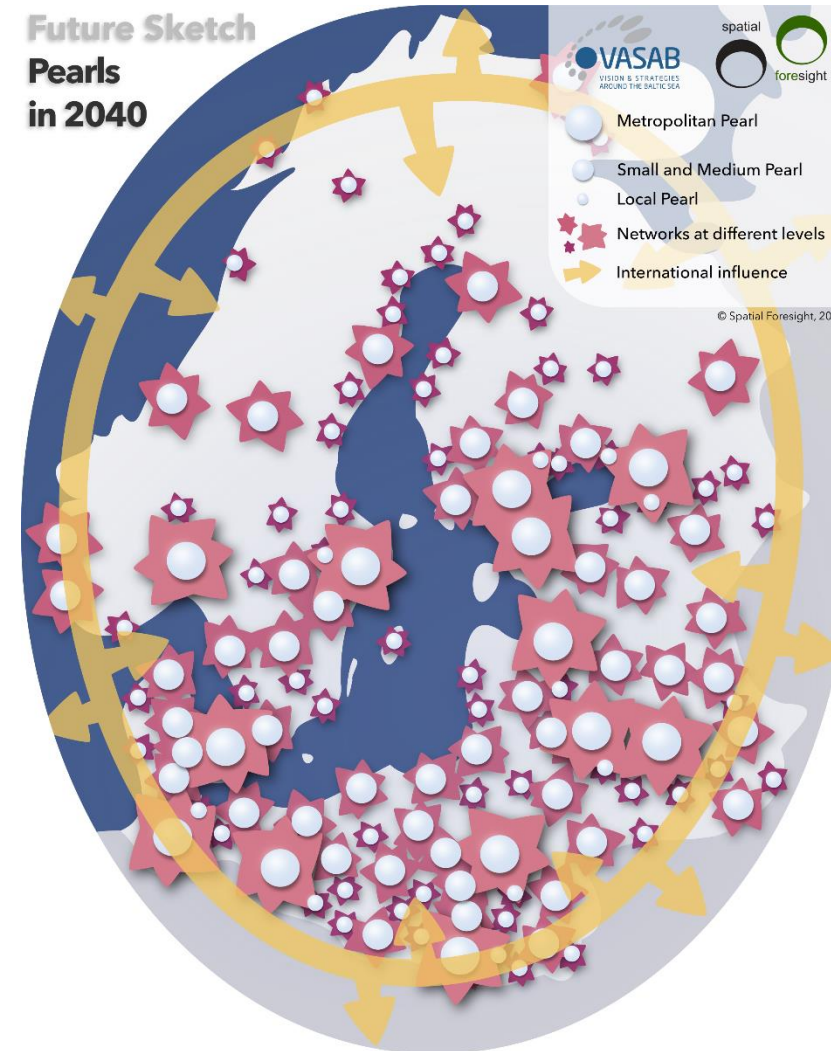
**Cooperative sea
and land planning
*Systems***

Pearls in 2040

Local pearls: vibrant and diverse economies, intact nature and social cohesion for quality of life

Small and medium sized pearls: backbone of integration, resilience and cohesion, service provider, strong community, city networks

Metropolitan pearls: interface to the world, hubs of innovation, cooperate with city surroundings, greener and more sustainable



Strings in 2040

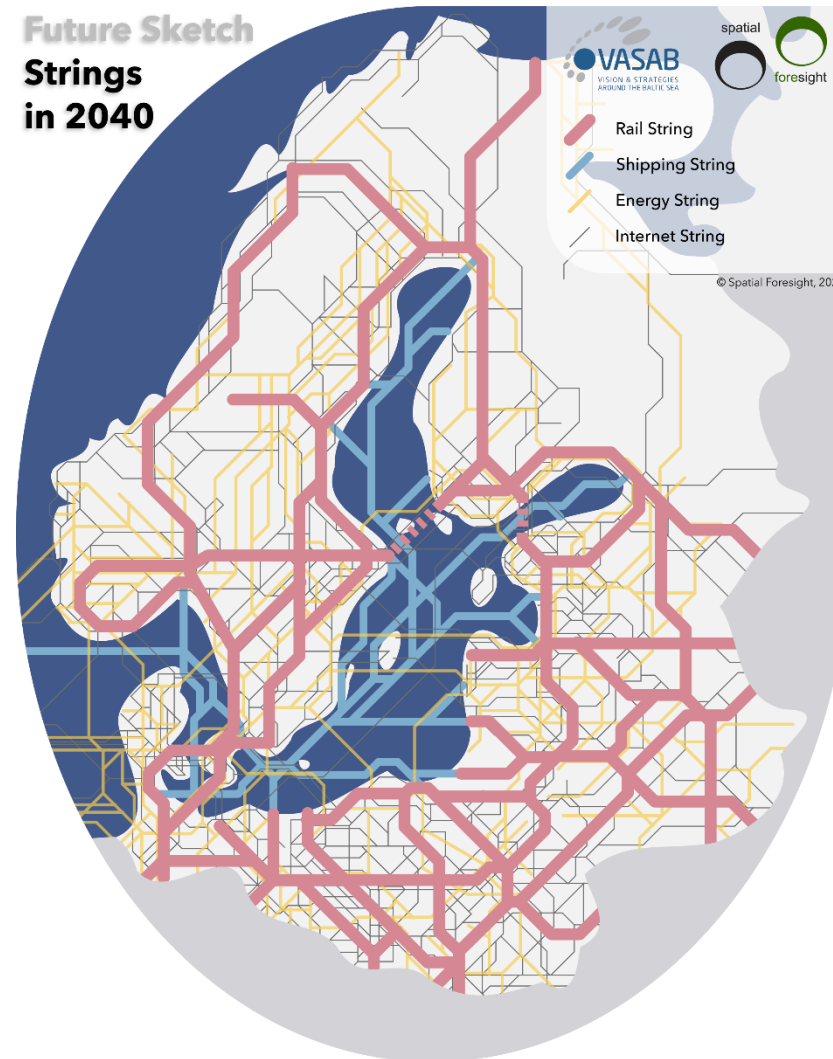
Regional to Global strings: climate-neutral traffic, global connections

Physical strings: intermodality, cross-border mobility and night trains

Maritime strings: greener and smarter shipping, alternative to air travel

Virtual strings: good coverage, leader in digital solutions, green and inclusive

Energy strings: smart grids with renewable energies and “prosumers”

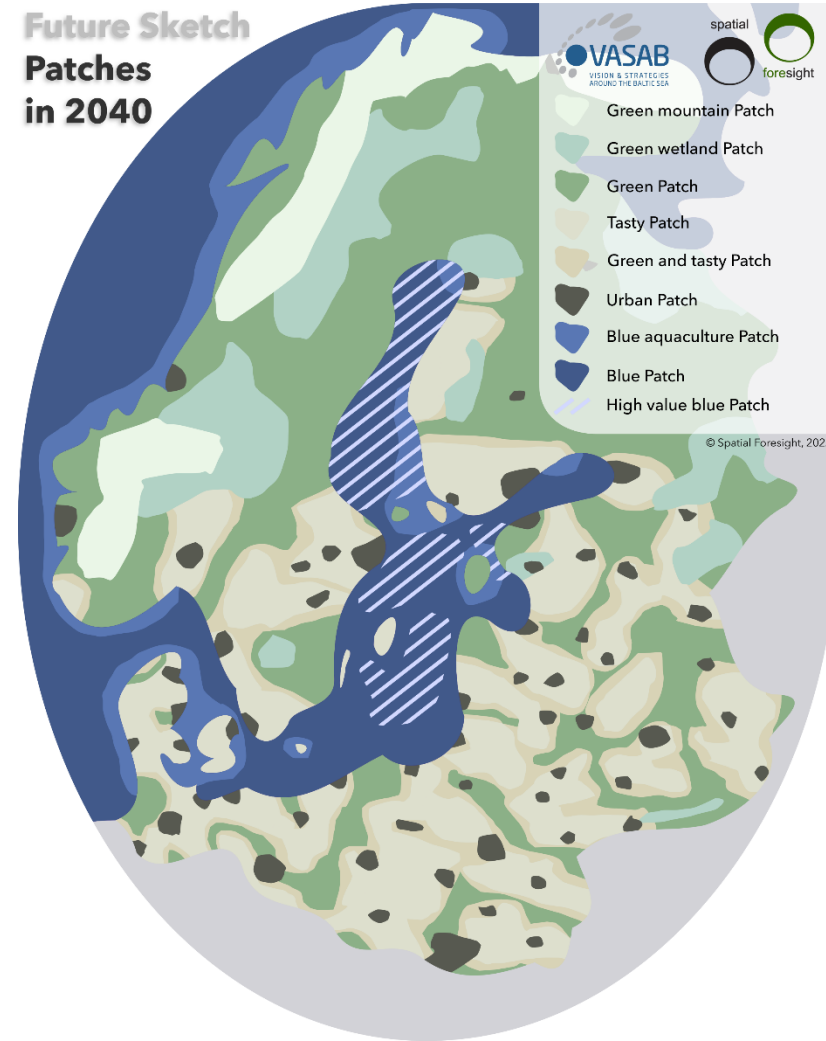


Patches in 2040

Blue Patches: clean Baltic Sea, offshore energy, importance of islands and coastal zones

Green Patches: resilient ecosystems, high biodiversity, green belts and renewable energy

Tasty Patches: sustainable and regional food production



System in 2040

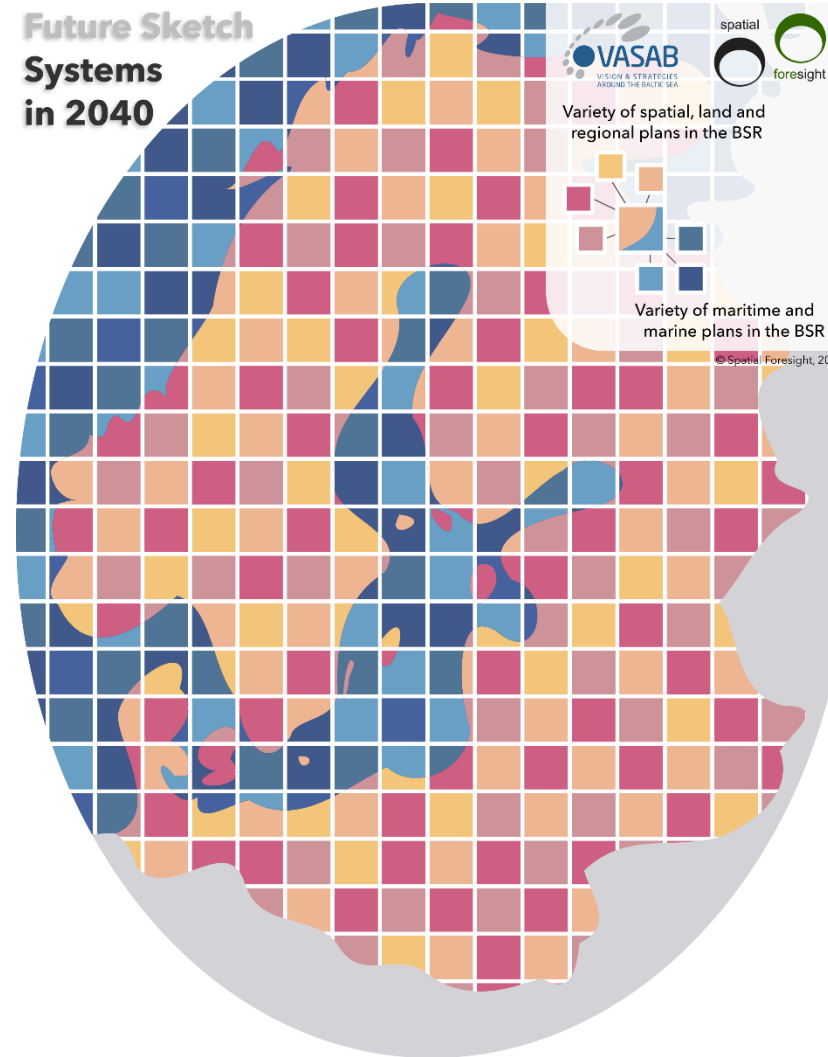
Integration of sea and land-planning tools

Digital and interoperable solutions

Exchange across countries, sectors and levels of governance

Macro-regional cooperation

Involvement of citizens, local and regional actors



Thank you!

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