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The new projects MSP-GREEN, SELINA and Baltic Sea2Land

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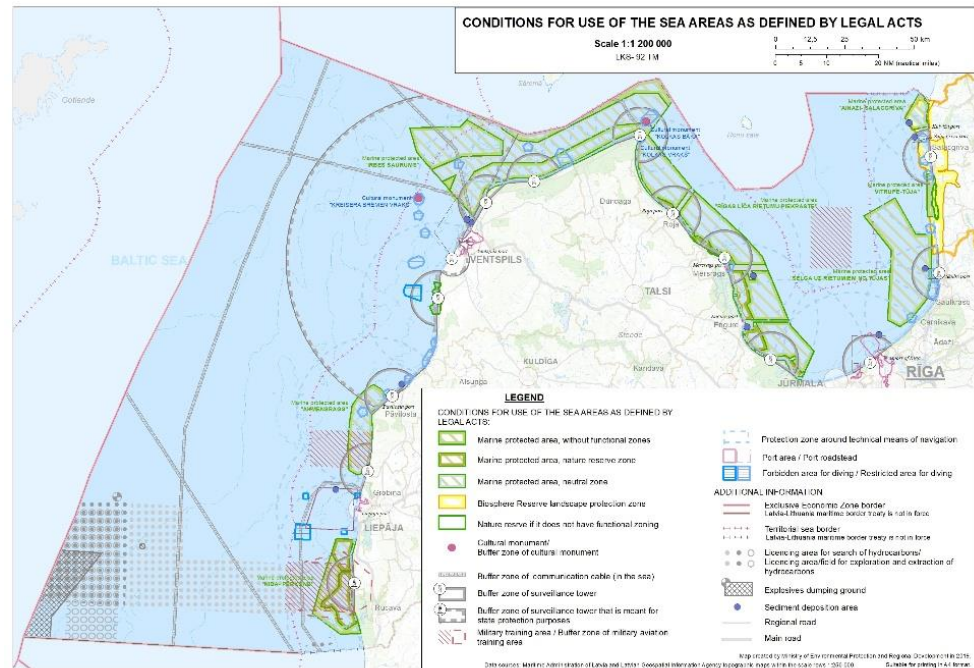
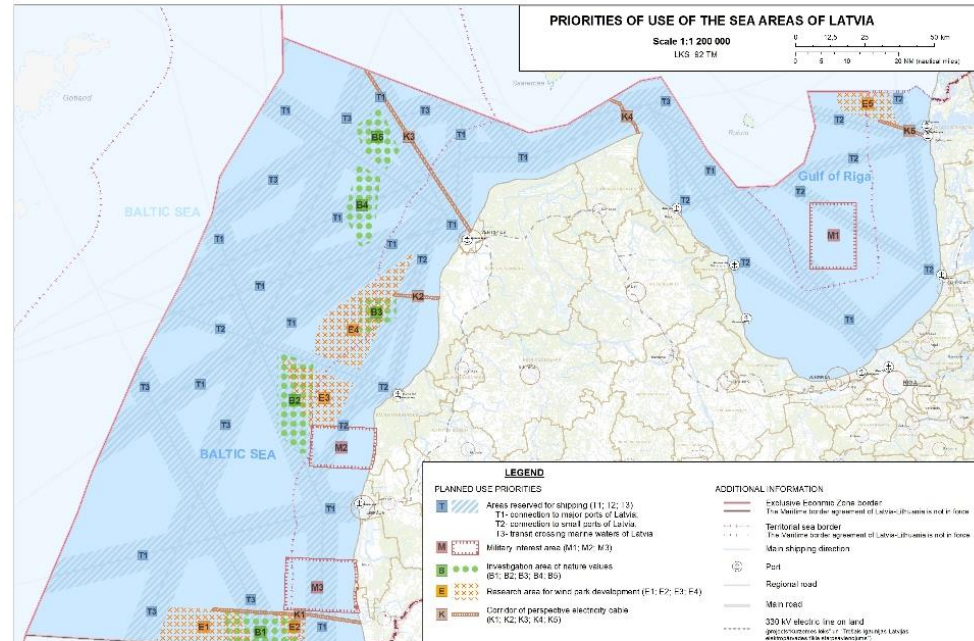
• The Latvian MSP – balanced zoning of sea uses

The Latvian MSP

- Interim assessment
- Implementation

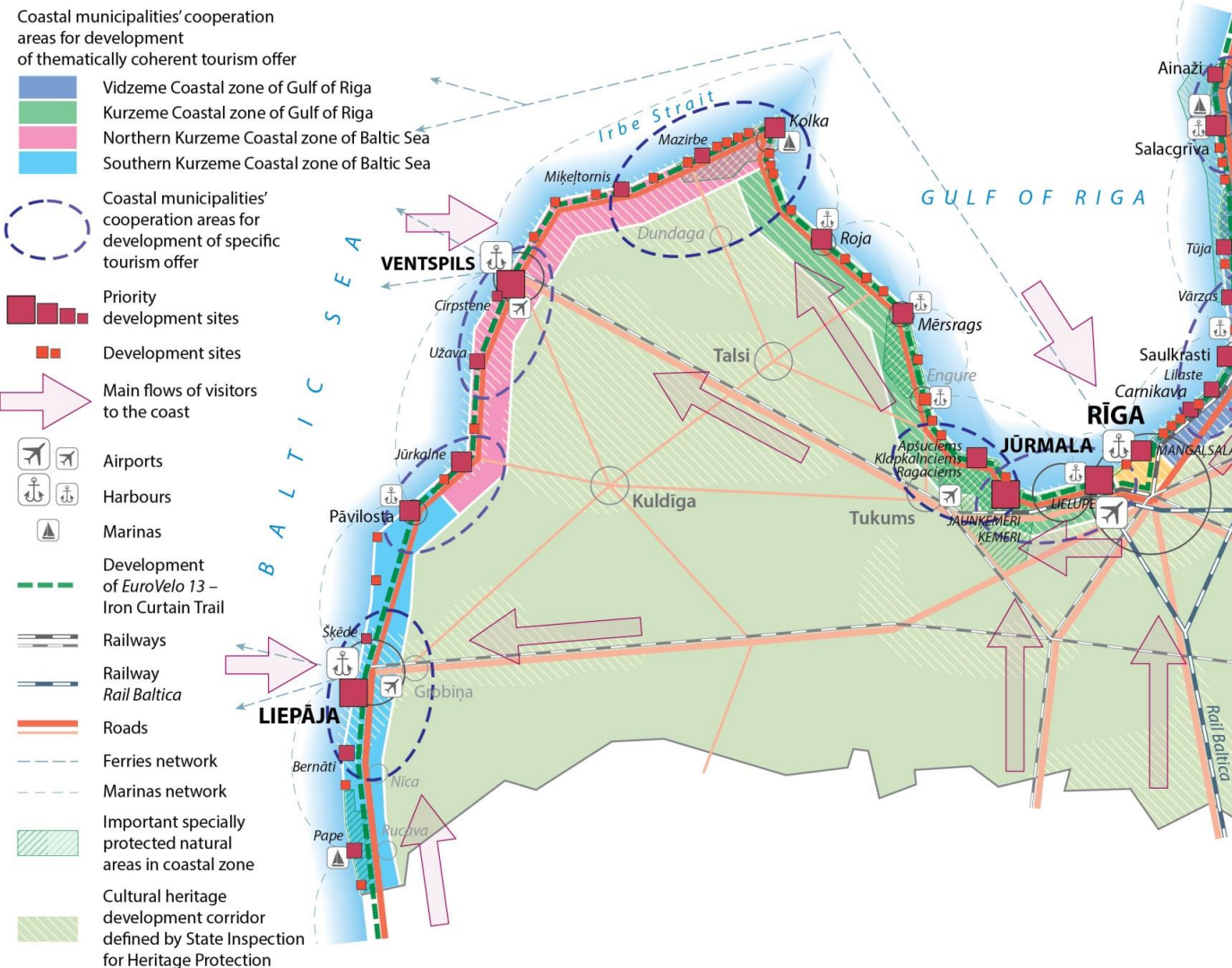


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- **The Coastal Thematic Plan – access to the sea and good coastal governance**



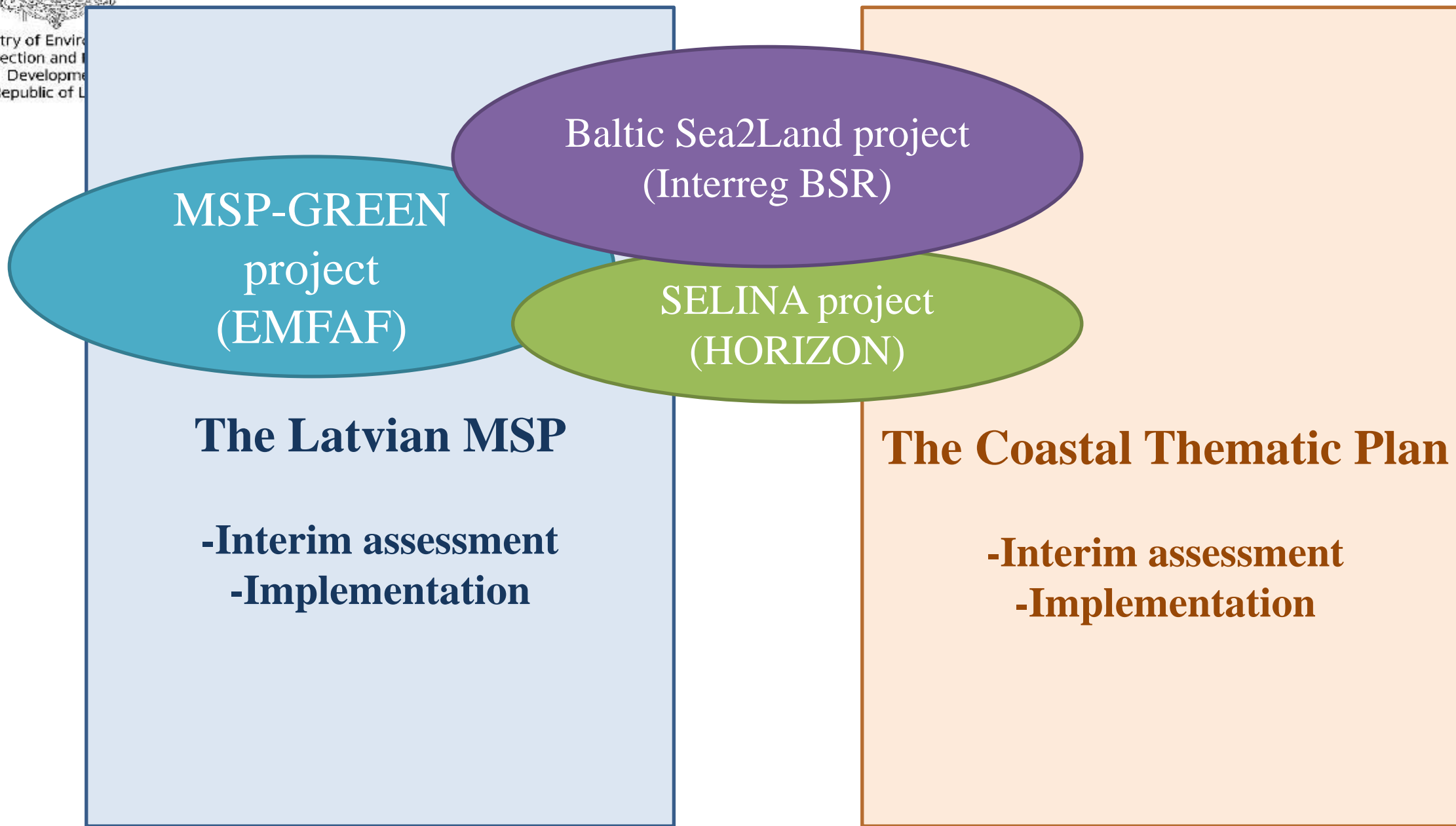
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Project support for MSP and coastal planning





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MSP-GREEN project

Title: Maritime Spatial Planning as enabler of the European GREEN Deal

EMFAF funded project

Project duration: 2 years (September 2022 – September 2024)

Project budget: 1.9 million EUR

Partners: 12 partners from 6 EU countries – Italy, Spain, France, Finland, Bulgaria and Latvia)



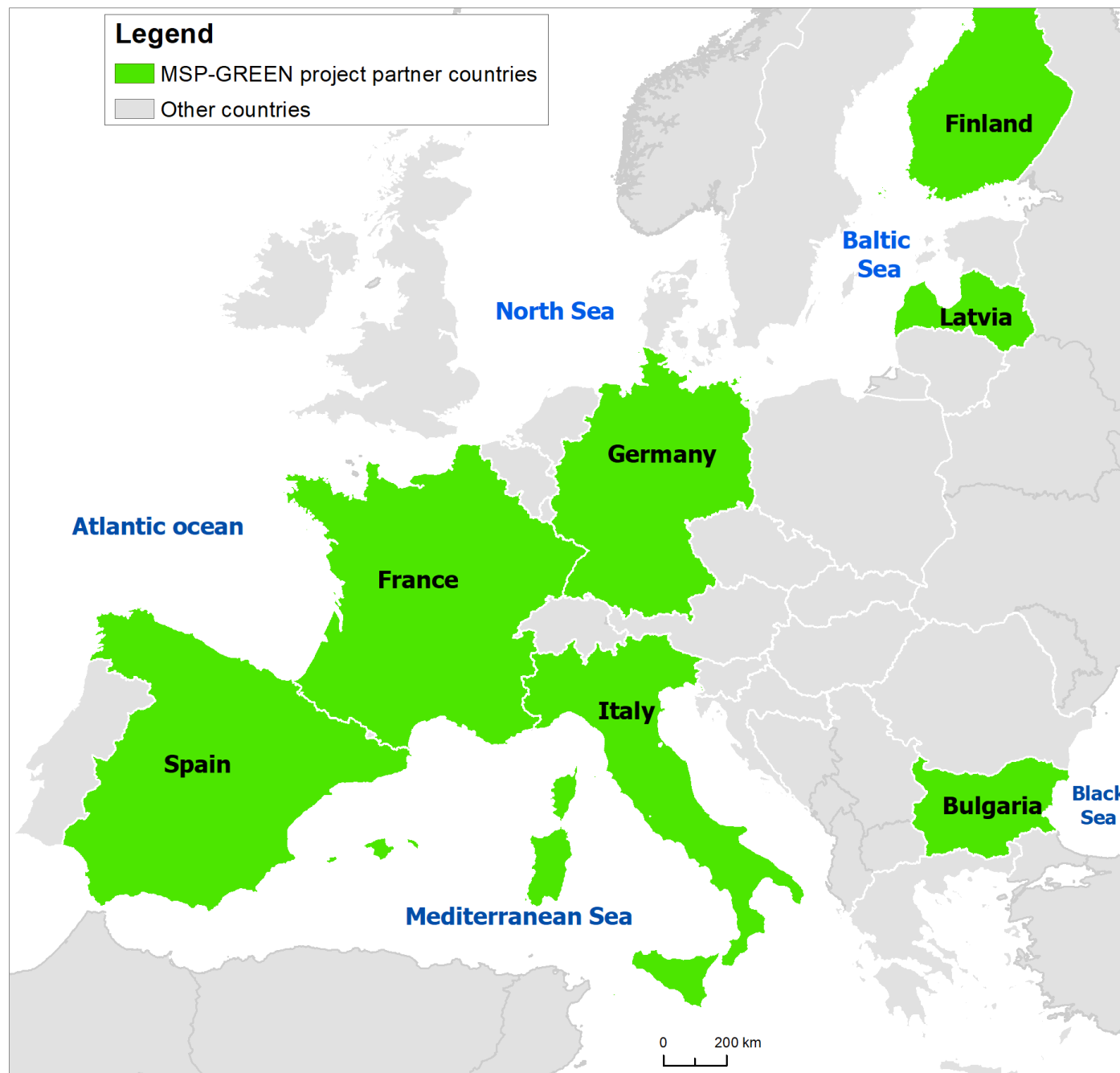
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Goals

- Create an EU wide framework for establishing MSP as a constructive Green Deal goal contributor.
- Evaluate the incorporation of Green Deal goals in MSPs.
- Identify key obstacles to Green Deal integration into MSPs.
- Exchange experiences of best practices in Green Deal activities in MSPs.
- Identify additional initiatives to be included in MSPs for further uptake of the Green Deal.
- Disseminate project results within the EU and beyond.



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Partners

Lead- CORILA - CONSORZIO PER
IL COORDINAMENTO DELLE
RICERCHE INERENTI AL SISTEMA
LAGUNARE DI VENEZIA

IT: *Universita Iuav Di Venezia*
Consiglio Nazionale Delle Ricerche

FI: *Southwestern Finland Region*

LV: *MoEPRD*

ES: *Agencia Estatal Consejo
Superior De Investigaciones
Cientificas*

FR: *Centre D'Etudes Et D'Expertise
Sur Les Risques L'Environnement
La Mobilite Et L'Amenagement*

BG: *Center for Coastal and Marine
Studies (CCMS)*

Associated org.:

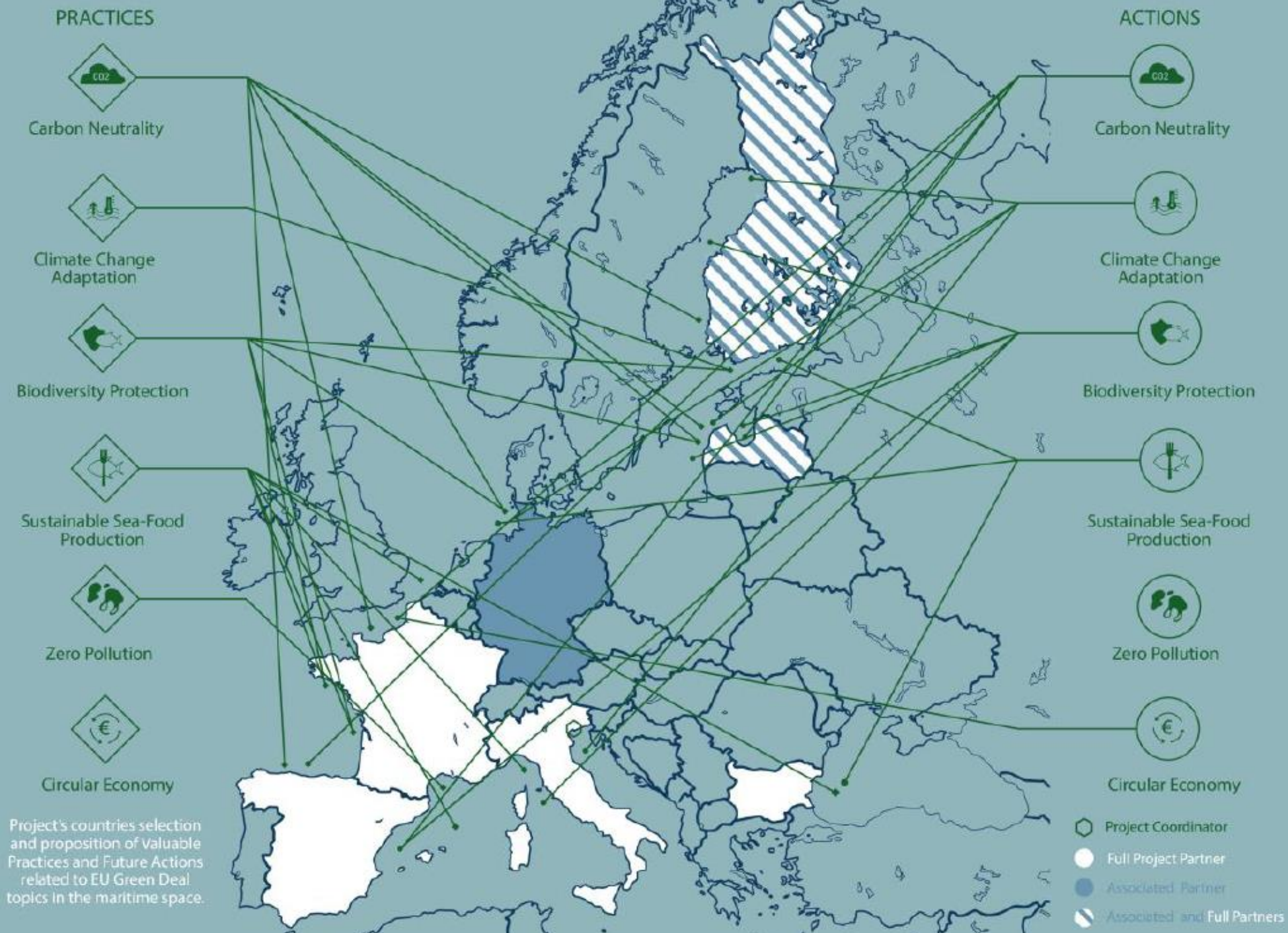
VASAB secretariat

FI - Environmental ministry

DE - BSH



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Work packages and MoEPRD (LV) role

WP1 – Project management and coordination.

WP2 - Analysis and evaluation of Green Deal ambition integration into MSP plans:

- Analysis of the Latvian MSP in context of GD tasks and issues, and identified intersections of different sectors and governance levels.

WP3 - Strengthening MSP contribution to Green Deal:

- Aiding good-practice uptake with uptake of Land-Sea-Act project results (pilot project in Dienvidkurzeme on balancing offshore wind energy, tourism development, landscape and environmental protection).

WP4 - Towards a Greener MSP for Europe: scaling-up and innovating:

- Participation in drafting GD uptake recommendations for each involved sea-basin – representing the perspective of the Baltic Sea basin and incorporating Blue Economy goals.

WP5 - Communication and Dissemination:

- Coordination of communication, including active practical usage of online tools.



SELINA project
(HORIZON)

SCIENCE FOR EVIDENCE-BASED AND SUSTAINABLE DECISIONS
ABOUT
NATURAL CAPITAL



SELINA project receives funding from the European Union's Horizon Europe research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 101060415

Leibniz University Hannover	SarVision
Stichting Capitals Coalition	Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic
Ecostack Innovations Limited	Gaspar Frutuoso Foundation
University of Trento	Flemish Agency for Nature and Forest
Pensoft Publishers	Municipality of Trento
Centre for Ecological Research	Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania
Mykolas Romeris University	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia
Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts	Research Centre in Biodiversity and Genetic Resources
University of Patras	University of Haifa
space4environment	COHAB Initiative Secretariat
National Institute of Geophysics, Geodesy and Geography	KTH Royal Institute of Technology
Rey Juan Carlos University	Forest Research Institute
University of Salzburg	SEAcoop
University of Bucharest	Macropian
Flemish Institute for Technological Research	University of Reunion
Foundation for Sustainable Development	Spatial Services
Baltic Environmental Forum	Asplan Viak
Adam Mickiewicz University	denkstatt
National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and the Environment	Wolfs Company, part of Grant Thornton
Copenhagen University	Ministry for the Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge
Norwegian Institute for Natural Research	ETH Zürich
Estonian University of Life Sciences	Joint Research Centre
The Cyprus Institute	UNEP-WCMC
Wageningen University	South Atlantic Environmental Research Institute
The Finnish Environment Institute	
Global Change Research Institute	

SELINA Partners

- 50 partner organisations (incl. 5 associated org.) from all 27 EU member states, Norway, Switzerland, Israel, and the United Kingdom

Consortium

- The SELINA Consortium comprises a Pan-European network of renowned professionals from the academic and non-academic sectors with various backgrounds have agreed to work collaboratively to support transformative change based on evidence-based decision-making related to the management of natural resources.



<https://www.project-selina.eu>



Goals

- SELINA will provide guidance for evidence-based decision-making that supports the protection, restoration, and sustainable use of our environment.
- Focus on ecosystem services (in LV case – ecosystem services in marine areas)
- Facilitating the ambitious goals of the European Biodiversity Strategy 2030 and the Green Deal by providing practical information and recommendations to stakeholders - public (ministries, municipalities) and private (e.g. IKEA).

Objectives and tasks



- Identify BD, EC, and ES factors that can be successfully integrated into public and private sectors' decision-making processes
- Develop, test, and integrate new and existing knowledge, including methodological approaches to improve BD, EC, and ES information uptake by decision-makers
- Demonstrate how enhanced collaboration between science, private, and public stakeholders facilitates BD, EC, and ES integration in evidence-based decision-making
- Work packages (WPs):

WP1	Coordination & project integration	+	WP2	Stakeholder networking & decision-making processes	+	WP3	Ecosystem type, biodiversity & condition mapping and assessment	+
WP4	Ecosystem services mapping and assessment	+	WP5	Ecosystem accounting	+	WP6	Integrated assessment	+
WP7	Dissemination and knowledge sharing	+	WP8	Supporting evidence-based public decision-making	+	WP9	Supporting evidence-based private decision-making	+
WP10	Science-Policy-Society Platform for guidance development	+	WP11	Ethics requirements	+			



Maritime spatial planning & thematic planning of coastal public infrastructure in Latvia

- **Partners involved:**

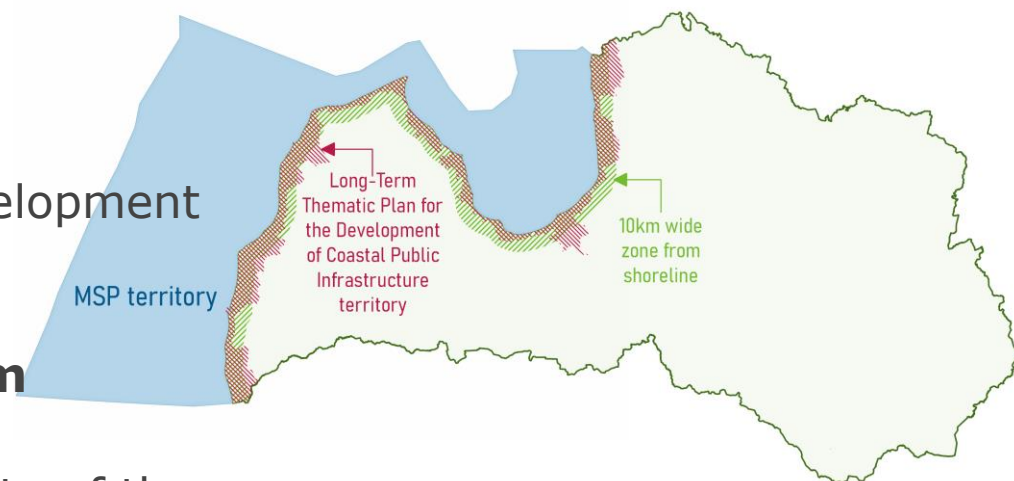
- Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia (MoEPRD), Spatial Planning Department
- Baltic Environmental Forum – Latvia (BEF-LV)

- **Type of decision-making process and key Ecosystem Services**

- Supporting the interim assessment mid-term and update of the MSP of Latvia and the Long-Term Thematic Plan for the Development of Coastal Public Infrastructure by uptake of latest information on marine and coastal ecosystem services

- **Expected added value**

- Consolidation of the recent research results and methods from projects on marine and coastal ecosystem services in Latvia, and contributing to the national MAES process development





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Baltic Sea2Land project (Interreg BSR)

Title: Fostering integrated governance for the joint sustainable use of human and natural capital in the near shore zone

Interreg BSR funded project

Project duration: 3 years (January 2023 – December 2025)

Project budget: 3.4 million EUR

Partners: 13 partners from 6 EU countries – Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Germany, Poland

And 2 transnational organisations – VASAB secretariat & HELCOM secretariat



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Partners:

No.	LP/PP	Organisation (English)	Organisation (Original)	Country	Type of partner
1	LP	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia	Vides aizsardzības un reģionālās attīstības ministrija	LV	National public authority
2	PP	Saaremaa Municipality	Saaremaa Vallavalitsus	EE	Local public authority
3	PP	Tallinn University	Tallinna Ülikool	EE	Higher education and research institution
4	PP	Regional Council of Southwest Finland	Varsinais-Suomen liitto	FI	Regional public authority
5	PP	Baltic Environmental Forum Germany	Baltic Environmental Forum Deutschland e.V.	DE	NGO
6	PP	City of Fehmarn	Stadt Fehmarn	DE	Local public authority
7	PP	Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission	Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission	FI	International governmental organisation
8	PP	Baltic Environmental Forum Latvia	Baltijas Vides Forums	LV	NGO
9	PP	Kurzeme Planning Region	Kurzemes Plānošanas Reģions	LV	Regional public authority
10	PP	Association "Klaipeda Region"	Asociacija "Klaipėdos regionas"	LT	NGO
11	PP	Institute of Oceanology Polish Academy of Sciences	Instytut Oceanologii Polskiej Akademii Nauk	PL	Higher education and research institution
12	PP	State Regional Development Agency (VASAB)	Valsts reģionālās attīstības aģentūra	LV	International governmental organisation
13	PP	The Association of Sea Cities and Municipalities	Związek Miast i Gmin Morskich	PL	NGO

Associated:

2.1.2 Associated Organisations

No.	Organisation (English)	Organisation (Original)	Country	Type of Partner
AO 1	Regional Council of Lapland	Lapin liitto	FI	Regional public authority
AO 2	Regional Council of Ostrobothnia	Österbottens Förbund	FI	Regional public authority
AO 3	Regional Council of Kymenlaakso	Kymenlaakson liitto	FI	Regional public authority
AO 4	Council of Oulu Region	Pohjois-Pohjanmaan liitto	FI	Regional public authority
AO 5	Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania	Lietuvos Respublikos aplinkos ministerija	LT	National public authority
AO 6	Ministry of the Environment	Ympäristöministeriö	FI	National public authority



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Goal

(1) **to balance the interests** of the Sustainable Blue Economy (SBE) sectors (e.g. tourism, energy, fisheries), nature conservation and local communities to support viable coastal development and the sustainable use of human and natural capital in the BSR and through the project solution

(2) to foster integrated **governance** via multi-dimensional collaborations between different management levels (from local to international), SBE sectors, local communities and other stakeholders



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Main expected results

the **Sea2Land Navigator** –

a solution based on previous project results and tailored guidance and decision making-supporting platform for public authorities and SBE stakeholders

Baltic MSP-forum



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WP1 Preparing
solution



WP2 Piloting
and evaluating
solutions



WP3
Transferring
solutions

WPs and activities

1.1 Tailoring the Multi-level Governance Agenda for Integrated and Sustainable Coastal Development

1.2 Customizing the Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Sea2Land Navigator

1.3 Assembling the Knowledge Hub of the Sea2Land Navigator

1.4 Building Capacity for Piloting the Multi-level Governance Approach and the Sea2Land Navigator

2.1 Piloting the Sea2Land Navigator for Local Level Coastal Governance

2.2 Piloting the Sea2Land Navigator for Regional Level Coastal Governance

2.3 Piloting the Sea2Land Navigator for National Level Coastal Governance

2.4 Evaluating the Implementation of Pilots Using the Sea2Land Navigator

2.5 Landing the Improved Sea2Land Navigator

3.1 Multi-level Dialogue on Land-Sea Interactions and Coastal Governance

3.2 Engaging Target Groups in Using the Sea2Land Navigator and Data Sharing

3.3 Building the Skills of Target Groups to Implement Multi-level Governance in Coastal Areas



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Thank you!

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