



Vibrant, Resilient, Well-connected – The Baltic Sea Region in 2040

Expert's Conference on the updated VASAB Vision

1 June 2023 • Wismar, Germany

The Expert's Conference will celebrate the completion of the VASAB Vision 2040. Experts in the field of spatial planning and regional development will come together to discuss what the VASAB Vision means for the Baltic Sea Region and how each of us can contribute to making it a reality.

The event will take place back-to-back with the adoption of the Vision 2040 by the Ministers responsible for spatial planning and development in the VASAB countries of the Baltic Sea Region on 2 June 2023. It will complement the Ministerial Conference by providing different practical and research perspectives and by highlighting what is needed for its implementation. Participants will learn more about projects and initiatives and will have the opportunity to discuss, network and reflect on future initiatives for a vibrant, resilient, and well-connected Baltic Sea Region.

Learn more about the VASAB Vision 2040 here: <https://vasab.org/vision2040/>

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VASAB is the intergovernmental multilateral co-operation in the Baltic Sea Region in spatial planning and development, guided by the Conference of Ministers responsible for spatial planning and development. VASAB prepares policy options for the territorial development of the Baltic Sea Region and provides a forum for exchange of knowledge on spatial planning and development between the Baltic Sea countries. VASAB is integrated into the network of the Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS) organizations.

More information: <https://vasab.org/>



15.15 – 15.55	<p>The VASAB Vision 2040 and the EUSBSR – how to ensure interaction and synergies?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dimitry Frank-Kamenetsky, HELCOM/PA Spatial Planning- Liene Dreimane, PA Energy- Tarmo Ots, PA Transport- Tom Schumacher, EUSBSR Strategy Point <p>Moderated by Liene Gaujeniete and Elina Veidemane, VASAB Secretariat/PA Spatial Planning</p>
15.55 – 16.15	<p>Wrap-up: Expectations to the VASAB Ministerial Conference</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Rainer Danielzyk, Academy for Territorial Development in the Leibniz Association (ARL), rapporteur to the VASAB Ministerial Conference</p>
	<p>Passing the baton from Germany to Finland – VASAB Chairmanship priorities 2022/2023 and 2023/2024</p> <p>Daniel Meltzian, Federal Ministry for Housing, Urban Development and Building, Germany</p> <p>Anna-Leena Seppälä, Ministry of the Environment, Finland</p>
17.00	<p><i>Guided tour through Wismar for Conference participants</i></p>
18.30	<p><i>Get-together dinner at Brauhaus am Lohberg zu Wismar, Kleine Hohe Straße 15</i></p>