

MSP as Dialogue & Action: Advancing Governance Across the North & Baltic Seas

WP2: Ocean Governance and it's Work plan



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WP2 provides both the processes (in the form of meetings and workshops) and the necessary analyses to progress the topics.



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The organizations hosting these processes are the responsible WP2 and taskleads (MINI&W, VASAB, HELCOM), supported by scientists (GMU, UGOT, Nordregio, UoG), and in collaboration with marine experts (SwAM) and decision makers from authorities and other interested parts from both sea basins (NESBp partners).



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WP2 Tasks and deliverables



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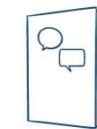
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Performing and testing cross sea basin dialogue (Task 2.1: VASAB)



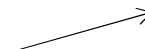
Baltic sea MSP and macro-regional events
GNSBI meetings and North sea region events

Facilitation of a cross-border, cross-sector policy dialogue (Task 2.4: MinI&W)



Policy brief on the progress of
transboundary MSP governance in
the GNSB (Deliverable 2.1)

Co-creation of governance scenarios for the Greater North Sea Basin (Task 2.3: Groningen University)



Strengthening the application of the ecosystem-based approach in the Greater North Sea and the Baltic Sea regions (Task 2.2: HELCOM)



Workshop and recommendations on the
realization of an ecosystem-based
approach in MSP in two sea basins
(Milestone 6)

Policy instruments for climate neutrality (Task 2.5: VASAB)



Overview report on the progress of policy
instruments and actions aiming at obtaining
climate neutrality (Deliverable 2.2)

Enhancement of the effectiveness of transboundary governance (Task 2.6: GMU)



**Policy brief on potential for synergies and
cooperation on MSP governance between
both sea basins (Deliverable 2.3)**

Building on eMSP NBSR to NESBp



eMSP NBSR project results <https://www.emspproject.eu/results/>

How can MSP be further integrated to ensure coordination, manage balanced trade-offs, and promote sustainable marine uses across various maritime activities?

- Multi-Level, Cross-Sectoral, and Cross-Border Collaboration – How can governance frameworks be improved to enhance cooperation across national, institutional, and sea-basin levels?
- Ecosystem-Based Approach – How can MSP more effectively incorporate cumulative impact assessments to balance development with ecosystem health?

WP2 aim for today

- **Create a strong network between WP2 and the GNSBI**
- **How can WP2 best connect with the other work packages?**
- **What are the latest updates on WP2 topics, and which organizations or projects would you recommend exploring?**