BASEMAPS
Distributed MSP data in the Baltic Sea

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BASEMAPS for the MSP output data has been developed by HELCOM in cooperation with national experts form HELCOM-VASAB MSP data expert sub-group and in Data Sharing activity within the Pan Baltic Scope project.

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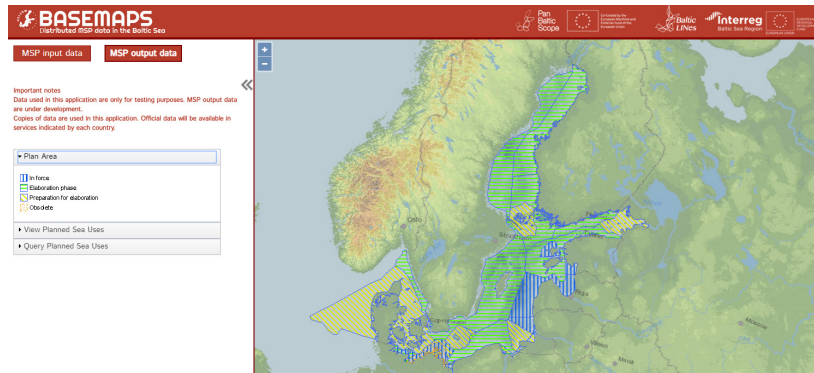
Pan Baltic Scope

Data Sharing activity in Pan Baltic Scope:
Result BASEMAPS

BASEMAPS allows you to get the overview of where the countries are in their MSP process and offers you the possibility to browse MSP designations by types and sectors.

HELCOM BASEMAPS is the result of collaboration between different projects, experts and national countries. Started in the Baltic LINes project, the development of BASEMAPS for the MSP output data was continued within the Pan Baltic Scope project. The MSP output data contains national MSP plans harmonized according to HELCOM-VASAB Guidelines on transboundary MSP output data structure.

BASEMAPS allows you to browse data in three categories:

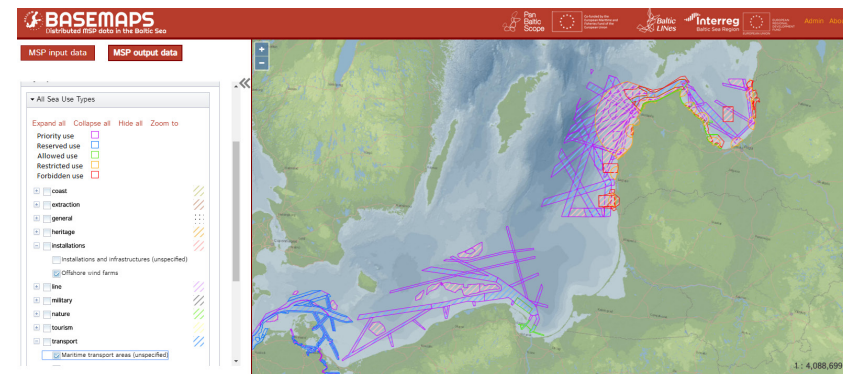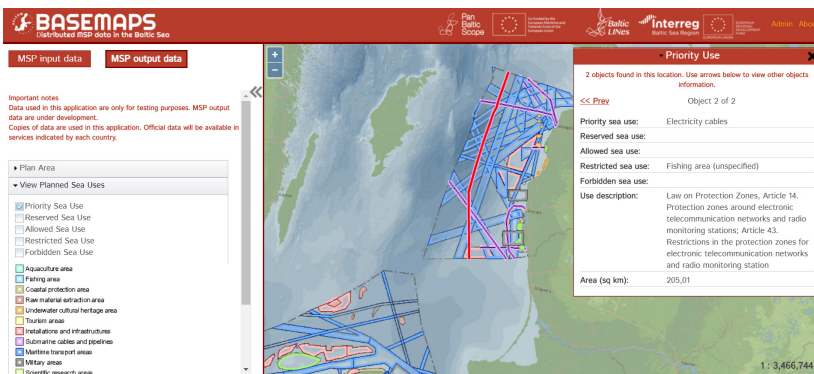- **Plan Area:** A dataset with the status of each MSP process in countries

- **Query Planned Sea Uses:** Users can check the details of each sea use and type.

It allows users to ask more complex questions to the dataset. For example: Which sea areas are prioritized for offshore wind? And, how do they coexist with priority for maritime transport?

The queries are done by each sea use type (priority, reserved, allowed, restricted and forbidden). There is also a possibility to query all sea use types at the same time via the All Sea Use Types menu.

- **View Planned Sea Uses:** Details of each area by its sea use and type (for example, to check if an area is prioritized for military use or forbidden for fishing)

It shows where countries have areas with the following sea use types:

- **Priority:** planned sea use with a priority
- **Reserved:** sea use which is to be given specific weight in relation to others
- **Allowed:** planned sea use which is allowed
- **Restricted:** planned sea use with certain restrictions
- **Forbidden:** planned sea use which is forbidden

Users can select each sea use type by clicking to have an overview of that particular use in all MSP plans.