

Session 1

Resilient and Liveable Coastal Communities



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Communities must have necessary capacities
- Initiative, clear vision of priorities and need of territories helps

For planners

- Planners must engage with strong local communities and use their support to reach most suitable results
- Initiative, clear vision of priorities and need of territories helps

For policy makers

- All policy levels must have mechanisms to support local leaders and communities



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Good example: Local action groups are a very important player in shaping the resilience of coastal communities.



WHAT'S NEXT?

Considering growing role of local communities in strengthening social and territorial resilience and unpredictable future context the key future actions shall be linked to cooperation among different planning expert levels, including local communities.



Session 2

Integrating Ecosystem Services (ES) into MSP



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- ES make visible the multiple benefits from biodiversity and nature conservation
- ES allows to look at a problem as a resource (e.g. eutrophication as input for mussel farming)

For planners

- Find pragmatic solutions where methods are evolving and data are sparse

For policy makers

- ES information have good potential for evidence-based decision making and justifying restoration measures



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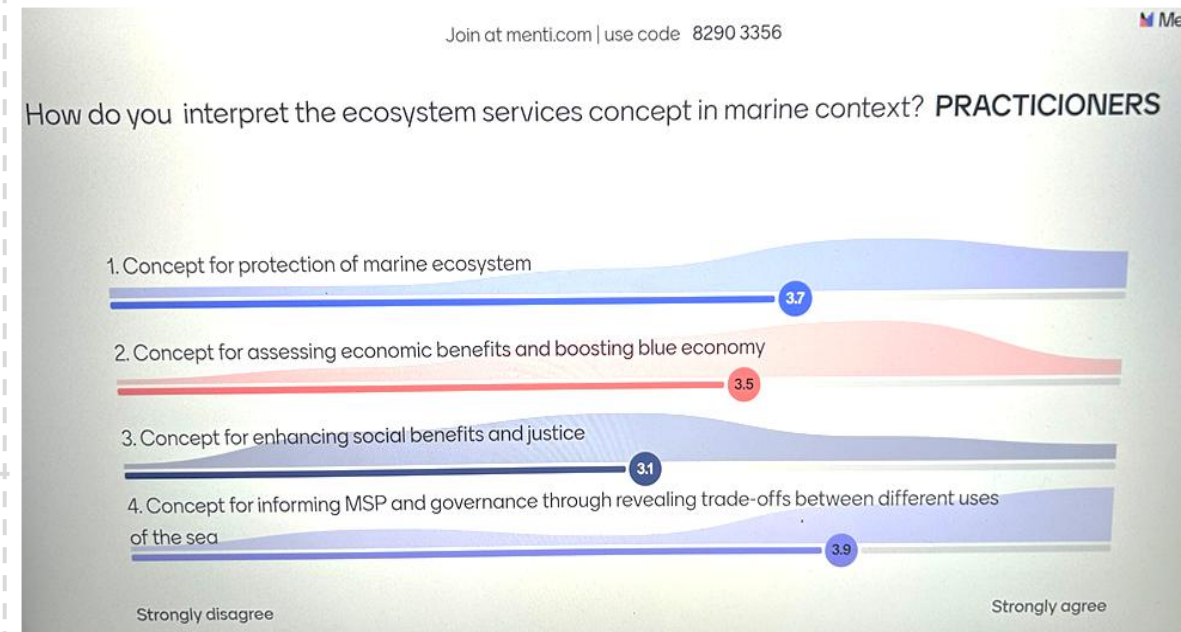
Although ES are not really used in practice for MSP decisions, the concept is recognized as highly relevant for MSP and marine governance



WHAT'S NEXT?

To go from simple qualitative mapping of ES to quantifying processes underlying their supply

To integrate ES systematically into the planning process





KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Be bold and use the Navigator

For planners

- Be a game changer and use the Navigator

For policy makers

- Improve policy and use the Navigator



SURPRISE

People were super enthusiastic and they were interested in using the Navigator. USE THE NAVIGATOR



WHAT'S NEXT?

STAY CALM AND USE THE NAVIGATOR.



Session 4

Tackling Consequences of Climate Change in Coastal Municipalities



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Equal access, everyone knows why particular decisions are made.

For planners

- Vision-Plan-Process. Knowledge is a key pillar for planning. Cross-sectoral approach.

For policy makers

- Change the vision from 4 year perspective to long-term perspective.



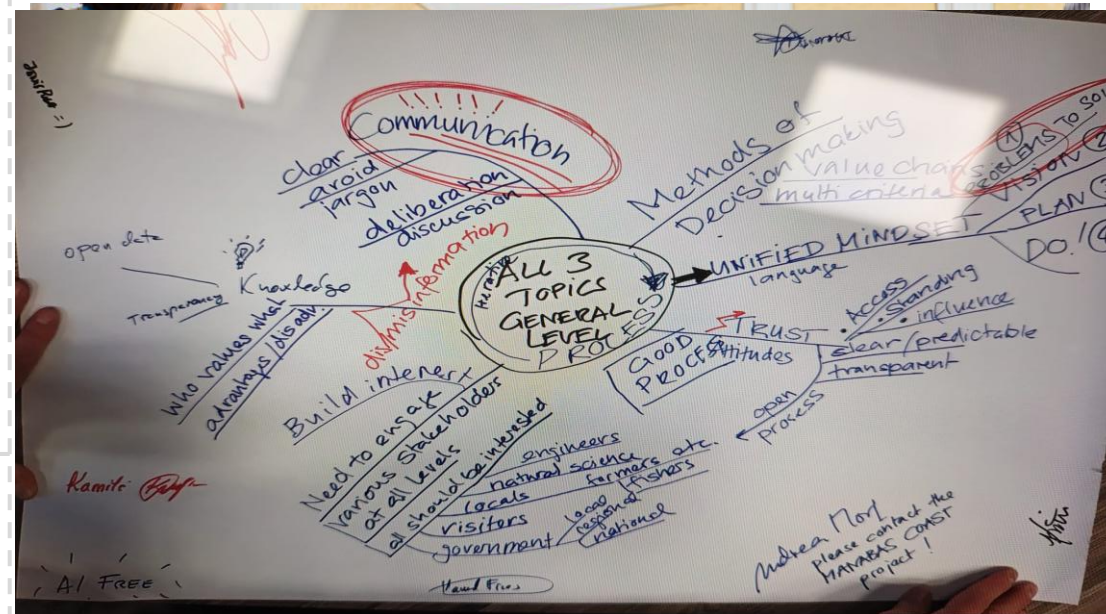
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AI is not an ultimate solution in planning. Experienced team brainstorming exceeds the artificial intelligence capacity for multi-level problem solving.



WHAT'S NEXT?

Preparedness and well planned actions are better than corrective and remedial actions, once the problem appeared. Multisectoral approach and wide engagement is a MUST in future planning.



Session 5

Integrating Blue-Green Infrastructure in MSP



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Ecological connectivity is crucial for ecosystem service delivery and human well-being.

For planners

- There is a need to zoom out from the national perspective as potential lies in the Baltic Sea level approach. Cross-border collaboration is needed.

For policy makers

- Concept of marine green infrastructure remains important and MSP is the key tool for its implementation. There is a need to go further from classic protection measures.



SURPRISE

Blue-green infrastructure and related map designations are not always interpreted by stakeholders in the way planners intend them, and clear communication is needed for effective implementation.



WHAT'S NEXT?

MSP and MPA processes should be better integrated as there is a shared purpose: healthy oceans. The procedures should go hand in hand by building mutual understanding, data and knowledge sharing, and coordination.



Session 6 • Coastal Accessibility: a Multi-Level Perspective on Challenges and Solutions in the Baltic Sea Region



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Make your historical, cultural and social agreements known

For planners

- Balance private (money) *versus* public interests

For policy makers

- Invest to local communities without privatisation
- Smart solutions are out there, be brave to apply them (e.g. paid parking)



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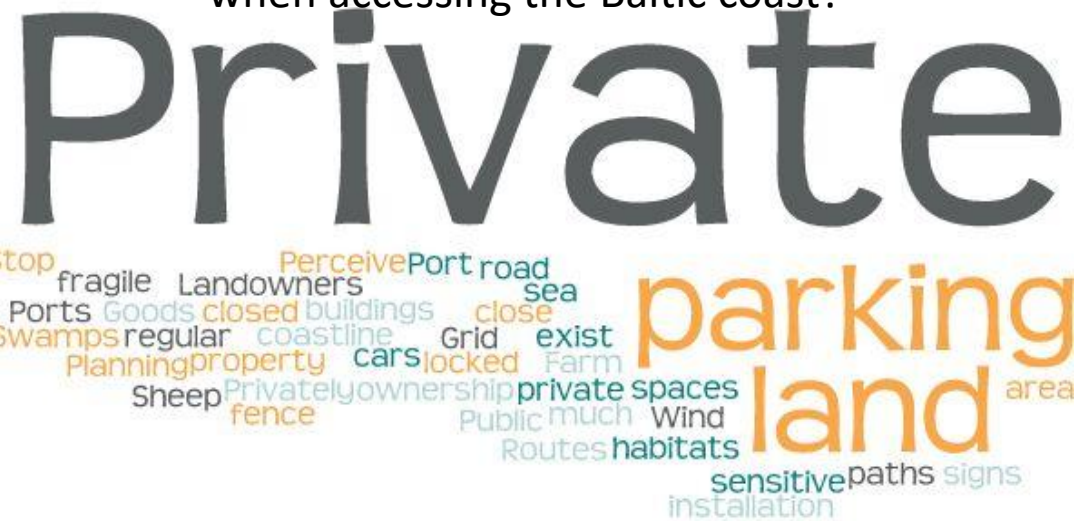
Don't go to Hel (peninsula), come to Saaremaa Island, Estonia!



Apply smart (technological) solutions:

- Use participatory GIS to map bottlenecks
- Substitute private cars with seasonal public transport
- Use parking space counter to indicate free spots

What kind of difficulties have you experienced when accessing the Baltic coast?



Session 7 Advancing Transboundary Governance: Baltic and North Sea Challenges and Prospects



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Be open to transnational solutions

For planners

- Don't be egoistic, don't hurry up, don't ignore others ;)

For policy makers

- Provide political commitments, time and resources for transnational MSP!



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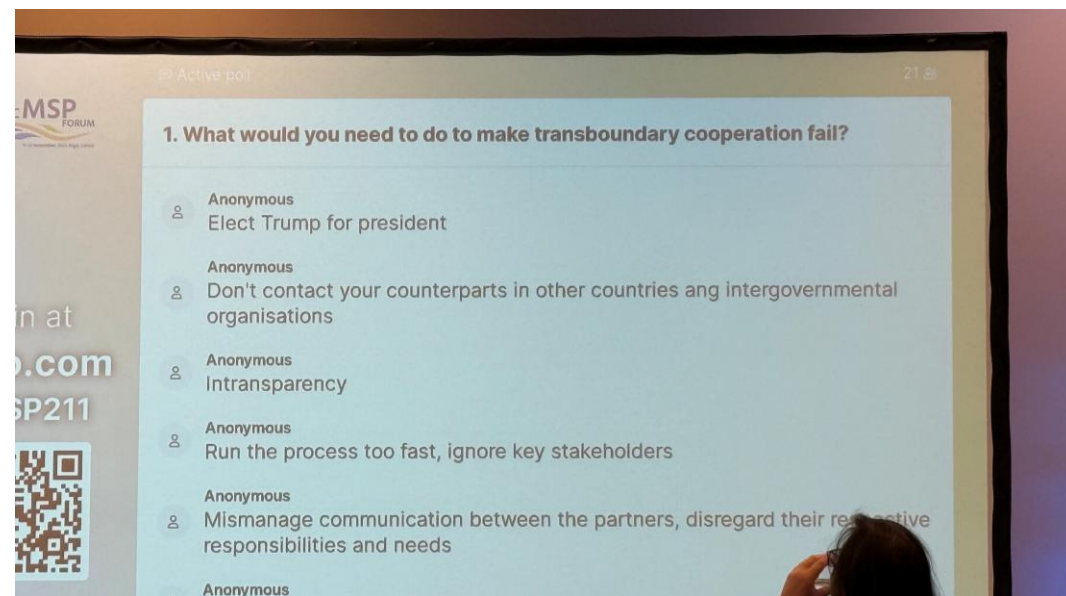
Huge enthusiasm for transnational governance nevertheless



WHAT'S NEXT?

Which ingredients/tasks are best to make formal or keep informal (find a right mix!)

Build, trust agree on sea-basin-goals!



Session 8

Safety and Security of Supply at the Baltic Sea



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- Sectors have a key role in supporting security of supply and resilience at the Baltic Sea.

For planners

- MSP must make sure that all sectors are taken into account at the right time in the planning process. E.g. defence and OWF must be discussed early enough to avoid problems.

For policy makers

- Baltic Sea is a lake and also global level should be considered when thinking of comprehensive security.



SURPRISE

Future scenarios can help predict possible futures and support preparedness.



WHAT'S NEXT?

Good existing collaboration should be continued in the Baltic region. Perhaps a shared scenario work for the whole Baltic Sea?



Session 9 • Effective Use of Space for a Sustainable Blue Economy: Baltic Approaches to Multi-Use in Marine and Coastal Areas



KEY MESSAGES

For stakeholders

- It is necessary to recognise the difference in operation of the different sea uses and ensure transparent communication in clear and non-technical language.

For planners

- Use MU site assessments in MSP processes to highlight the potential for MU.

For policy makers

- Urgent action to create economic incentives and adequate policy framework for MU implementation.



SURPRISE

Timeline: it is believed that MU will be significantly advanced at the sea basin level in 3-10 years. Same applies to the North Sea.



WHAT'S NEXT?

Policy!

