BALTIC MSP FORUM

17-18 JUNE 2014 RIGA, LATVIA

Baltic Maritime Spatial Planning Forum
PartiSEApate Conference

Creating common understanding

Venue: *Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel*, Kuǵu street 24, Riga, Latvia

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW
Day 1 / 17 June 2014

09:00 - 09:30	Registration
09:30 - 10:30	**Opening and welcome speeches** - Moderator *Jan Ekebom*
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:15	**Plenary: MSP in Europe and Baltic Sea Region, results of the PartiSEApate project** - Moderator *Jan Ekebom*
12:15 - 13:00	**Panel Discussion: MSP in the Baltic Sea Region until 2020 – Expectations and challenges, national versus transnational MSP** - Moderator *Jan Ekebom*
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:30	**Plenary discussion: Stakeholder Perspectives on MSP** - Moderator *Angela Schultz-Zehden* ***Towards Blue Growth in the Baltics:*** *Different Stakeholder Perspectives on the benefits of MSP around the Baltic Sea*
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:20	**PARALLEL WORKING SESSIONS**

	2A Working session: MSP Cases	**2B** Working session hosted by ICES
	Presentation of MSP cases Moderator *Talis Linkaits*, VASAB	*Science input to implementation of EU directives*

17:20 – 17:30	Technical break
17:30 – 17:50	**Finalization of the 1st day - Audience Discussion:** Are we prepared for MSP? Moderator *Jacek Zaucha,* Maritime Institute in Gdansk
17:50	Opening of the book *The Key to Governing the Fragile Baltic Sea, MSP in the Baltic Sea Region and Way Forward* written by *Jacek Zaucha*
19:00	Mingling and entertainment part – boat trip on the river Daugava

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IN MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING
THROUGHOUT THE BALTIC SEA REGION

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Day 2 /18 June 2014

PARALLEL WORKING SESSIONS I				
09:30 - 11:00	**3A** **MSP in the Baltic perspective** (hosted by SwAM)	**3B-4B** **Discussion on research needs for MSP**	**3C** **e-MSP: data needs for proper maritime planning**	**3D** **How to enhance pan-Baltic cooperation and consultation on MSP**
	Moderator: *Tomas Andersson*, SwAM	Moderator: *Holger Janßen,* Leibniz Institute for Baltic Sea Research	Moderator: *Manuel Frias Vega*, HELCOM	Moderator: *Kira Gee*, University of Liverpool
11:00 - 11:45	**Coffee break**			

PARALLEL WORKING SESSIONS II			
11:45 - 13:15	**4A** **MSP case studies**	**3B-4B** **Discussion on research needs for MSP** *(continued session)*	**4C** **Ways of multi-level public participation and stakeholder involvement**
	Moderator: *Jacek Zaucha*, Maritime Institute in Gdansk	Moderator: *Holger Janßen,* Leibniz Institute for Baltic Sea Research	Moderator: *Kristina Veidemane*, Baltic Environmental Forum
13:15 - 14:15	**Coffee break**		
14:15 - 15:00	**Concluding Plenary** Summing up the working sessions Messages to the VASAB Ministerial Conference		

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Day 1 / 17 June 2014

09:30 – 10:30

Opening and welcome speeches

Moderator: *Jan Ekebom,* Metsähallitus Natural Heritage Services

- Director of the Latvian State Regional Development Agency *Solvita Zvidriņa*
- Chairperson of the VASAB Committee on Spatial Planning and Development of the Baltic Sea Region (CSPD/BSR) *Ulla Koski*
- EC DG for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Head of Unit for Maritime Policy in the Baltic and North Sea *Haitze Siemers*
- Head of Marine Spatial Planning and Maritime Affairs of Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management (SwAM) *Thomas Johansson*
- Maritime Institute in Gdansk, PartiSEApate project Lead Partner *Joanna Przedrzymirska*

11:00 – 12:15

Plenary: MSP in Europe and Baltic Sea Region, results of the PartiSEApate project

Moderator: *Jan Ekebom,* Metsähallitus Natural Heritage Services

- Introduction to the topic: what is MSP and what is not by Prof *Lars Emmelin*, Blekinge Institute of Technology
- Reflections on MSP in Europe by *Holger Janßen*, Leibniz Institute for Baltic Sea Research
- Achievements of the joint HELCOM-VASAB Maritime Spatial Planning Working Group and Regional Baltic MSP Roadmap 2020 by **Andrzej Ciešlak**, Co-Chair of the Working Group
- Multi-level participation in MSP by *Janne Tamminen*, BSSSC and CPRM-BSC
- PartiSEApate project results and recommendations for transboundary MSP cooperation and consultation process by *Angela Schultz-Zehden*, EPCO, s.Pro – sustainable projects GmbH

12:15 – 13:00

Panel Discussion: MSP in the Baltic Sea Region until 2020 – Expectations and challenges

Moderator: *Jan Ekebom,* Metsähallitus Natural Heritage Services

Participants of the panel discussion are national contact points for MSP and DG MARE.
- Readiness to implement EU Directive on MSP
- National *versus* transnational MSP
- Benefits and challenges in transnational cooperation

14:00 – 15:30

Plenary: Stakeholder Perspectives on MSP

Moderator: *Angela Schultz-Zehden*, s.Pro – sustainable projects GmbH

Towards Blue Growth in the Baltics: Different Stakeholder Perspectives on the benefits of MSP around the Baltic Sea
- Energy Transmission Operators - *Mart Landsberg*, Convener of ENTSO-E Regional Group Baltic Sea
- Wind Energy - *Tuuliki Kasonen*, General Manager, Estonian Wind Power Association
- Fisheries - *Cornelius Hammer,* Thünen-Institute of Baltic Sea Fisheries, Germany
- Shipping - *Kai Trümpler*, German Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH)
- Cultural Heritage, Recreation and Tourism - *Iwona Pomian*, CBSS WG on underwater cultural heritage
- Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation - *Maxi Nachtigall*, CBSS Expert Group on Sustainable Development – Baltic 21
- DG MARE - *Haitze Siemers,* Head of Unit for Maritime Policy in the Baltic and North Sea

PARALLEL WORKING SESSIONS

16:00 – 17:20

2A Working session: MSP Cases

Moderator: *Talis Linkaits,* VASAB Secretariat

Presentation and discussion of relevant national MSP processes and pilot cases:

- Netherlands MSP case by **Lodewijk Abspoel,** Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment of Netherlands
- Lithuanian MSP process by **Nerijus Blažauskas,** Coastal Research and Planning Institute, Klaipeda University
- Gulf of Bothnia, Quark area pilot case within SeaGIS project by **Johnny Berglund,** County Administrative Board of Västerbotten
- Outlining a Maritime Spatial Plan for Adriatic-Ionian Region: first indications from ADRIPLAN project by **Francesco Musco**, Associate Professor, Department of Design and Planning in Complex Environments, Iuav University of Venice

Comments and discussion

2B Working session hosted by the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)

Science input to implementation of EU directives

- MSP - challenges for ICES advice by **Anne Cooper**, ICES Advisory Programme Professional Officer
- Science contribution to EU Directives - lessons learnt from implementation of the MSFD in the view of the MSP Directive by **Wojciech Wawrzynski**, ICES Projects Coordinator
- The ICES Working Group for Marine Planning and Coastal Zone Management by **Kira Gee,** ICES WGMPCZM
- ICES GIS facility, data storages and products by **Periklis Panagiotidis,** ICES Data Centre

Panel discussion

17:30 – 17:50

Audience discussion: Are we prepared for MSP?

Moderator: *Jacek Zaucha,* Maritime Institute in Gdansk

17:50 – 18:15

Opening of the book
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written by *Jacek Zaucha*

18:45 Departure to the boat

PARALLEL WORKING SESSIONS

09:30 – 11:00

3A MSP in the Baltic perspective (hosted by Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management)

Moderator: *Tomas Andersson*, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management

Sweden has recently published a status report showing its stocktake of the current situation of uses / environment in the Swedish part of the Baltic Sea.

Taking this report as well as other contributions as a starting point, the workshop aims to engage all participants in a joint drawing process to create a picture of the entire Baltic Sea.

Topics to be discussed:

Creating an entire Baltic Sea picture based on Sweden's status report and engaging participants in joint drawing process. Interactive discussion.

3B-4B Discussion on research needs for MSP

Moderator: *Holger Janßen,* Leibniz Institute for Baltic Sea Research

Numerous research projects have been undertaken at European as well as national level on MSP (FP7 / ESPON). The relevance of their results to the future development of MSP in the BSR as well as will be discussed as well as ways of how to facilitate a large research basis for MSP (incl. BONUS after 2017) in the BSR.

Relevant results of research projects:

- GAP2 - Maritime Spatial Planning – connecting science, stakeholders and policy by *Robert Aps*, Estonian Marine Institute, University of Tartu, Estonia
- Land-sea integration. What knowledge is necessary to bridge sea and land stakeholders? Case of small ports in Poland by *Marcin Rakowski*, National Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Poland
- Preliminary findings of BALTWISE SEED project, Gulf of Finland by *Riku Varjopuro*, Finnish Environment Institute, Environmental Policy Centre
- Marine spatial planning tool for the conservation of marine ecosystems in the eastern Gulf of Finland by *Miina Karjalainen*, Kotka Maritime Research Centre, TOPCONS project

Session continues after the coffee break.

3C e-MSP: data needs for proper maritime planning

Moderator: *Manuel Frias Vega*, HELCOM Secretariat

Access to validated, up-to-date, and comparable data relevant to MSP is a key factor to ensure the success of transboundary MSP processes.

Based on PartiSEApate findings on MSP data need, contributions from data agencies from around the Baltic Sea as well as comparable networks throughout Europe, we want to discuss the optimal framing of such a Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure at International, Baltic Sea and National perspective.

- Results from the PartiSEApate stakeholder workshop on MSP data and a potential network by *Bettina Käppeler*, German Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency
- Marine spatial data infrastructure and sea basin cooperation from an international, regional and national perspective by *Jens Peter Weiss Hartmann*, Danish Geodata Agency, Chairman of the Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure Working Group of International Hydrographic Organization, Chairman of the MSDI Working Group of Baltic Sea Hydrographic Commission
- Presentation of SeaGIS project platform for data and knowledge by *Jens Perus*, Centre for Economic Development, Transport and Environment of Southern Ostrobothnia, Finland

- Maritime Spatial Planning considerations in the MONALISA 2.0 project by **Fabio Ballini**, Maritime Environmental Research Group, World Maritime University
- Application of hyperspectral airborne remote sensing for marine ecosystem monitoring by **Dainis Jakovels**, Institute for Environmental Solutions, Latvia
- Information about EMODnet Human Activities portal by **Alessandro Pititto**, COGEA srl

3D How to enhance pan-Baltic cooperation and consultation on MSP

Moderator: **Kira Gee**, University of Liverpool

Discussion on the PartiSEApate recommendations for the future transboundary governance model on MSP in the BSR. In order to stimulate discussion impulse statements / contributions from other transboundary processes, i.e. on MSP in other sea-basins or other topics within the Baltic Sea Region are welcome.

- Recommendations on pan-Baltic governance model and transboundary consultations in MSP presented by **Angela Schultz-Zehden**, EPCO, s.Pro – sustainable projects GmbH
- Adriatic Region perspective on transboundary cooperation and consultation process, results of SHAPE project by **Olga Sedioli**, Directorate General for Environment, Soil and Coast Protection, Emilia-Romagna Region, Italy
- German experience in projects for blue growth by **Wilfried Görmar**, VASAB CSPD/BSR member

11:45 – 13:15

4A MSP case studies

Moderator: **Jacek Zaucha**, Maritime Institute in Gdansk

Over the course of the last years more and more samples of real MSP cases have been developed throughout Europe. Even though their intention may be similar, these MSPs differ substantially ranging from statutory to more process or strategic oriented plans.

Based on MSP cases from within the Baltic Sea Region as well as other sea basins (i.e. UK, Portugal, Norway) we want to discuss the pros and cons of MSP types chosen and ways of how to align them.

- *Norway* – presented by **Gro van der Meeren**, Institute of Marine Research
- *Portugal* – presented by **Margarida Almodovar**, Deputy Director of Directorate General for Maritime Policy and **Helena Calado**, Campus Universitário de Ponta Delgada
- *United Kingdom* – presented by **Rachel Shucksmith**, Marine Spatial Planning Manager, NAFC Marine Centre, Shetland Islands

3B-4B Discussion on research needs for MSP – *continued session*

Moderator: **Holger Janßen,** Leibniz Institute for Baltic Sea Research

Continued presentations and discussions
Relevant results of research projects:

- Incorporating cultural ecosystem services into marine spatial planning: Identifying and mapping culturally significant sea areas by **Kira Gee**, University of Liverpool
- Integrating spatial processes into ecosystem models for sustainable utilisation of fish resources by **Henn Ojaveer**, Estonian Marine Institute, University of Tartu, BONUS INSPIRE project coordinator
- How spatial planning constrains cross-border fisheries: the bio-economic DISPLACE evaluation on the Baltic Sea by **Francois Bastardie**, National Institute of Aquatic Resources, Technical University of Denmark
- Fisheries and Aquaculture integration – the COEXIST project by **Bergh Øivind**, project coordinator, Institute of Marine Research, Norway
- Evaluation of spatial planning as a tool for integrated marine management: status, obstacles and research gaps by **Andrea Morf**, University of Gothenburg

Moderator: *Kristina Veidemane*, Baltic Environmental Forum

Effective stakeholder engagement is an important element of an MSP process. But practices on how such stakeholder processes are handled differ substantially in current MSP cases. Even less practice exists when it comes to stakeholder engagement in a transboundary context with the level of complexity increasing due to differing cultures, languages and levels in which countries are within the MSP process. Based on findings from the PartiSEApate cases as well as contributions from other processes we will highlight good practices, pros and cons of the various stakeholder involvement formats, problems encountered as well as solutions suggested.

- *PartiSEApate project conclusions on stakeholder involvement*
- Stakeholders in Swedish Marine Planning by *Göran Hallin*, Senior Partner, Kontigo AB
- Estonian MSP and experience of stakeholder involvement by *Anni Konsap,* Ministry of the Interior, Estonia
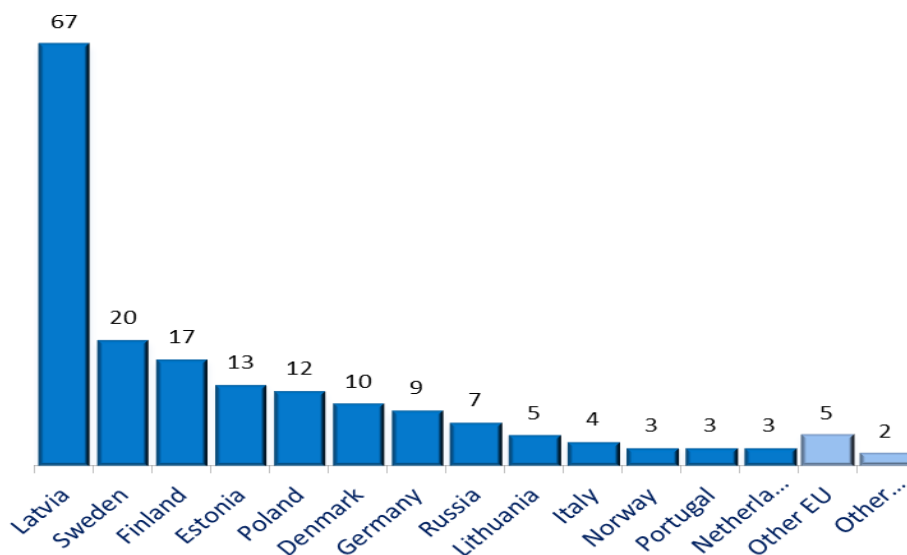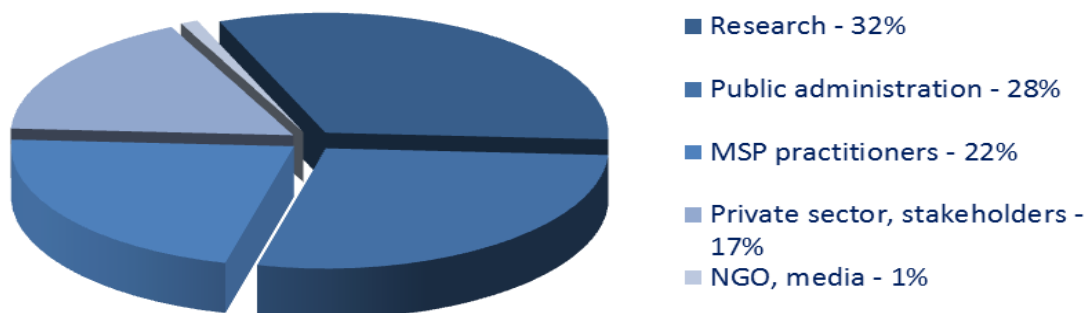
14:15 – 15:00

Concluding Plenary: Summing up. Messages to the VASAB Ministerial Conference

Moderator: *Talis Linkaits*, VASAB Secretariat

All moderators of the conference share conclusions of their working sessions. Discussion

VASAB Ministerial Conference will take place on 26 September 2014 in Tallinn, Estonia. What spatial planning ministers should decide about? What are the next steps to ensure multi-level transboundary planning in the Baltic Sea? Would you like to have forums of MSP practitioners become a tradition/regular?

ABOUT PARTICIPANTS

- Research - 32%
- Public administration - 28%
- MSP practitioners - 22%
- Private sector, stakeholders - 17%
- NGO, media - 1%

Latvia	Sweden	Finland	Estonia	Poland	Denmark	Germany	Russia	Lithuania	Italy	Norway	Portugal	Netherla...	Other EU	Other...
67	20	17	13	12	10	9	7	5	4	3	3	3	5	2

ABOUT ORGANIZERS

VASAB

VASAB (Vision and Strategies around the Baltic Sea) is an intergovernmental multilateral co-operation of 11 countries of the Baltic Sea Region in spatial planning and development, guided by the Conference of Ministers responsible for spatial planning and development.

VASAB jointly with HELCOM is Horizontal Action Leader of the EUSBSR Horizontal Action "Spatial Planning".

www.vasab.org

PartiSEApate

Bodies responsible and/or actually drafting MSP throughout the BSR have joined forces in the Baltic Sea Region programme project "Multi-level Governance in MSP throughout the Baltic Sea Region".

www.partiseapate.eu

ICES

The International Council for the Exploration of the Seas (ICES) is an intergovernmental organization whose main objective is to increase the scientific knowledge of the marine environment and its living resources and to use this knowledge to provide advice to competence authorities.

www.ices.dk

SwAM

The Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, SwAM, is a government agency that works for flourishing seas, lakes and streams for the benefit and enjoyment of all, overseeing marine- and water-related issues. SwAM has responsibility to develop MSP for Sweden.

www.havochvatten.se

MEPRD

Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia is responsible for implementing policy in three areas: environment protection, regional development as well as ICT, including introduction of MSP.

www.varam.gov.lv