Maritime Spatial Planning: Transboundary Cooperation in the Celtic Seas
Looking Ahead

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Looking ahead
MSP in the context of the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) and beyond

SIMCelt Final Conference
Liverpool, 28-29 November 2017
Funding of cross-border projects

MSP Directive
Article 11 - Cooperation among Member States

"Member States bordering marine waters shall cooperate with the aim of ensuring that maritime spatial plans are coherent and coordinated across the marine region concerned".
Adaptive approach in response to an evolving context

2008-2010 (1st Generation)

- DG MARE: Building knowledge base on cross-border planning
- INTERREG: + Creating / exchange of experience in implementing MSP

2010-2014 (2nd Generation)

- DG MARE: Building concrete expertise on cross-border planning through pilot projects
- INTERREG: + Facilitate / add value to implementing MSP at MS level / + Strengthen knowledge base on specific issues of MSP implementation

2014 – 2020 (3rd Generation) – euro 24M (from EMFF)

- DG MARE: Implementing the Directive + coordination (EU MSP Platform)
- INTERREG: + Strengthen sector integration / visions & scenarios on transnational topics
EMFF MSP cross-border projects

Up to date: 18 Million € for MSP cross border projects
Grants covering all sea-basins on a rotating basis to continue until 2020.
MSP cross-border projects

Ocean Metiss

atlas

SEANSE

Baltic SCOPE

PAN BALTIC SCOPE

MarSP

SIMCelt

SIMNORAT

SIMWESTMED

SUPREME

European MSP Platform

Funded by the European Commission
Upcoming (1)

2017
- Study on international best practices for cross-border maritime spatial planning was recently published.
- EC-UNESCO Joint Roadmap to accelerate Maritime/Marine Spatial Planning processes worldwide adopted on 24/03/2017
- Baltic Scope project (completed in March 2017)
- 4\textsuperscript{th} Atlantic Stakeholder Platform Conference 8 Nov.
- SimCelt final Conference Liverpool 28-29 Nov.

2018
- MARSPLAN Final Conference January 2018 (ROMANIA)
- EC/IOC-UNESCO joint workshops 24-25 May 2018 to kick off International Forum for MSP
- EC/IOC-UNESCO 2nd workshop Sept 2018
2018

• SUPREME & SIMWESTMED joint final conference End of 2018
• SIMNORAT Final conference End of 2018
• EU MSP Platform annual studies:
  • Conflict resolutions between stakeholders
  • Cross-border consultation
• EC/IOC-UNESCO international guidelines for transboundary MSP
• EC study on the Economic benefits of MSP
• Kick off of cross-border projects on MSP (North Sea, Baltic, Macronesia, La Reunion)
• MUSES final conference - back to MSEG in Sept-Oct.
• NorthSEE and Balt LINes final conferences - End 2018 or beginning 2019
2018

- EMFF: WP2018 Call for Proposals on cross-border projects on MSP (Planned) [https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/funding-opportunities](https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/funding-opportunities)


- Interreg: [http://www.atlanticarea.eu/](http://www.atlanticarea.eu/)

Some TIPS to identify further funding opportunities:

- Keep an eye on [http://www.msp-platform.eu/opportunities/funding](http://www.msp-platform.eu/opportunities/funding) and


- Twitter: @EU_MARE, @EU_EASME, @EU_H2020, Projects, etc
EASME
Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises
Marine Spatial Planning in the Baltic Sea Region

Towards coherence and cross-border solutions in Baltic Maritime Spatial Plans

Coordinator & Project manager
Dr Ingela Isaksson
Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management

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Shared resources and areas

One fish resource

One shipping network

One green infrastructure

One renewable energy resource
• Cross-border cooperation
• Marine Spatial Planning authorities & relevant regional sea organisations
• Support actual ongoing Marine Spatial planning
• Added value

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Best regards from the Baltic Sea Region
Recommendations on Maritime Spatial Planning across borders

Aspects

• Transboundary cooperation
• Process
• Planning evidence
• Stakeholders and platforms

Sectors

• Shipping
• Fisheries
• Energy
• Environment

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Some challenges

• Sovereign nations with domestic targets, goals, priorities and interests
• Countries at different temporal levels in the MSP process, which can make coordination difficult
• Plans have different legal status which also will, and are proving a challenge – guiding versus obligatory
• Unsolved issues
• .....
Baltic Sea Region Marine Spatial Planning 2015

**Stage 1**
Initial preparation

**Stage 2**
Refine policies and objectives

**Stage 3**
Collect and analyse data related to the area of the plan

**Stage 4**
Prepare draft plan and environmental assessment

**Stage 5**
Public consultation of draft plan/environmental assessment

**Stage 6**
Review submissions and modify draft plan as required

**Stage 7**
Submit revised plan for formal approval

**Stage 8**
Implement plan and monitor its effects

**Stage 9**
Review

- **Germany** (EEZ 2nd round)
- **Lithuania**
- **Latvia**
- **Finland Åland**
- **Poland Sweden Estonia**
- **Denmark**

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Thanks a lot Manuel Frias!
HELCOM Secretariat, for contributing with this picture from your PP to be found at:
“...achieve a Baltic Sea in good environmental status by 2021”

“...develop by 2010 Marine Spatial Planning principles based on the Ecosystem Approach...”

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Coherent Marine Spatial Planning across the Baltic

2010
HELCOM-VASAB
Marine Spatial Planning working group →
Roadmap - 2020

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1. Sustainable management
2. Ecosystem approach
3. Long term perspective and objectives
4. Precautionary Principle
5. Participation and Transparency
6. High quality data and information basis
7. Transnational coordination and consultation
8. Coherent terrestrial and maritime spatial planning
9. Planning adapted to characteristics and special conditions at different areas
10. Continuous planning

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Two and a half years ago…
Example Recommendations
Fishery

Jointly identify **essential fish habitat**, including **spawning, nursery and growth areas**, for the whole Baltic Sea for species of interest to fisheries.

**Target group: National agencies responsible for fisheries data collection and processing and ICES**

Inform other countries about areas in their exclusive economic zone that is of **national fishing interest** to your country.

**Target group: Planners**

Show **awareness** of other counties fishing interests in your maritime spatial plan, such as their fishing grounds, routes and ports.

**Target group: Planners**
Geographical areas of special interest - in South West Baltic
### Matrix of Interests

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#### Notes/Remarks
- There might be NGOs/interests with regard to marine conservation (harbour purpose), IBA.
- See or more information from DK.

#### Responsibility for (geographical) information about areas
- SE+PL
- DE

#### Strong interest
- Light blue

#### Major interest
- Dark blue

#### No interest
- White

#### No information
- White

#### Existing planning restrictions/regulations
- Light yellow

#### No restrictions/regulations known
- Dark yellow

#### Conservation Areas
- Dorsa area
- No definitions in German MSP
- Indirect interest from SE regarding fishing and cables
- Tunnels

#### Other Nature Conservation and Managing Interests
- (together with Odra Bank)
- PL

#### Defence
- Not to be considered

#### Planning Restrictions/ Regulations existing
- EEZ
- EEZ/TS
- EEZ/TS

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- **Ship Traffic** / IMO Route
- **Sand and Gravel Extraction** (planned/existing)
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Example Recommendations
Energy and Shipping

Develop **pan-Baltic criteria**, based on international guidance, outlining **safety distances** between offshore installations, fairways, routes and TSSs.

*Target group: policy-makers*

Develop a **pan Baltic long-term picture** on **renewable offshore energy** – needs, capacity, other sectors’ needs, impacts, etc.

*Target groups: policy-makers, research, energy sector and planning authorities*
Ecosystem approach - task force

1. Ecosystem Approach in MSP - general checklist

2. Planning support checklists

3. SEA-Checklist [Link: www.balticscope.eu]
Example
Recommendations

Where appropriate, planning authorities should draw attention to pan-Baltic and bilateral issues at the national political level to deal with conflicting national interests that cannot be solved through informal dialogue between planners.

Target group: Policy makers, Planners and Ministries
Together identified some next steps

• Planning Forum
• Advancing the Implementation of the Ecosystem-Based Approach (EBA) and Data Sharing
  – Ecosystem-Based Toolbox
  – Implementation of ecosystem-based approach in sub-basin environmental assessment
  – Green Infrastructure and Marine Protected Areas network
  – Essential fish habitats
  – Cumulative Impacts of human activities
  – Economic and Social Analyses
  – Future scenarios
  – Data Sharing

• Land-Sea integration
• Lessons learned & Monitoring and Evaluation
  ....
Thanks for your attention!

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