



VASAB Cooperation on Maritime Spatial Planning in the Baltic Sea Region

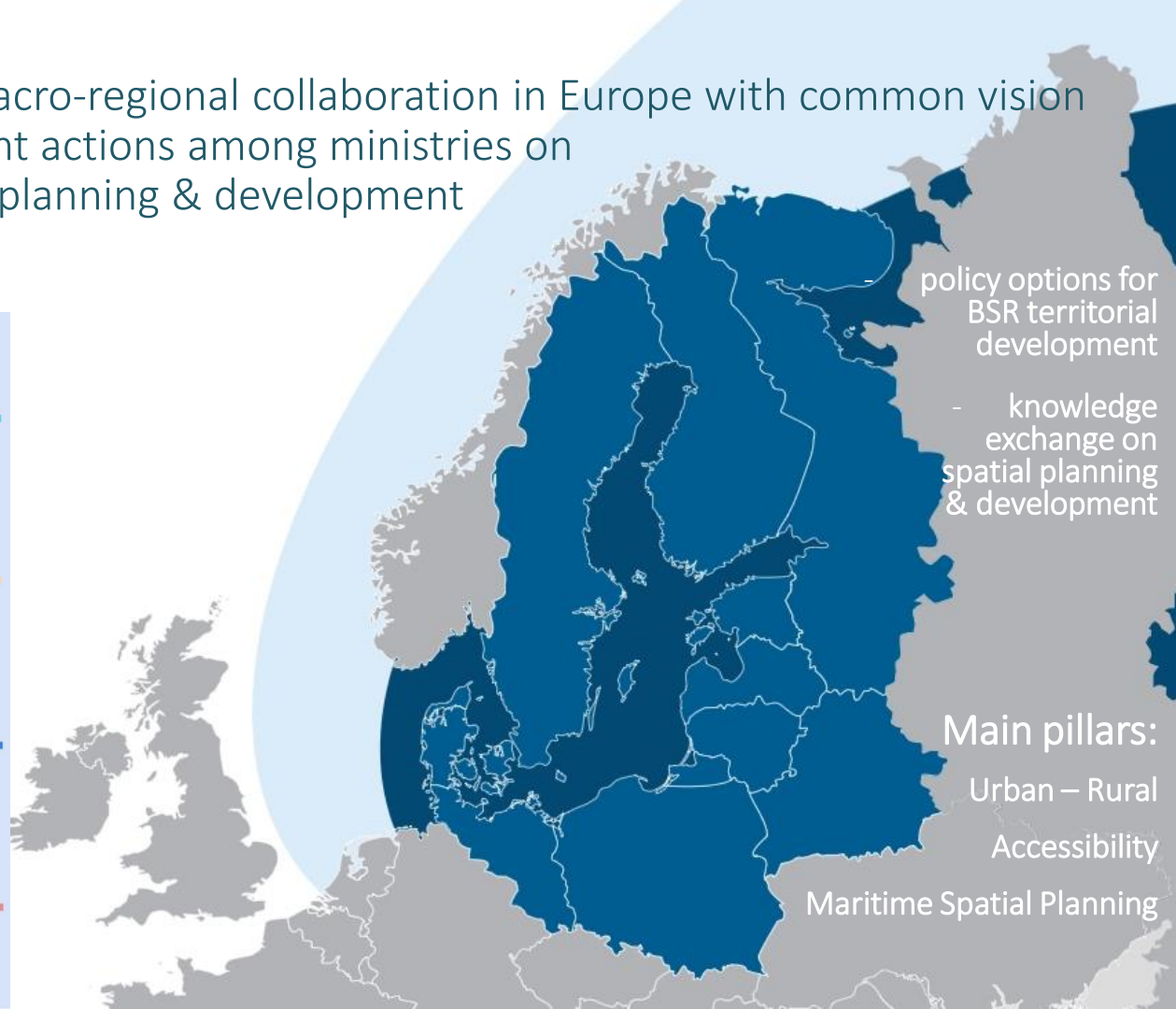
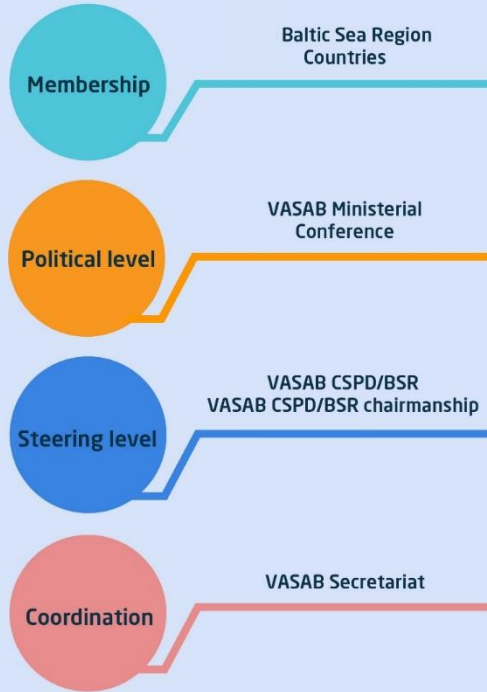
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XIX ANNUAL STRATEGIC PLANNING LEADERS FORUM OF THE REGIONS AND CITIES OF RUSSIA
Round table: 'Russia's strategic planning system for the development of maritime activities and
maritime spatial planning' on 26 October 2021



First macro-regional collaboration in Europe with common vision and joint actions among ministries on spatial planning & development

VASAB since 1992



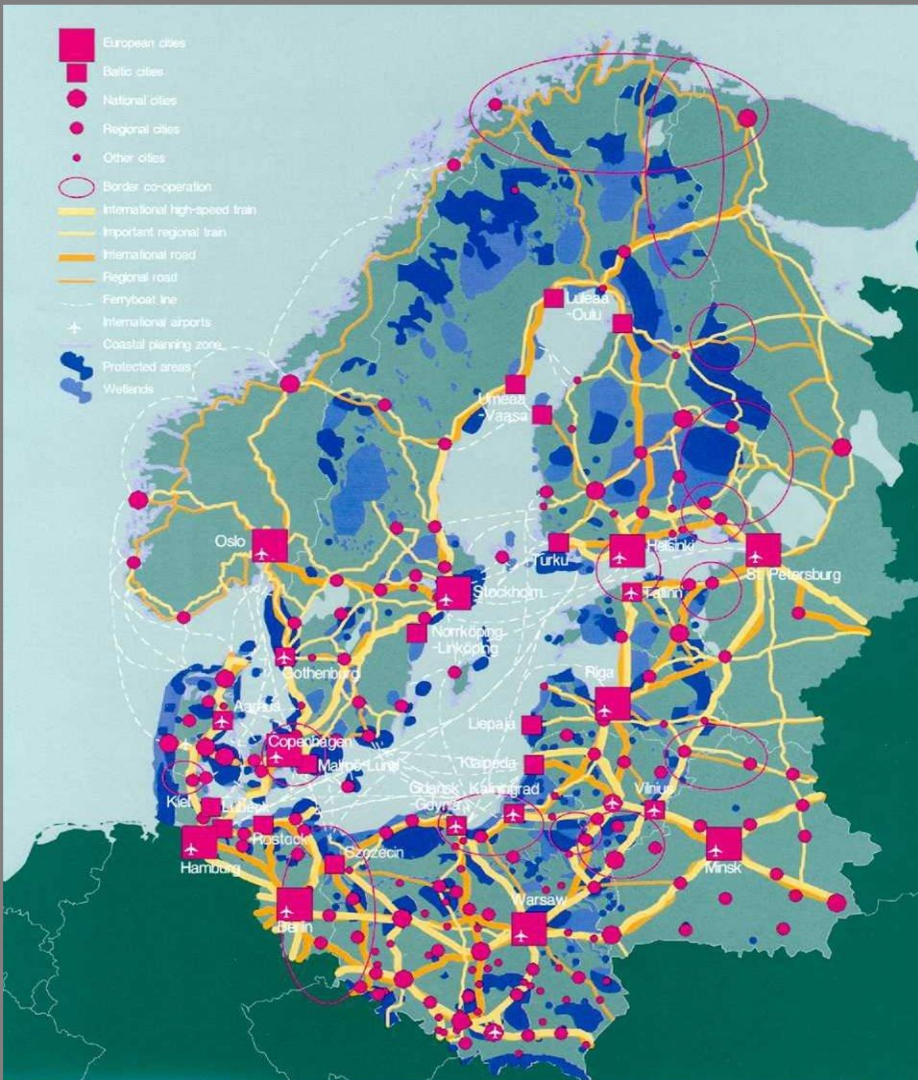
policy options for
BSR territorial
development

– knowledge
exchange on
spatial planning
& development

Main pillars:

Urban – Rural
Accessibility

Maritime Spatial Planning



1994 First common BSR vision



- * PEARLS: system of cities and urban settlements
- * STRINGS: effective and sustainable infrastructure networks
- * PATCHES: selected types of uses supporting dynamism and quality of life
- * SYSTEM: spatial planning in function



VASAB journey towards Maritime Spatial Planning



Common
Recommendations
for Spatial
Planning of the
Coastal Zone in
the Baltic Sea
Region

1996
Stockholm

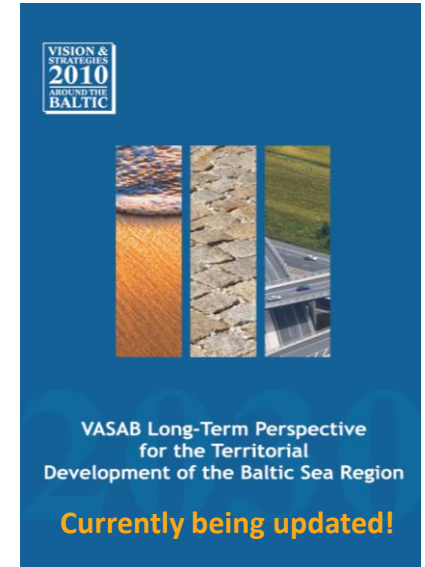
**VASAB Vision
2010 PLUS:**
- need to expand
spatial planning
towards offshore

2001
Wismar

Sea use planning
as tool to
prevent conflicts
of use in
intensively used
offshore areas

2005
Gdansk

HELCOM
Baltic Sea
Action Plan

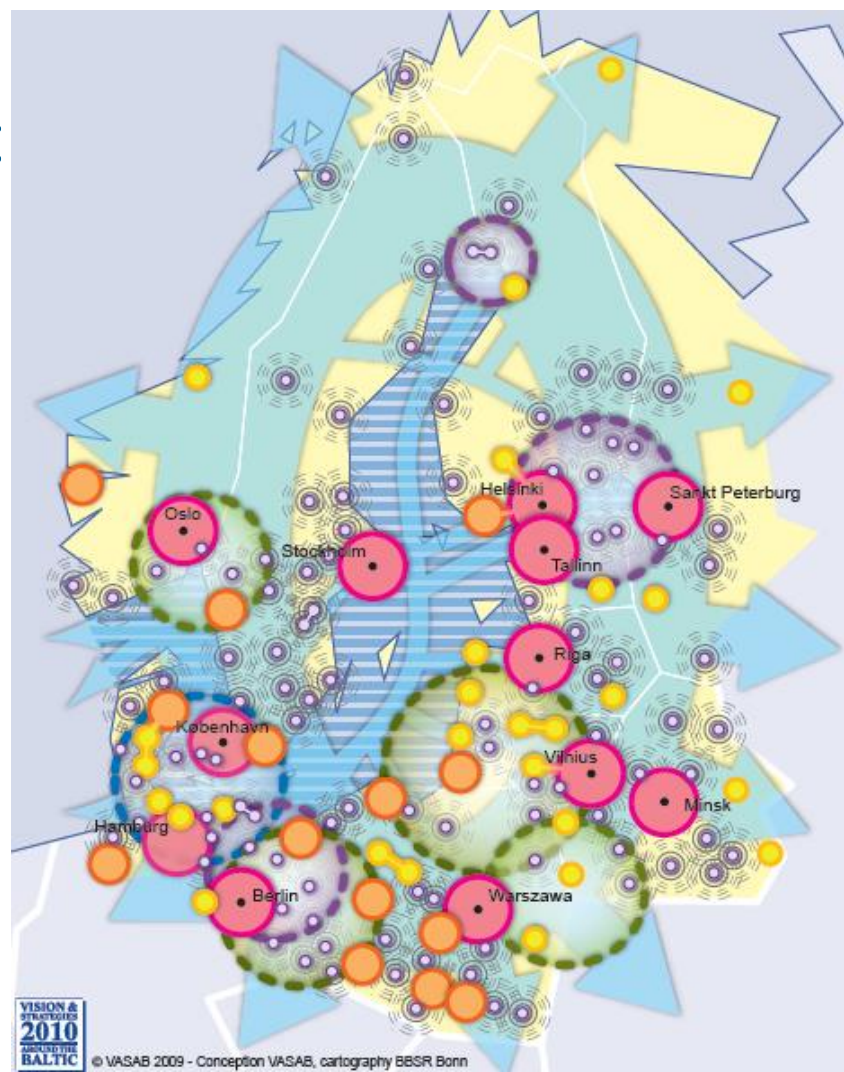


2009
Vilnius

2009

VASAB Territorial development perspective

- Well integrated and coherent macro-region
- Well-balanced setup of metropolitan centres, medium-sized cities & towns and rural areas
- Fast, reliable and environmentally efficient technologies of transport, information and communication
- Integrated energy system with diversified sources of energy
- Integrated land and maritime spatial planning and management
- Protected Baltic Sea environment and sustainable use of the marine resources

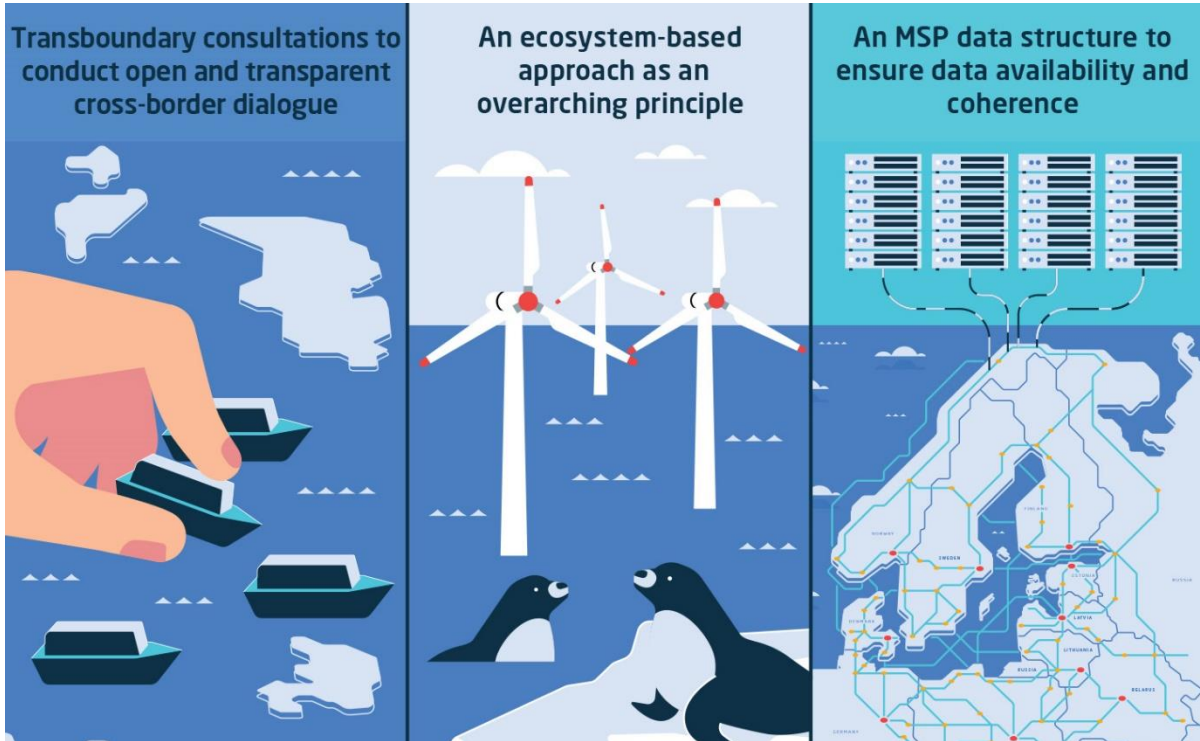




2010

HELCOM-VASAB collaboration on MSP

How to ensure coherent MSP across the borders?



MSP on VASAB agenda since 2001

HELCOM-VASAB MSP Working Group since 2010:

- MSP Principles
- MSP Roadmap
- Guidelines

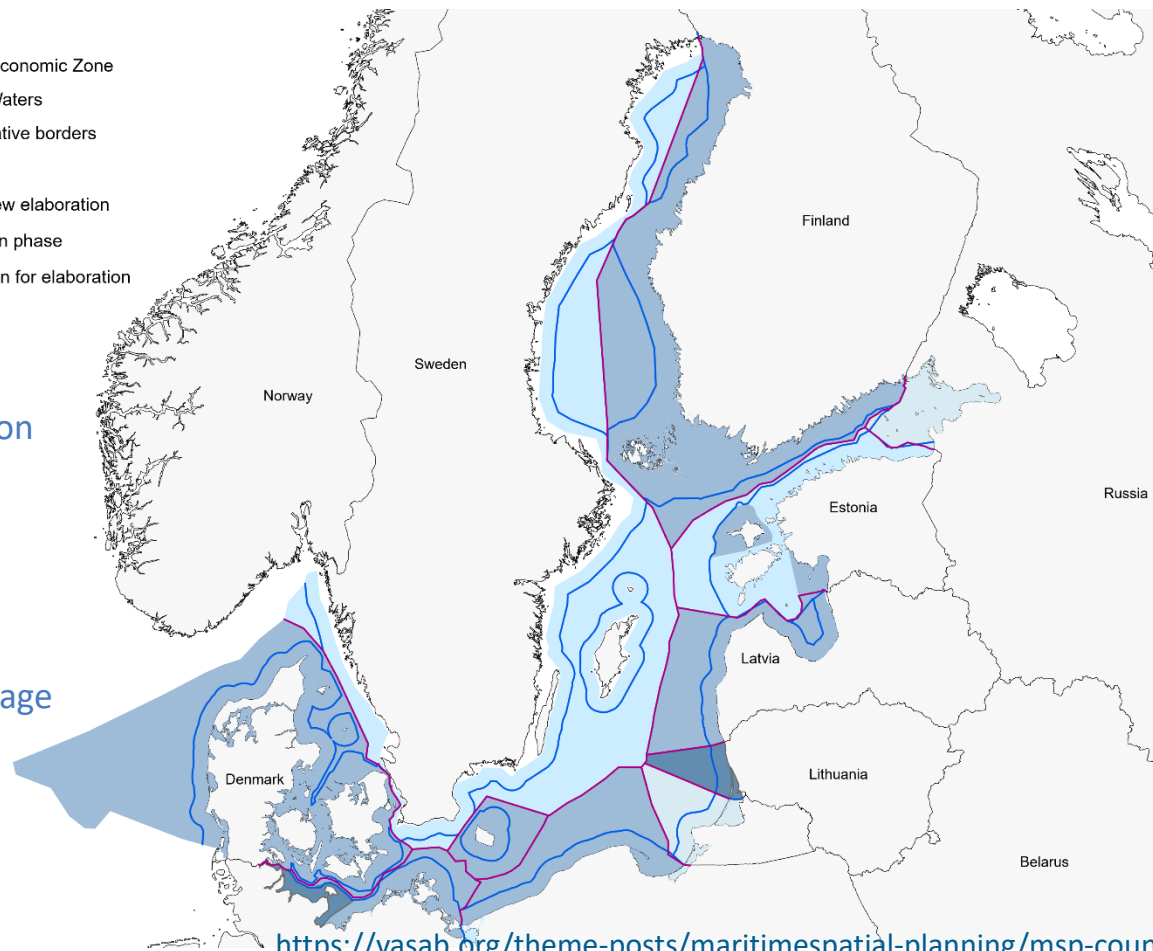
Mandate till 2030

EU MSP Directive in 2014

Status of MSP in BSR countries

Legend

- Exclusive Economic Zone
- Territorial Waters
- Administrative borders
- In force
- In force/new elaboration
- Elaboration phase
- Preparation for elaboration



BSR MSP Roadmap 2013-20:
MSPs throughout the Baltic Sea region
by 2020

EU MSP Directive:
MSPs established by 31 March 2021

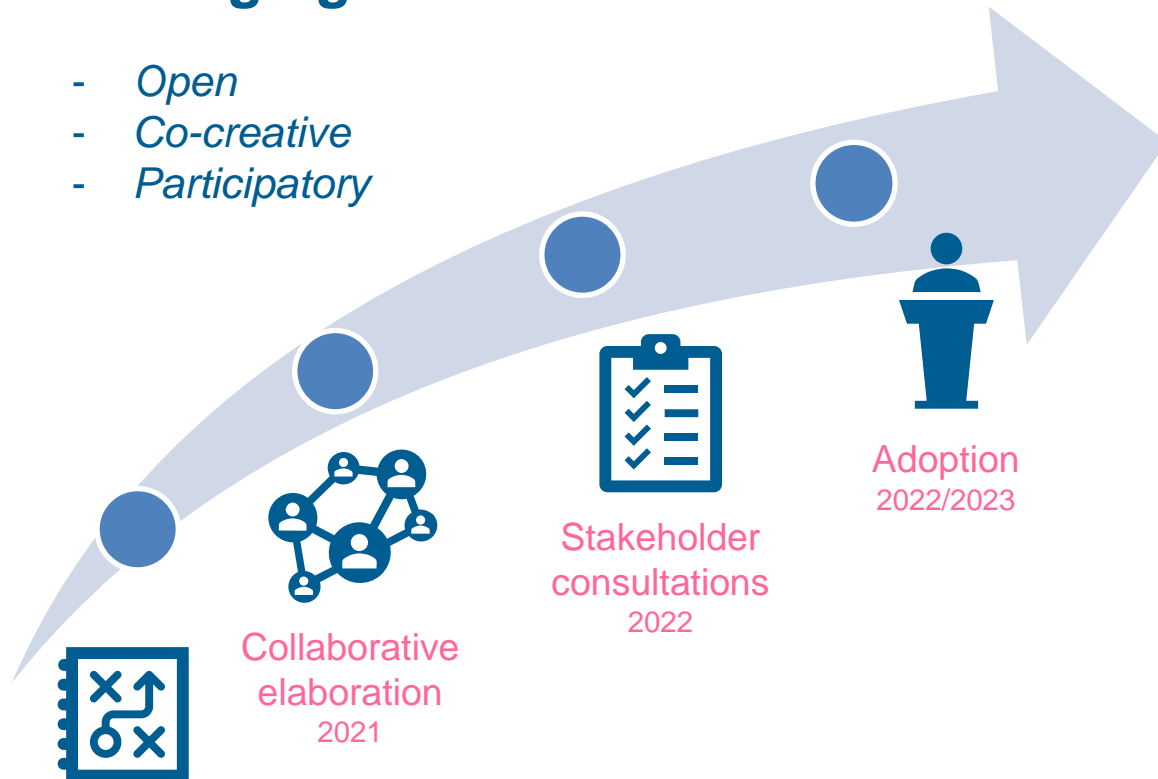
IOC/UNESCO MSP Guidance: encourage
development of MSPs by 2030

Capacity4MSP project platform:
MSP Roadmap for Russia

2021-2022

Update of the VASAB Long-Term Perspective: «Bridging the old with the new»

- *Open*
- *Co-creative*
- *Participatory*





2021-2022

Update of the VASAB Long-Term Perspective

Online workshops:

- 28th September: kick-off of co-creation workshops
- 20th October (*targeted for Russian stakeholders*)
- 26th November: co-creation workshop
- 2nd December: re-thinking vision for MSP

Stakeholder survey open till 1st November!

<https://www.research.net/r/VASABvision2040>

Stakeholder consultations: in 2022



Follow the
update of the
VASAB Long-
Term
Perspective at:

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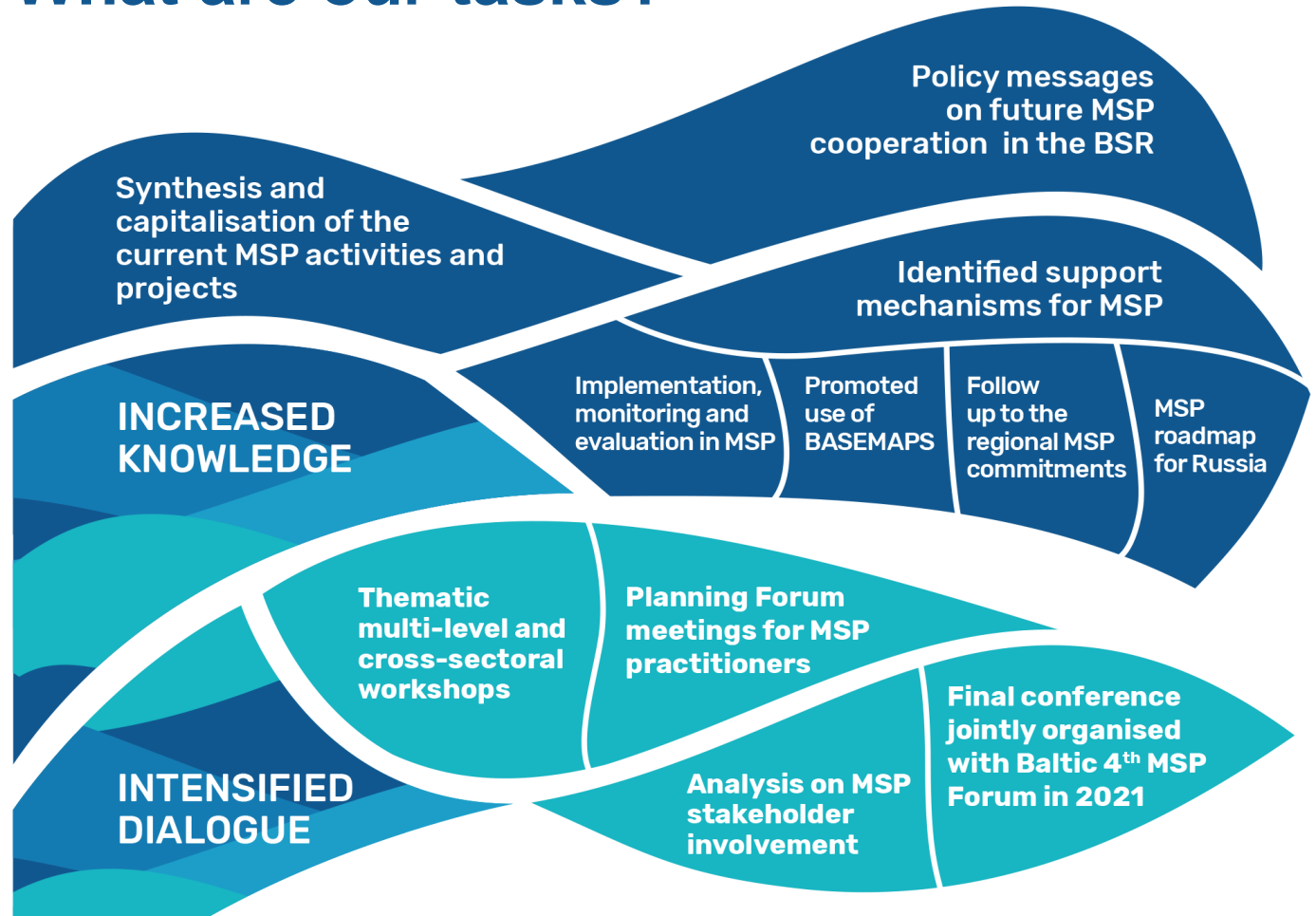


What are our tasks?



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**PROJECT'S
LIFETIME:**
01.08.2019 –
31.03.2022



What is done so far?



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MSP STAKEHOLDERS

Analysis of lessons learnt from projects' approaches and national MSP processes on stakeholder involvement; developed recommendations

WORKSHOPS

Energy workshop, Data workshop, workshop on LSI, workshops with RU stakeholders, workshop on blue bioeconomy

SYNTHESIS WORK

Analysing current projects and activities in MSP - contribution to future MSP cooperation agenda

PLANNERS' FORUM

Planners' forum # 1:
31.03.2020
Planners' forum # 2:
11.11.2020
Planners' forum # 3:
17.03.2021
Developed draft
Planners' Forum
concept

RUSSIAN MSP ROADMAP

Drafting of MSP Roadmap for Russia-

BASEMAPS

User guides for basic users,
user guides for data providers and
online animated clip
of BASEMAPS

4th BALTIC MSP FORUM

Organised on 1-2 June 2021



4th Baltic MSP Forum in numbers

- 300 registered users
- Participants from 31 countries around the Globe
- 75 speakers
- 962 poll interactions
- 20 digital expo stands
- 9 workshops
- 2435 likes
- 805 comments

What is next?



MSP STAKEHOLDERS

Dissemination of the final report on stakeholders involvement & engagement

WORKSHOPS

Workshop on rethinking vision on 2 December 2021
Workshops on cumulative impact assessment on 6-7 December 2021 in Copenhagen

SYNTHESIS WORK

Dissemination of policy messages and future MSP cooperation agenda

PLANNERS' FORUM

Planners' forum #4: 24 November 2021
Planners' forum #5: Spring 2022
Final Planners' Forum concept

RUSSIAN MSP ROADMAP

Final MSP Roadmap for Russia and continuing discussions with stakeholders

SUPPORT MECHANISMS

Dissemination of report on support mechanisms in MSP

A large group of approximately 25 people, mostly young adults, are gathered on a rooftop. They are dressed in winter clothing like coats and scarves. Many are waving their hands towards the camera. On the right side of the group, two women are holding a large white banner. The banner features a blue wave graphic and the text 'CAPACITY4MSP', 'Strengthening the capacity of MSP stakeholders and decision makers', 'www.capacity4msp.eu', the 'Interreg' logo, the European Union flag, and the text 'Find out more info@vasab.org #Capacity4MSP'. The background shows a cityscape under an overcast sky.

VIRTUAL GREETINGS FROM PROJECT TEAM!

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