

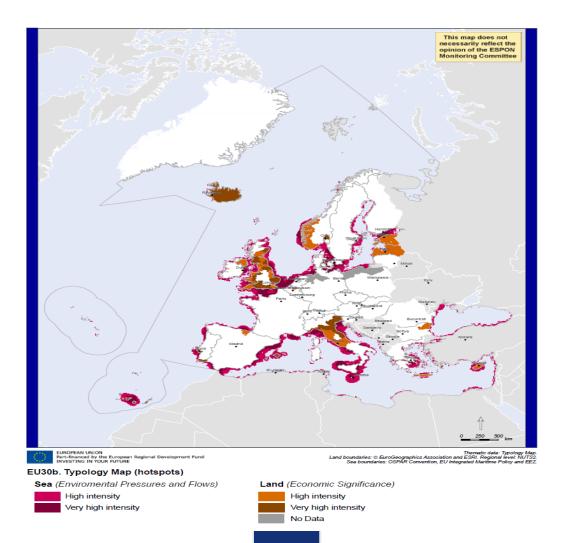
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Land - Sea interactions





EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

First macro-regional strategy in the EU (set up 2009);

8 EU member states; 85 million people (17% of EU population)

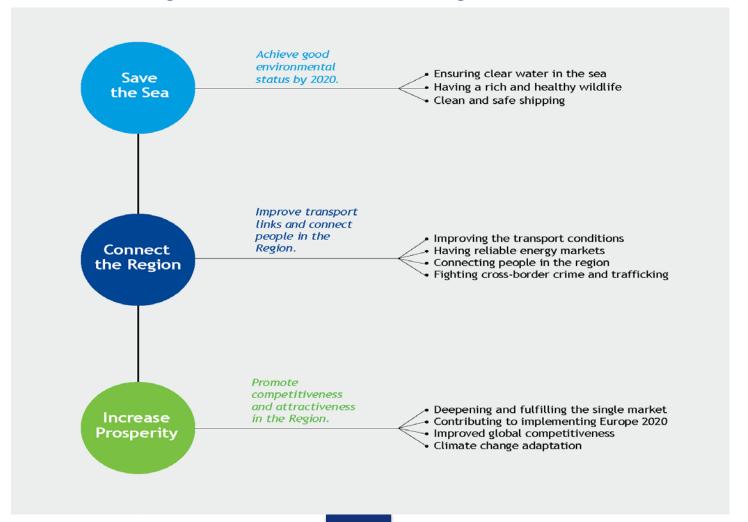
Better and more effective use of existing policies, funding, institutions and legislation

Three objectives: "Save the Sea", "Connect the Region", "Increase Prosperity"





Objectives and sub-objectives





Expected results (examples):

Reduction/decreasing trend in the number of shipping accidents

Elimination of illegal discharges by 2021

Improved environmental status, e.g. reduced nutrient inputs by 2021

Increased innovation capacity/performance for each country by 2020 (as measured by Innovation Scoreboard)

Achievements:

Mobilisation of projects across borders (120 Flagship projects)

Increased knowledge and joint initiatives

Better coordination of existing networks: Strategy as reference point

Involvement of neighbouring non-EU countries

Better implementation of EU legislation



The maritime dimension of the EUSBSR

The EUSBSR has a strong maritime dimension

- One objective is called "Save the Sea"
- Policy areas like "Ship", "Safe" and "Nuri" and "HA Spatial Planning" are focused on maritime issues or industry
- EUSBSR has a strong focus on the environment, but it offers a good basis for further development of initiatives in areas such as shipping, surveillance and preservation of marine environment



PA SAFE to become leading region in maritime safety and security

Actions

- Develop co-operation in maritime surveillance and information exchange
- Ensuring safe navigable fairways by improving resurveying of shipping routes
- Improve safety of navigation by means of e-navigation and new technology
- Winter navigation
- Enhancing the safety of oil, hazardous and noxious substances
- Ensure that crews serving on-board vessels are well trained
- Develop preparedness for emergency situations



PA Ship - Becoming a model for clean shipping

Actions

- To create infrastructure for alternative fuels in the Baltic Sea Region
- To support measures reducing emissions from ships
- To develop shore-side facilities to foster clean shipping measures



LNG in Baltic Sea Ports Project

Baltic Ports Organization has initiated the development of LNG bunkering infrastructure in 7 ports within the Baltic Sea Region

- Focus on pre-investment studies such as environmental impact assessments, feasibility analyses for LNG terminals or bunkering vessels, project designs, regional market studies, safety manuals, etc.
- Activities include a 'stakeholder platform' that facilitated discussions among port authorities, ship owners, gas infrastructure providers, energy traders and bunkering companies
- Project Budget about €3.5 mill.
- Project period Jan. 2012 Dec. 2014
- Link: www.lnginbalticseaports.com



A comparison of the two strategies

Maritime safety Clean shipping

Trans-European Transport Network

Marine environment



Links

European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

https://www.balticsea-region.eu

Policy area "Ship" and "SAFE"

https://www.pa-safe.dma.dk