What is Baltic SCOPE?

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Baltic SCOPE

- cross-border cooperation
- MSP authorities + regional and research organizations
- support actual MSP
- added value
- make a difference
The partnership

**Associated Partners:**
- Ministry of the Environment, Finland
- Ministry for Energy, Infrastructure and Regional Development, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
- Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania
Finland
Sweden
Denmark
Germany
Poland
Lithuania
Latvia
Estonia

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Some challenges

• sovereign nations with domestic targets, goals, priorities and interests, including changes over time
• different countries are at different temporal levels in the MSP process, which can make coordination difficult – but at the same time a strength
• plans have different legal status which also will, and are proving a challenge – guiding versus obligatory
• unsolved border issues
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Case studies

Southwest Baltic

Central Baltic

Monitoring & evaluation transboundary framework

Lessons learnt

Coordination & management

Communication & dissemination

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

Preparatory
March - Aug, 2015
1. Assessment
2. Focus

Identification
Sept 2015 – Feb 2016
1. Thematic meet
2. Planners meet

Solution
March - Aug 2016
1. Concluding thematic
2. Planners proposal

Conclusion
Sept 2016 – March 2017
1. Conclusion
2. Future
"Kill your darlings" – ranking and sorting recommendations
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• involve national sector authorities
• provide a platform for informal discussions
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