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IN MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING
THROUGHOUT THE BALTIC SEA REGION

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# Introduction to PartiSEApate and principles of MSP

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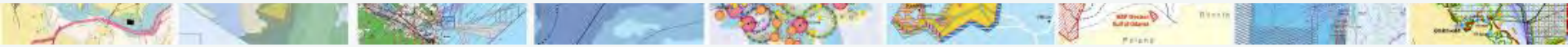

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Multi-Level-Governance in
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**In order to Establish a dialogue amongst MSP actors at ALL LEVELS**

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- **5th call BSR Programme**
- Duration: Sept 2012 - Sept 2014
- Budget: 1.043.015 €
- **11 Partners, 6 countries:**
  - Maritime Institute Gdansk (PL)
  - Maritime Office n Gdynia (PL)
  - Maritime Office Szczecin (PL)
  - VASAB Secretariat (LV)
  - Baltic Environmental Forum (LV)
  - Latvian Institute for Aquatic Ecology (LV)
  - Klaipeda University – Coastal Research and Planning Institute (LT)
  - Region Skane (SE)
  - Swedish Agency for Marine & Water Management (SE)
  - Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (DE)
  - Institute of Marine Research (NO)

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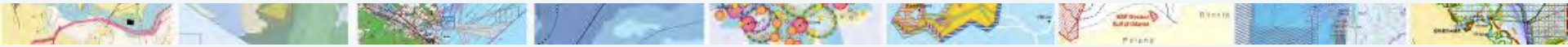
# Problems that are adressed



- **Lack of cross-sectoral thinking** in some sectors - feel threatened by MSP

→ establish dialogue

- **Topics missing on current MSP agenda** (i.e. cultural heritage, combined uses)

→ dialogue and research

- **Pan-Baltic perspectives** in national maritime policies on *environment, *fisheries, *maritime transport & *energy Related structures (i.e. SuperGRID, Ports & Motorways of Sea, Blue corridors)

→ pan-Baltic dialogue on transnational priorities

- **Streamline Transnational MSP consultations**

→ Gain practical experience & develop & test instruments

- **Ecosystem based approach in MSP** – accepted but good knowledge of the sea, trends and cumulative impacts are missing

→ Strengthen cooperation with research and among data networks

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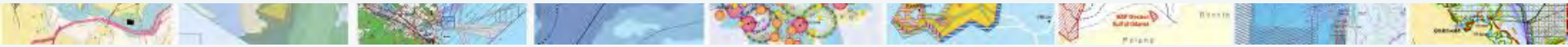
# PartiSEApate Aims



- Involve stakeholders around the Baltic Sea Region
- Move outside MSP expert circles - dialogue with:
  - Sectors (shipping, fishery, offshore wind, aquaculture, etc.)
  - Nature Protection
  - Researchers, data experts / holders / networks
  - Local / regional level - all BSR
- Develop / agree on possible solutions:
  - Methods & Tools for MSP consultations processes
  - At all levels, esp. local-national, cross-border
  - Pilot Projects: Pomeranian Bight, Lithuanian Sea, Middle Bank
  - Priority Sectors, Common Data, Research
- Create Basis for Political Processes / Decisions: MSP institutional & governance model for transnational cooperation & data exchange

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# Transnational Stakeholder Topics

**Aquaculture / New Uses**

- Spatial implications of new uses, i.e. mussel & algae farms and/or IMTAs
- overall space needed, specific locations, conflicts & synergies with other uses
- "SUBMARINER" & "Aquabest"

April 15-16th, Gdansk, Poland

**Climate Change**

- Necessary considerations for planning into the future
- Which uses might be most effected?
- BaltAdapt

May 13th-14th, Ystad, Sweden

**Research**

- spatial dimension of research
- identify role of scientist in MSP process
- scientific knowledge generation against delivery of useful facts
- current lines of research carried out
- MSP BSR research agenda necessary for ecosystem based approach
- BONUS

**Cultural Heritage / Tourism**

- research of underwater cultural heritage
- potentials/limitations of underwater heritage for tourism development
- existing & potential threats from other sea uses
- possibilities to address the issue within the MSP

**3-4 June:** Riga

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# Transnational Stakeholder Topics

**Offshore Wind Energy**

- Pan-Baltic offshore wind park strategy
- infrastructure (SuperGRID) ensuring exchange of energy between countries
- integration of land- and sea-based grid infrastructure
- buffer zones
- combined uses

**September:** Hamburg

**Data Network Building**

- INSPIRE contact points/maritime data providers from each BSR country
- Present MSP Data Model (BaltSeaPlan)
- Create roadmap to ensure compatibility among data networks

**September:** Hamburg

**Pan-Baltic Shipping/Ports Development**

- Intelligent corridors
- Traffic separation schemes
- Rearrangement of shipping lanes
- Port development areas
- High risk areas / safety zones, Environmental concerns,
- Pan-Baltic shipping strategy

**September 25-26 :** Malmo

**Environment & Protection**

- Current knowledge of environmental factors crucial in MSP process
- Spatially applicable environmental and nature conservation measures
- How to ensure ecological connectivity through an MSP
- Define boundaries of sustainability of human activities in relation to resilience of marine ecosystem

**October:** Riga

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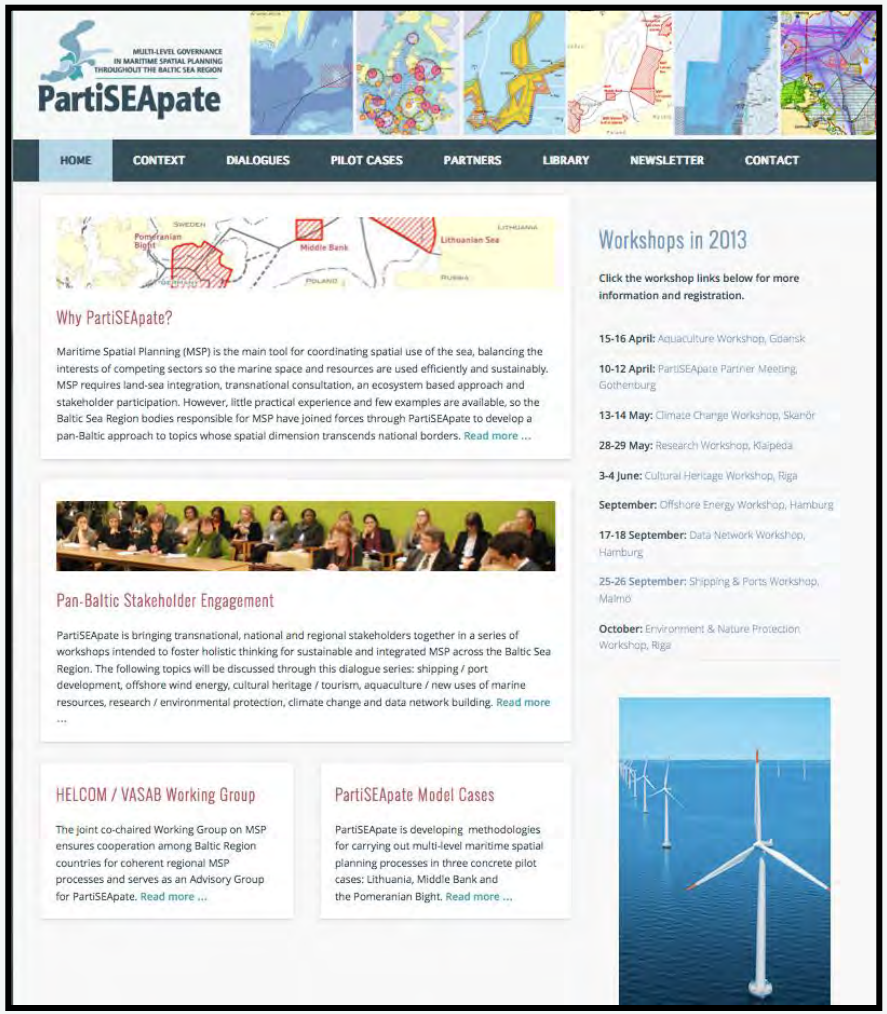

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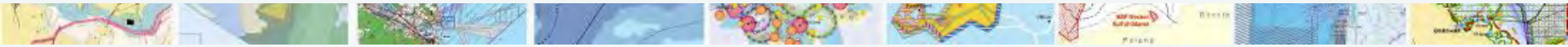
# MSP principles



**Sustainability.**
Spatial planning addresses economic prosperity, social well-being and environmental targets at the same time and balances their respective needs.

**Pan-Baltic topics.**
The following cannot be achieved at a national or sub-national level alone:

- a healthy marine environment
- a coherent pan-Baltic energy policy
- safe, clean and efficient maritime transport
- sustainable fisheries

**Pan-Baltic thinking.**
Planners need to be engaged in holistic, pan-Baltic thinking. Integrated decision-making means considering the whole Baltic Sea ecosystem and the whole Baltic Sea as a planning space.

**Pan-Baltic approach.**
A pan-Baltic approach must be achieved for any topics whose spatial dimension transcends national borders.

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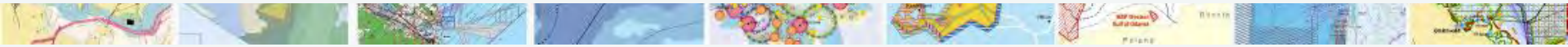

**Spatial allocation:**

Space is allocated based on a Baltic Sea wide environmental assessment and - where applicable - a socio-economic cost-benefit analysis in order to identify the most suitable areas.

**Spatial connectivity:**

When dealing with transnational topics, planners need to think connectively in terms of linear infrastructure, corridors and patches. These structures, which are planned at the pan-Baltic level, form the backbone of national maritime spatial plans.

**Spatial efficiency:**

Uses are concentrated as much as possible to keep other areas free, and co-uses, synergies and multiple spatial use are promoted.

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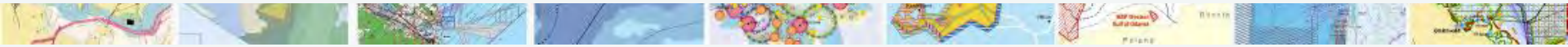

**National prerequisites.**
All Baltic Sea states need to establish the structures that allow them to successfully use MSP as a tool for managing human activities in the Baltic Sea.

**International prerequisites.**
Coherence is needed between the overall aims and targets for Baltic Sea space, transnationally planned infrastructure, corridors and patches, and national or sub-national maritime spatial plans by means of international consultation during the preparation of national maritime spatial plans.

**A transnational MSP coordination.**
Drawing up transnational objectives and targets for Baltic Sea space, as well as requirements for tailored monitoring.

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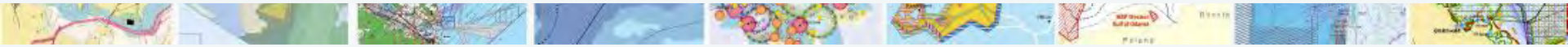

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## HOW DOES REASEARCH CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVEALL MSP TARGETS?

# Welcome to Research workshop, Klaipėda, 2013 May