

## EUSBSR EU STRATEGY FOR THE BALTIC SEA REGION

#### **Horizontal Action Climate**

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#### Council of the Baltic Sea States, CBSS

- Political forum for inter-governmental cooperation in the BSR
- Members: the 11 states of the Baltic Sea Region (incl. Russian, Norway and Iceland) as well as the European Commission
- Steered by representatives of the BSR Ministries of Foreign Affairs
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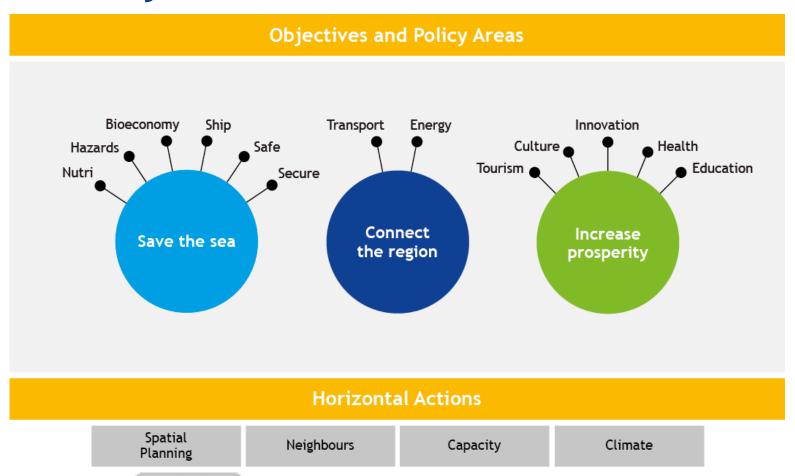




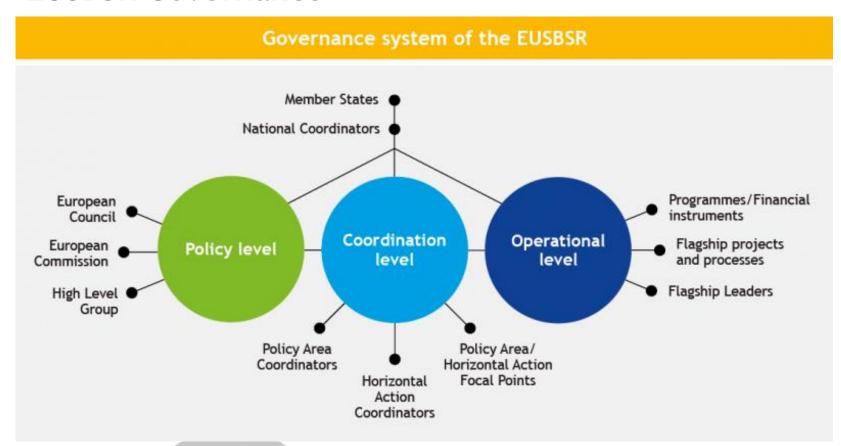


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### **EUSBSR Objectives and Priorities**



#### **EUSBSR Governance**





# Climate change is a sub-objective implemented under the EUSBSR Priority "Increase Prosperity"

#### **AIM**

- Facilitate policy discussions and alignment of policies, including mainstreaming of climate change into sector policies
- Support low- emission and climate resilient development
- Promote sustainable production and consumption-oriented measures
- Increase coordination and synergy among initiatives and projects
  dealing with climate adaptation and mitigation by disseminating good
  examples, clustering already existing activities and projects and
  promoting science-policy-business dialogues.

#### **Actions**

- 1. Low Emission Development
- 2. Climate Adaptation

#### Coordination tool - BSR Climate Dialogue Platform (Flagship)

Facilitating integrative cross-sectorial policy discussions and alignment of policies

Synergy and coherence of actions

Involvement of all relevant actors and stakeholders

#### **BSR Climate Dialogue Platform - elements**

**Round-Tables:** information exchange btw. the countries, EUSBSR PA/HA and the EU for policy alignment and development/implementation of national climate policies

Climate Inventory: for collection and dissemination of data on CCA. BSR section in the EU Climate-ADAPT website <a href="http://climate-adapt.eea.europa.eu/transnational-regions/baltic-sea/general">http://climate-adapt.eea.europa.eu/transnational-regions/baltic-sea/general</a>

**BSR Climate Forums and Capacity building programmes:** for stakeholders involvement and awareness raising

Joint projects and actions for providing practical solutions

**Cooperation with the EC and EEA**, **other EU macroregions**, the **UN** (UNECE, UNEP) for for policy alignment, knowledge exchange and transfer

#### 1. Low Emission Development

To support the BSR transformation into a low carbon economy

Public awareness raising lowemission lifestyles.

Macroregional areas for cooperation on mitigation

Harmonization of rules and plans between BSR planning authorities

Circular economy, solutions for integrated renewable energy, energy efficiency in buildings and improved waste management

GPP

Policy-sciencebusiness dialogue for deployment of best available technologies and social innovations

#### New potential Flagships

- Clim Urban: focus on spatial planning for flood prevention in urban areas
- **BSR Urban Forum for Smart Cities:** experience sharing and joint actions on application of existing and new green technologies and innovation in urban areas

#### New BSR Seed Money project applications

- CO2 Geological Storage in the Baltic Sea Region (CGS Baltic) Geological Survey of Finland
- **Baltic Expert Network for Greenhouse Gas Inventory** (BENGGI) Latvian Ministry of Environment
- Development and adaptation of landslide monitoring methods (SLOPE)
   Union "Geo-Dynamica" Latvia
- **Sustainable Urban Mobility and Commuting in Baltic Cities** (SUMBA) Baltic Environmental Forum Germany

# Involvement of all relevant BSR stakehlders and networks is essential

- for reaching the EU-, EUSBSR and HA Climate objectives and targets
- for initiation and implementation the joint actions and projects
- for providing the countries solutions and tools for policy development and implementation

BSR Carbon Capture and Storage Network — a potential **EUSBSR Flagship** under the HA Climate?

#### What can the EUSBSR do for you?

- Increased visibility on policy/ political level
- Access to policy level (policy makers and politicans, national, regional and EU)
- Increased access to and alignment of funding
- Cross-sectoral and integrated working approaches & clustering activities broadened networks
- Truly transnational macro-regional cooperation framework



#### Thank you!

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