Interreg
Baltic Sea Region Programme 2014-2020

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EU Cohesion Policy: European Territorial Cooperation

To support the harmonious development of the Union's territory at different levels,

- cross-border,
- **transnational** and
- interregional cooperation

is supported under the European territorial cooperation goal.
Baltic Sea Region Programme 2014-2020 – main facts

- Promotes regional development through transnational cooperation projects in the area
- Funded by European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI), Norway and Russia (?)
- Covers 11 states around the Baltic Sea
Baltic Sea Region Programme 2014-2020 – main facts

• Funding volume for projects in 2014-2020:
  EUR 264 million
  + additional funding for Norwegian (EUR 6 Million), Russian and Belarusian partners (tbc.)

• Funding rates:
  75%(DE, DK, SE, FI), 85%(EE, LT, LV, PL, RU, BY), 50%(NO)
**Priority 1**
Capacity for innovation
- research & innovation infrastructures
- smart specialisation
- non-technological innovation

**Objectives**
- clear waters
- renewable energy
- energy efficiency
- resource-efficient blue growth

Funds: ~ 84 MIO €

**Priority 2**
Efficient management of natural resources

**Objectives**
- interoperability of transport modes
- accessibility of remote areas and areas affected by demographic change
- maritime safety
- environmentally friendly shipping
- environmentally friendly urban mobility

Funds: ~ 65 MIO €

**Priority 3**
Sustainable transport

**Objectives**
- seed money
- support of PACs & HALs of the EUSBSR
- technical support & EUSBSR forums

Funds: ~ 13 MIO €

**Priority 4**
Institutional capacity for macro-regional cooperation

**Objectives**
- research & innovation infrastructures
- smart specialisation
- non-technological innovation

Funds: ~ 84 MIO €

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Priority 1 “Capacity for innovation”

Research and innovation infrastructures

Smart specialisation

Non-technological innovation

Priority budget – EUR 84 million
Priority 2 “Efficient management of natural resources”

Clear waters
Renewable energy
Energy efficiency
Blue growth

Priority budget – EUR 84 million
Priority 3 “Sustainable transport”

Priority budget – EUR 84 million

Interoperability

Accessibility

Maritime Safety

Shipping

Urban Mobility
Main features of a typical project

- **Budget**: around 2.6 MEUR
- **Duration**: 36 months
- **Relevance**: joint solutions for common challenges relevant for the whole/major part of the BSR
- **Outcomes**: action and development plans, cooperation models, feasibility studies, pilot investments, recommendations for policy makers and practionniers etc.
  - *Institutional capacity building*
- **Project partnerships**: a mixture of public authorities, research organisations, specialised agencies, NGOs, enterprises (*new!*)
Timeline for the new Programme start

- From September 2014: feedback on new project ideas by Secretariat and partner search at LinkedIn www.linkedin.com/groups?home=&gid=6754612
- From October 2014: consultations in Rostock/Riga offices
- **26-27 November 2014: Programme Conference, Warsaw**
- 3-4 December 2014: Lead Applicant Seminar, Riga
- End of 2014/beginning of 2015: Launch of the first call for applications
- November 2015: start of the first projects
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Project examples from the period 2007-2013

- Fighting eutrophication and pollution of the Baltic Sea
  - *Baltic COMPASS, PURE, COHIBA, BRISK*
- Sustainable use of marine resources (blue growth)
  - *BaltSeaPlan, Submariner, Aquabest*
- Environmentally friendly and safe shipping
  - *BSR InnoShip, EfficienSea*
Project examples from the period 2007-2013

Projects on reducing nutrient pollution from the countryside and their outputs:

- **Baltic COMPASS & Compact**: report on implementation of status of measures to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus leakage
- **Baltic MANURE**: manure handling techniques
- **Baltic Deal**: good farming practices
- **BERAS IMPLEMENTATION**: guidelines for ecological recycling agriculture
Aim of the EUSBSR Seed Money Facility:
to support the development of flagship projects of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

Facts about the funding:

- Support from the priority area coordinator/horizontal action leader requested
- A seed money project is the development phase to a full project application for any EU or national funding source
- Average seed money project budget: EUR 50,000 for max. duration of 14 months
- New call for applications expected in the first half of 2015

For more information: seed.eusbsr.eu