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SEA REGION

**The Climate Change Adaptation Strategy and Action
Plan for the Baltic Sea Region**

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Council of the Baltic Sea States, CBSS-Baltic 21

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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**
- www.cbss.org



Finnish Presidency Council of the Baltic Sea States, CBSS 2013 - 2014



CBSS long term priority "Environment"

- ***Continue the work on the implementation of the proposal of a BSR wide climate change adaptation strategy***



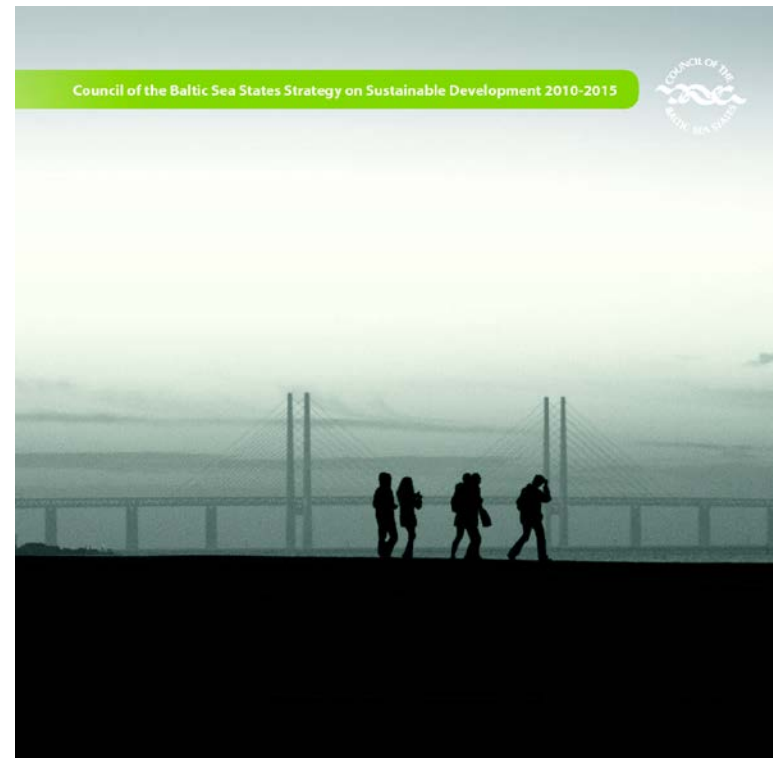
CBSS-Baltic 21

- Initiated by the Prime Ministers of BSR countries in 1996
- **(macro) regional expression of the global Agenda 21 process**
- CBSS Expert Group on Sustainable Development – Baltic 21
 - National Ministries & EC
 - NGOs
 - Financing organisations
 - Academia



CBSS Strategy on Sustainable Development 2010 - 2015

- **Climate Change (mitigation and adaptation)**
- **Sustainable Urban Rural development**
- **Sustainable Consumption and Production**
- **Innovation and Education for Sustainable Development**



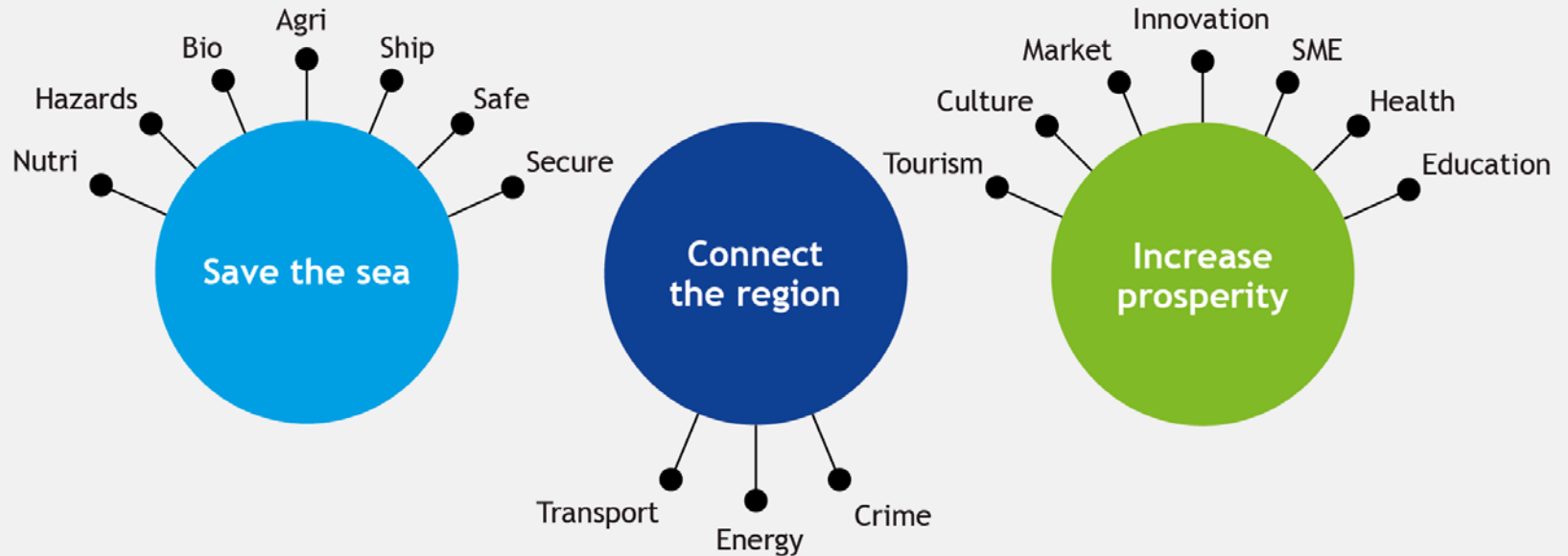


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Horizontal Action Sustainable Development (CBSS) and
Bioeconomy (NCM)

EUSBSR Objectives and Priorities

Objectives and Priority Areas



Horizontal Actions

Spatial

Neighbours

Involve

Sustainable

Promo

Actions and Flagship Projects:

1. Green Economy promote sustainable consumption and production and sustainable lifestyles

2. Climate change mitigation: support the transition towards a low carbon Baltic Sea region

Flagship Project: Implement fully the EU – Russia Energy Efficiency Initiative.

Actions and Flagships

3. Climate change adaptation: support the transition towards a climate adapted BSR;

Elaboration of the **climate change adaptation strategy and action plan for the BSR**

*Flagship Project: **BALTADAPT***



BSR Climate Change Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan

- EU funded project **Baltadapt** (EUSBSR flagship)
- Presentation of **final proposal: 3 September 2013, Riga, Latvia**
- Follow-up work 2013 – 2014:
 - **BSR Working Group** on Climate Change Adaptation, 5 December 2013 in Stockholm, Sweden
 - **EUSBSR 4th Annual Forum** 10 – 11 November 2013 in Vilnius, LT
 - **Climate Change Adaptation Forum in the Baltic Sea Region 2014**
 - **Mainstreaming CCA across PAs and Has**
 - **New project development**



BSR Working Group on Climate Change Adaptation

- **Proposed in strategy handed to EUSBSR HAL and member states 3rd September 2013 in Riga, Latvia**
- Proposal CBSS-Baltic 21: UBC, BSSSC, HELCOM, VASAB
- **5th December 2013: Workshop "What is next in climate adaptation in the Baltic Sea Region" Stockholm, Sweden**

Proposed roles and tasks of the BSR WG CCA

- **Monitor and follow-up** on the implementation of the proposal of a BSR-wide climate change adaptation strategy
- Prepare the **political endorsement** of the BSR **Climate Adaptation Strategy**, and that an Action Plan for Climate Adaptation is agreed on and jointly implemented by all EUSBSR states
- Agree on the **most important issues to focus on and initiate policy-science and multilevel governance dialogues** related to climate adaptation of common concerns in the Baltic Sea Region, with specific consideration to issues with cross-border implications.
- **Promote actions based on recommendations emanating from these dialogues** or other relevant initiatives.



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4th Annual Forum of
the EU Strategy for
the Baltic Sea Region

11-12 November 2013
Vilnius, Lithuania

**Baltic
Sea**

**Baltic
Growth**

**Baltic
Environment**



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Thank you!

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