



Framework Conditions for a Common European Maritime Policy in the Baltic Sea Area

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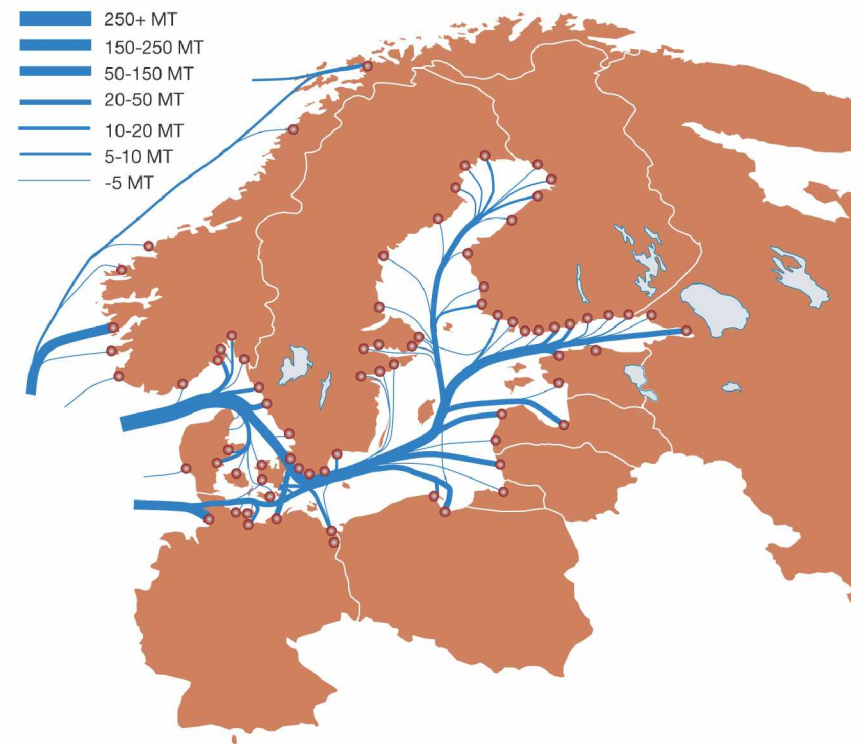
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Need for a horizontal approach in the Maritime Policy

- Finding a balance between different and sometimes competing interests
- “More jobs and better regulation”
- Finding a sustainable way of fostering economic development in the Baltic Sea region
- The Baltic Sea region is an economic zone of one hundred million people and has great business potential and expectations on economic growth



Key aspects in forming the future Maritime Policy in the Baltic Sea region

- **Geopolitical aspect**
- **Economic aspect**
- **Ecological aspect**



The development and implementation of the Maritime Policy

- **Co-operation with all relevant stakeholders**
- **Co-operation with third countries**
- **Make use of existing structures internationally and regionally**



The Baltic Sea and maritime transport

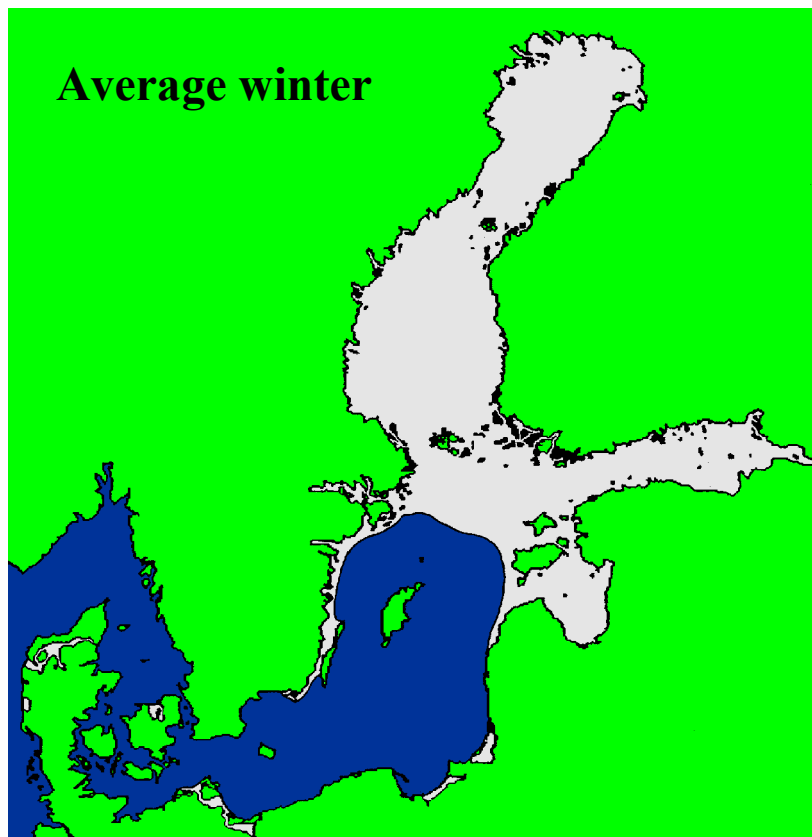
- **Increasing transportation of oil and hazardous substances a serious risk**
- **Pay special attention to maritime safety**
- **Continue to develop the regulatory framework on safer ships and cleaner seas in the IMO**



Development and use of transport logistics

- Holistic approach to efficient and economic cargo handling and transportation
- Reduction of environmental concerns caused by transportation
- Possible development areas:
 - Use of information technologies for monitoring purposes
 - Development of transport infrastructure
 - Further liberalization of transportation
 - Promotion of quality of transportation

Safety of winter navigation can be improved by jointly applied rules and recommendations



Ice-coverage in an average winter



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Maritime Policy activities during Finland's EU presidency

- **Green paper "Towards a future Maritime Policy for the Union: A European vision for the oceans and seas"**
- **Thematic Strategy for the Protection of the Marine Environment**
- **Development of transport logistics**
- **Promotion of Short Sea Shipping**



Thank you for your attention!



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