



## Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission

Meeting of the Hazardous substances and litter segment team

DG BSAP HZ 1-2020

Drafting Group for the Updated Baltic Sea Action Plan

Online, 3 November 2020

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### Background

The First Meeting of the Hazardous substances and litter segment team for drafting the updated Baltic Sea Action Plan (DG BSAP HZ 1-2020) will be held online on 3 November 2020.

The DG BSAP HZ 1-2020 Meeting will be opened **at 13 CET/14 EET on Tuesday, 3 November 2020** and it is expected to terminate **by 15 CET/16 EET** on the same day.

Documents for the Meeting will be made available in the document library on the DG BSAP HZ 1-2020 [Meeting Site](#) in the [HELCOM Meeting Portal](#).

Participants to DG BSAP HZ 1-2020 are kindly requested to register to the Meeting by answering the [Participation Survey](#) **latest on 30 October 2020**. The Meeting will be held via Zoom and the Meeting link and instructions will be sent to the registered participants.

### Action requested

The Meeting is invited to adopt the Agenda.

## Provisional Annotated Agenda

### **Agenda Item 1 Adoption of the Agenda**

The Meeting is invited to adopt the Agenda as contained in document 1-1.

### **Agenda Item 2 Preamble for the hazardous substances and litter segment**

DG BSAP 1-2020 agreed that the whole drafting group will work on the overarching preamble while the segments teams will be established to work on the different segments (eutrophication, hazardous substances and litter, sea-based activities, biodiversity). DG BSAP 1-2020 also agreed that the segment teams will start their work by reviewing the drafts of the segment-specific preambles in the autumn 2020, concomitantly with their submission to the GEAR 23-2020 meeting.

The Meeting is invited to take note of and comment the segment preamble for hazardous substances and litter noting the comments given by PRESSURE 13-2020.

### **Agenda Item 3 Rephrasing existing actions**

HOD 58-2020 agreed in principle on the rephrased and concretized existing HELCOM actions to be transferred to the updated BSAP with the understanding that further drafting based on the written comments will take place. Contracting Parties were invited to provide concrete proposals for rephrasing of specific actions to the Secretariat to be considered in the further development of the actions. A comment regarding the actions under the hazardous substances and litter segment was received after HOD 58-2020.

HOD 58-2020 also noted that the style of some of the actions should be changed should be changed to avoid formulations such as "WE AGREE" and the tasked drafting group to check the style but not change the content of the actions in question.

The Meeting is invited to take note of the comments and continue drafting of the actions based on the comments received with the aim of submitting a final proposal for HOD 59-2020 (document 3-1).

### **Agenda Item 4 Next steps**

The Meeting is invited to take note that the segment teams will continue the drafting of the preambles and operative sections based on the guidance from HOD, in spring 2021.

### **Agenda Item 5 Any other business**

The Meeting might wish to discuss any other issues relevant for the work of the segment team.

### **Agenda Item 6 Outcome of the Meeting**

A draft outcome will be prepared by the Secretariat and adopted via correspondence.