



## Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission

HELCOM expert network on economic and social analyses meeting

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### Third meeting of HELCOM economic and social analyses expert network (EN ESA 3-2019)

Time: Tuesday 9 April 12:00 – 15:30

Venue: Online and at HELCOM Secretariat, Katajanokanlaituri 6 B, 00160 Helsinki, Finland

#### Aims

The Meeting will contribute to the development of economic and social analyses (ESA) in the Baltic Sea Region. More specifically, the Meeting will:

- Discuss, review and find synergies between the SOM approach and national ESA analyses
- Discuss the role of ESA Network in the SOM platform (ESA expertise needed to various topics)

The Meeting will be chaired by Ms. Soile Oinonen.

#### Background

A major HELCOM activity in the upcoming years is the update of the HELCOM BSAP which is to be adopted in 2021. A strategic plan for the BSAP update has been agreed upon, which includes activities that are relevant to or entail ESA, i.e. analysis of the sufficiency of measures to reach HELCOM objectives and BAU scenarios; and analysis of the cost-effectiveness of measures. Additionally, the HELCOM led [ACTION project](#) application to the EC proposal call on "Marine Strategy Framework Directive - Second Cycle: Implementation of the new GES Decision and Programmes of Measures" was successful and forms a key role in the BSAP update process. The project held its kick-off meeting in late February and was followed by the first meeting of the related SOM platform in early March. The outcomes of these two meetings will inform much of the ESA process surrounding the BSAP update and the engagement of the ESA Network in this process would be beneficial.

#### Preparations and expected contributions

The Contracting Parties are welcome to invite experts of relevance for Meeting aims, in particular experts on economic and social analyses in the marine region.

Meeting participants are advised that **background documents** will be sent out before the Meeting, and that participants are assumed to be familiar with its content in order to meet the aims of the Meeting.

Meeting participants are kindly requested to prepare to present information on national analyses for the following provisional agenda items:

- Status of national ESA work (PowerPoint, 3 slides)

- Discussion: The possibilities of utilising Article 8 ESA cost-of-degradation analyses in estimating the economic benefits of BSAP update; identification of new data sources
- Discussion: Synergies between SOM approach and national update of the PoMs

Questions and suggested topics for discussion can be directed to Mr. Luke Dodd (luke.dodd@helcom.fi).

### Registration and practical information

The participants are kindly requested to register to the Meeting by answering the [Participation Survey](#) **not later than 2 April, 2019**. Please indicate whether you are planning to attend the Meeting physically or online.

Please note that only registered users of the [HELCOM Meeting Portal](#) with relevant rights are able to fill in the Participation Survey and to access the restricted documents. Please find [here](#) instructions for first time Meeting Portal users.

### Provisional Agenda

Friday 14 December	
12:00	Words of welcome ( <i>coffee available</i> )
12:15	Baltic Sea Action Plan update and SOM platform (Luke Dodd, HELCOM)
12:45	SOM approach – methods (Liisa Saikkonen, SYKE)
	Discussion
13:45 – 14:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
14:15	Roundtable with PowerPoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status of national ESA work</li> <li>• Discussion: The possibilities of utilising Article 8 ESA cost-of-degradation analyses in estimating the economic benefits of BSAP update; identification of new data sources</li> <li>• Discussion: Synergies between SOM approach and national update of the PoMs</li> </ul>
15:00	Closing discussion and outcome of the Meeting
15:30	End of the workshop