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when cooperation enhances efficiency

- Convention areas overlap
- The issue has a clear transboundary character
- A methodology or an instrument that both want to use is to be developed
- Increased knowledge is needed in relation to an emerging issue
- One is ahead of the other
- Simultaneous or coordinated action is expected to increase effectiveness
- We need to address other bodies
- We need to acquire the same type of products from external actors



2013 – 2017

- COREBAM
- BALLAST & NIS
- BIRDS
- NOISE
- ML
- Kattegatt
- Guidelines on dredged material
- Databases and registers
- Discussed the timing of deliveries
- RAPs Marine Litter
- Underwater noise methods and data-registers
- Joint requests to ICES

The future

Further cooperation on:

- Biodiversity
 - MPA networks
 - Declining or threatened species
 - Assessing seafloor habitats
 - compatible monitoring procedures
 - Data management and sharing
- Pressures
 - Impulsive noise
 - Invasive species
 - Marine litter

Climate change/ocean acification/pharmaceuticals
UN agenda 2030: implementation SDG14



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Thank you for your attention

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