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Background

This document contains the German comments to documents 2-8 “Planned data updates for the State of the Baltic Sea report in 2018”, 2-9 “Issues to be addressed in the 2018 update of the State of the Baltic Sea report” and 2-14 “List of Acknowledgement for HOLAS II and State of the Baltic Sea report”.

Action requested

The Meeting is invited to consider the German comments.

German comments on docs 2-8, 2-9 and 2-14, as of 19 June 2017

Document	comment
2-8	Concerning the data on zoobenthos it might not be possible to deliver all of them via Combine database, this was also indicated at S&C6 (Outcome 3MA.3)
2-9	Chapter 4.4 Table to impulsive events as reported to the regional registry should be revised and included again (it was already included in the report version for S&C 6)
2-9	Chapter 5.4 The text for the ringed seal refers mostly to the population of the Gulf of Bothnia, therefore it should be checked if the development over time could be shown for the whole Gulf of Bothnia and not just for Bothnian Bay (Doc 2-6, Fig 5.4.7. page 147)
2-9	Chapter 6 The colour scheme of the map of the BSPI/BSII should be revised (for a better understanding it would be good if low impact is light grey, so there is a smooth transition to white with no impact/ no data)
2-9	Chapter 6 Revise the layers (e.g. deep water habitat) as agreed at S&C 6 (Outcome 4J21)
2-14-Att1	Proposed changes are marked in red in the attached document
2-14-Att1	Review the choice of active experts listed under contributors (not clear how they were selected) and check again if the lists are complete