

Update of the Baltic Sea Action Plan

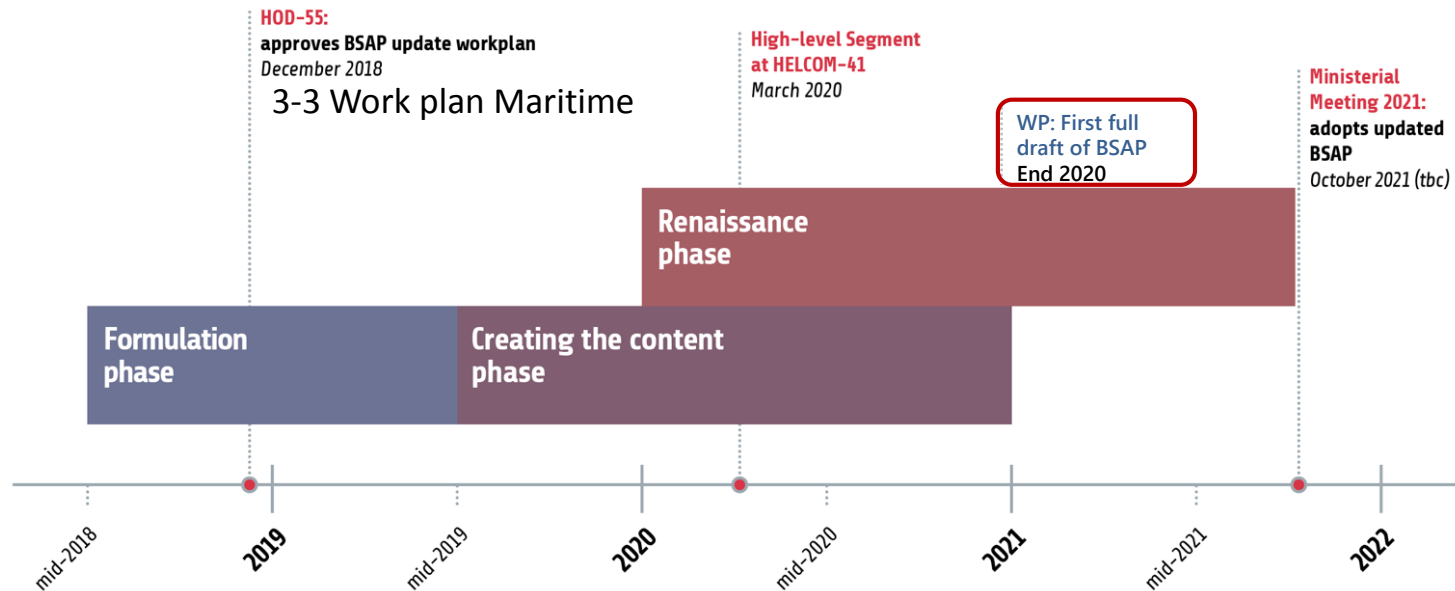
Key guiding documents:

- HELCOM 2018 Ministerial Declaration:
 - as a first priority, **achieve already agreed actions** with renewed efforts to make progress towards the goals of the current BSAP by 2021,
 - in addition, **address new issues**, on the basis of the commitments made in this Declaration and further deliberations during the BSAP updating process,
 - the updated BSAP should include **actions necessary for managing human activities** in such a way that the current HELCOM strategic goals can be achieved,
 - the updated BSAP will at least **maintain the ambition level of agreed actions and objectives**.
- Strategic plan for the BSAP update (HOD 54-2018)
- Work plan for the BSAP update (HOD 55-2018, updated at HOD 56-2019)

Strategic plan for the BSAP update

Three phases of the BSAP update

Figure from Strategic plan for the BSAP update, agreed at HOD 54-2018.



Formulation phase: Status of BSAP implementation, Adjusting BSAP structure

Creating the content phase: Analysis of sufficiency of measures

Renaissance phase: Proposals on new actions for the updated BSAP

Activity 1:1 Not yet accomplished BSAP actions – rephrasing of existing actions as needed

YEAR	2018		2019				2020				2021
STEPS	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Initial discussion and plans		X									
Progress on joint actions, identify actions in need of rephrasing*											
Initiate rephrasing of existing actions											
Proposal to HOD on actions to be transferred to updated BSAP								HOD			

* in case not implemented by 2021 and transferred to the updated BSAP

Document 3-1: Concretization of existing HELCOM actions

Activity 2:2 Adjustment to the overall structure of BSAP – review of objectives

YEAR	2018		2019				2020				2021
STEPS	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Initial proposal on revised and new objectives											
Final proposal on revised and new objectives to HOD						HOD					

Document 3-4: Review of existing HELCOM objectives and development of new objectives

Activity 2.3 Implementation of the current measures and agreements - Recommendations

YEAR	2018		2019				2020				2021
STEPS	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Propose HELCOM Recs to be reported by CPs		X									
Quality control the reporting						*					

*Intersessional approval by HOD

3-5 Reporting on HELCOM Recommendations under Maritime Group

Activity 2:4 Review of the current BSAP

YEAR	2018		2019				2020				2021
STEPS	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Identify actions assigned as “too general” for uptake in updated BSAP											
Initiate work to define targets for MD 2018 commitments											
Finalize proposal on concretized targets for existing actions						HOD					

3-1 Concretization of existing HELCOM actions (Annex 2)

3-2 Commitments from HELCOM Ministerial Declaration 2018

Activity 2:5 Analysing sufficiency of measures to reach HELCOM objectives and targets

YEAR	2018		2019				2020				2021
STEPS	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Guidance and review of analyses of SOM analyses											
Validation of input to the SOM analyses											
Review of synopses on potential new actions for the updated BSAP											

3-7 Analysis of sufficiency of measures

3-8 SOM analysis for non-indigenous species

Activity 2:6 New actions and improvement of the existing actions – update of the BSAP

YEAR	2018		2019				2020				2021
STEPS	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
Thematic workshops/meetings to consider results of SOM analyses and synopses and to propose new HELCOM actions								HOD			
Further elaboration of new HELCOM actions for updated BSAP										HOD	

Order of topics at meeting

- Actions from BSAP, MD 2010, 2013, 2018 (doc 3.1, 3.2)
- Review of HELCOM objectives (doc 3-4)
- Analysis of sufficiency of measures, validation of input related to NIS (doc 3-7, 3-8, 3-6)
- Reporting on HELCOM Recommendations (doc 3-5)