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Background

This document contains an initial draft of the structure of the annex to the sea-based activities segment of the updated Baltic Sea Action Plan (BSAP), including preliminary examples prepared by the Secretariat, as set out in the Annex. Each segment in the updated BSAP will have a corresponding annex, which will contain detailed supplementary information on each action under the segment in question, to guide future assessment of implementation and provide context for the actions. This includes e.g. target year, rationale (including linkage to other actions), estimated effect, responsible for implementation etc. ([HOD 57-2019 outcome para. 3.27-3.28](#) and [HOD 58-2020 para. 4.16](#)).

As agreed by HOD 58-2020, the Annexes as outlined in [HOD 57-2019 document 3-5](#) and [HOD 58-2020 document 4-11](#), will be compiled by the Working Groups with the help of the Secretariat, starting in autumn 2020 with focus on those existing actions for which in principle agreement was reached at HOD 58-2020. The Annex to this document only includes actions under the mandate of Response WG.

In the effort to ensure the updated BSAP is concise and easily accessible, the action annexes are foreseen to be the only supplementary information to be directly included in the BSAP. In line with the plan agreed by HOD 58-2020 ([document 4-11](#), [outcome para. 4.16](#)), additional documents that are adopted alongside or support the implementation of the updated BSAP, e.g. recommendations, roadmaps, topic specific action plans etc., are to remain as separate documents and not merged with the main BSAP document.

Action requested

The Meeting is invited to:

- consider the content and structure of the draft Annex for the sea-based activities segment of the updated BSAP; and
- agree on the way forward to finalize the work prior to HOD 60-2021.

Annex

Table 1. Draft BSAP Annex with supplementary information to be provided for the agreed actions

Action	Target year	Rationale	Potential effect (if available)	Implemented by	Overseeing Working Group	Indicator for achievement
<i>Theme: Response</i>						
Further develop regional preparedness and response related services including SeaTrackWeb to have integrated live feed from online devices such as sea current monitoring buoys, radars etc. no later than (by 2027)	(2027)			Joint	Response	
Have a full integration between satellite based spill detection and drift modelling by SeaTrackWeb (by 2027)	(2027)			Joint	Response	
Keep the HELCOM thematic assessment on hazardous submerged objects covering warfare materials and contaminated wrecks updated as a living document to be updated when more information on submerged hazardous objects in the Baltic Sea is received				Joint	Response	
Keep information on submerged hazardous objects in the HELCOM Map and Data System up to date				Joint	Response	
Implement the Marine HNS Response Manual in operational response to spills involving hazardous or noxious substances as well as exercises by 2025	2025			National/Joint	Response	
Commit to testing the procedures of the Marine HNS manual at BALEX DELTA 2022	2022			Joint/National	Response	