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Background

An [overview of the directions and solutions for streamlined HELCOM activities](#), as agreed by the HELCOM Annual Meeting in March 2014, is available in the SEAL 8-2014 Meeting Site for information.

Attached is the new organizational organogram of HELCOM.

Please find here links to the terms of reference of the following new and revised HELCOM groups:

- [Working Group on Reduction of Pressures from the Baltic Sea Catchment Area](#), WG PRESSURE (tentative name)*
- [Working Group on the State of the Environment and Nature Conservation](#), WG STATE (tentative name)*
- [Group on Sustainable Agricultural Practices](#) (AGRI)
- [Group on Ecosystem-based Sustainable Fisheries](#) (FISH)

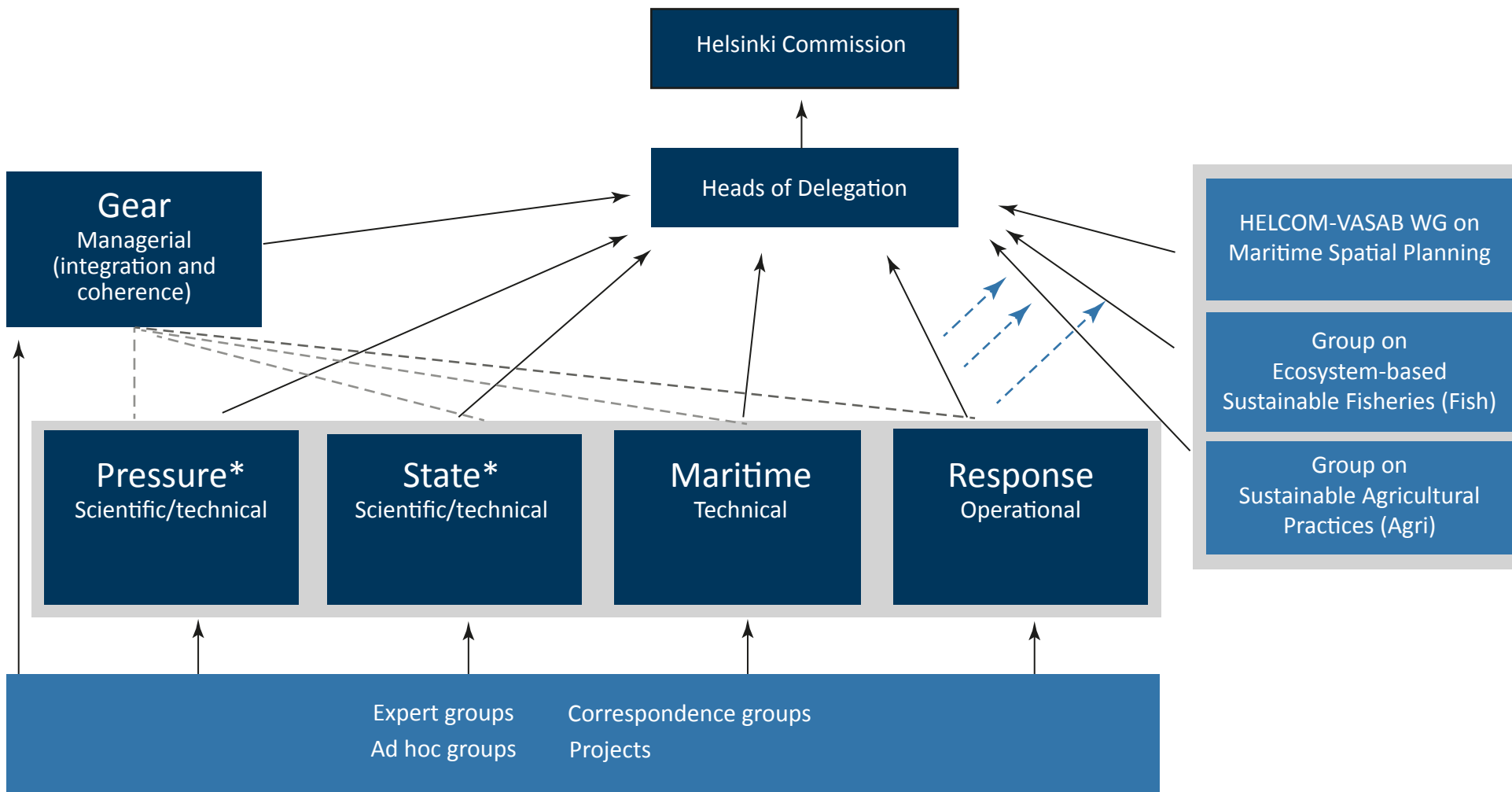
**study reservation by Germany on the name*

Action required

The Meeting is invited to take note and make use of the information as appropriate.

Renewed HELCOM working structure

September 2014



* Tentative names

Full names of the permanent working groups

Gear = Group on the Implementation of the Ecosystem Approach

State* = Working Group on the State of the Environment and Nature Conservation*

Pressure* = Working Group on Reduction of Pressures from the Baltic Sea Catchment Area*

Maritime Working Group

Response Working Group

■ Permanent

■ Time-limited / adhoc