

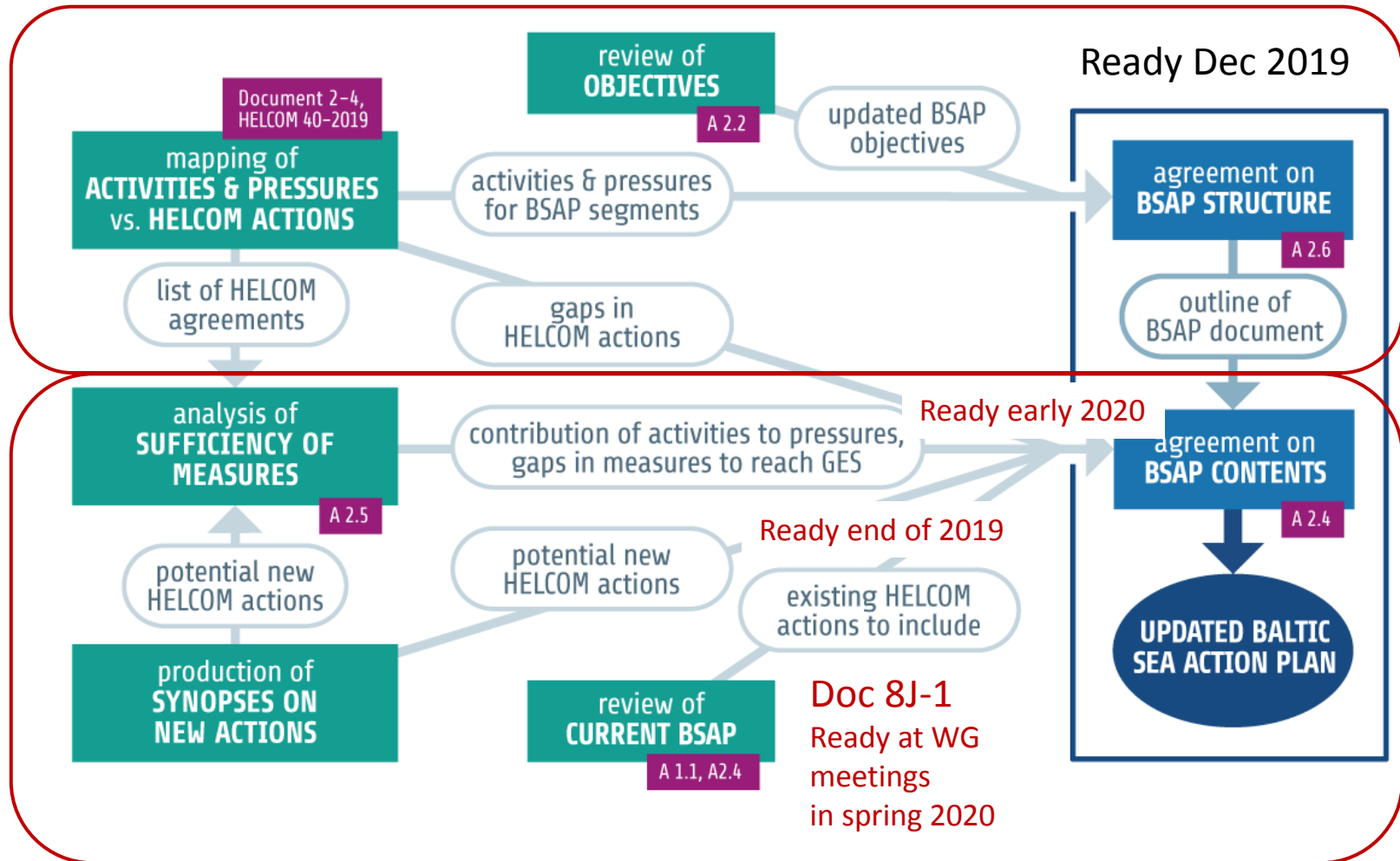
Progress on the BSAP update

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- Ongoing work by HELCOM Working Groups and HELCOM SOM Platform
- Synopses on potential new actions
- Review of proposed new actions and thematic workshops in spring 2020

Contribution of activities to the BSAP update

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SOM analysis; input

contribution of activities to pressures,
gaps in measures to reach GES

Input via workshops

e.g. effectiveness of measures, pressure reduction – state response

- **Mammals:** 26-27 September, back-to-back with EG MAMA 13-2019, (24-26 September), Helsinki, Finland
- **Birds:** 3 October linked to HELCOM-OSPAR-ICES JWGBird, 2019, (30 September-4 October), Tartu, Estonia
- **Fish:** workshop 4-6 November 2019, Warsaw, Poland.
- **Benthic habitats:** 14 November incorporated in the agenda of EN-BENTHIC 3-2019, (14-15 November 2019), Helsinki, Finland
- **Hazardous substances:** workshop, 22 October 2019, Brussels, prior to Pressure 11-2019.

SOM analysis; validation

contribution of activities to pressures,
gaps in measures to reach GES

Validation by State and Conservation:

- Main activities contributing to the pressure
 - By-catch of mammals and birds
 - Physical loss and disturbance to benthic habitats
- Effect of measures
 - Physical loss and disturbance to benthic habitats
 - Bycatch of mammals and birds
 - Targeted extraction of mammals and birds
 - Species disturbance: human presence
- Linking pressure reduction to state
 - Benthic habitats
 - Mammals
 - Birds

Need to agree on intersessional approval of input to the SOM model

Synopses on tentative new HELCOM actions



- HELCOM 40-2019: can be submitted by Contracting Parties, subsidiary bodies, international projects, observers
- Should be brief and make use of a predefined format as distributed intersessionally and available at the HELCOM website:

<http://www.helcom.fi/baltic-sea-action-plan/bsap-2021-update/>

- Prepared by end of 2019
- Working Groups to review synopses at spring meetings 2020

Thematic workshops in spring 2020



When review of existing actions, SOM analyses, and synopses on new actions are ready; **HELCOM thematic workshops to discuss results propose new HELCOM actions for the updated BSAP**

- back-to-back workshops on hazardous substances and litter (2 days), and eutrophication (1.5 days) in the period 11-15 May, 2020 (exact dates to be tbd),
- cross-cutting workshop on maritime activities, underwater noise, non-indigenous species, response actions, 18-20 May, 2020
- **cross-cutting workshop on biodiversity, loss and disturbance to the seabed, extraction of species (including by-catch, hunting) and spatial measures (MPA, MSP), in the period 25-29 May 2020, (exact days tbd – 3 days expected).**

Ongoing development of approach for reviewing and evaluating new actions

- Technical review at WG meetings in spring 2020 e.g.
 - evaluating if the proposals are sufficiently substantiated
 - if it is technically feasible to implement the proposed actions
 - identify potential gaps in the proposed new actions
- Criteria for consideration of proposed new actions at thematic workshops (late spring 2020)
- Cost-effectiveness analysis (autumn 2020)

Milestones for the BSAP update process

