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### Background

State and Conservation 2-2015 agreed on the following Lead countries and review process of Recommendations under the Working Group (paragraphs in brackets refer to the Outcome of State and Conservation 2):

- Denmark: Recommendation 16/3 'Preservation of Natural Coastal Dynamics' (report if a revision should be considered, Paragraph 5J.23)
  
- Estonia: Recommendation 24/10 'Implementation of Integrated Marine and Coastal Management of Human activities in the Baltic Sea Area' (Paragraph 5J.18)  
Recommendation 10/1 'Abnormal Situations in the Marine Environment' (report on the possibility to take lead, Paragraph 5J.27)
  
- Finland: Recommendation 15/1 'Protection of the Coastal Strip' (reconsider wording, reporting interval to be every third year instead of every six years, report if a revision should be considered, note strong link to Recommendation 16/3 Preservation of Natural Coastal Dynamics, Paragraph 5J.24)
  
- Germany: Recommendation 21/4 'Protection of heavily endangered or immediately threatened Marine and Coastal Biotopes in the Baltic Sea Area' (to take first steps in the revision of the Recommendation, Paragraph 5J.19)
  
- Latvia: Recommendation 21/3 on 'Sustainable and Environmentally friendly tourism in the Coastal Zones of the Baltic Sea Area' (report if a revision should be considered, Paragraph 5J.20)
  
- Poland: Recommendation 17/2 'Protection of Harbour Porpoise in the Baltic Sea Area' (to organize the reporting of this Recommendation as previously done, Paragraph 5J.22)

### Action required

Contracting Parties are invited to present the outcomes of reviewing the Recommendations, proposing next steps and considering if the proposed format for follow-up of Recommendations (Annex 3 of meeting [document 5J-1](#) of STATE & CONSERVATION 2-2015) can be used. The information is to be presented at the meeting or submitted in advance as a meeting document.