



**eMSP
NBSR**

Emerging Ecosystem-based
Maritime Spatial Planning
Topics in the North and Baltic
Sea Regions



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Provisional Agenda of the 4th Community of Practice workshop on EBA in MSP

Gap analysis of international framework for EBA practices in MSP, first policy messages and progress of study cases.

30 March 2023, 13.30-16.30 EET, online

The eMSP project's learning strand on EBA in MSP invites the EBA community of practice and project partners to joint an online workshop.

Intention and objective:

- To identify gaps in international framework to be filled in to strengthen EBA in MSP.**
- To discuss progress in study cases illustrating good practices of EBA in MSP and format project deliverables.**

The learning strand on Ecosystem-Based Approach of eMSP NBSR project intends to enhance the ecosystem-based approach in MSP through, among all, strengthening of international framework for EBA in MSP. The learning strand involves three study cases, which are intended to complement theoretical investigation, illustrating good EBA practices compiled from North Sea and Baltic Sea regions.

A listing of challenges in the application of EBA in MSP, draft analysis of gaps in respective international framework and progress of study cases will be presented to the workshop. The workshop will be invited to initiate discussion on concrete format of deliverables anticipated by LS on EBA.

Programme:

1. Progress of EBA Learning Strand (**Jan Schmidtbauer Crona**, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, Sweden).

A short warming up Slido exercise. Participants will be invited to provide information on representation of various stakeholders in the CoP on ecosystem-based approach in MSP.

2. Challenges in the application of EBA in MSP and gaps in international EBA framework. A draft policy message – accounting for nature in EBA. (**Dmitry Frank-Kamenetsky**, HELCOM, Finland).

Discussion and questions. An opportunity to contribute to stocktaking of missing challenges and gaps in written will be given to all participant through Slido app. The results will be integrated in virtual voting on priority challenges and gaps. The point of view of each participant is highly important.

- Update of the Guideline for the implementation of ecosystem-based approach in Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP) in the Baltic Sea area. - an example of strengthening of international EBA framework. (**Jan Schmidtbauer Crona, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, Sweden**).

Discussion and feedback on identified challenges in EBA application and analysis of gaps in international framework. Online (Slido) voting on prioritization of challenges and gaps to be addressed will be launched.

15 min comfort break

- Progress of study cases: on MSP and Spatial Protection and MSP and Sustainable Blue Economy. (**Riku Varjopuro, SYKE, Finland; Leaders of SBE LS, tbc**)
- Study case - MSP for Good Environmental Status. (Identification of environmental pressures which can be effectively managed by MSP and GES indicators to reflect the impact – first findings and expected outcomes) (*Ville to check*). (**Ville Karvinen, SYKE, Finland**).
 - Linkages between study case and HELCOM HOLAS III process in relation to activities-pressures mapping and GES indicators. (tbc)

Discussion and questions. General reflection on the study case progress and anticipated outcomes.

- Announcement of joint WS with OG LS on continuous dialog between NS and BS. (LS on Ocean Governance, tbc)
- Information on the joint workshop of LSs on EBA and SBE in Helsinki 13-15.06.2023. (**Dmitry Frank-Kamenetsky, HELCOM, Finland**).

Final moderated discussion (**Jan Schmidtbauer Crona, Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management, Sweden**):

- Wrap up of the discussion on challenges and gaps in application of EBA in MSP, including the results of Slido voting.
- Short presentation and discussion on format of concrete deliverables suitable for various target groups.

