"Stakeholders as important actors in Marine Strategy Framework Directive implementation: from decision makers to general public"

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Seminar organised within LIFE MARMONI project

- Project «Innovative approaches for <u>ma</u>rine biodiversity <u>mo</u>nitoring and assessment of conservation status of nature values in the Baltic Sea»
- LIFE+ <u>Biodiversity</u> project
- Total project budget: 5 888 801€
 - 50% EC LIFE funding
- Duration: 01.10.2010 31.03.2015
- 9 partners from Latvia, Estonia, Finland and Sweden
- Baltic Environmental Forum Latvia is the lead party ("Coordinating beneficiary")





What MARMONI does

- Develops, tests and demonstrates application of new marine biodiversity indicators and monitoring methods
- Assesses monitoring results and effectiveness of applied measures
- Elaborates policy recommendations for future marine monitoring systems
- Raises knowledge of various stakeholders on marine biodiversity and marine policy related issues

Stakeholder seminar on the MSFD 15-16 November, Tallinn





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Why to talk about the MSFD?

- ❖ The MSFD new, most influential and ambitious European legal requirement on the protection of the marine environment
 - → requires Good environmental status of all marine waters by 2020
 - → requires integration of all sectors of economy and their policies/legal frames
- ❖ An initial assessment of the current environmental status of the waters and the environmental impact of human activities has been completed, targets are set we can share information and compare among the countries
- ❖ It is important to discuss across national borders what shall we do to reach the good environmental status of the Baltic Sea





Seminar issues

- ☐ International legal frames regulating the Baltic Sea and the role of the MSFD among them
- ☐ Ecosystem based approach a basic principle of the MSFD
- ☐ What has been discovered by initial assessments of GES and human impact?
- ☐ How is the implementation of the MSFD organised in different countries and internationally?
- ☐ Fisheries and the MSFD
- ☐ Maritime sector and the MSFD
- ☐ Opportunities for participation in MSFD implementation





Aim of the Seminar

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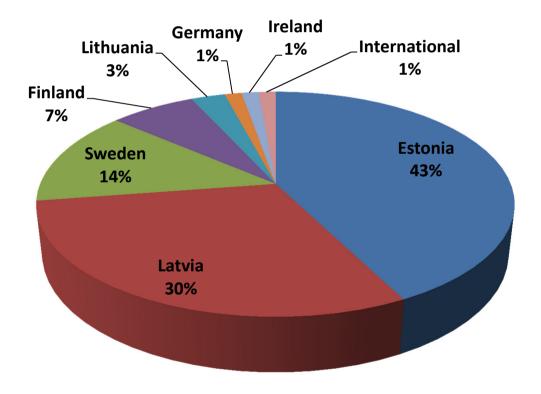
- ❖ to inform different stakeholders about the issues the EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive is regulating
- to facilitate cross-sector communication and future cooperation for good implementation of the Directive in the Baltic Sea Region





Some seminar statistics - by country

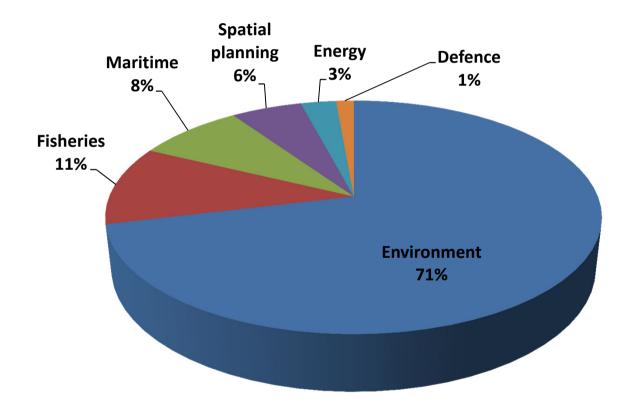
73 registered participants







Some seminar statistics - by sector of economy







Some seminar statistics - by organisation

