

# Science to inform policy for the Baltic Sea

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## Eutrophication in the Baltic Sea





# Baltic Nest: Decision Support System to facilitate adaptive management



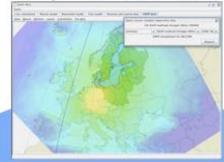
### Marine modeling





Drainage basin modeling

### Atmospheric emissions and load



The Nest-system is available on line, free of charge and can be run in both an expert and a manager mode.

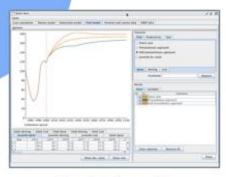
#### Download at www.balticnest.org



Marine and runoff data

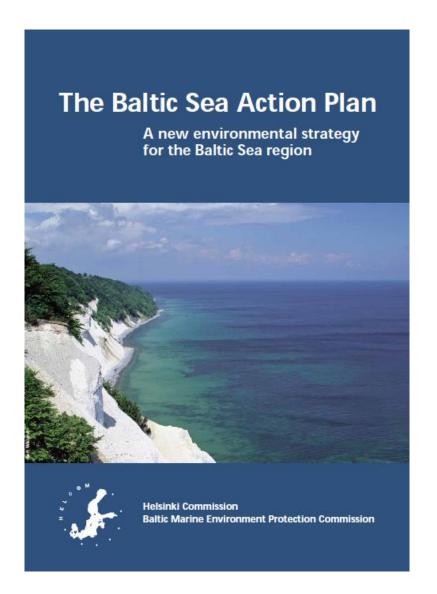
#### Cost minimization model

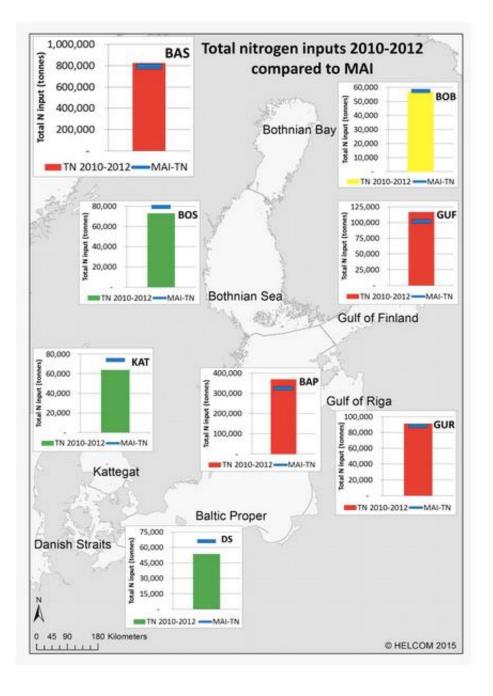




Food web model

# Progress in reducing N inputs





### Further actions needed



# Status of actions in the Baltic Sea Action Plan



# Baltic Eye: Science and Communication to Improve Policy-Making for the Baltic Sea



### Blue growth and environmental challenges in the Baltic Sea

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### Dear Commissioner

Congratulations on the new assignment. You now have a unique opportunity to change the Baltic Sea environment for the better.

The Baltic Sea is a unique but also very sensitive marine ecosystem. For more than a century it has been under tremendous stress from human activities. We now pay a heavy price for this, in the form of algal blooms, decreasing fish stocks and other symptoms.

In 2009, the European union strategy for the Baltic Sea region (EUSBSR) became the first comprehensive EU strategy to target a specific macro-region, and is now closely knit to the HELCOM Baltic Sea Action Plan (BSAP) and other regional and national initiatives. It's important that the EU Commission maintain its key role in this process.

You will of course not be able to solve all the environmental problems of the Baltic Sea during your term of office. The marine ecosystem recovers slowly.

But it does recover - if we let it.

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## The cosmetics clean-up

- first step to reduce microplastic input into the Baltic Sea