

# Gulf of Finland Trilateral Scientific Forum

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Marine Research Centre**



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Paula Kankaanpää, Director





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# **the Finnish Environment Institute**

- The expert and research agency for Finnish government and administration
- Director General Lea Kauppi
- Staff 550
- Ministry of the Environment
- Finland's hub for environmental data and information
- Finland's environmental laboratories
- Terrestrial, marine and freshwater environmental science
- Sustainable consumption and production
- Circulation economy and environmental policy



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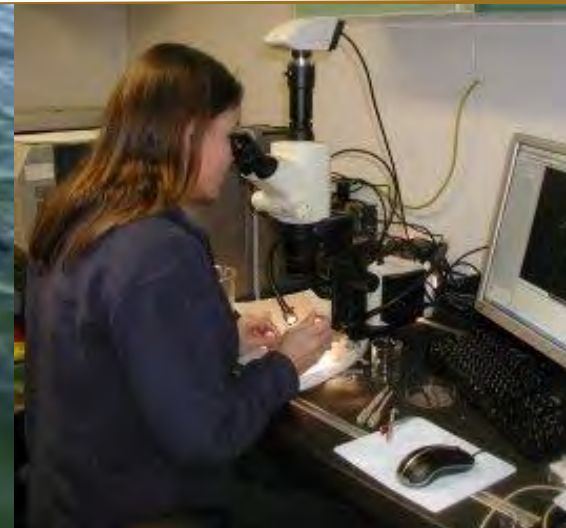


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# SYKE Marine Research Centre Resources

- Staff: 95 researchers and experts
  - 55 % men; 45 % women
  - 40 % PhDs
- Budget: 9 m€
- External funding: 70 %



# SYKE Marine Research Centre International co-operation

**IMO** INTERNATIONAL  
MARITIME  
ORGANIZATION

The Global Ocean  
Observing System

INTEGRATED OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEM



EuroGOSS  
European Global O

 HORIZON 2020

**EMODnet**  
European Marine  
Observation and  
Data Network

**BONUS**  
FOR A BETTER FUTURE OF THE BALTIC SEA REGION

**Copernicus**  
The European Earth Observation Programme





**SYKE Marine Research Centre  
for Finnish Government on  
marine environmental laws and regulations**

# **Holistic Assessment of the state of marine environment**

**Every 6<sup>th</sup> year  
Next: 2018  
together with  
the 10 Baltic States**

According to EU Marine Strategy Directive

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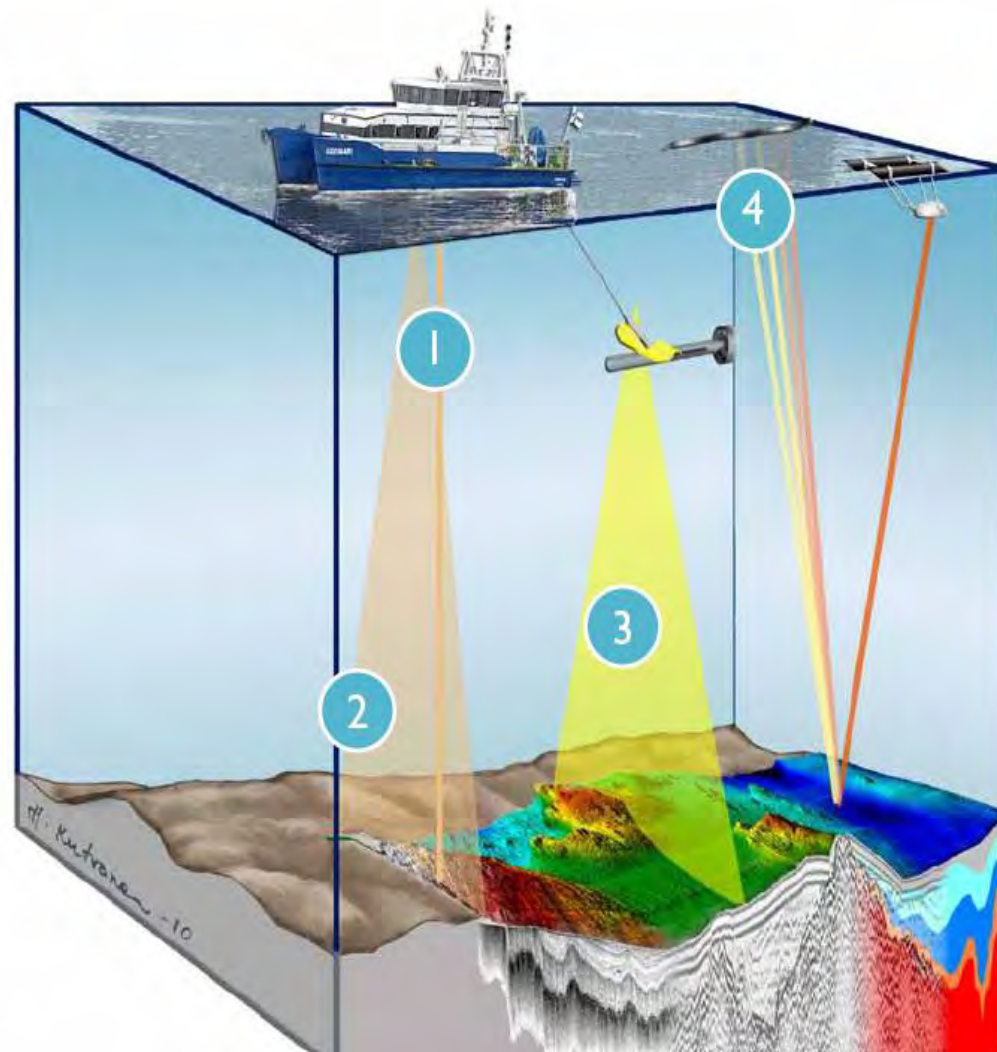
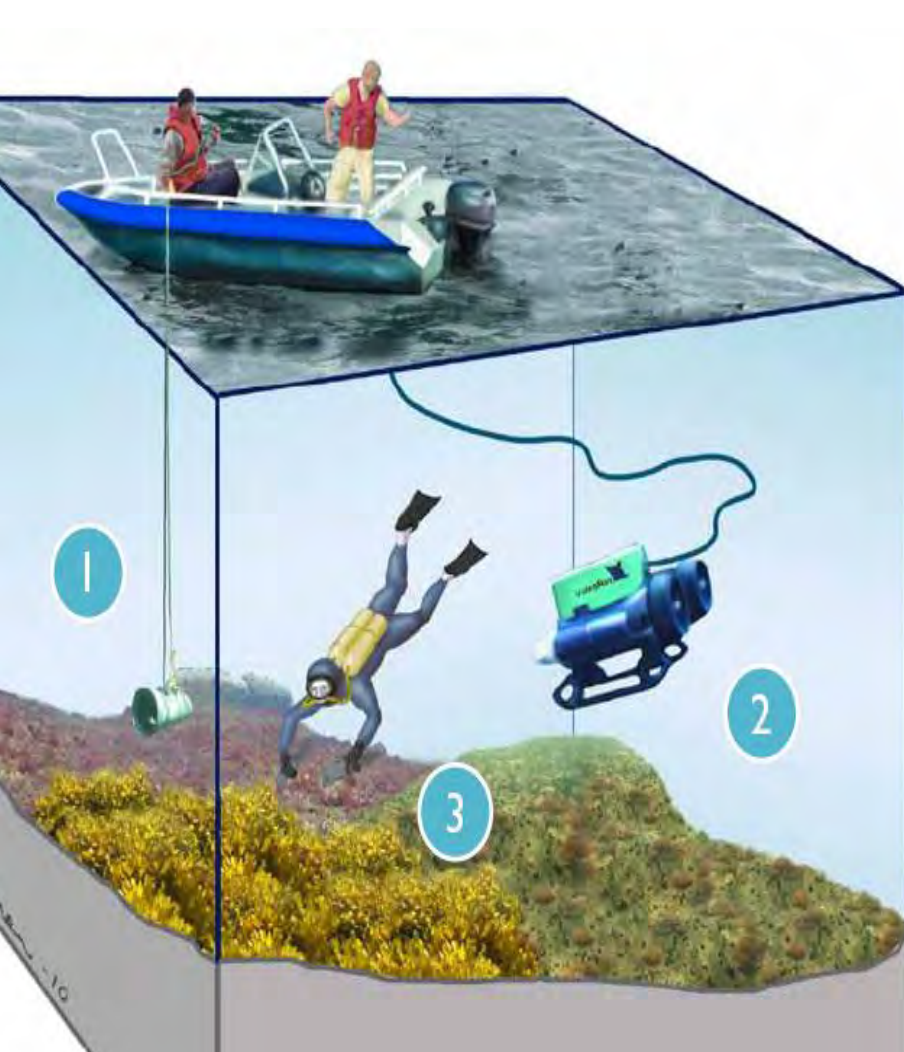
# Research

- **Assessment methods of status of marine environment**
- **Climate change impacts**
- **Economic value of healthy sea**
- **Marine ecosystem functions**
- **Marine ecosystem modelling**
- **Empirical marine ecology research**
- **Eutrophication**
- **Harmful substances**
- **Marine biodiversity**
- **Invasive species**
- **Microplastic trash**
- **Underwater Noise**

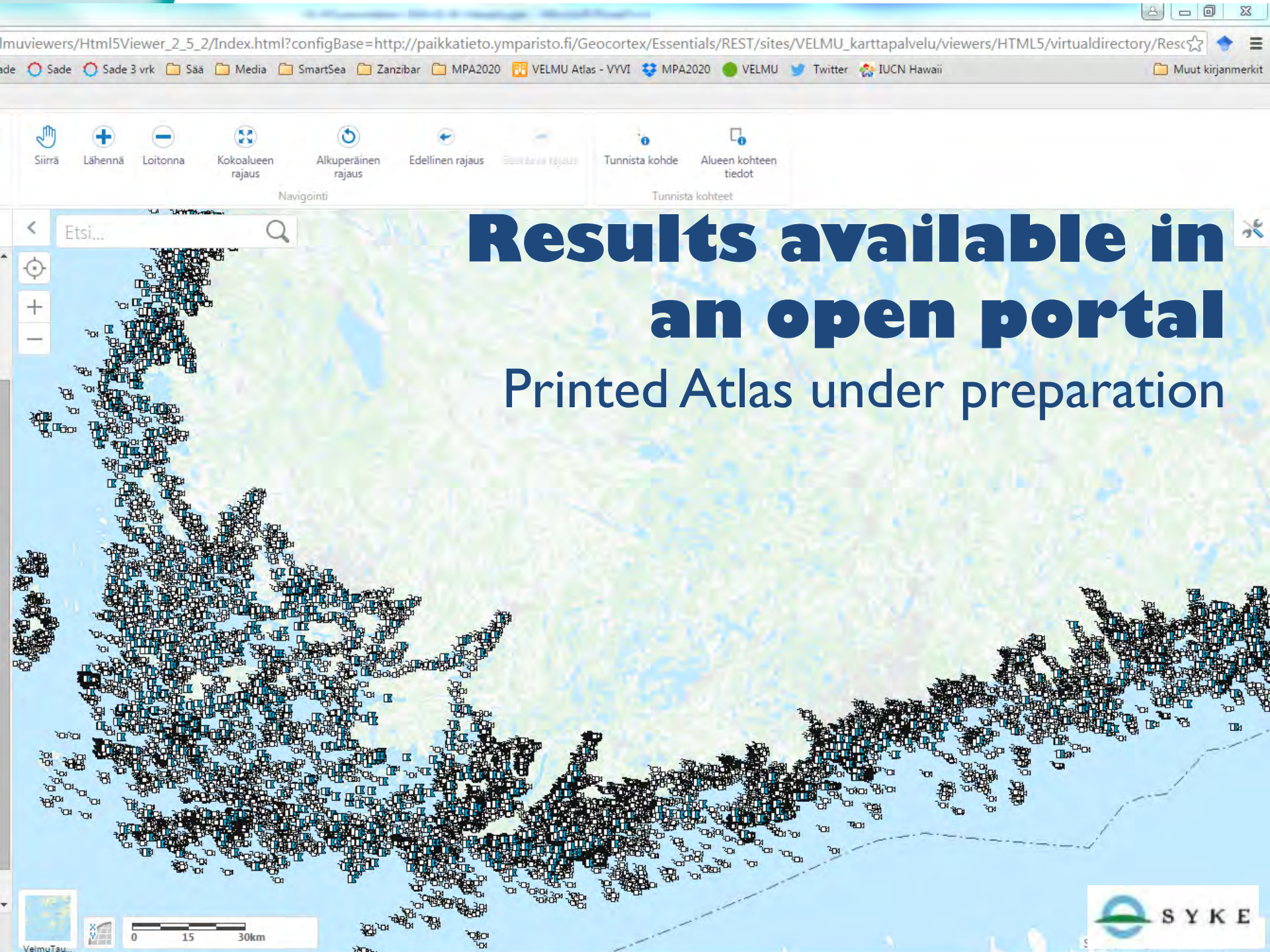


# The Finnish Inventory of Submarine Environment

**Surveys of underwater nature & Geological mapping**







**Results available in  
an open portal**  
Printed Atlas under preparation



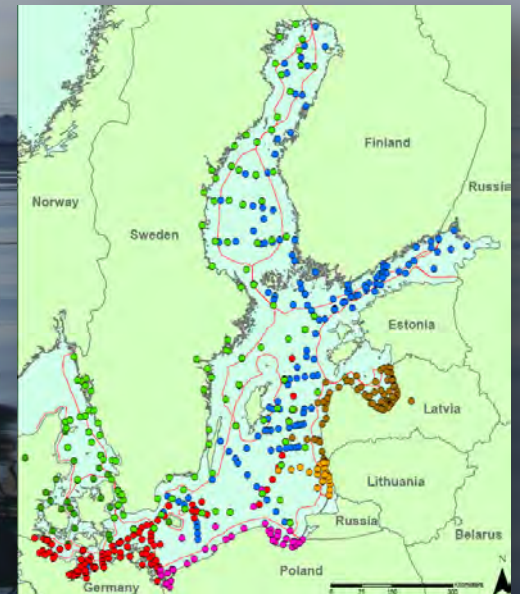
# Information is used for **marine spatial planning**





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# Open sea monitoring





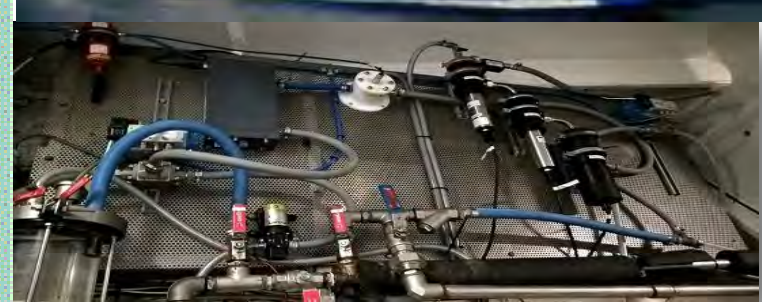
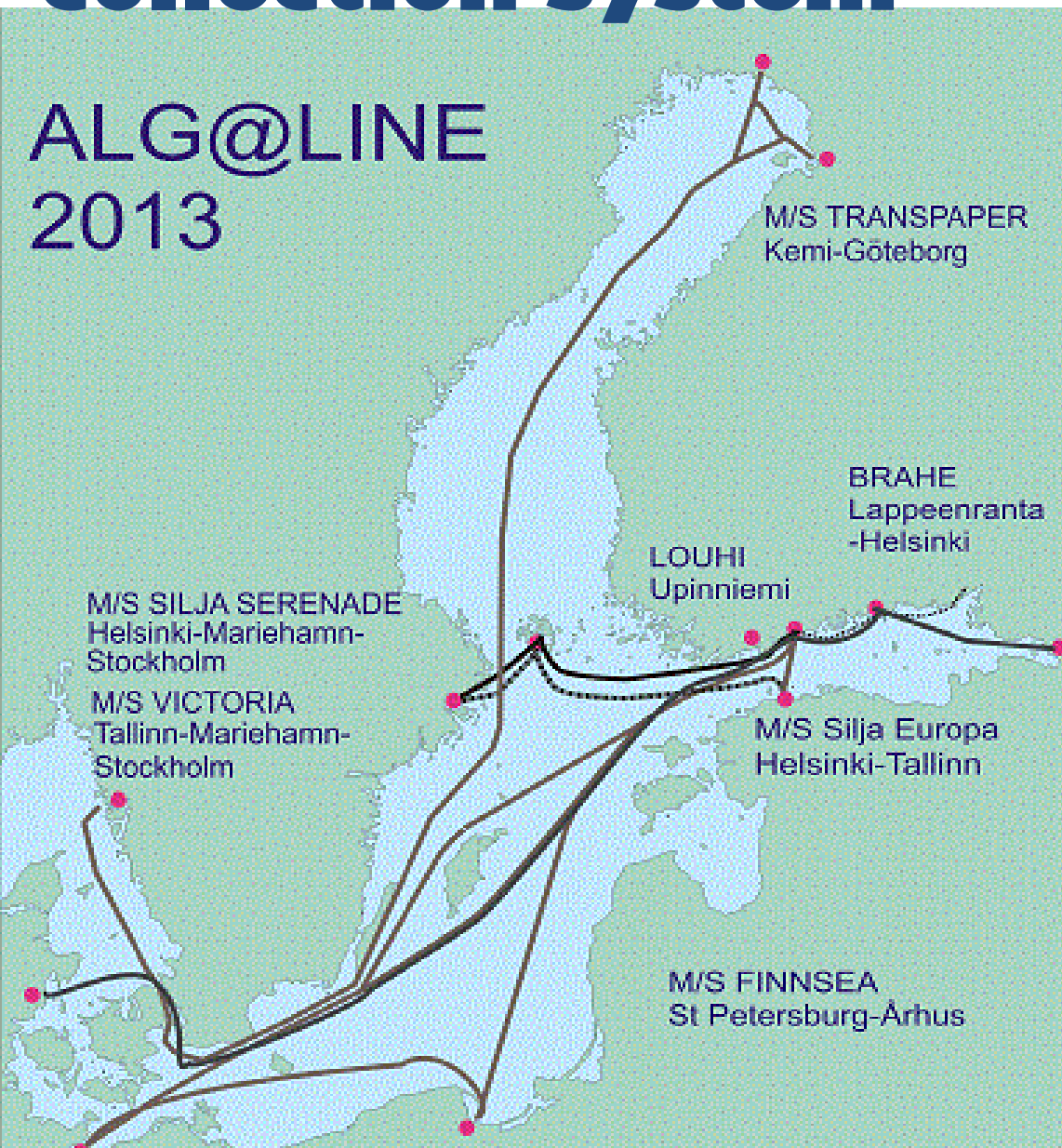
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# **Coastal monitoring**



# Continuous data collection system

4-6 commercial ferries  
automated measurements and  
water sampling devices

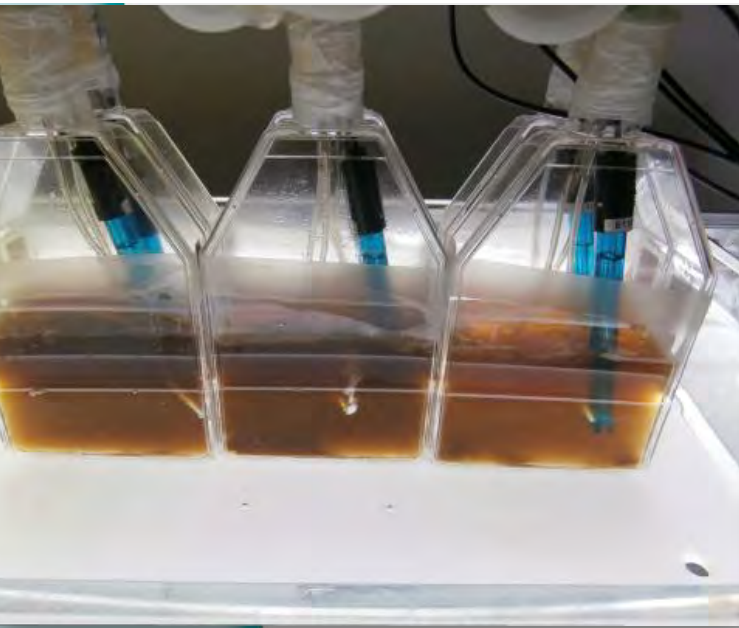






# **SYKE Ecological Marine Research Laboratories**

experimental research \* method development \* controllable facilities \*  
algae culture collection \* novel instrumentation \* bio-optics and imaging





# **SYKE - FINMARI**

## **Consortium for Finland's National Marine Research Infrastructure**

**New solutions for automated sampling,  
real time measurement and integration of  
data production**

# **Utö automated marine research station a test base for physical and biological measurements in cold seas**

ocean carbonate chemistry \* acidification \* sea-air gas flux \* marine biota \*  
minute scale observations of phytoplankton productivity and taxonomy

- Research since 1881 -



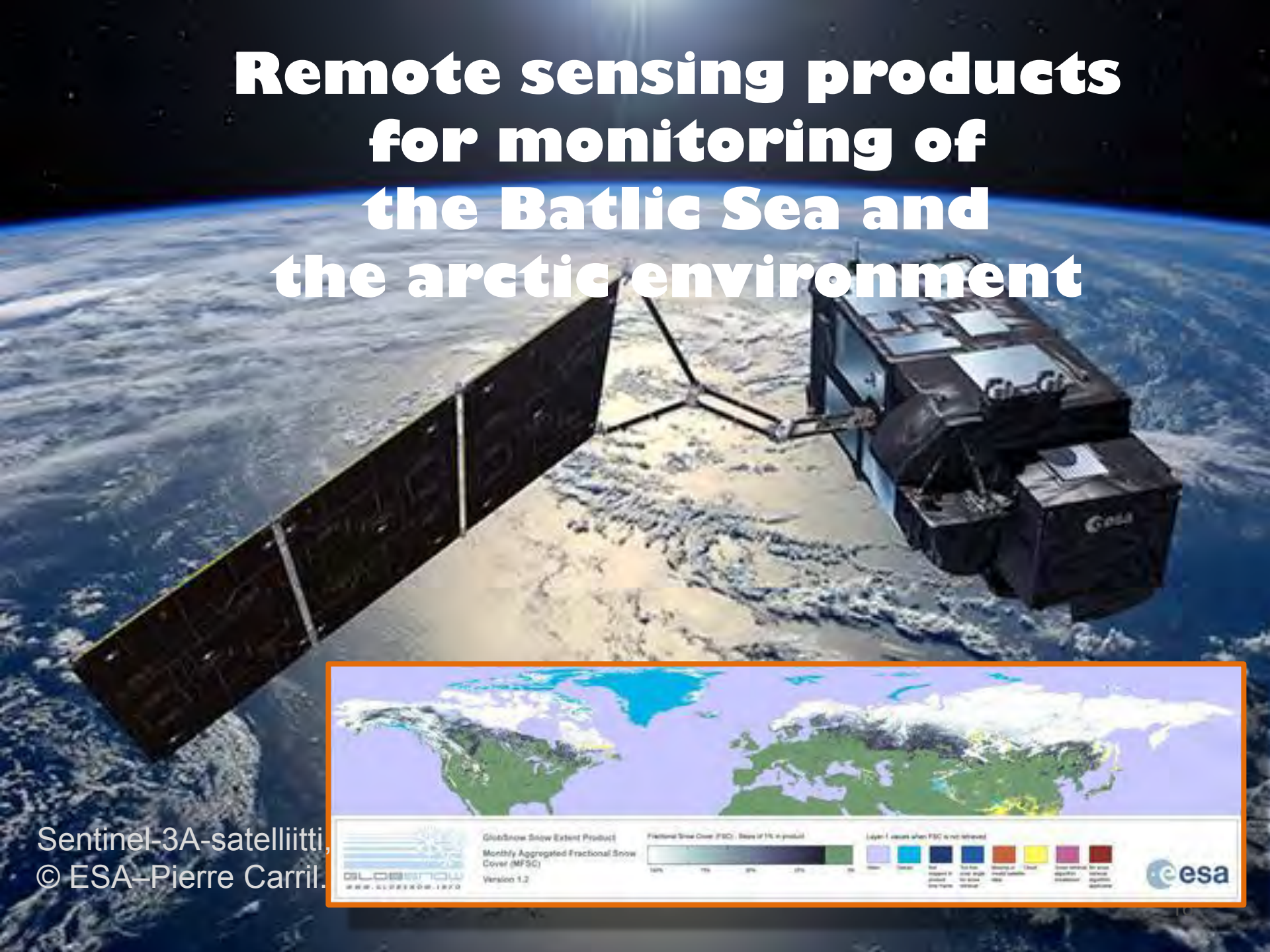


# Remote sensing products for monitoring of the Baltic Sea and the arctic environment

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# **SYKE is responsible for Finland's marine environmental emergency response**

together with the  
Frontier Guard and the  
Finnish Naval Forces



# Agreement on Marine Oil Pollution Preparedness and Response in the Arctic

## Ecological impacts of oil spill response methods

An aerial photograph showing an oil spill response operation in the Arctic. A large, dark, irregularly shaped oil slick is being contained by a long, orange floating boom. Thick black smoke is rising from the burning oil slick. A small red boat with several people on board is positioned near the boom. The water is dark, and there are ice floes scattered around the spill area.

- Mechanical cleaning
- Burning
- Chemicals
- Biological remediation
- Predictions
- Prevention strategies



# R/V Aranda

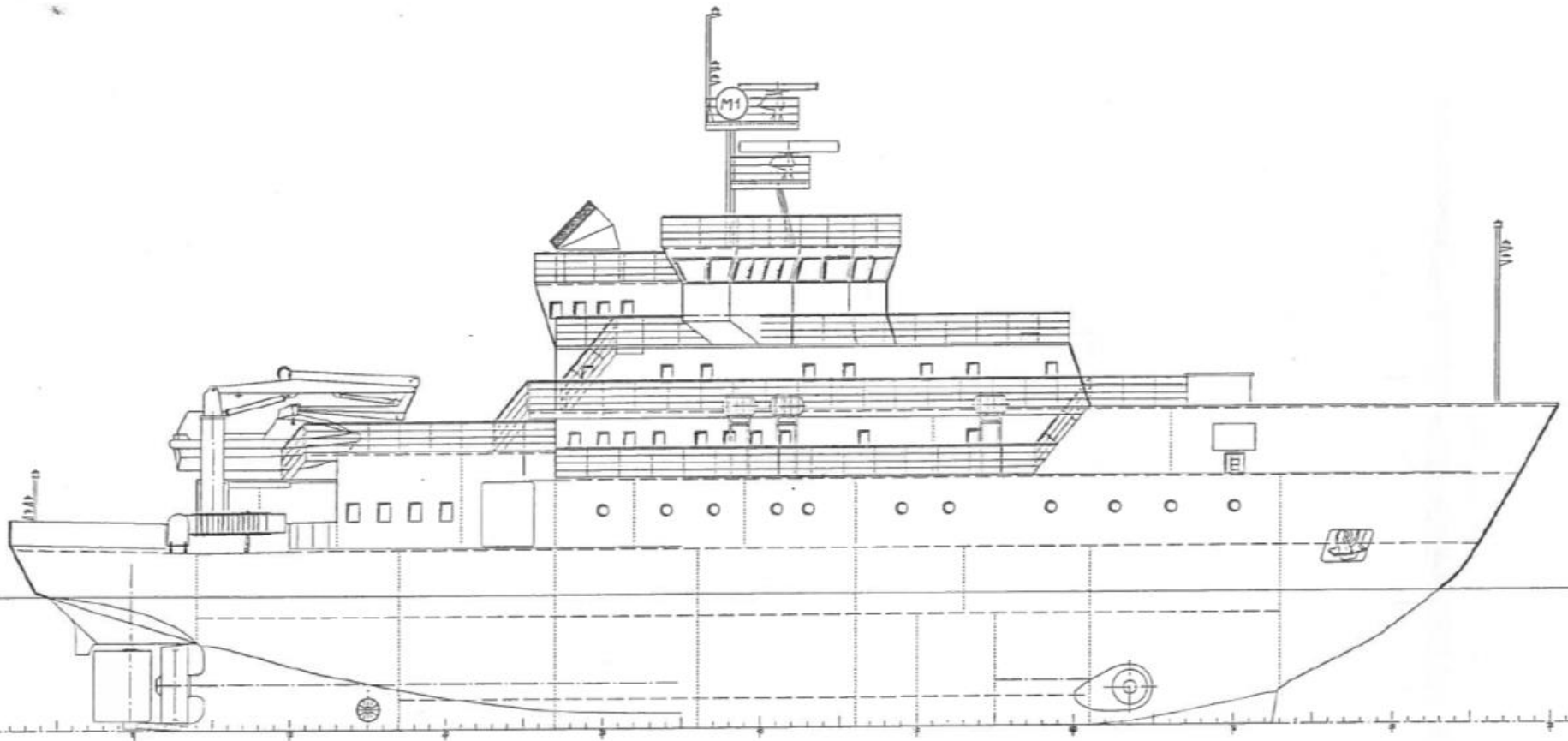
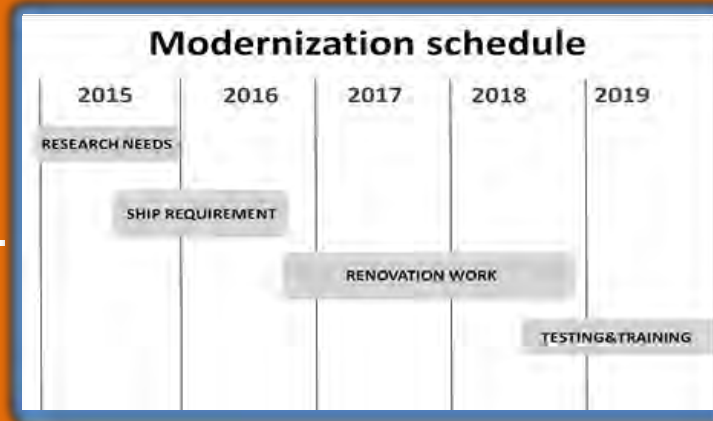
## Ice Class A1 Super

- One of the few ice strengthened fully equipped marine research vessels in the world



# ARANDA2020

- Major refit now underway, 11 million €
- Modernized ship available in the end of 2018 -
- Ice Class AI Super & IMO Polar Code
- Available for research, commercial charter and new projects in the Arctic





# Arctic multi-disciplinary research

## Baltic Sea as an arctic laboratory

Climate Change \* Marine Food Webs \* Sea ice ecology \* Flux modelling

## New developments

- Impacts of Oil Spill Response Methods in the Arctic
- Socio-economic importance of arctic freshwater ecosystems
- Marine Protected Areas and Marine Spatial Planning in Barents Sea
- Aranda in the Arctic Ocean as international cooperation?
- Finland's expert for PAME of the Arctic Council



Sea ice cruise, R/V Aranda, March 2016

# Societal Impact





**Thank you!**

# The Finnish Portal for the Underwater Marine Environment

**For Marine Spatial Planning**  
**Velmu Atlas**  
**Co-operation with Zanzibar**



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 Miljöministeriet  
 Ministry of the Environment



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Elinkeino-, liikenne- ja  
 ympäristökeskus



METSÄHALLITUS



Åbo Akademi



GTK



Luke





## **R/V Aranda**

- Built 1989
- "Shopwindow" for Finnish ship building know-how and capacity
- Has withstood well for quarter of a century,
- Copied on many occasions



**R/V Mirabilis, Namibia, 2012**



# **R/V Aranda has proven herself in Polar Seas**

- Continuous year-round operations in the sub-arctic Baltic Sea
- Several cruises to Arctic;
- Two cruises to Antarctic
- Multi-disciplinary capacity and modularity





# R/V Aranda

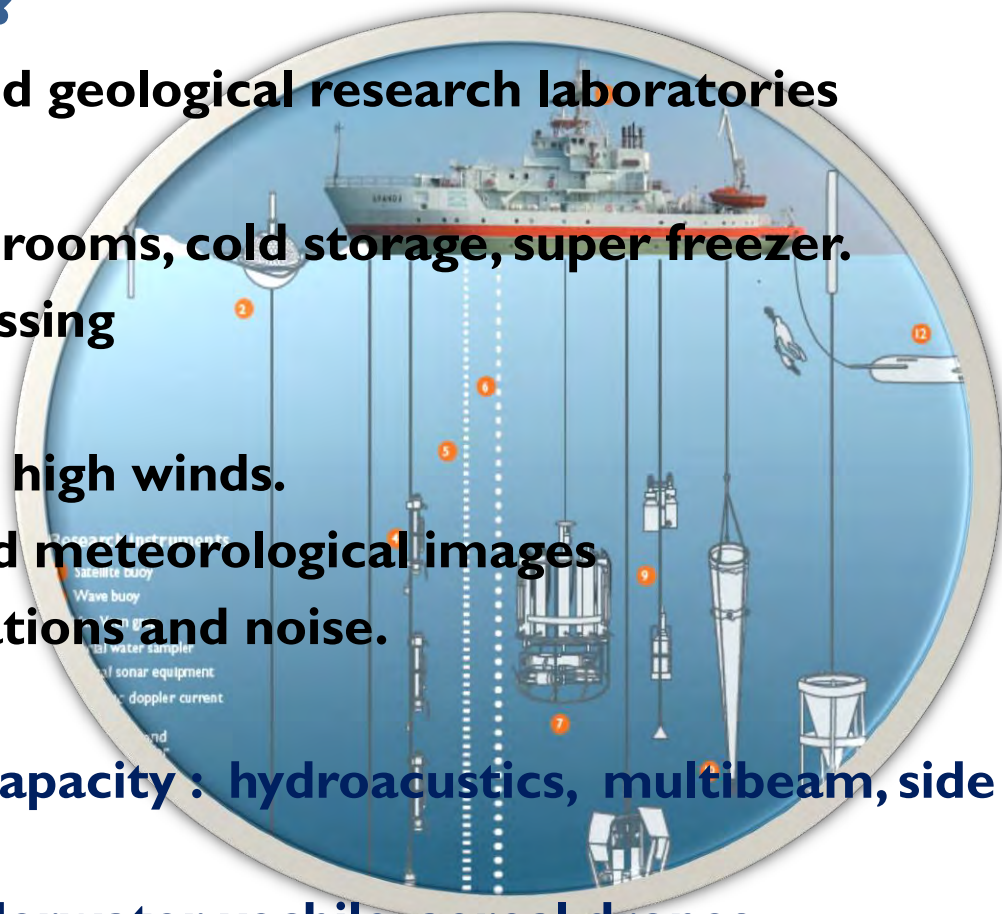
- Comfortable double cabins with showers and bathrooms for 26 scientists
- Common meeting rooms, gym and sauna
- Excellent kitchen services
- 12 crew members

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- 
- Made to operate in first year ice and ice margin areas
    - cost-efficient, multi-capacity r/v for Arctic
  - But **NOT** for multi-year ice



# What Aranda can do ?

- biological, physical, chemical and geological research laboratories
- handling and storing samples
  - clean container, acclimated rooms, cold storage, super freezer.
- sample analysis and data processing
- can stay in a precise location in high winds.
- modern system for satellite and meteorological images
- floating floor to minimize vibrations and noise.
- Extra silent electronic engine capacity : hydroacoustics, multibeam, side scan sonar
- Robotics: glider, automatic underwater vehicle, aerial drones
- Capacity for ROV and diving operations
- Moon pool for water column sampling
- Multitasking towed vehicles: AquaShuttle, MultiNet, Utow, CPR
- Environmentally friendly: world's first r/v operationally using domestically produced bio-oil and biodiesel – no/low CO<sub>2</sub>





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# **SYKE Marine Research Centre has Arctic Expertize**



- Co-operation with Russian colleagues for projects in the Arctic Ocean area?





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## **The GOF Assessment -> The GOF Road Map**

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# Topics

## Baselines

Eutrophication

Hazardous  
substances

Climate /  
Physics /  
Geology

Fish and  
Fisheries

## One step further

Biodiversity

Alien species

Maritime  
traffic

## Novelties

Marine litter

Underwater  
noise

Valuation of  
environment

# A trilateral collaboration as never before...



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Estonian Ministry of the Environment  
Estonian University of Life Sciences  
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Tallinn University of Technology



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Institute of Lake and River Fishery  
Institute of Limnology, Russian Academy of Sciences  
North-West Interregional Territorial Administration for Hydrometeorology and Environmental Monitoring  
Research Institute of Remote Sensing Data for Geology  
Russian State Hydrometeorological University  
SPb PO "Ecology & Business"  
St. Petersburg Branch of institute of Oceanology, Russian Academy of Sciences  
St. Petersburg Research Centre, Russian Academy of Sciences  
St. Petersburg State University  
State Marine Technical University  
Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences

+ Baltic Nest Institute, Stockholm university



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**The GOF Assessment**  **The GOF Road Map**

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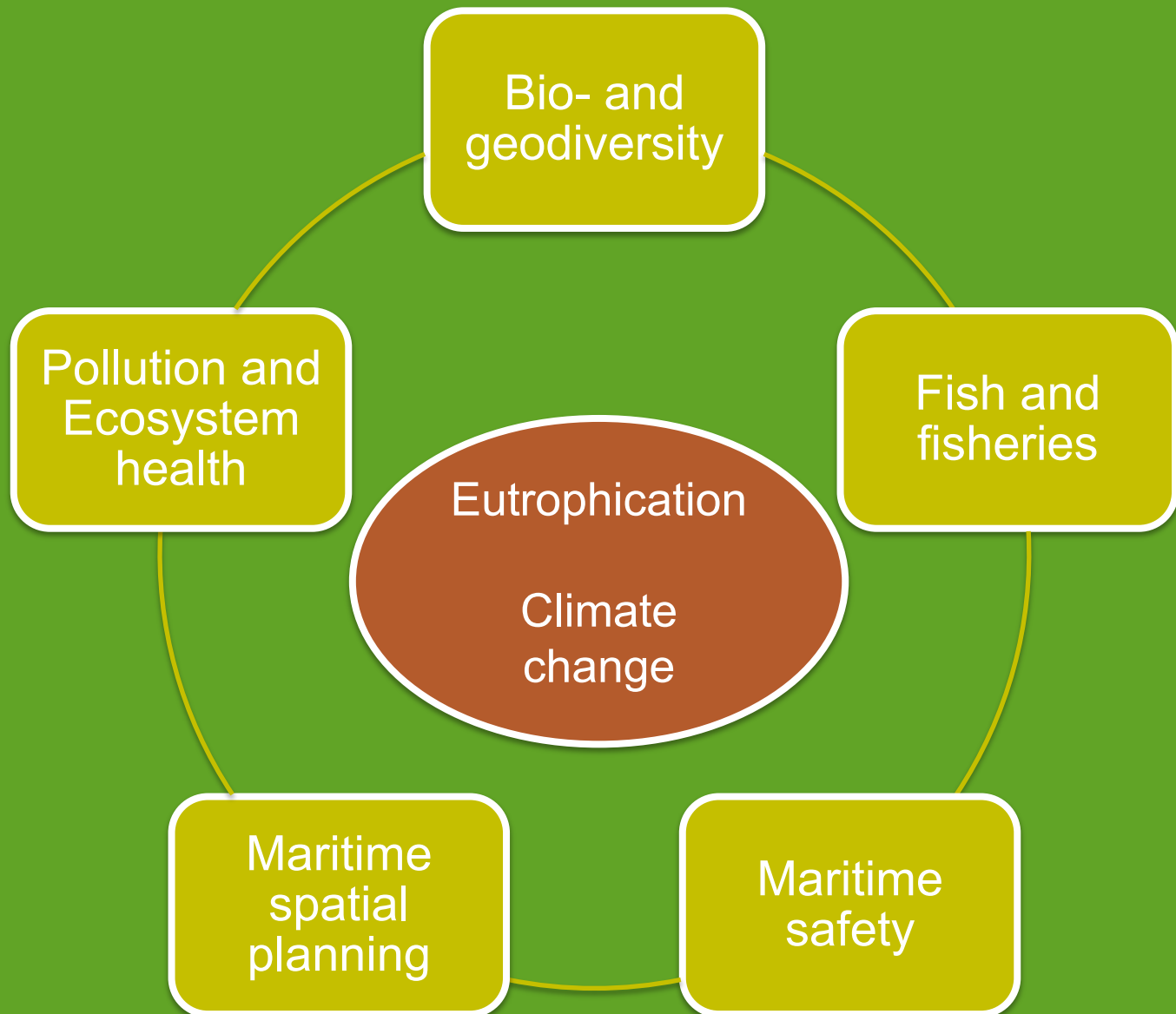
GOF Road Map



Scientific community  
(media, university  
education, environmentally  
aware citizens, NGOs)

Decision-making level  
(Ministries)

# The research of the GOF2014





# The Gulf of Finland Road Map

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A common view of the scientific  
community, that is, us

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The GOF Road Map must be the priority!!

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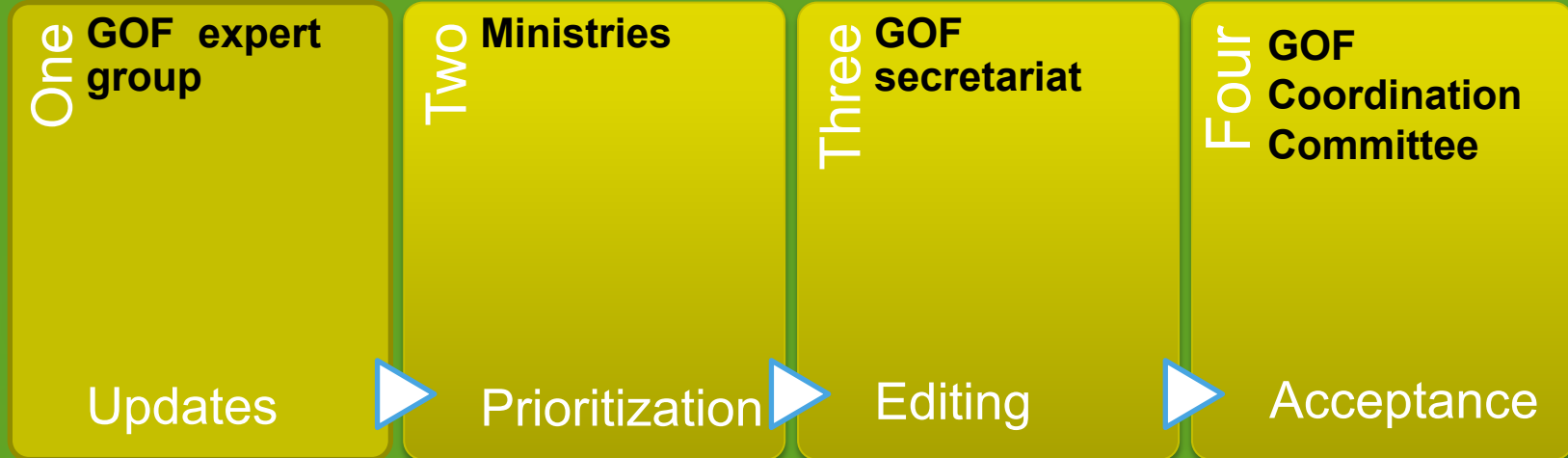
## Examples...

- Monitoring programs targeted to invasive species should be introduced in the vicinity of ports
- A joint open-access database for the available monitoring data of hazardous substances should be developed
- The best available technologies should be used to minimize the adverse effects of large-scale construction projects (e.g., land reclamation)
- The joint use of icebreakers between Russia and Finland needs to be improved and developed following the model existing in the Gulf of Bothnia
- There should be a joint maritime spatial plan of the GOF covering the waters of all three countries
- The operational monitoring on board merchant ships should be extended to cover the eastern GOF



# The GOF Road Map is a living document

- Regular updates will ensure the way towards a sustainable use of the GOF ecosystem also in the future
- Updating goes like this



# The GOF expert group also the coordinates the trilateral forums

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e.g., abstracts of the forum



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## **Monitoring of eutrophication: observations and recommendations emerging from the GOF assessment work and the most recent data**

**Gulf of Finland trilateral Forum, Helsinki  
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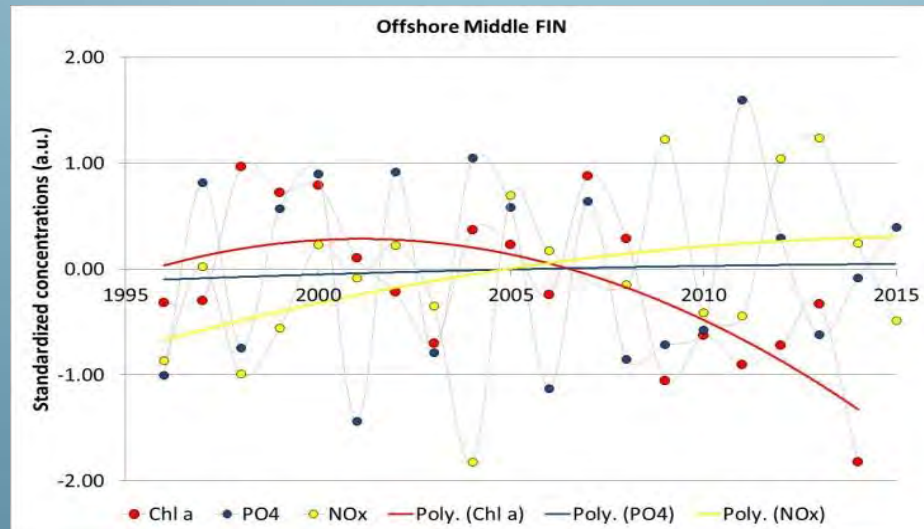
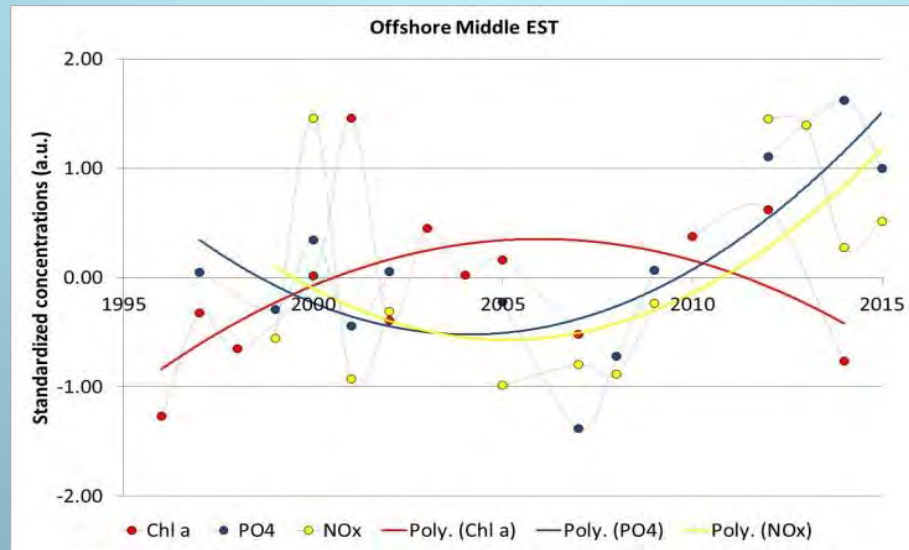
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Institute*



# Introduction

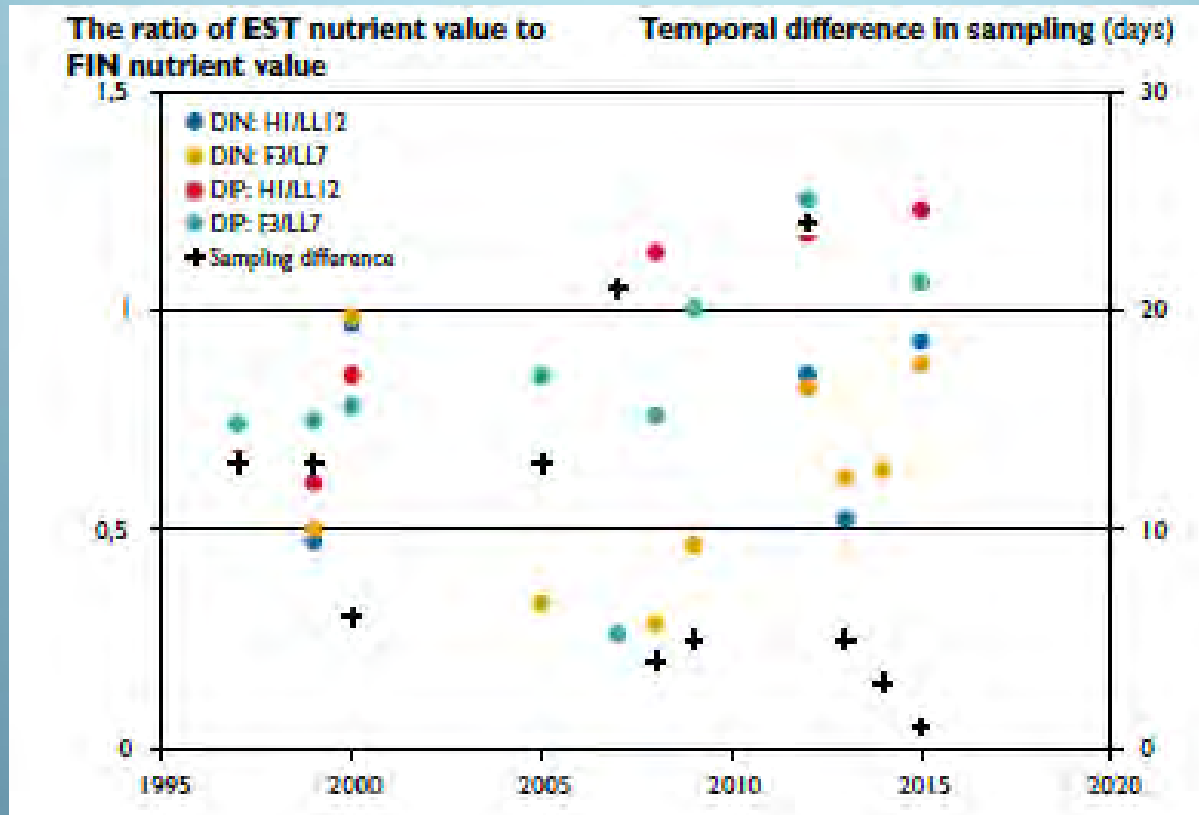
- The GOF Data Set with other relevant data enabled the assessment of eutrophication and its dependency on external and internal factors in different parts of the Gulf
  - The data revealed strong spatio-temporal variations of nutrients, oxygen and chl $a$
  - Also inconsistencies in nutrients and chl $a$  were found
    - partly explainable by differences in analytical methodology, varying sampling periods, locations and depths
    - in some cases the observed inconsistencies could not be explained
  - In the cases of lack of direct comparability, it is not possible to produce uniform basin-wide concentration fields or fully consistent/ comparable trend analyses for different parts of the Gulf
- => importance to further develop both traditional and automated monitoring between the three countries

# Trend assessments of DIN, DIP and chlorophyll-a for the open middle GOF according to Finnish and Estonian data



Source: Raateoja et al.,  
The GOF Assessment

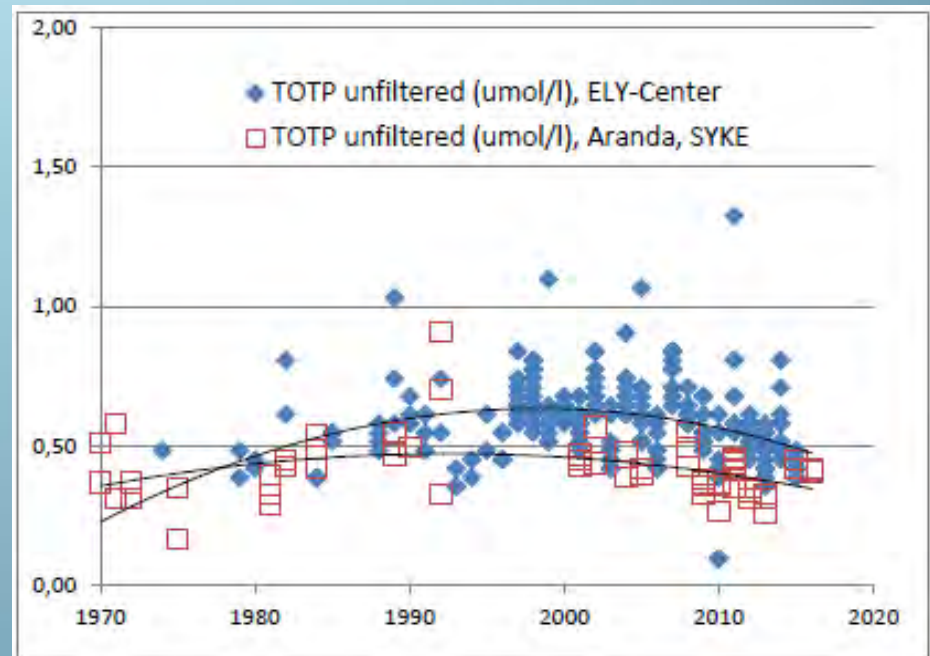
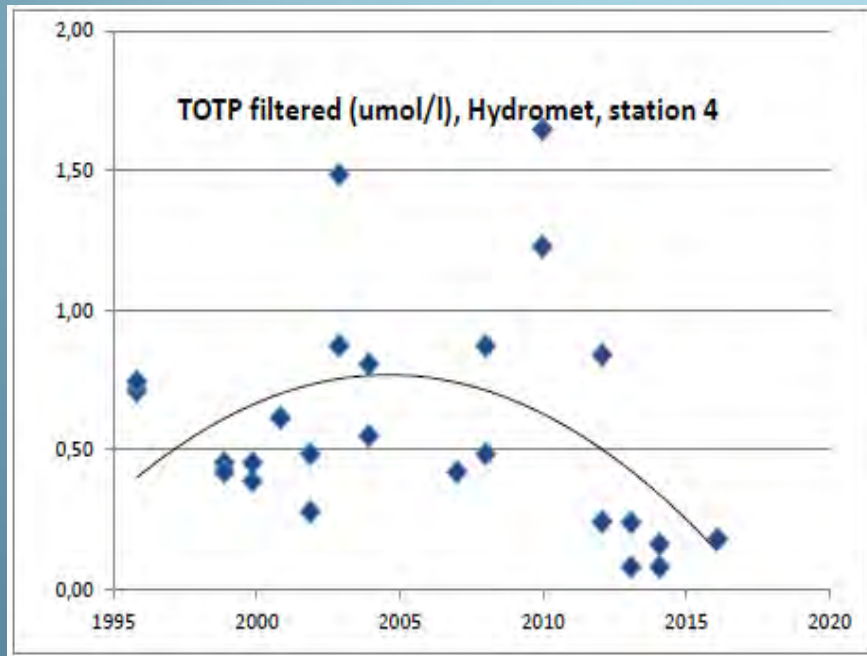
## Ratios between Estonian and Finnish wintertime DIN and DIP measurements at stations H1/LL12 and F3/ LL7



Source: Raateoja et al.,  
The GOF Assessment

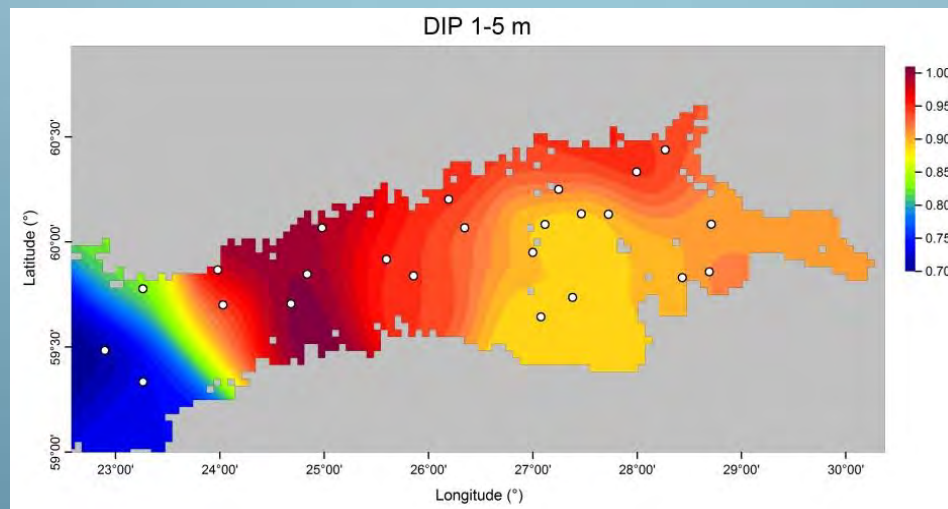
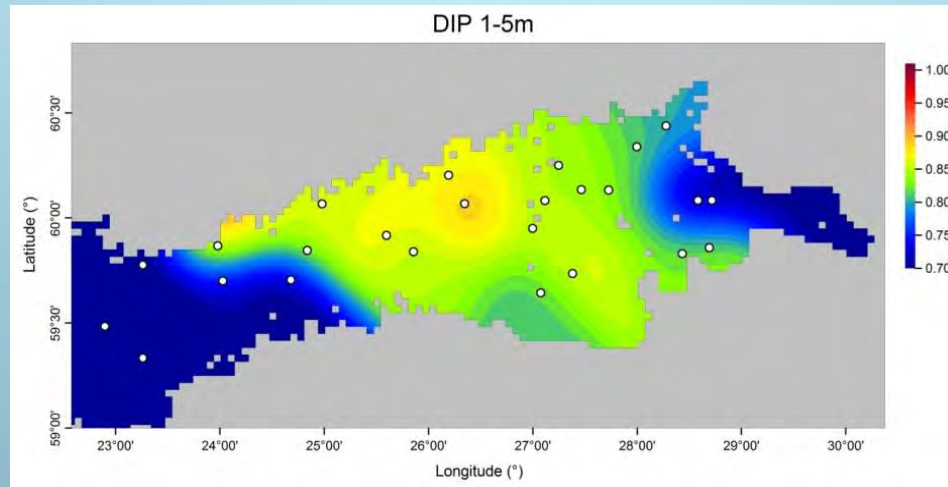


## Surface layer summer TOT P in the eastern GOF at station 4 (Hydromet) and XV-1 (SE Finland ELY-Centre, SYKE)



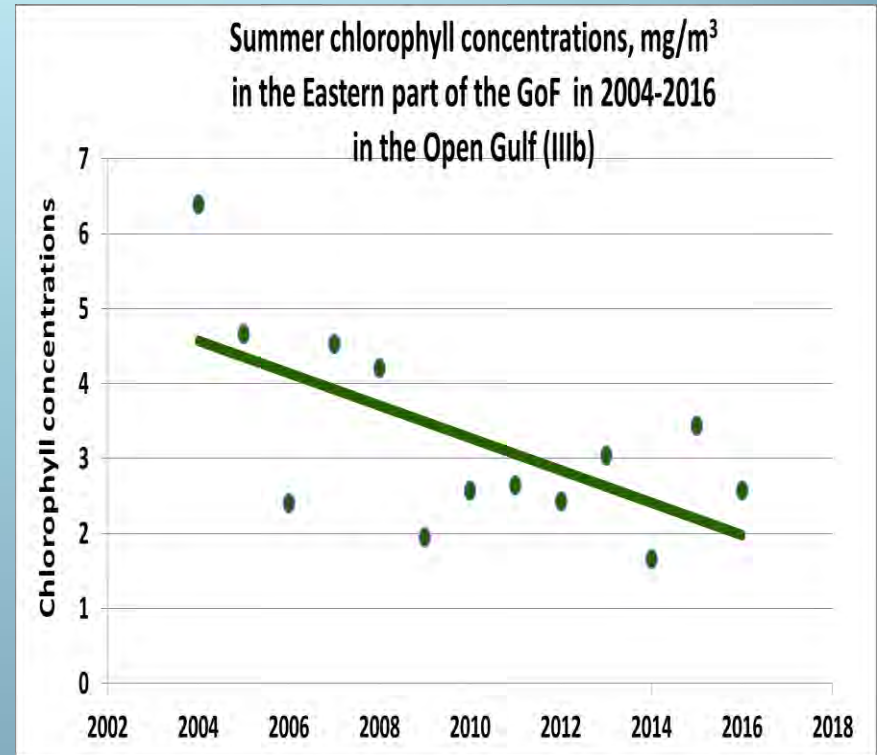
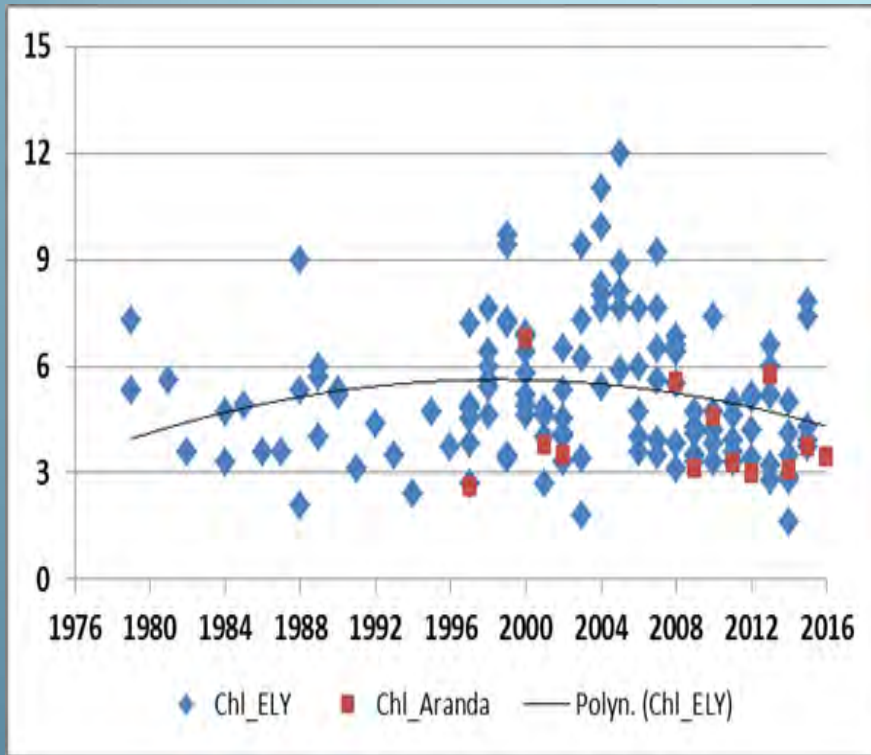
Source: GOF Data Set, Hydromet, SE Finland  
ELY-Centre, SYKE

# Surface phosphate-phosphorus in January 2014 and 2015



Data: SYKE  
Data processing: Jan-Erik  
Bruun/ SYKE

## Temporal variation in chlorophyll-a in the eastern GOF (Haapasaari intensive station and RSHU's open sea stations) in late summers



Pirkko Kauppila/ SYKE, Tatjana Eremina/ RSHU  
Data: SYKE, SE Finland ELY-Centre, RSHU



# Comparison of remote sensing and water sample based chlorophyll-a

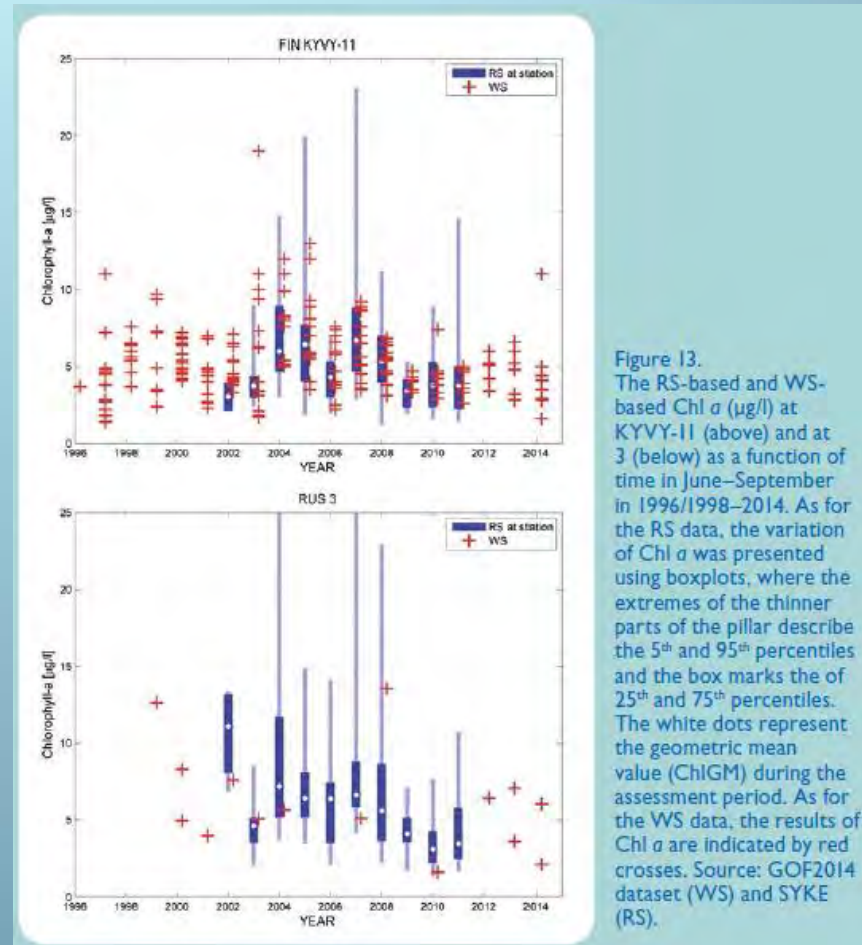
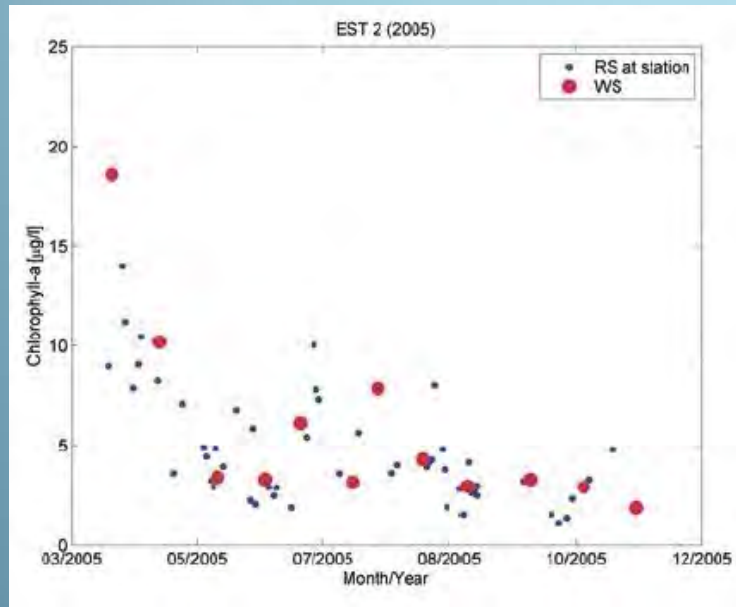


Figure 13.  
The RS-based and WS-based Chl  $a$  ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ ) at KYVY-11 (above) and at 3 (below) as a function of time in June–September in 1996/1998–2014. As for the RS data, the variation of Chl  $a$  was presented using boxplots, where the extremes of the thinner parts of the pillar describe the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles and the box marks the of 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles. The white dots represent the geometric mean value (ChIGM) during the assessment period. As for the WS data, the results of Chl  $a$  are indicated by red crosses. Source: GOF2014 dataset (WS) and SYKE (RS).

Source: Kauppila et al.,  
The GOF Assessment

# **Monitoring of eutrophication: recommendations for the trilateral cooperation based on the GOF Assessment**

- A more closely integrated program for the conventional ship-based monitoring is needed within the frames of HELCOM and EU (sampling times, stations, methodologies)
- Regular wintertime monitoring in all parts of the Gulf is the basic condition for reliable assessment of eutrophication
- Remote sensing and autonomous platforms (buoys, flow-through systems) should be developed to supplement conventional monitoring and to produce spatio-temporally high-frequency data
- Operational automatic SOOP-monitoring (Alg@line) should cover also the eastern GOF with a regular line to St. Petersburg
- Results of the monitoring should be regularly reported under the GOF cooperation, the GOF Data Set should be kept up

- In order to ensure the reliability of the monitoring data, it is important that Estonia, Finland and Russia will use high-quality environmental analytics and fully comparable monitoring methods (intercalibrations) that are in line with the HELCOM's Guidelines
- As exchange of nutrients with the Baltic Proper and with internal nutrient inputs plays an important role in the overall trophic status of the GOF, the magnitude and dynamics of these processes should be subject to a special research and assessment effort.  
**High-quality monitoring data with good spatio-temporal coverage are needed also for studies on nutrient dynamics**





Thank you!

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## **Approach for joint Gulf of Finland marine spatial plan development**

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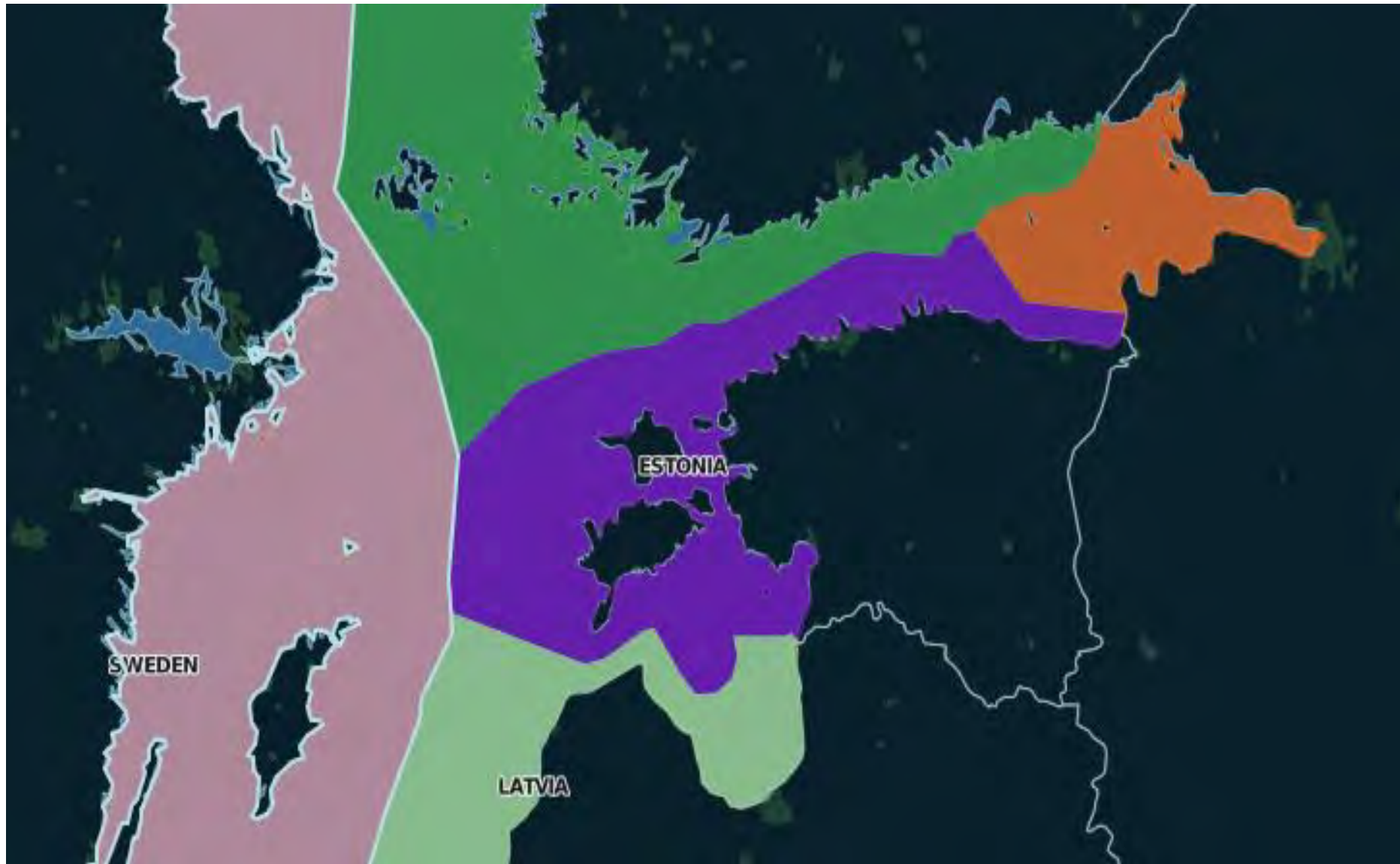
## Approach for Gulf of Finland Joint Maritime Spatial Plan development

**O. Korneev (Rosgeo)**

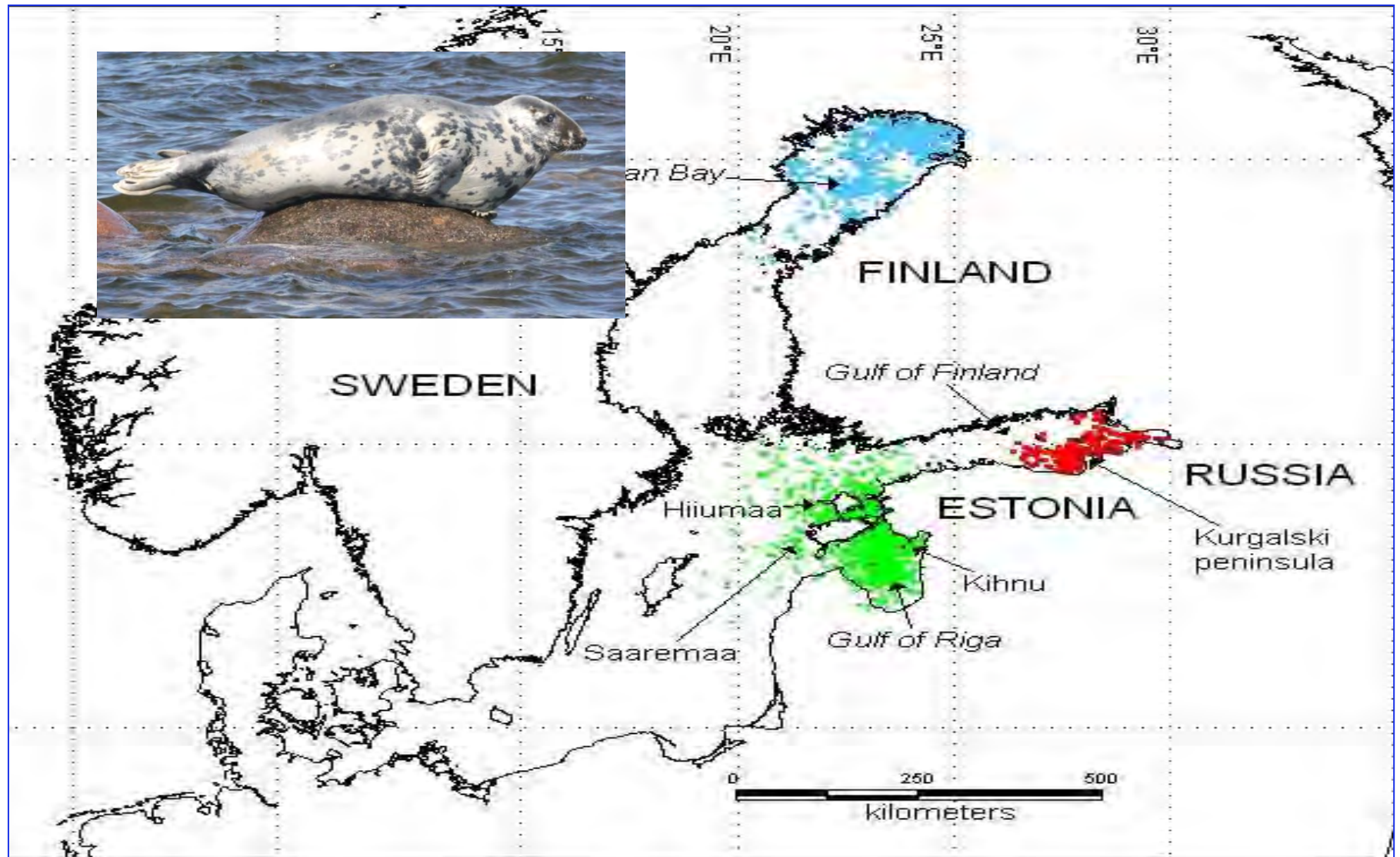
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# Trilateral national waters in Gulf of Finland

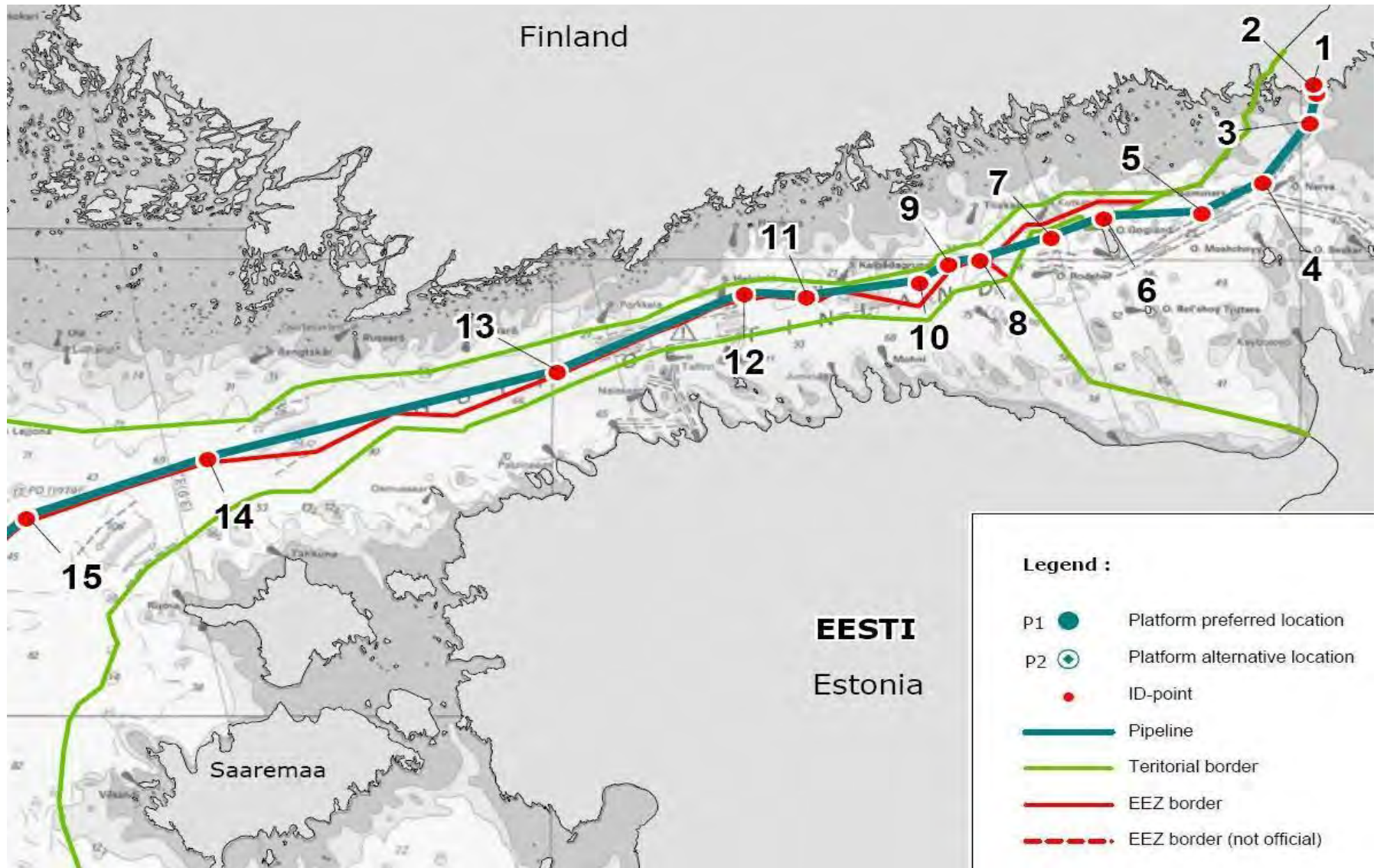


## Common population of ring seal (satellite tagging data from the 1999)



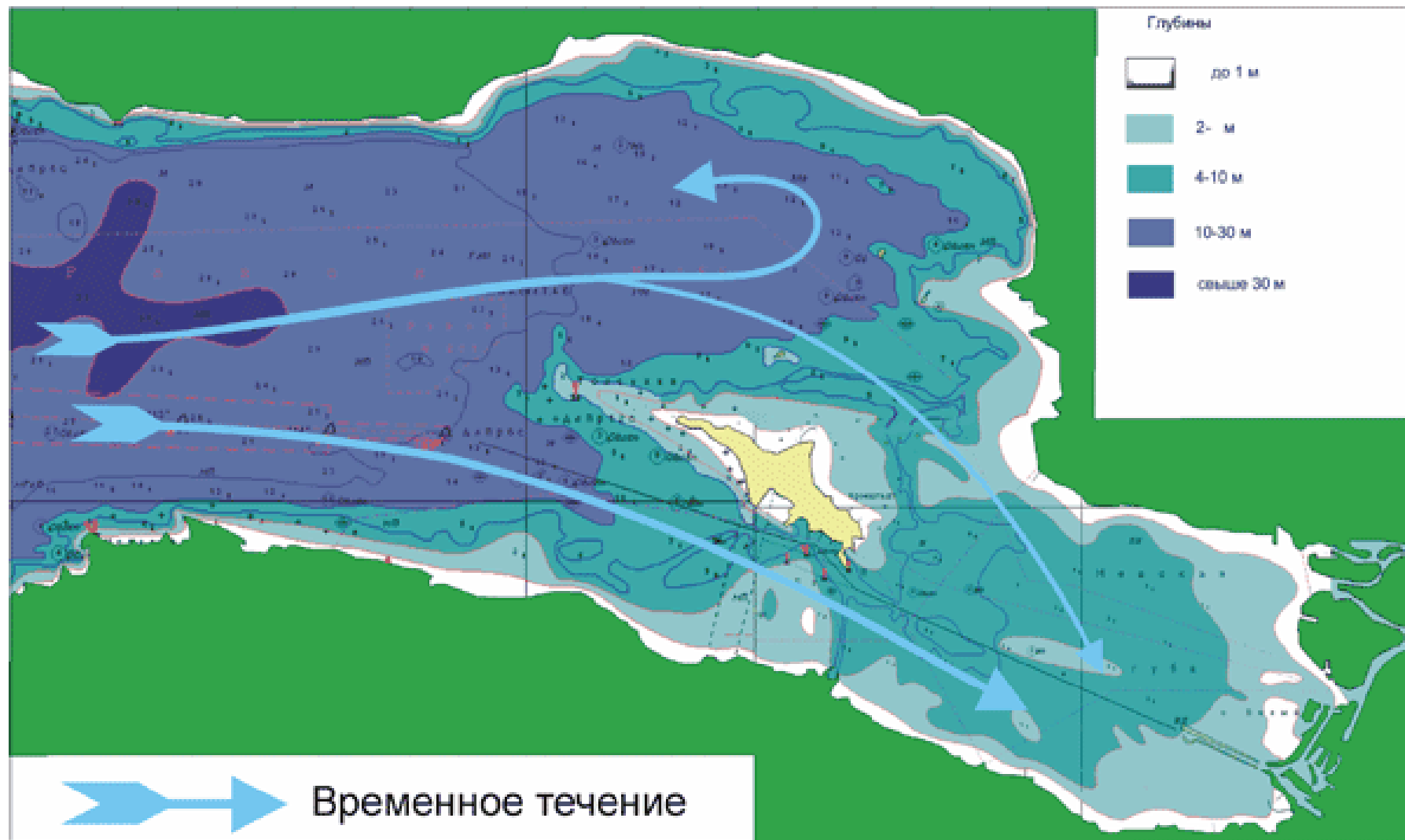


# Common using – Nord Stream gas pipeline

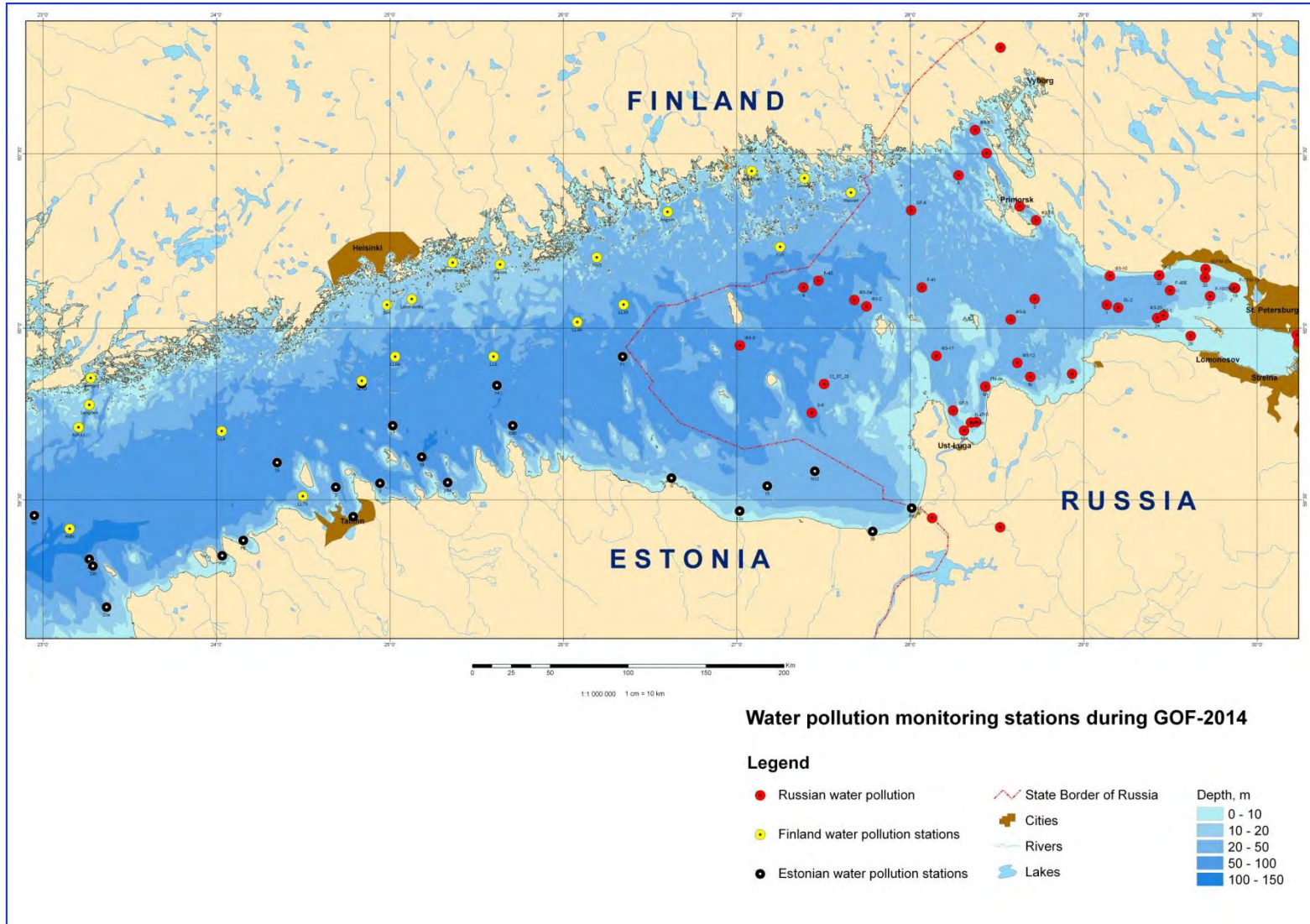




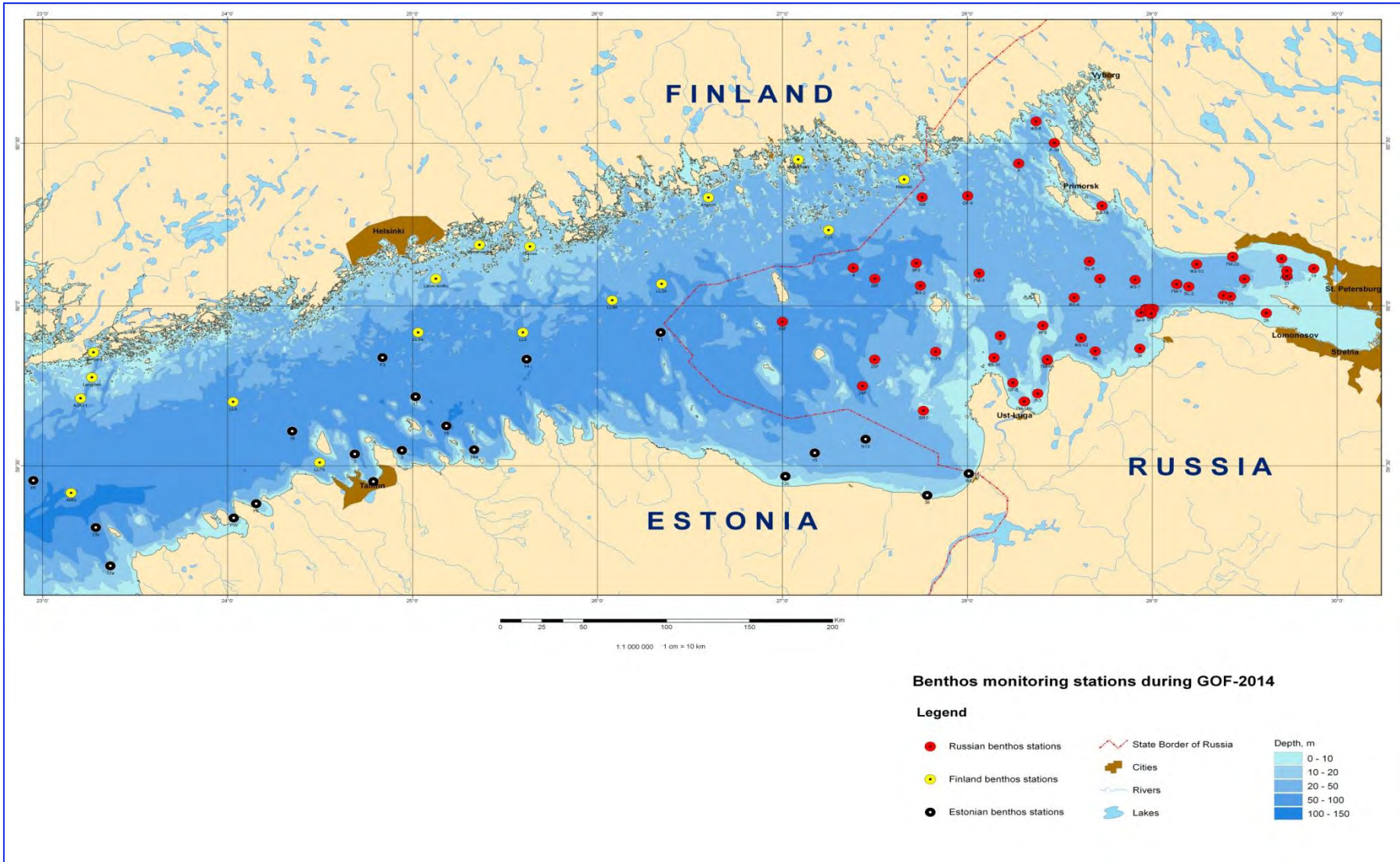
# Mutual oceanographic conditions (currents)



# Common station net for water monitoring



# Common station net for benthos monitoring





# Ecosystem-Based Approach

**Marine spatial planning (MSP) is an important tool to achieve Ecosystem-based Management (EBM).**

- ❖ The Gulf of Finland needs in a **Joint Maritime spatial plan** (JMSP) which would cover the waters of all three countries.
- ❖ At present, on the way to JMSP, the each country must to develop the own National MSP (NMSP) as a first step.
- ❖ Thanks to the MSP, the natural resources in the Gulf of Finland could be used in a sustainable manner, and the plan would help minimising the detrimental effects of human activities on the marine ecosystem.
- ❖ **There is a need for efficient cross-border coordination of the national maritime spatial planning activities** with aim to advance sustainable and resource efficient blue growth based on increased capacity of public authorities and practitioners within the blue economy sectors.
- ❖ This will prevent cross border mismatches and will secure transnational connectivity as well as efficient and sustainable use of the Gulf of Finland marine space and the natural resources.

# Methodic base for GoF JMSP

**2012 - Memorandum of Understanding on the Implementation of the Gulf of Finland Year 2014 Programme, (separate task “Marine spatial planning”)**

## **Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission UNESCO:**

- ❖ Manual and Guides No. 53, ICAM Dossier No. 6, 2009 **“MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING A Step-by-Step Approach toward Ecosystem-based Management”**;
- ❖ Manuals and Guides, N°. 70, ICAM Dossier N°. 8, 2014 **“A GUIDE TO EVALUATING MARINE SPATIAL PLANS”**

## **Directive of the European parliament and of the Council:**

**2014/89/EU of 23.07.2014 “Establishing a framework for maritime spatial planning”**

## **HELCOM**

- BSAP Recommendation 28E/9 about principals of MSP, 2007, 2009
- Regional Baltic Maritime Spatial Planning Roadmap 2013-2020 (was adopted by the 2013 HELCOM Ministerial Meeting)

## **VASAB**

VASAB Recommendation for MSP, 2010

**Finish-Swedish BOTHNIA MSP Project**

# Regional Baltic MSP Roadmap 2013-2020

**GOAL** Will make every effort to draw up and apply maritime spatial plans throughout the Baltic Sea Region by 2020 which are coherent across borders and apply the ecosystem approach.

## **NECESSARY STEPS :**

**1. Intergovernmental cooperation on MSP:** to facilitate reaching the **target of drawing up and implementing transnationally coherent Maritime Spatial Plans applying the ecosystem approach throughout the region by 2020.**

1. **2. Public participation:** adopt by 2015 “Guidelines on public participation for MSP with transboundary dimensions”.
2. **3. Ecosystem approach in MSP:** adopt by 2015 “Guidelines on the application of Ecosystem Approach in transnationally coherent MSP” (was approved on HOD 50-2016 in June 2016);
3. **4. Information and data for MSP**
4. **5. Education for MSP**
5. **6. National and Baltic Sea regional frameworks for MSP in place:**
6. - National frameworks for coherent MSP are in place in all Baltic Sea countries by 2017.  
*Apply by 2018 :*
7. - “Guidelines on transboundary consultations, public participation and co-operation”
8. - Guideline for the implementation of ecosystem-based approach in MSP in the Baltic Sea area”
9. **7. Evaluation and follow-up**



# Manual and Guides No. 53, ICAM Dossier No. 6, 2009

**Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission**  
Manual and Guides No. 53, ICAM Dossier No. 6, 2009

## **MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING** **A Step-by-Step Approach** **toward Ecosystem-based** **Management**

**Marine Spatial Planning must be in accordance  
with international law i.e.**  
– United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

# Manual and Guides No. 53, ICAM Dossier No. 6, 2009

- Step 1** Identifying need and establishing authority
- Step 2** Obtaining financial support
- Step 3** Organizing the process through pre-planning
- Step 4** Organizing stakeholder participation
- Step 5** Defining and analyzing existing conditions (Environment and Using)
- Step 6** Defining and analyzing future conditions (same)
- Step 7** Preparing and approving the spatial management plan
- Step 8** Implementing and enforcing the spatial management plan
- Step 9** Monitoring and evaluating performance
- Step 10** Adapting the marine spatial management process

***Marine spatial planning (MSP)***: a public process of analyzing and allocating the spatial and temporal distribution of human activities **in marine areas** to achieve ecological, social, and economic objectives that are usually specified through a political process.

### **Steps of Guide:**

- Step 1** Identify the need for monitoring and evaluation and prepare an evaluation plan.
- Step 2** Identifying measurable objectives of the Marine Spatial Management Plan.
- Step 3** Identifying Marine Spatial Management Actions.
- Step 4** Identifying Indicators and Targets of performance for Marine Spatial Management Actions.
- Step 5** Establishing a baseline for Selected Indicators.
- Step 6** Monitoring indicators of management performance.
- Step 7** Evaluating the Results of Performance Monitoring.
- Step 8** Communicating the results of performance.
- Step 9** Evaluation using the results of performance monitoring and evaluation to adapt the next cycle of Marine Spatial Planning.



# Directive of the European parliament and of the Council 2014/89/EU of 23.07.2014

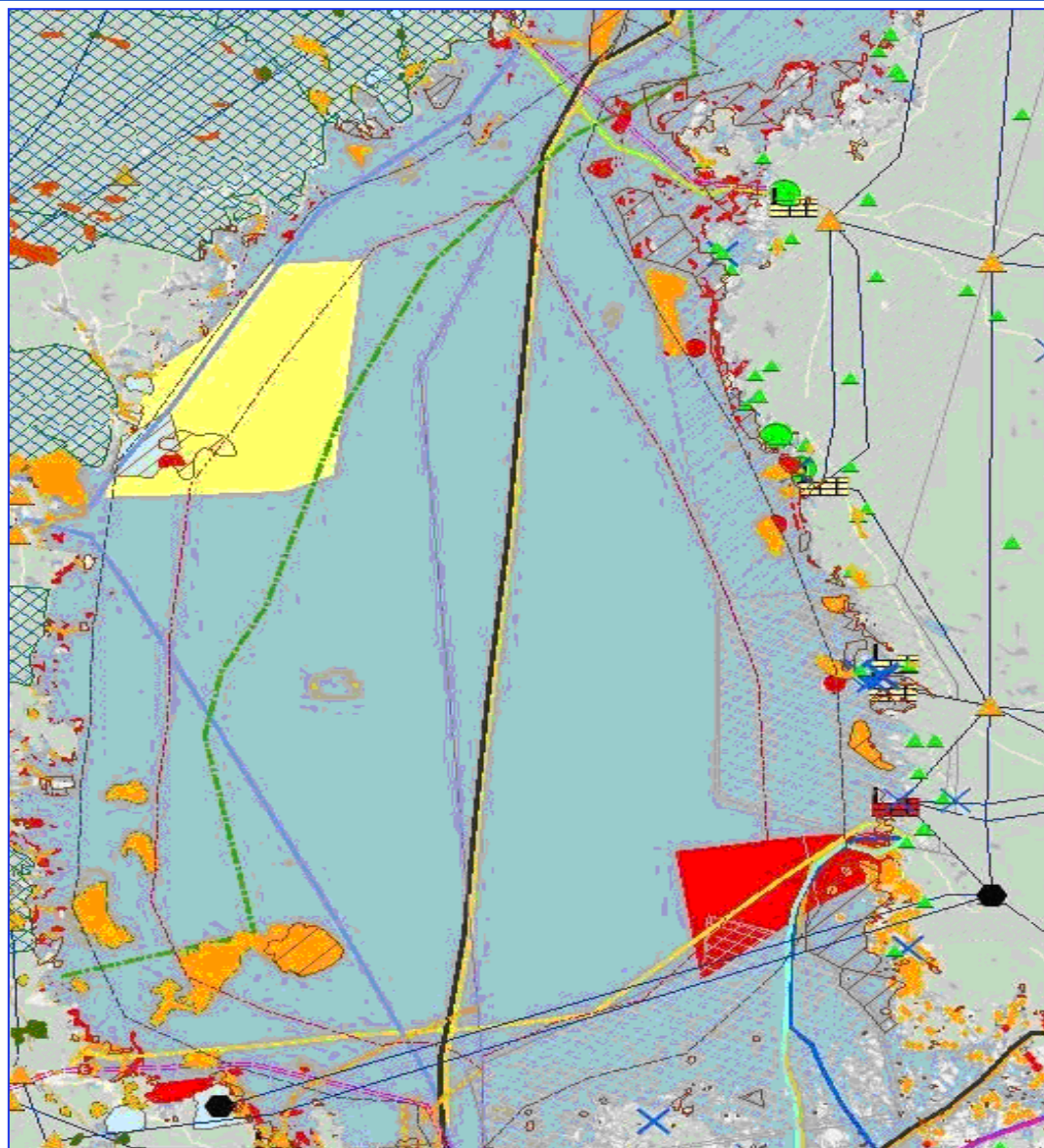
(19) **The main purpose of maritime spatial planning** is to promote sustainable development and to identify the utilisation of maritime space for different sea uses as well as to manage spatial uses and conflicts in marine areas.

MSP also aims at identifying and encouraging multi-purpose uses, in accordance with the relevant national policies and legislation. In order to achieve that purpose, Member States need at least to ensure that the planning process or processes result in a comprehensive planning identifying the different uses of maritime space and taking into consideration long-term changes due to climate change.

(20) **Member States** should consult and coordinate their plans with the relevant Member States and **should cooperate with third-country authorities** in the marine region concerned in conformity with the rights and obligations of those Member States and of the third countries concerned under Union and international law. Effective cross-border cooperation between Member States and with neighbouring third countries requires that the competent authorities in each Member State be identified.

# Шведско-финский опыт МПП – План Ботния

2013



## Границы

- территориальные воды
- территориальные воды
- эксклюзивная экономическая зона
- Natura 2000
- перспективные области развития энергетики
- зона военных учений (фин)
- зона военных учений (швед)
- проектируемые ветровые электростанции на море
- проектируемые ветровые электростанции на суше
- законсервированные атомные станции
- гидроэлектростанции
- подстанции
- термальные электростанции
- электрические кабели
- паромные маршруты

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# Goal and structure of MSP for Russian GoF part

**MSP goal:** Ensure sustainability of economic uses for Russian GoF part on base conservation of marine ecological structure—at all levels of biological organization

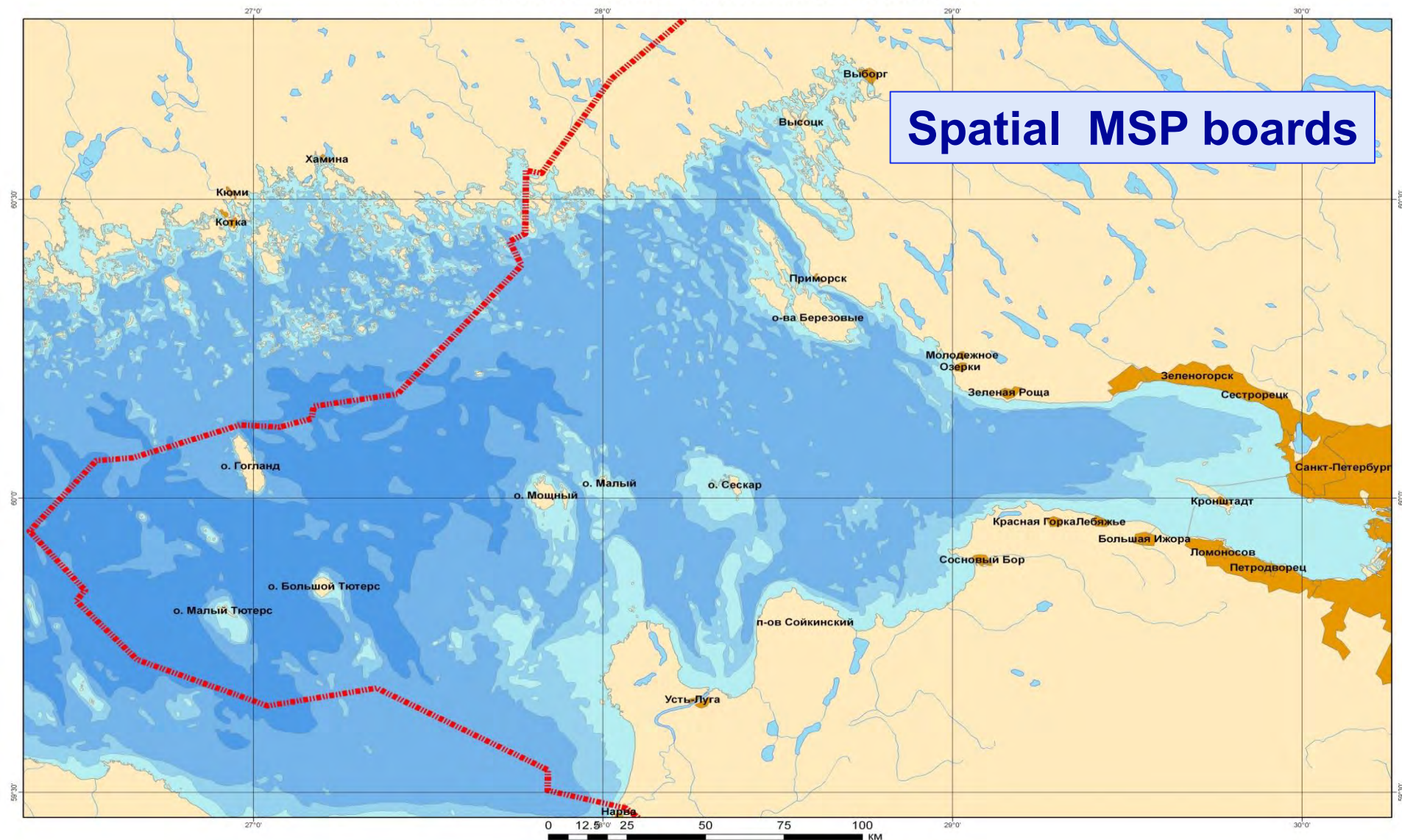
## **MSP Structure:**

1. Analysis of the existing MSP approaches and documents.
2. Definition of the MSP spatial and temporal (base and target periods) boundaries.
3. Collecting and mapping information about ecological, environmental and oceanographic conditions
4. Collecting and mapping information about all kind of the human activities
5. Identifying current spatial conflicts and compatibilities
6. Projecting current trends in the spatial and temporal needs of existing human activities
7. Estimating spatial and temporal requirements for new demands of marine space
8. Identifying possible alternative futures for the planning area
9. Selecting the preferred spatial sea use scenario
10. Identifying alternative spatial and temporal management measures, incentives, and institutional arrangements
11. Specifying criteria for selecting marine spatial management measures
12. Development of the ecological requirements for limitation of the human activity



# Российская часть Финского залива

## Spatial MSP boards



### УСЛОВНЫЕ ОБОЗНАЧЕНИЯ

Государственная граница

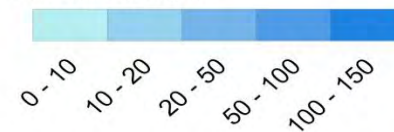
Города

Озера

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Приморские территории

Батиметрия, м:



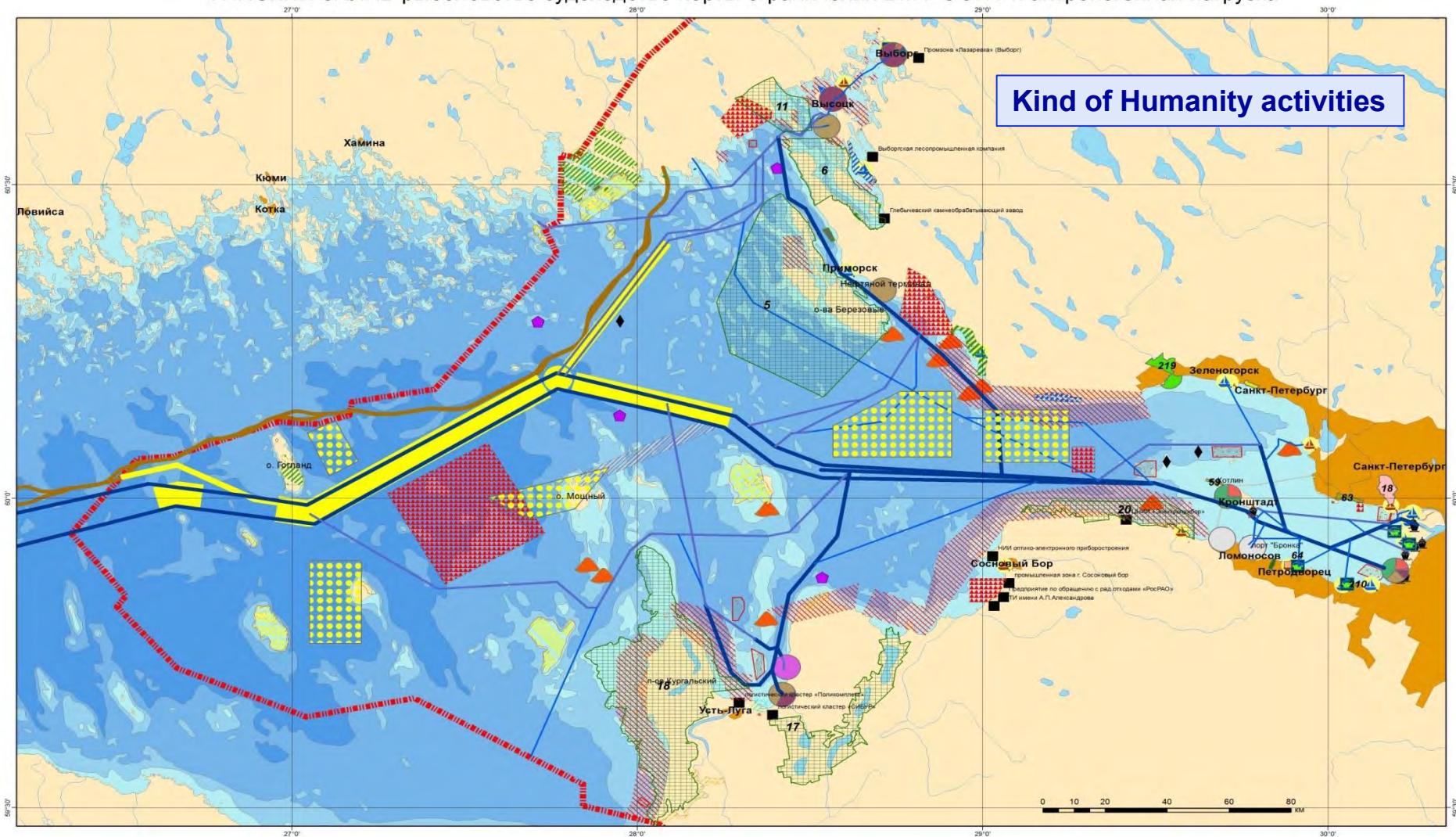
# Ports

Port	Total freight/hydrocarbon freight, mln. t/year			
	2011-fact	2015	2020	2030
<b>SPb with avanports</b>	60,0/15,7	66,6/16,4	72,6/17,0	77,9/17,1
<b>Vysotsk</b>	13,4/10,2	19,6/14,6	21,2/14,8	21,6/15,0
<b>Ust-Luga</b>	22,7/6,5	69,4/28,0	87,4/30,0	98,8/30,0
<b>Primorsk</b>	75,1/75,1	81,0/81,0	81,0/81,0	81,0/81,0
<b>Vyborg</b>	-	2,0/-	2,5/-	3,2/-
<b>Total</b>	<b>171,2/107,5</b>	<b>239,6/140,0</b>	<b>265,2/142,8</b>	<b>282,5/143,1</b>

N п/п	Наименование аванпорта	Примерный грузооборот по годам, млн.т/год		
		2015 г.	2020 г.	2025 г.
1	2	3	4	5
1	<b>Бронка</b> , в том числе:	<b>17,60</b>	<b>18,90</b>	<b>48,90</b>
1.1	Морской терминал по перевалке контейнерных грузов N 1	15,00	15,00	15,00
1.2	Морской терминал по перевалке контейнерных грузов N 2	-	-	30,00
1.3	Морской терминал по перевалке накатных грузов	2,60	2,60	2,60
1.4	Морской терминал по перевалке легковых автомобилей	-	1,30	1,30
2	<b>Кронштадт</b> , в том числе:	<b>9,50</b>	<b>9,50</b>	<b>9,50</b>
2.1	Морской терминал по перевалке контейнерных грузов	7,50	7,50	7,50
2.2	Морской терминал по перевалке рефрижераторных, накатных и контейнерных грузов, из них:	2,00	2,00	2,00
2.2.1	Рефрижераторные грузы	1,50	1,50	1,50
2.2.2	Накатные грузы	0,20	0,20	0,20
2.2.3	Контейнерные грузы	0,30	0,30	0,30
3	<b>Ломоносов</b> , в том числе:	<b>11,65</b>	<b>11,65</b>	<b>11,65</b>
3.1	Морской терминал по перевалке рефрижераторных, контейнерных грузов и легковых автомобилей	10,45	10,45	10,45
3.2	Морской терминал по перевалке рефрижераторных грузов	1,20	1,20	1,20
	<b>Всего</b>	<b>38,75</b>	<b>40,05</b>	<b>70,05</b>



ФИНСКИЙ ЗАЛИВ рыболовство судоходство порты ограничения ВМФ ООПТ и антропогенная нагрузка



Условные обозначения:






Существующие ООПТ Ленобласти:

Тип	Количество объектов
заказник	1
охраняемый ландшафт	1
памятник природы	1

**Номер, название:**

- 5. Березовые острова
- 6. Выборгский
- 11. Государственный природный заказник
- 12. Остров Густой
- 17. Котельский
- 18. Кургальский
- 20. Лебяжий
- 46. Охраняемый ландшафт Поляна Биланки

Существующие ООПТ Санкт-Петербург

-  ПЗ 18-"Юнтоловский"
-  ПЗ 210-"Стрельнинский берег"
-  ПЗ 94-"Сергиевка"
-  ПЗ 63-"Северное побережье невской губ."
-  ПЗ 93-"Комаровский берег"
-  ПЗ 59-"Западный Котлин"
-  ПЗ 219-"Гладышевский"
-  ПЗ 64-"Южное побережье невской губы"

ГПЗ 64- "Южное побережье невиской губы"

**Предлагаемые ООПТ Ленобласти:**

	заказник, местный
	заказник, местный
	заказник, региональный
	заказник, региональный
	заказник, региональный
	заповедник, федеральный
	памятник природы, местный
	памятник природы, местный
	памятник природы, региональный
	памятник природы, региональный
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	этно-культурный заповедник, м

### Пространства с ограничениями

☒ Постоянными  
☐ Временными

Грузопотоки:  
Интенсивность, усл.ед.:


IMO зоны прохождения судов

Ф: Грузовые порты по

- Насыпные

- Лесные
- ПаромРо\_Ро
- Генеральные
- Контейнеры
- Наливные
- Навалочные
- Перспективные

а: Пассажирские порты и причалы:



Судостроительные

Яхты:  
тип  
 клуб  
 марина

**Рыболовство и аквакультура:**

Аквакультура

Антропогенная нагрузка на акватории

- Предприятия на берегах залива
- Трубопровод "Северный поток"
- ▲ Добыча песка и гравия
- ◆ Месторождения марганцевых руд
- ◆ Места захоронения взрывчатых в
- ◆ Места отвалов
- ◆ Подводные инженерные коммуни

Прочие обозначения:

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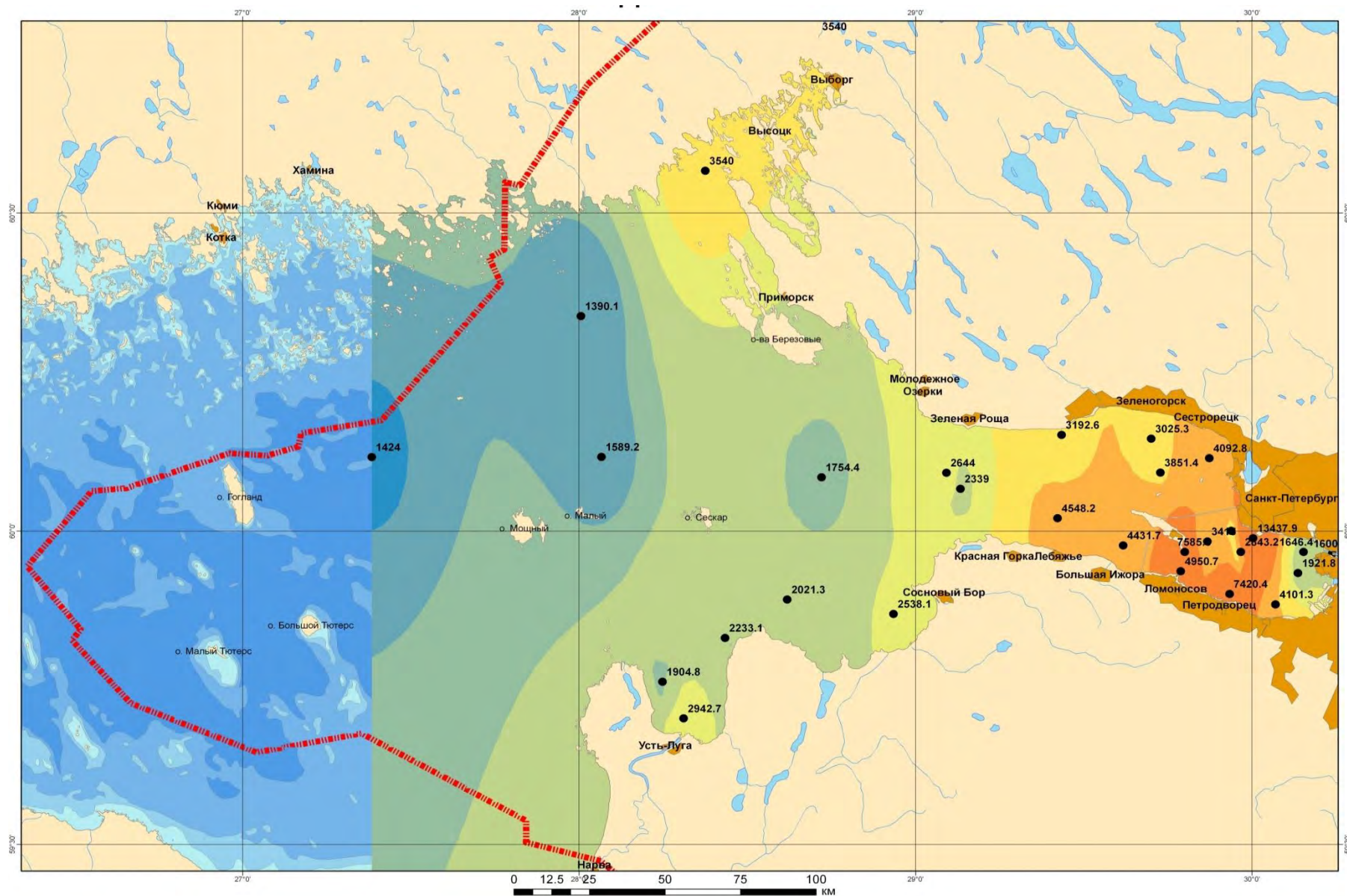
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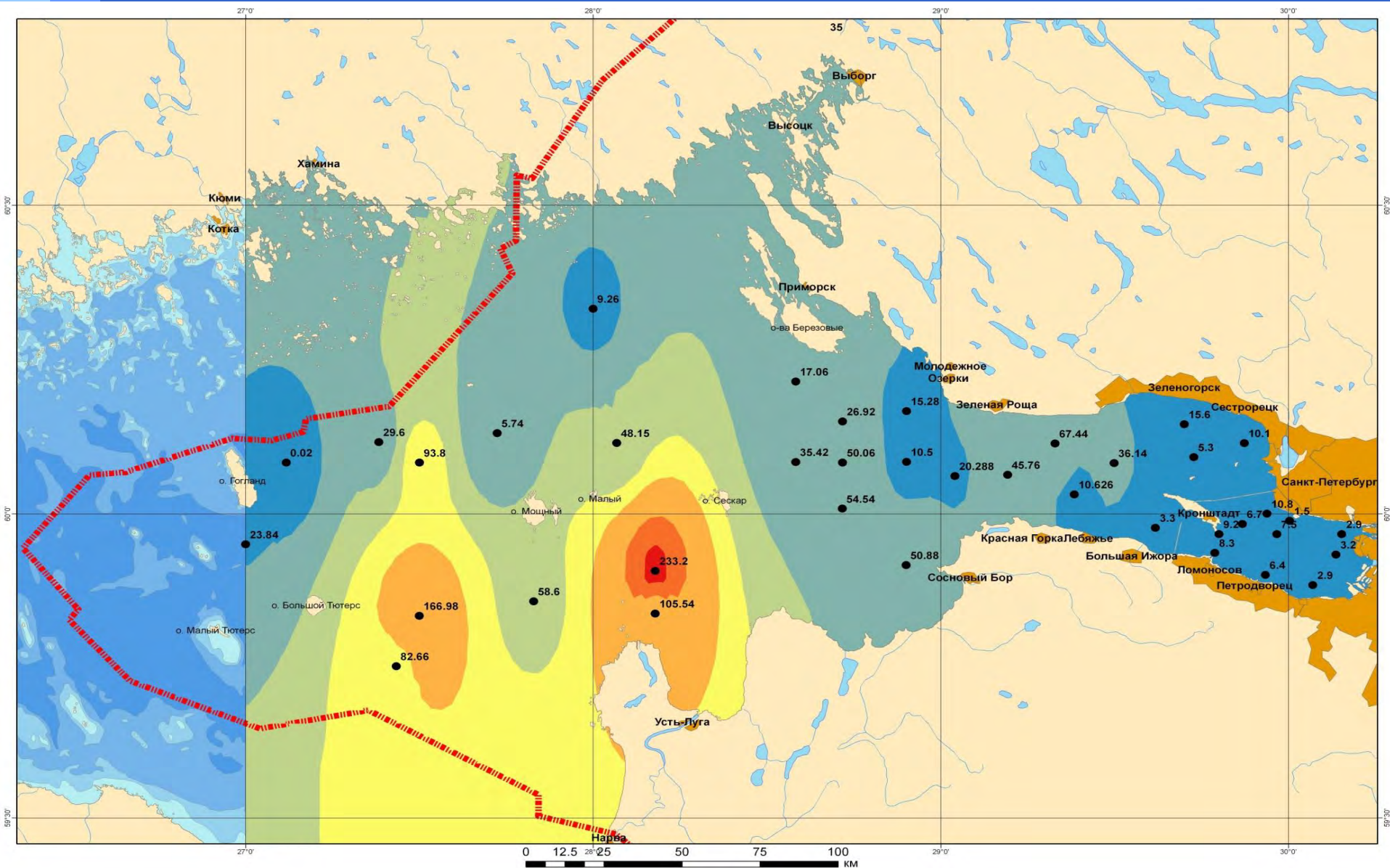
# Spatial distribution of the phytoplankton, 2013 г.



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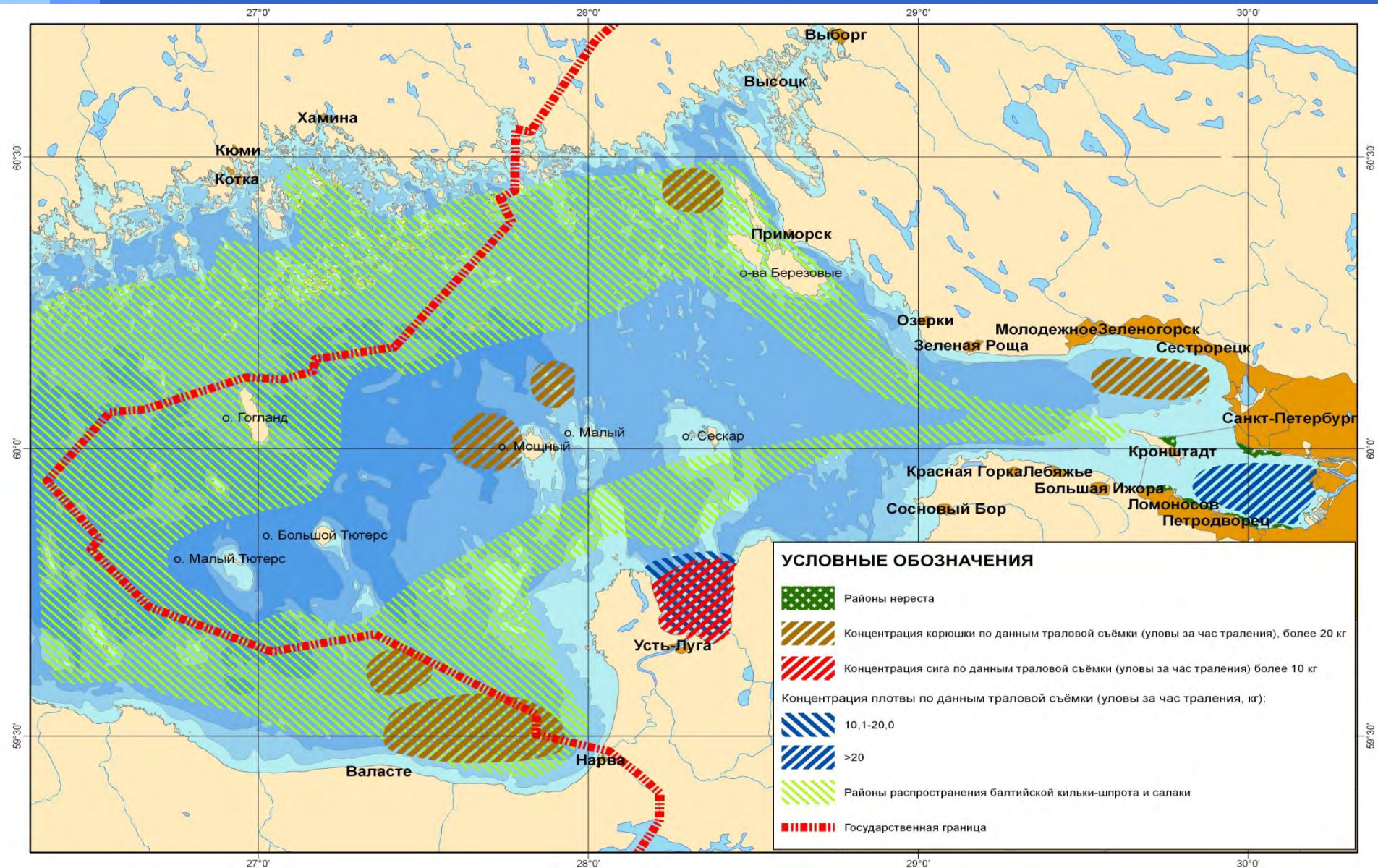


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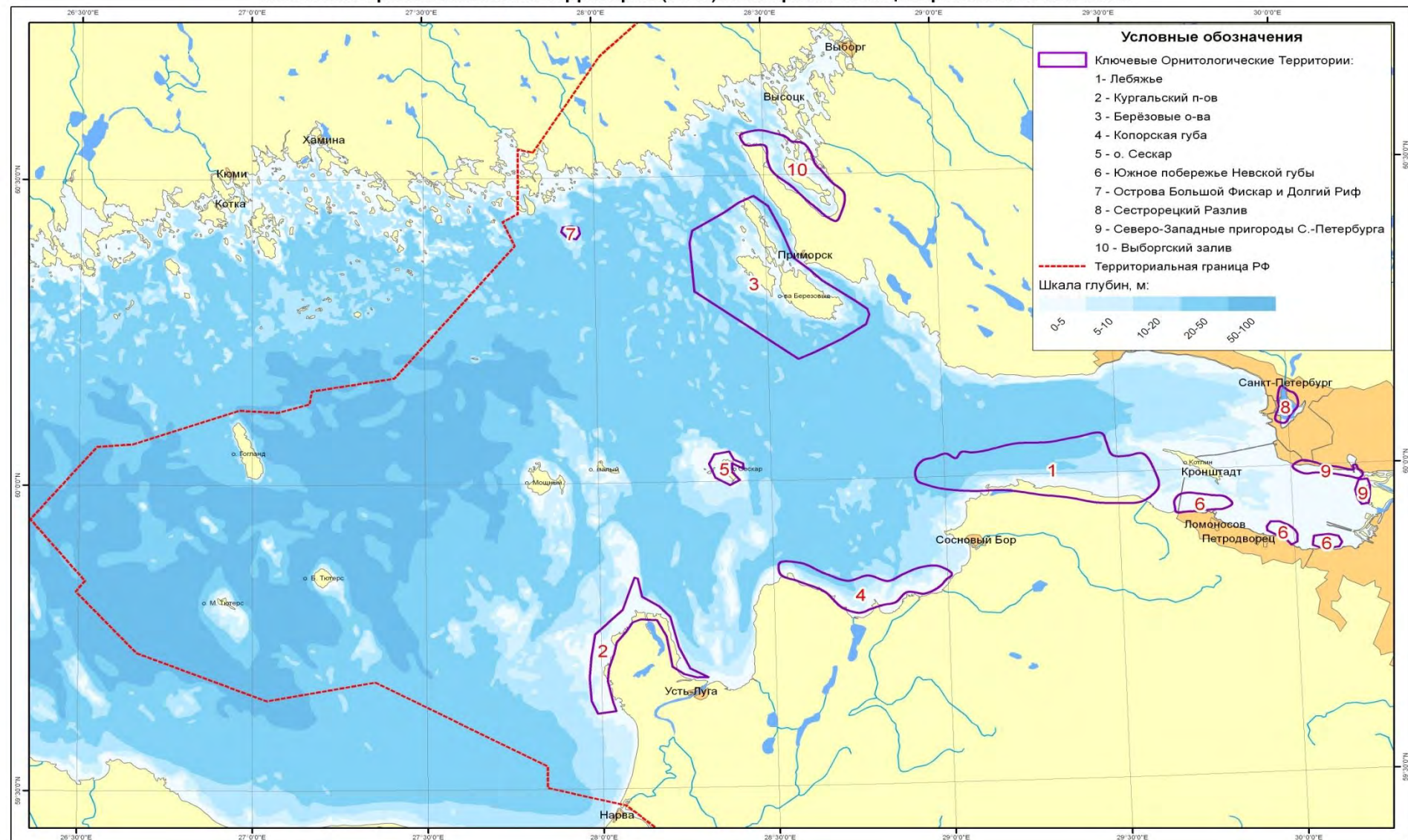
# Spatial distribution of the commercial fishes





# Spatial distribution of the sea birds nesting

Ключевые орнитологические территории (IBAs) всемирного и общеевропейского значения








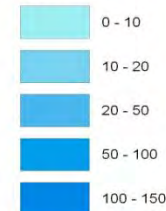
# Spatial distribution of the Red Book species

Распределение серого тюленя и кольчатой нерпы в российской части Финского залива

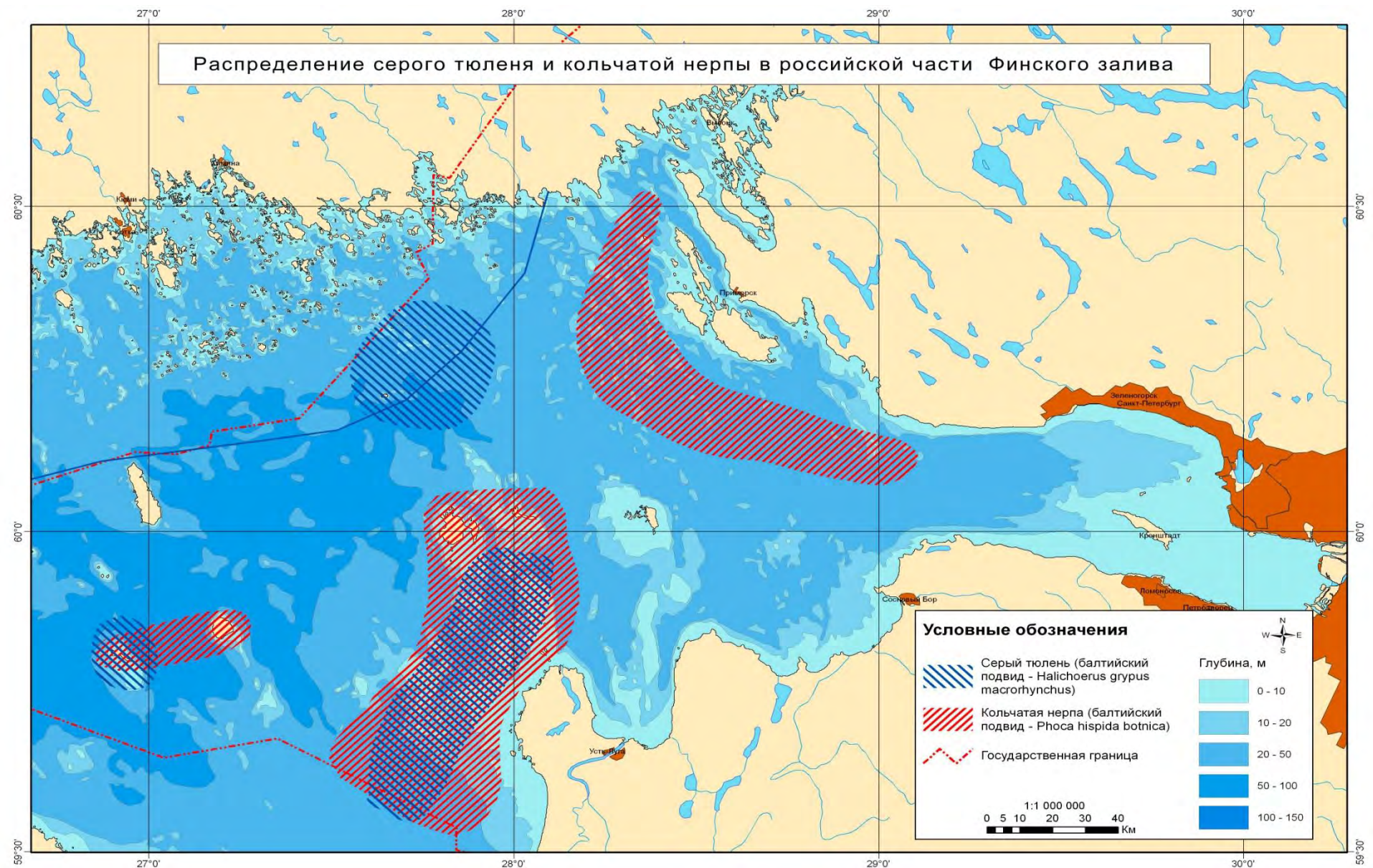
## Условные обозначения

-  Серый тюлень (балтийский подвид - *Halichoerus grypus macrohynchus*)
-  Кольчатая нерпа (балтийский подвид - *Phoca hispida botnica*)
-  Государственная граница

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# Main Benefits of MSP:

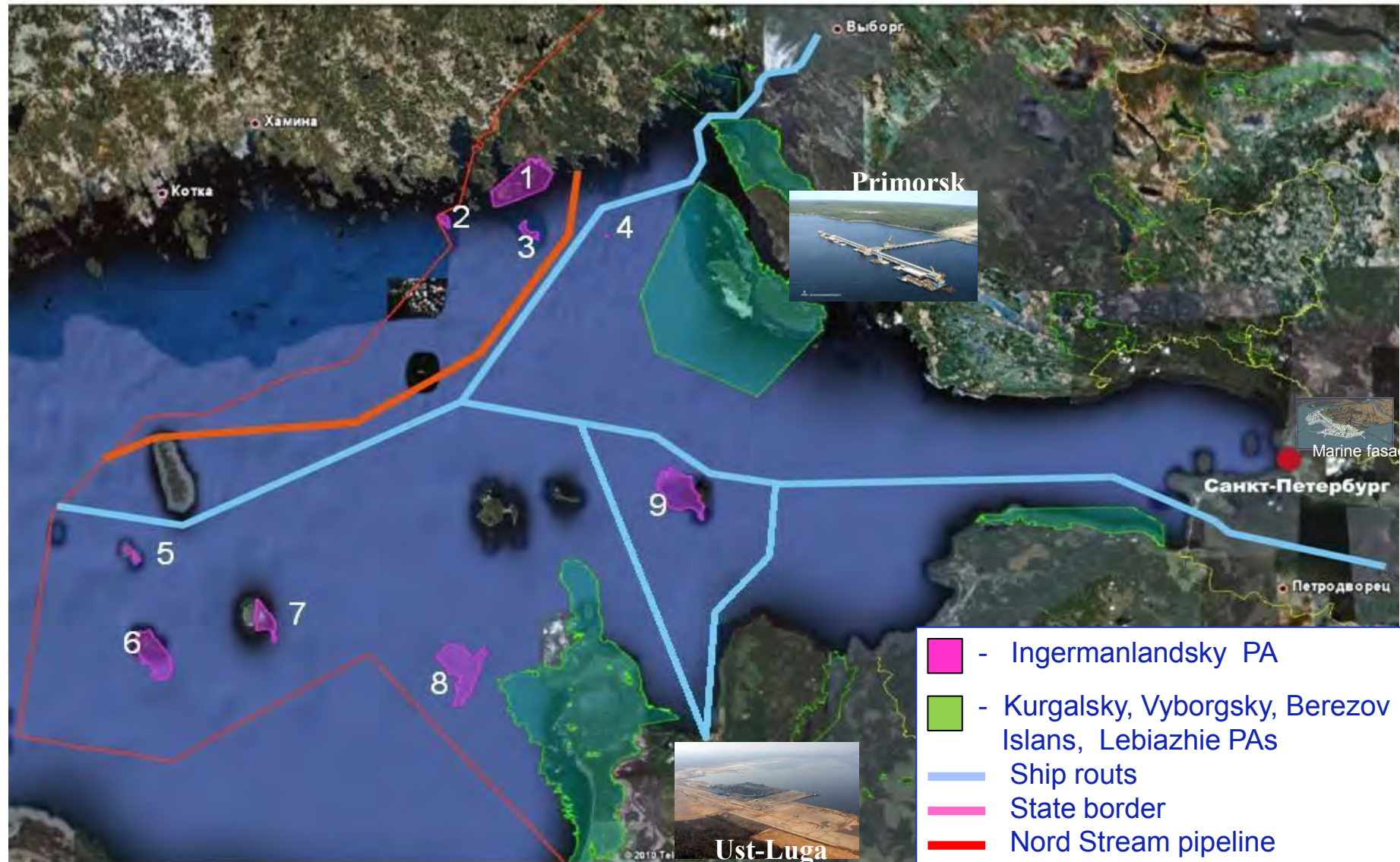
## **Main Benefits of MSP:**

- Important for mitigation and adaptation to climate change ,by promoting the efficient use of maritime space and renewable energy,
- Allows for cost-efficient adaptation to the impact of climate change.
- A tool for promoting rational use of the sea and improved decision-making
- Arbitration or balance between competing human activities
- to balance sectoral interests
- Essential for sustainable development of maritime regions
- Provides a stable planning framework for maritime investments





# Project GoF Nature Protection Areas





## For JMSP achievement the next suggestions recommend to use:

- the best available technology should be used to minimise the adverse effects of large-scale construction projects (such as construction and enlargement of port facilities). If it can be anticipated that such projects have cross-border effects to marine life, e.g., due to transport of sediments, it is recommended that information of the plans, as well as their environment impact assessments, will be shared tri-laterally, and, when appropriate, monitoring of the cross-border effects will be agreed upon tri-laterally;
- identify the hotspots of bio- and geodiversity, and determine the extent of human-induced stress in these areas, and designate measures to reduce the stress in the worst affected areas;
- the authorized state institutions and organizations recommend to continue to further encourage sound planning, increased contacts, cooperation and training among port authorities, such as Big port Saint Petersburg, Primorsk, Vysotsk, Ust-Luga, Vyborg , Muuga, Hamina-Kotka, Vuosaari and Tallinn as well as the oil terminals;
- identify the past and present human activities to obtain understanding of cumulative environmental effects, especially regarding hazardous substances.

# Suggested steps for JMSP achievement

## **Step 1 - Organizing the process through pre-planning**

Task 1: Creating the Trilateral marine spatial planning team

Task 2: Developing a work plan

Task 3: Defining boundaries and timeframe of MSP

Task 4: Defining MSP principles

Task 5: Defining goals and objectives

Task 6: Identifying risks and developing contingency plans

## **Step 2 - Organizing stakeholder participation**

Task 1: Defining who should be involved in marine spatial planning

Task 2: Defining when to involve stakeholders

Task 3: Defining how to involve stakeholders

## **Step 3 - Defining and analyzing existing conditions**

Task 1: Collecting and mapping information about ecological, environmental and oceanographic conditions

Task 2: Collecting and mapping information about human activities

Task 3: Identifying current conflicts and compatibilities

## **Step 4 - Defining and analyzing future conditions**

Task 1: Projecting current trends in the spatial and temporal needs of existing human activities

Task 2: Estimating spatial and temporal requirements for new demands of GoF marine space

Task 3: Identifying possible alternative futures for the planning area

Task 4: Selecting the preferred spatial sea use scenario

## **Step 5 - Preparing the Marine spatial management plan**

Task 1: Identifying alternative spatial and temporal management measures, incentives and institutional arrangements

Task 2: Specifying criteria for selecting marine spatial management measures

Task 3: Developing the zoning plan

Task 4: Evaluating the spatial management plan

Task 5: Approving the spatial management plan.



**Kiitos!**

**Aitäh!**

**Спасибо!**

**For your attention!**





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## **Some of the latest actions to improve maritime safety in the Gulf of Finland waters**

# Some of the latest actions to improve maritime safety in the Gulf of Finland waters



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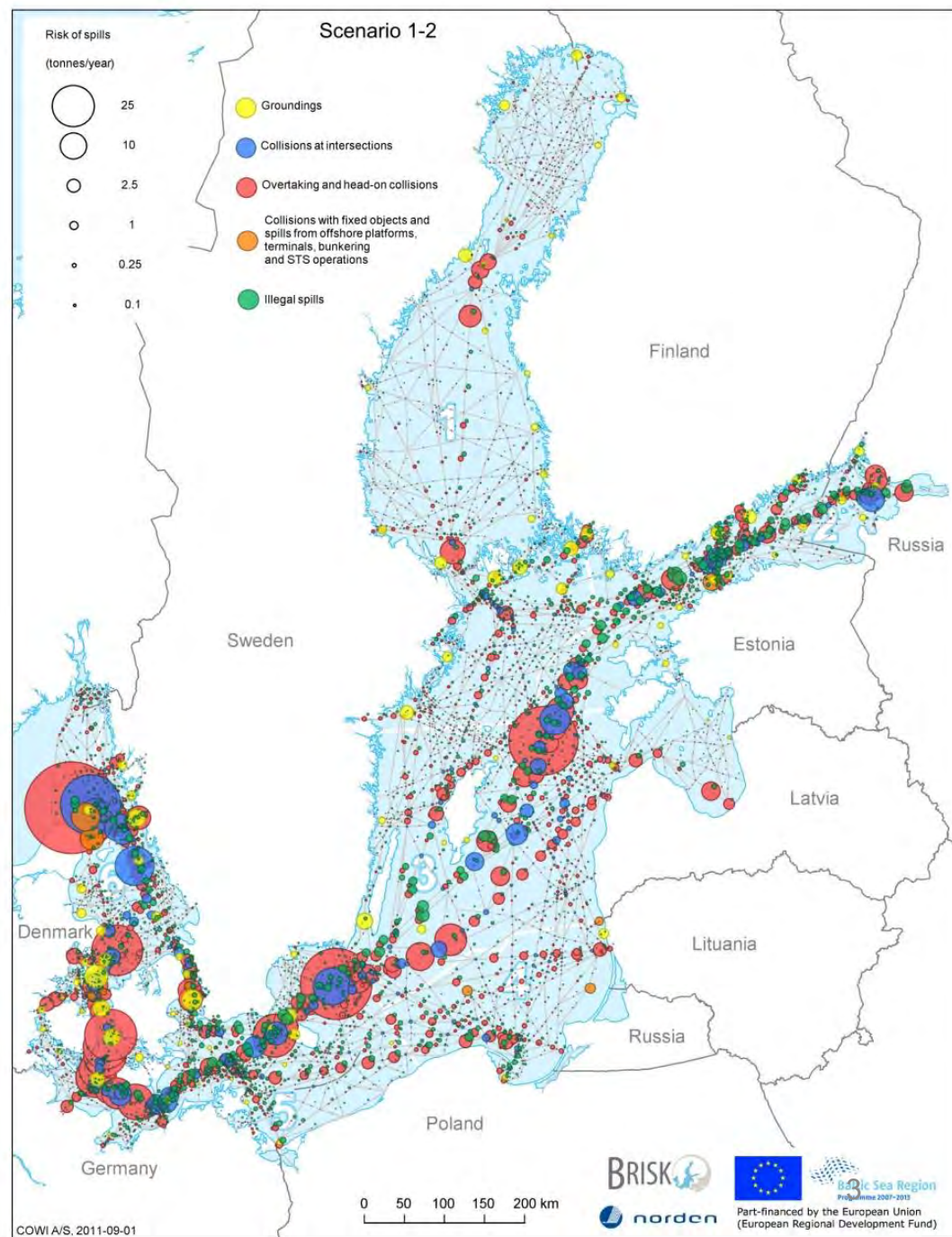
# Scenario Results

## All spills

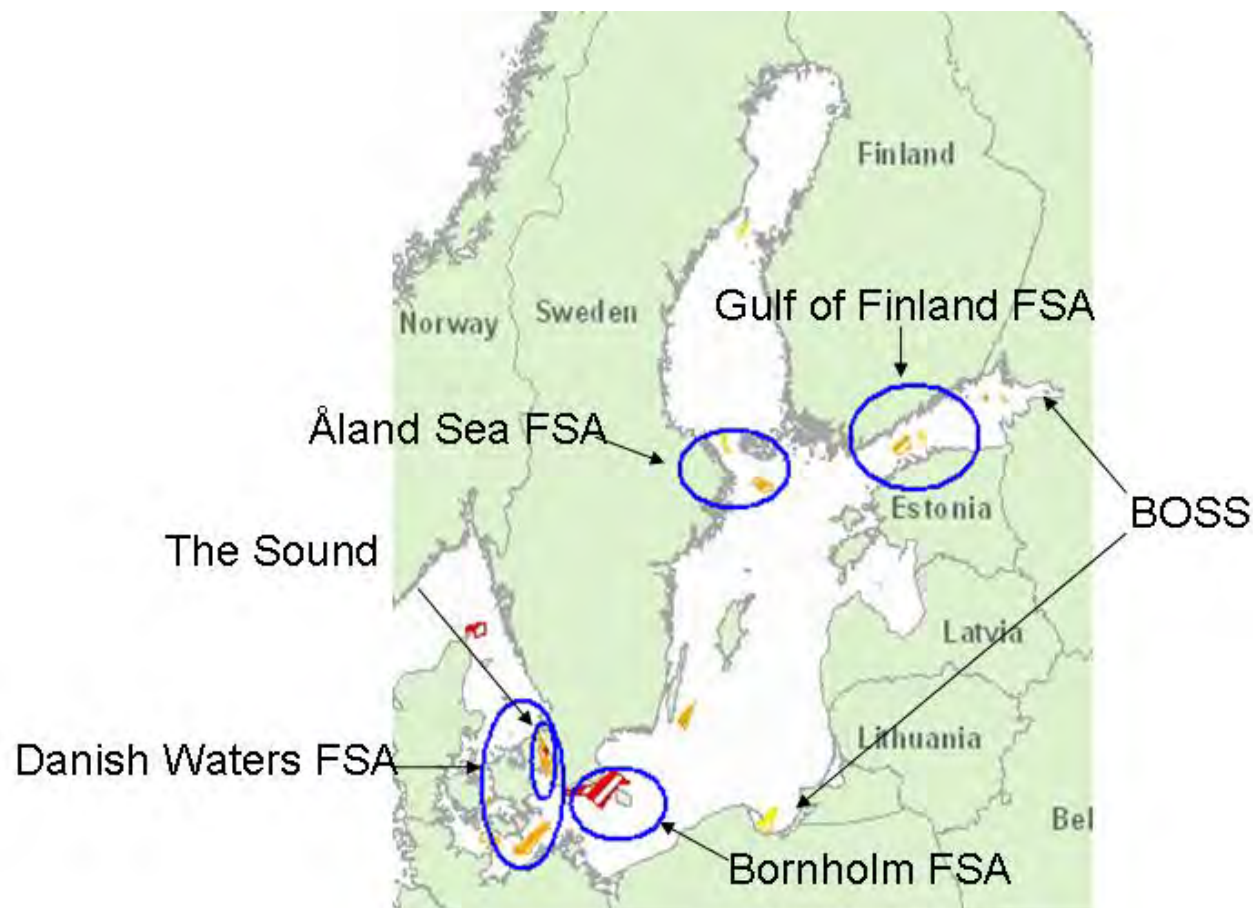
- Existing Ship Traffic
- Existing Response Capacities
- Existing Navigational Aid

## ESTIMATES OF EXPECTED INTERVALS BETWEEN SPILL EVENTS

Sub-region	Large accidents: 300–5.000 tonnes spilt	Exceptional accidents: 5.000 < tonnes spilt
1. Gulf of Bothnia	36 years	600 years
2. Gulf of Finland	39 years	255 years
3. Northern part of the Baltic Proper	30 years	175 years
4. South-eastern Baltic Proper	140 years	1,060 years
5. South-western Baltic Proper	17 years	97 years
6. Sound and Kattegat	11 years	65 years
Entire Baltic Sea	4 years	26 years



# FSA-related risk assessments made in the Baltic Sea area



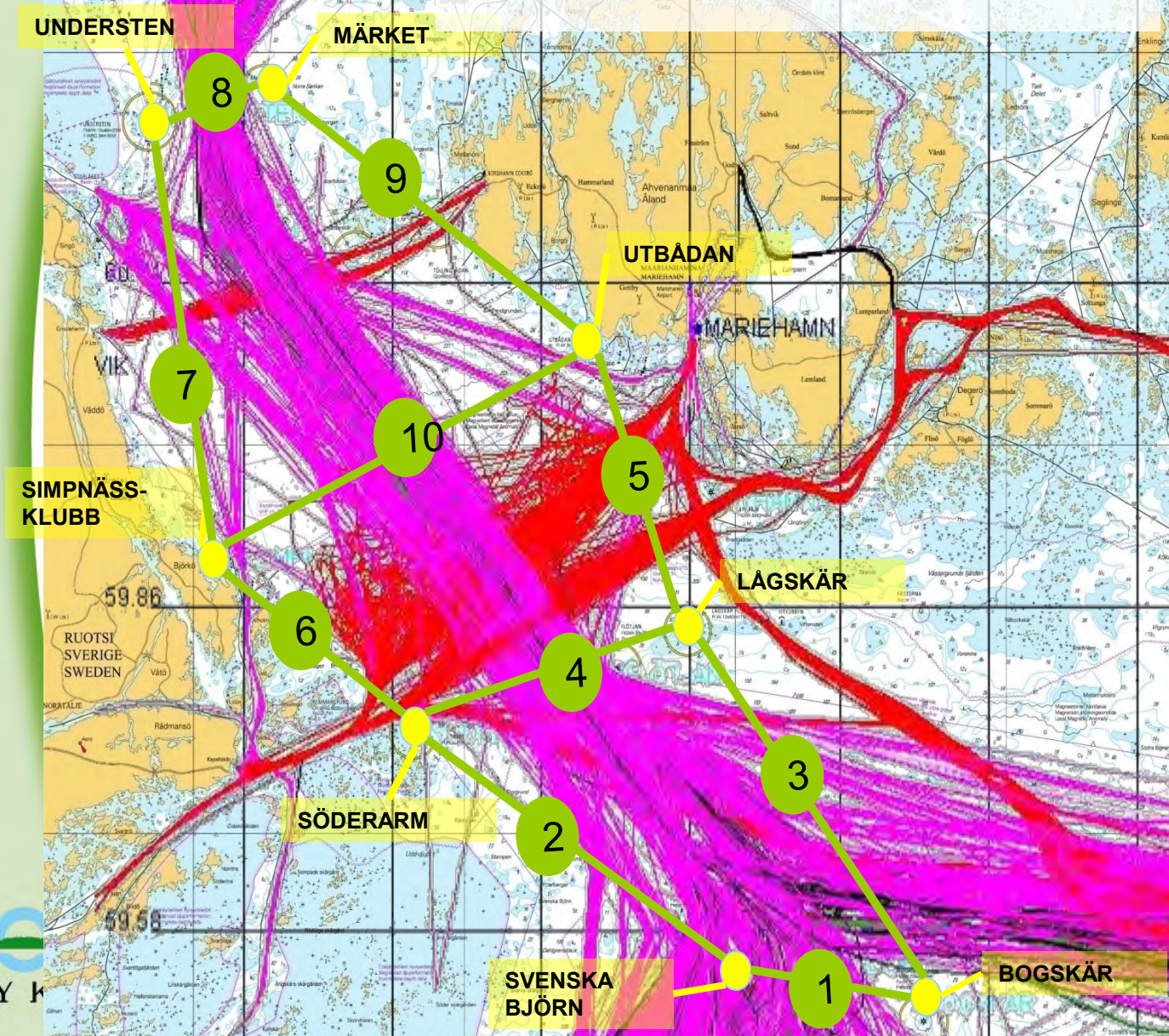


# BaSSY - Baltic Sea Safety

## Case Sea of Åland FSA



## Traffic analysis for FSA based on AIS- surveillance



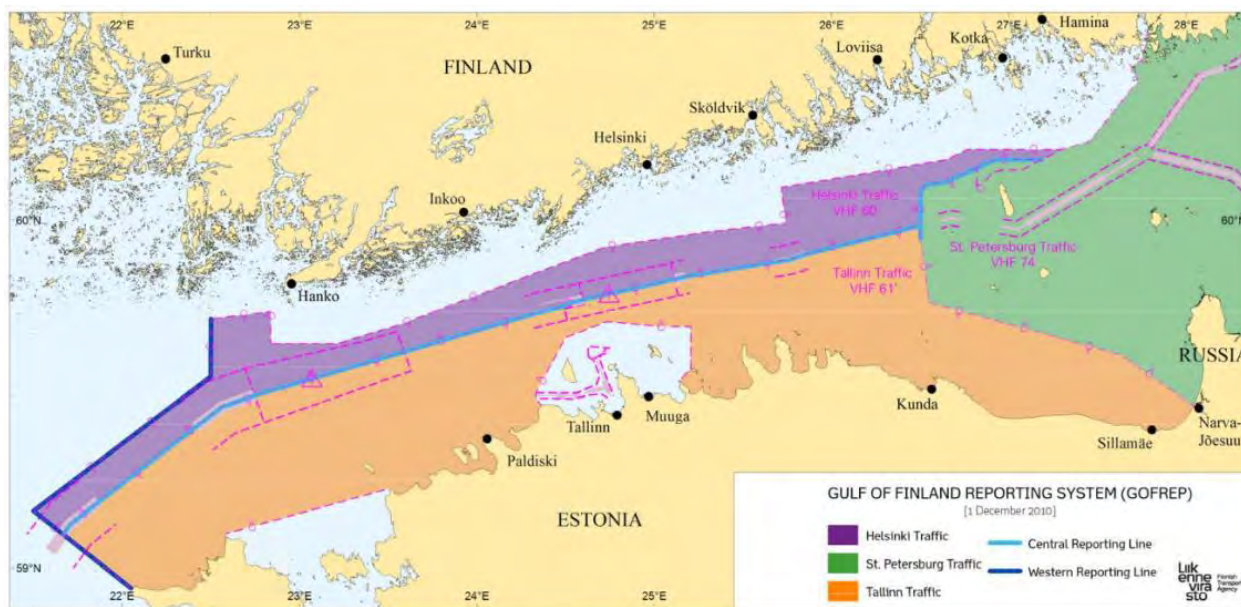
	Passenger ships
	Tankers
	Tugs
	Other vessel types



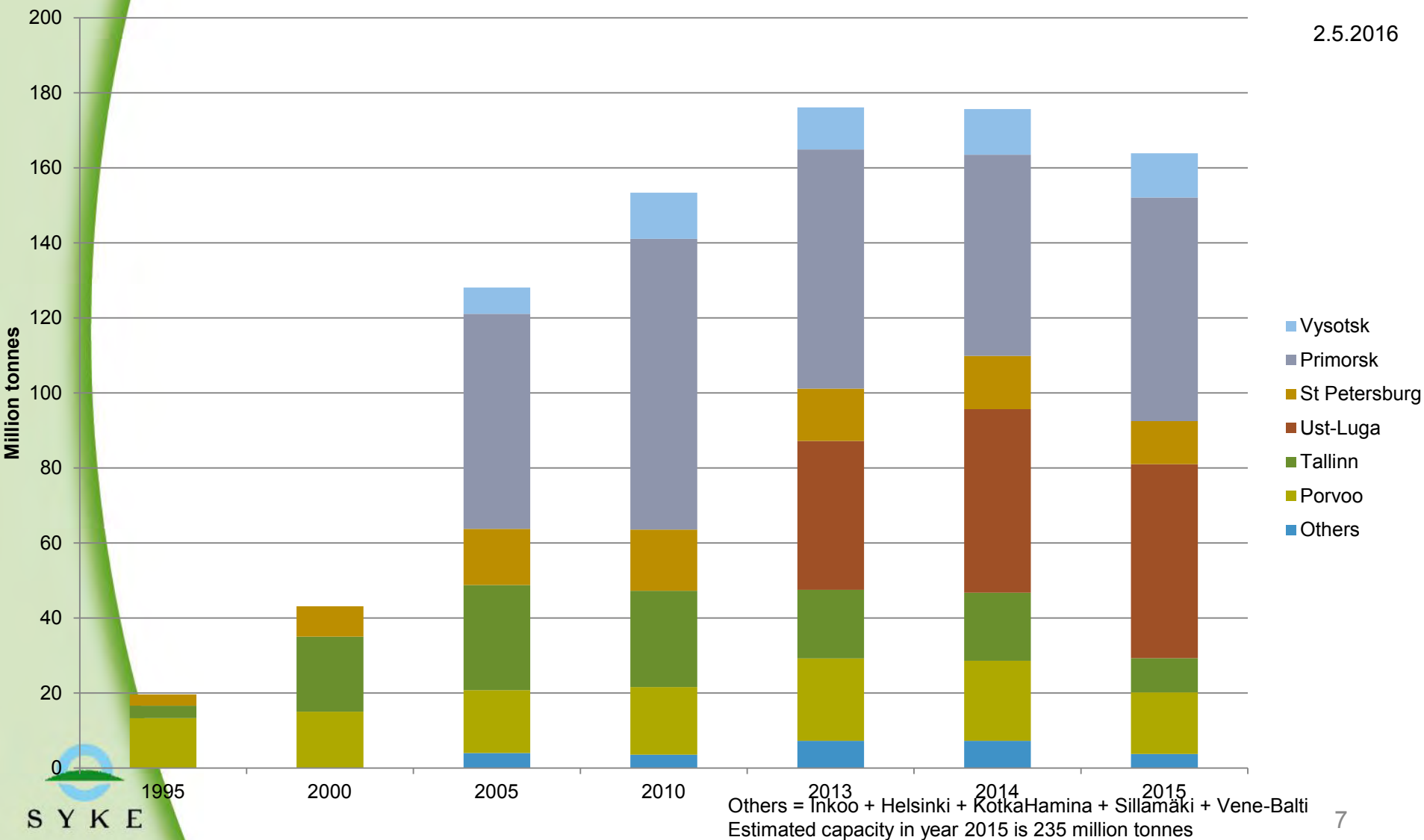


## Case: GofRep Service - General Definitions

- The Gulf of Finland Mandatory Ship Reporting System
  - Adopted in accordance with SOLAS V/11.
- The Gulf of Finland is monitored jointly by Finland, Estonia and the Russian Federation.
- Vessels of 300 GT and over are required to participate in the ship reporting system.
- The Traffic Centres monitor vessels by radar and AIS, and provide 24 h information service.



# OIL TRANSPORTATION IN THE GULF OF FINLAND 1995-2015



# GOFREP analyses based on traffic 2008 / VTT Report-R-06593-09

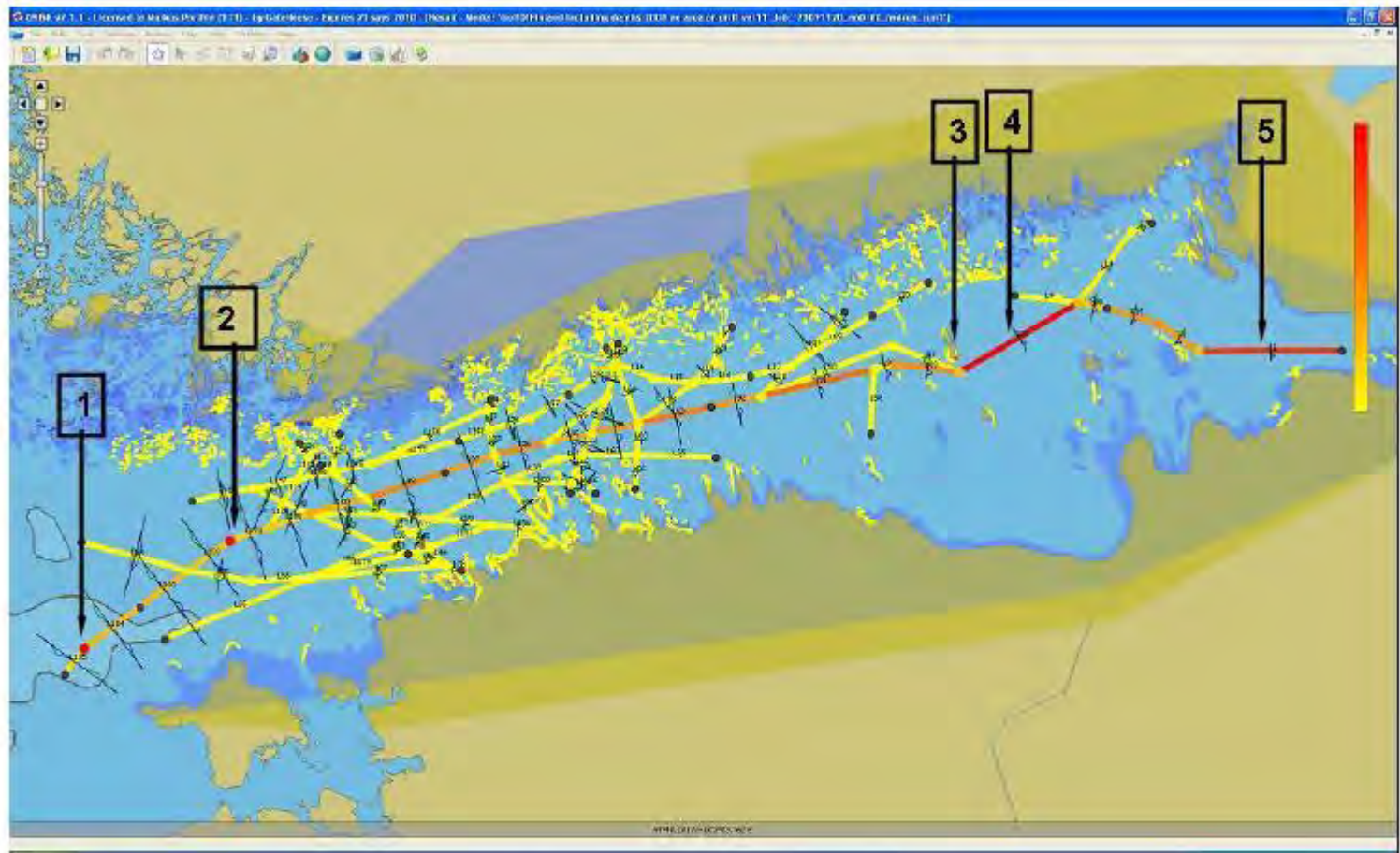


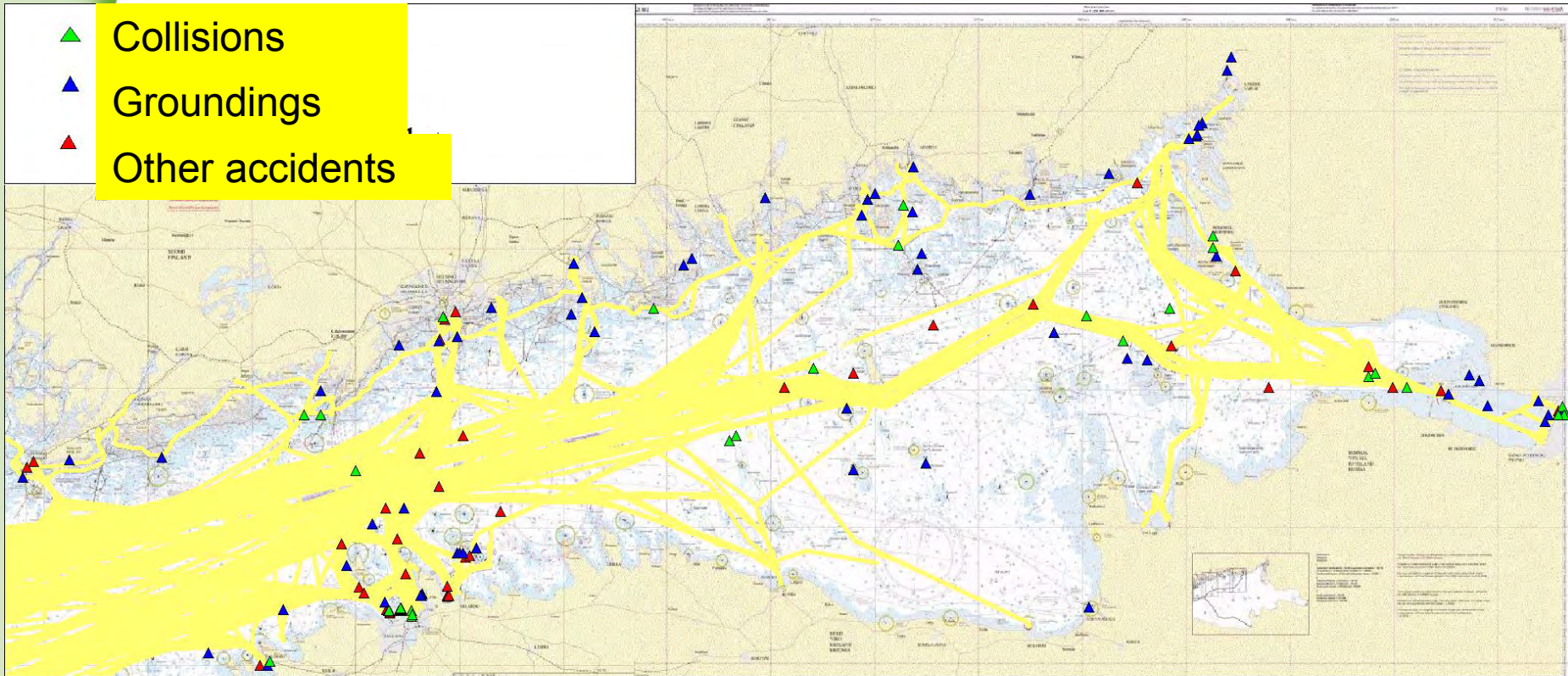
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# Accident sites in GoF



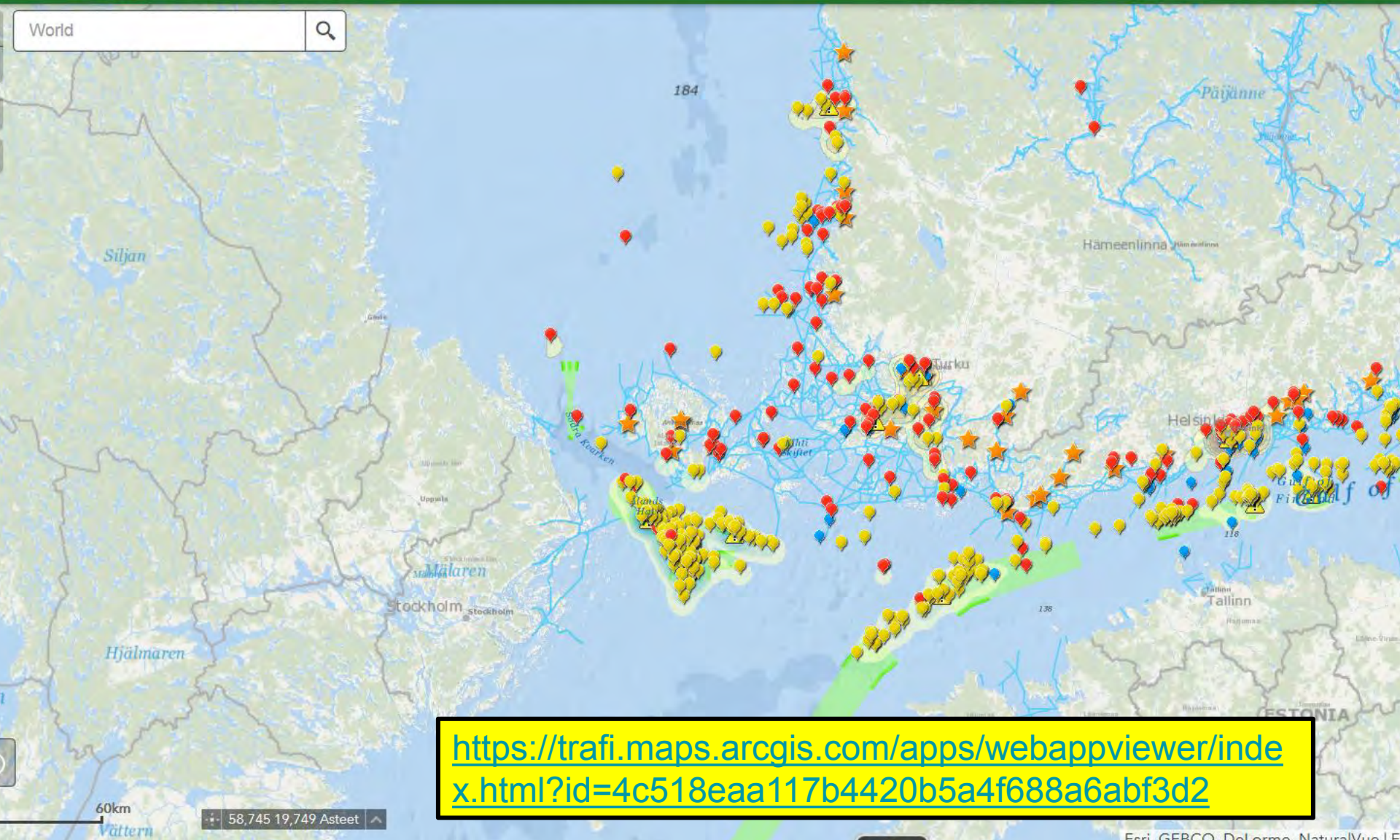
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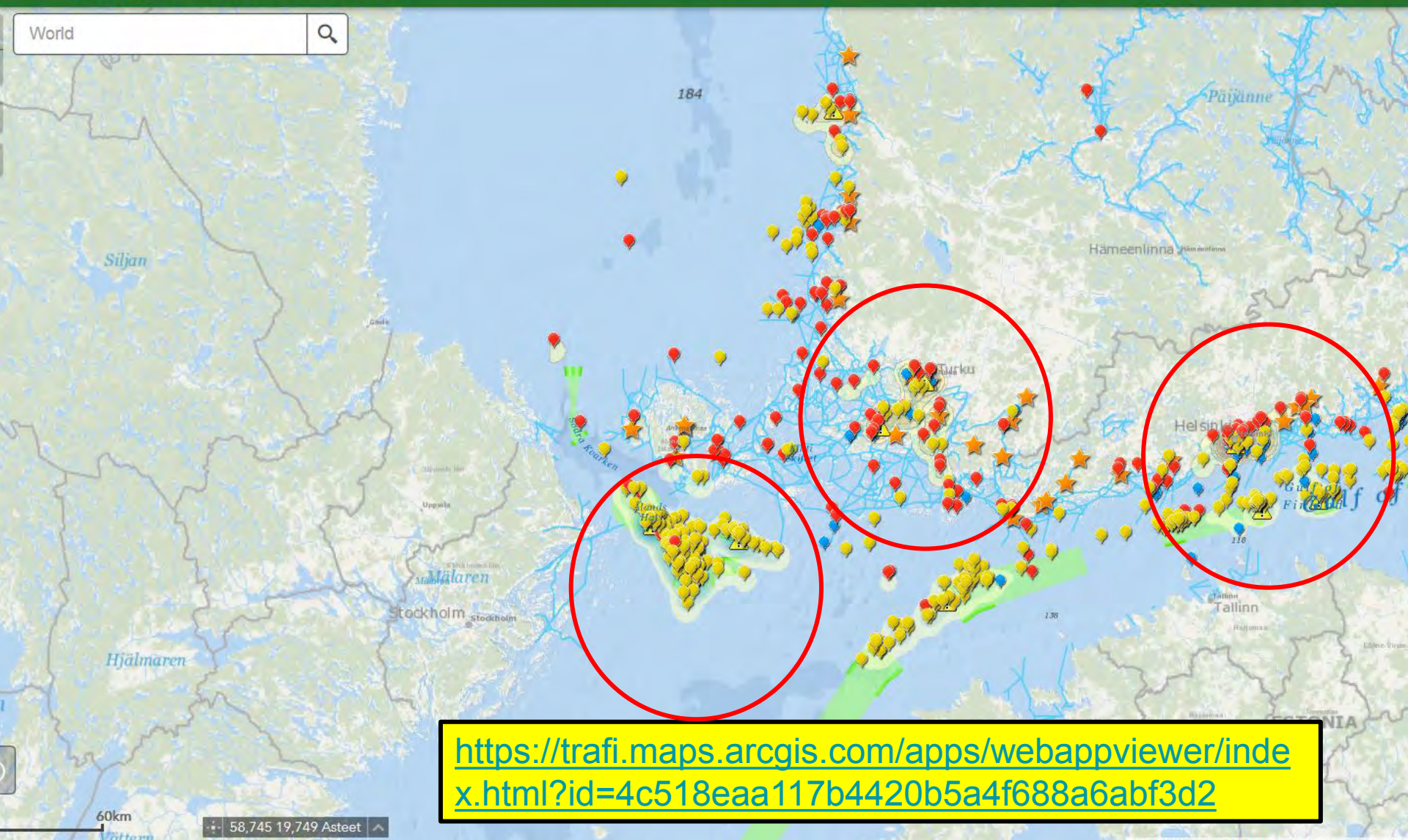
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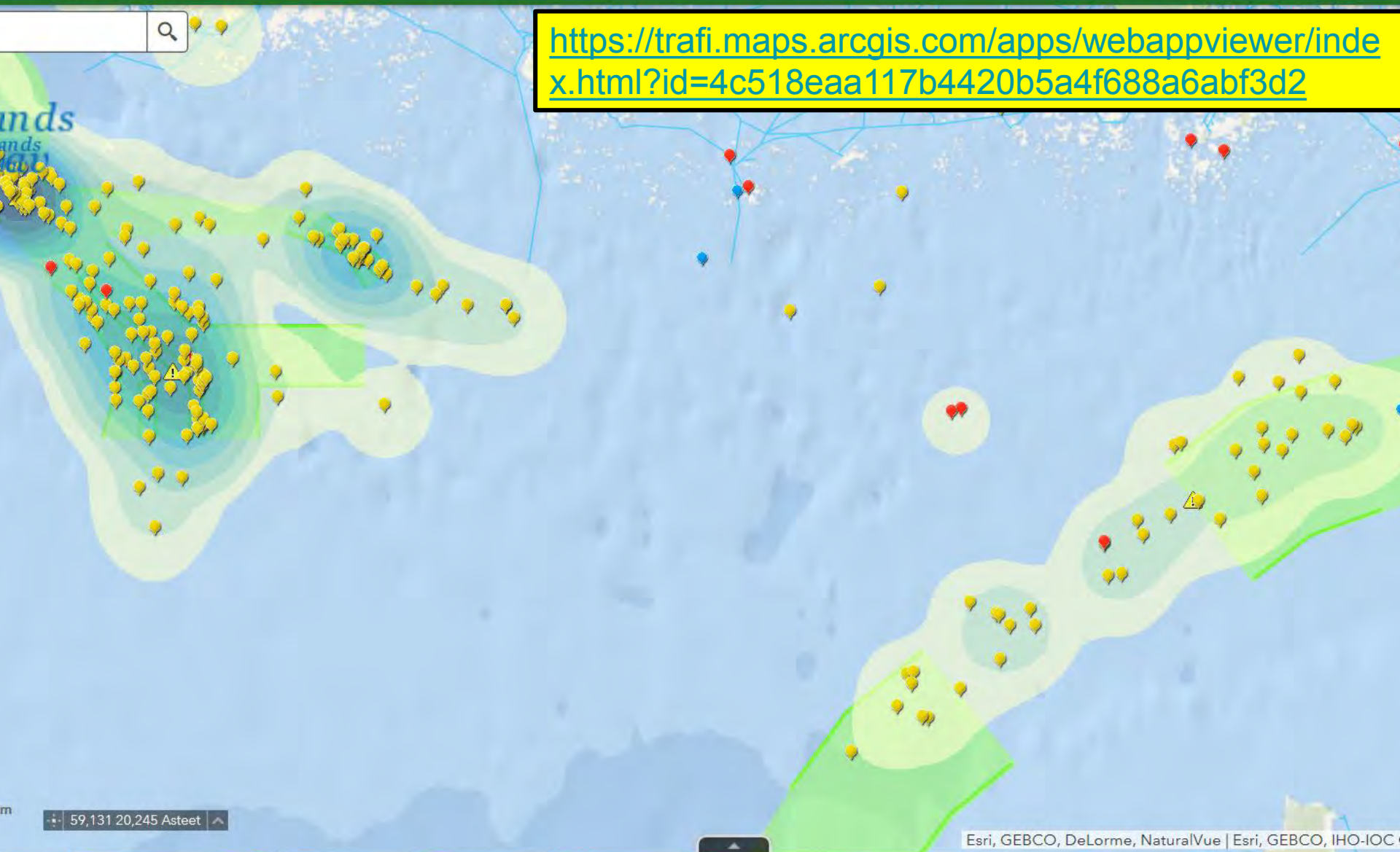
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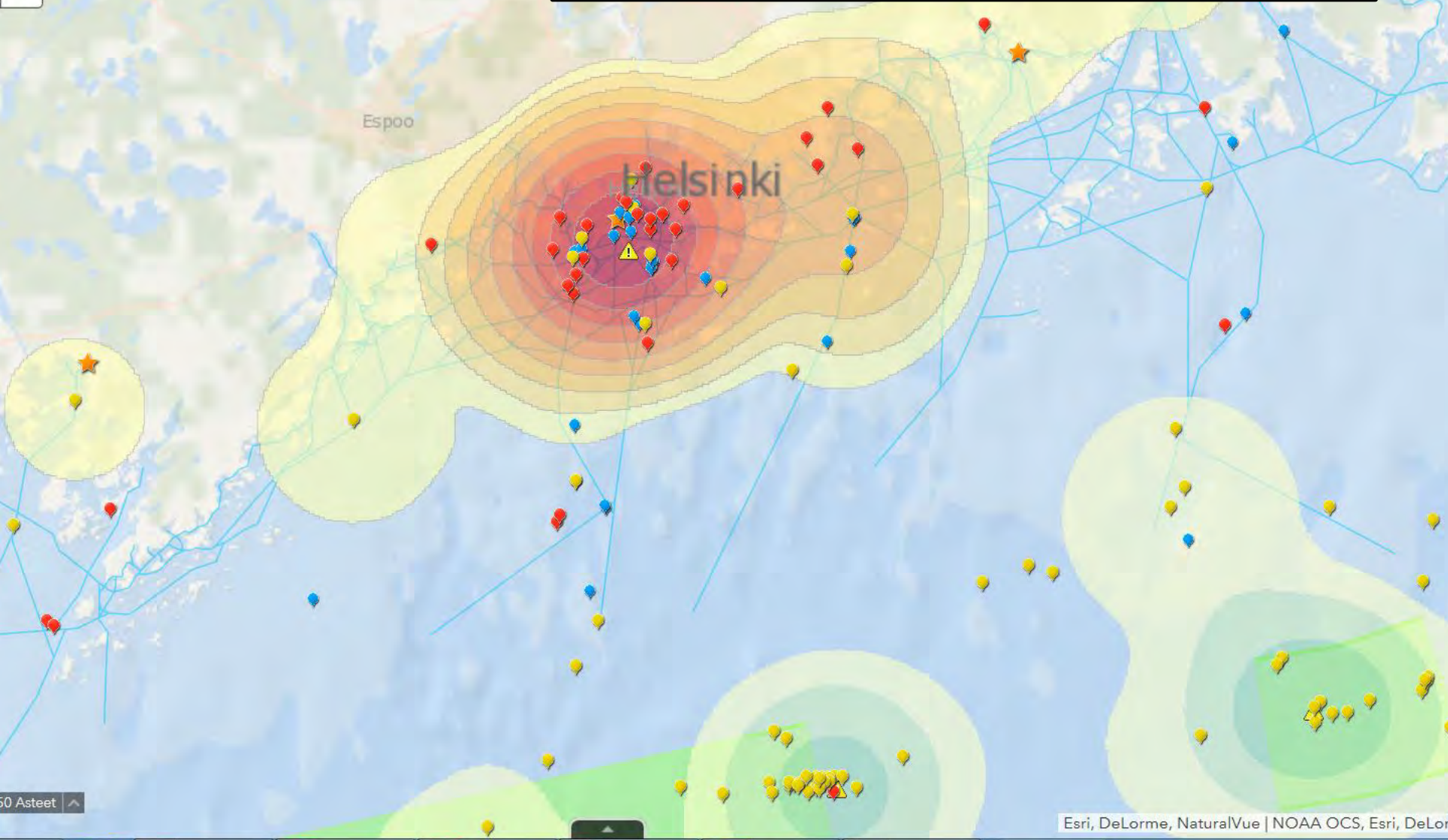


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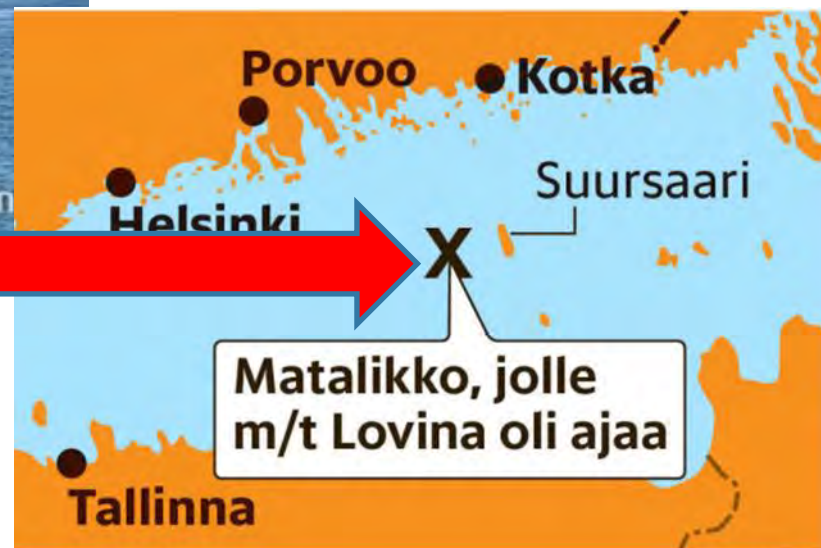


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# MT Propontis accident 2/2007



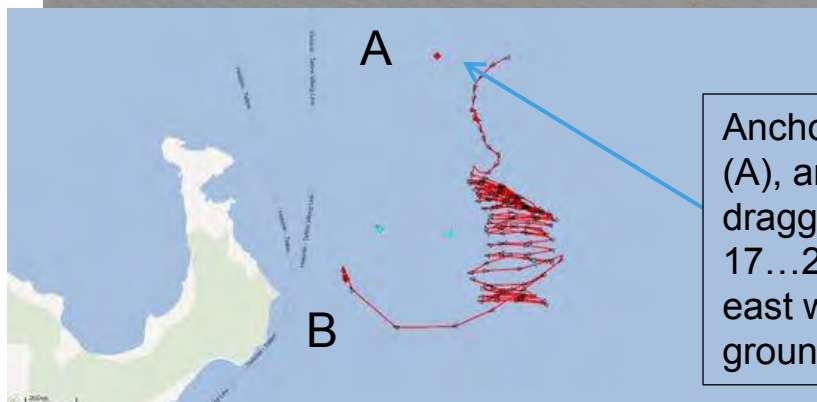
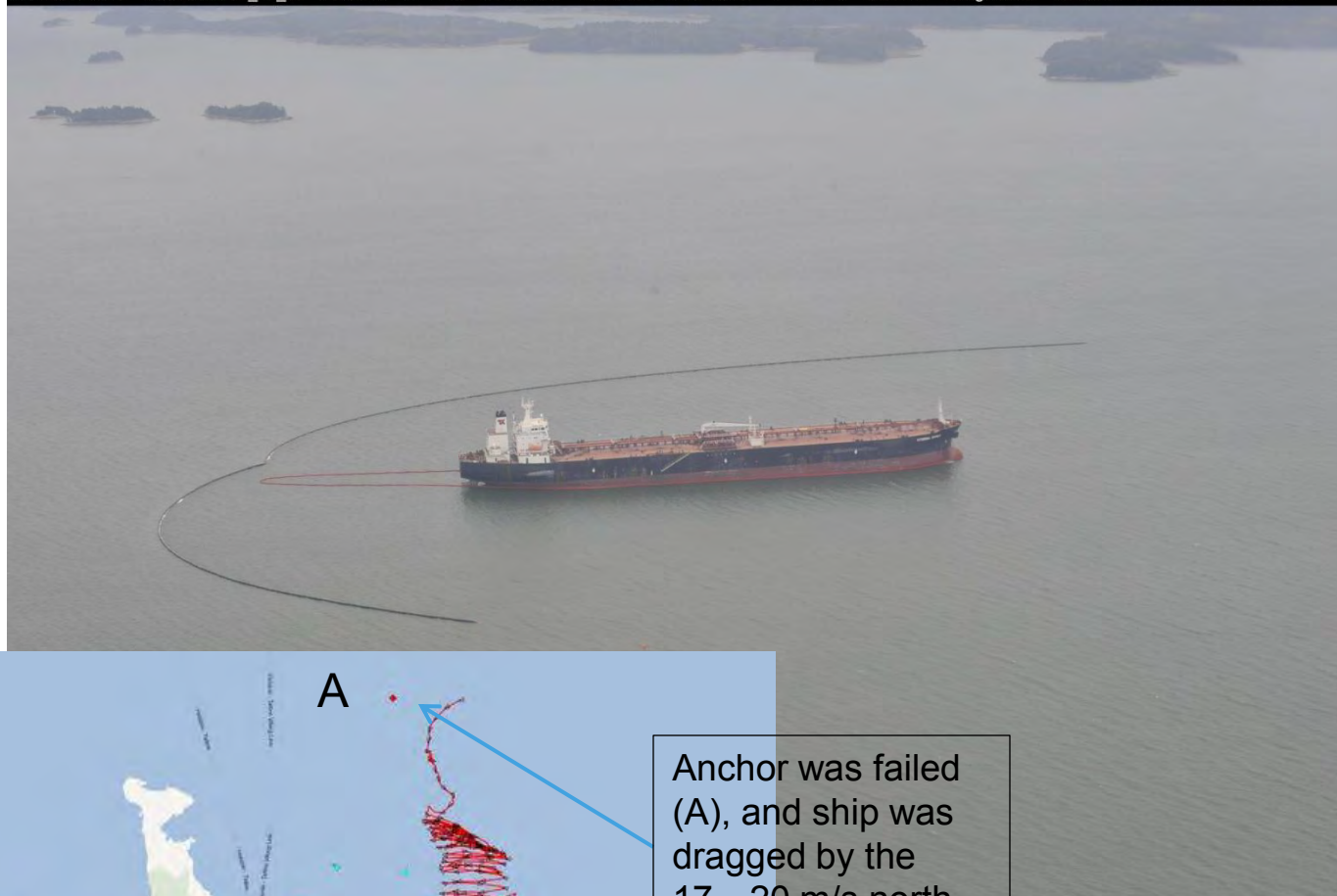
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# Largest Oil Combating Exercise BALEX DELTA in August 2012 – MT Kyeema Spirit grounding, Monday 8 October at 6.55am close to Muuga Port, Estonia

SSC MSS 6000 Mission: 2012\_10\_02 OH-MVN 2012-10-02 08:00:22 N60°21.32' E022°02.83' 3° 927 ft 120.2 kts Image: 0017 © Finnish Border Guard / SYKE



Anchor was failed (A), and ship was dragged by the 17...20 m/s north-east wind and grounded (B)

**November 7, 2012 – Maersk Hakone arrived to Muuga Port – 330 x 60 m VLCC carrier – was idling a couple of days due to the hard wind – 12th November in port - loading (??)**



MarineTraffic.com



# Case MT LOVINA 20.10.2012



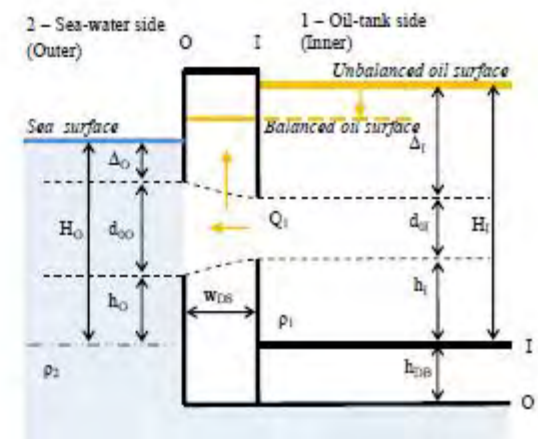
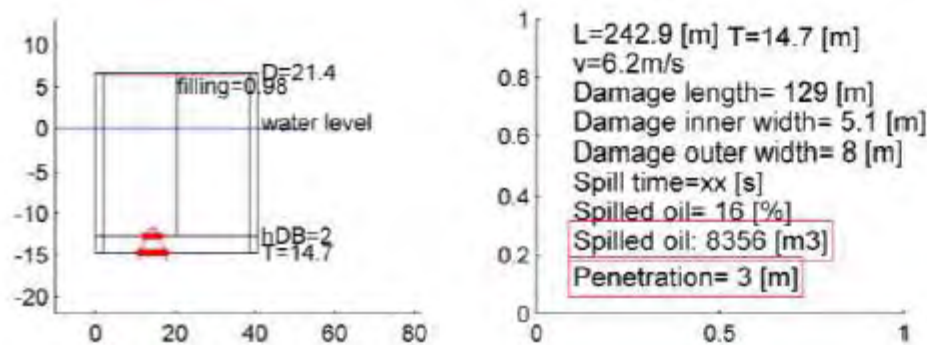
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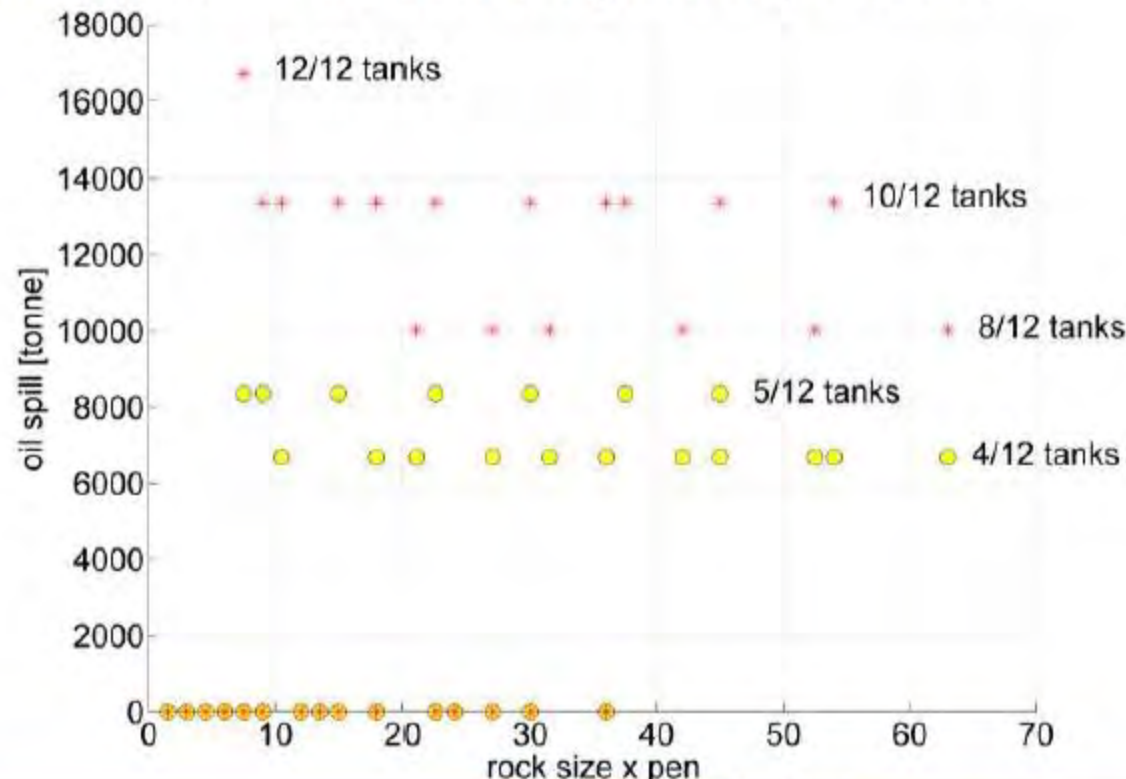
## Grounding analysis: M/T Lovina example



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- Oil spill occurred in 36/84 simulated grounding scenarios

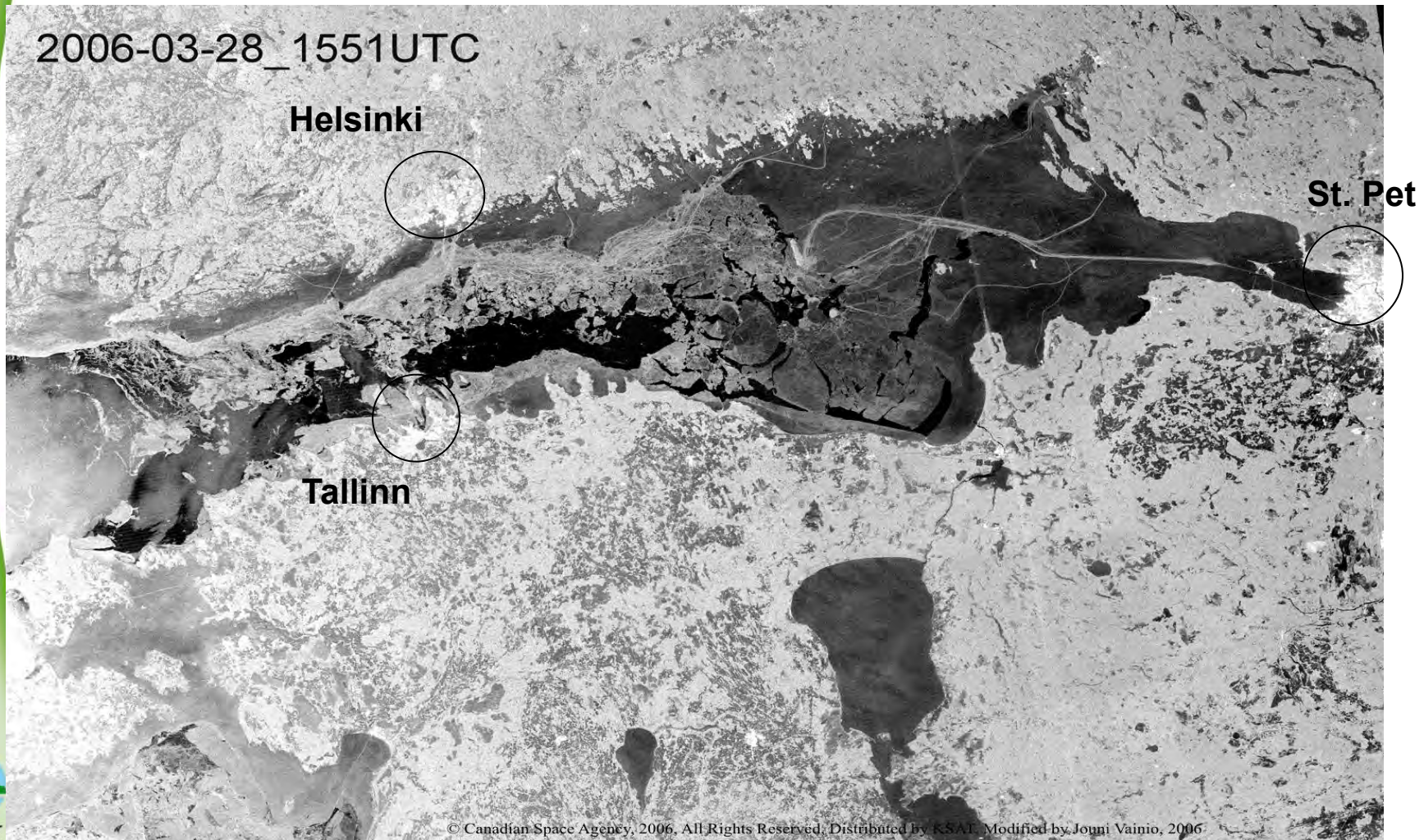


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# Ice conditions in the GoF, based on the satellite image

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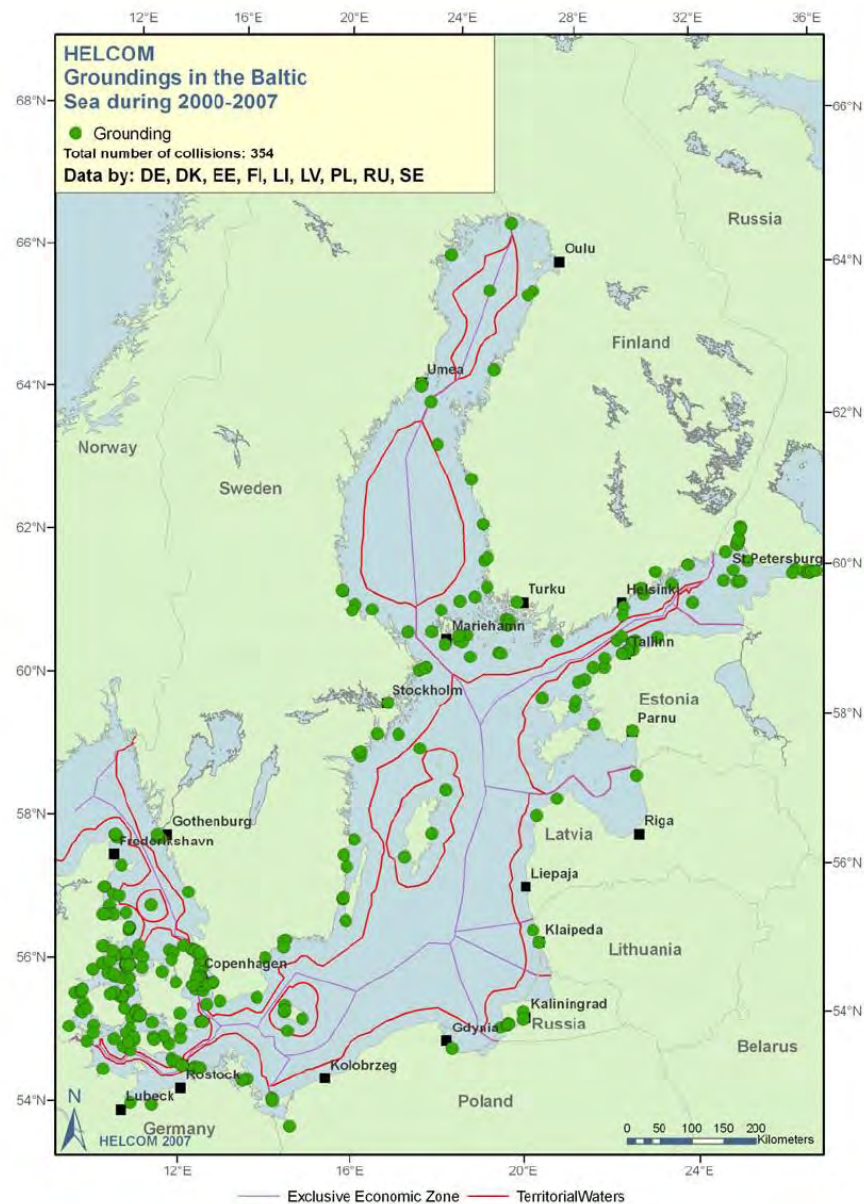
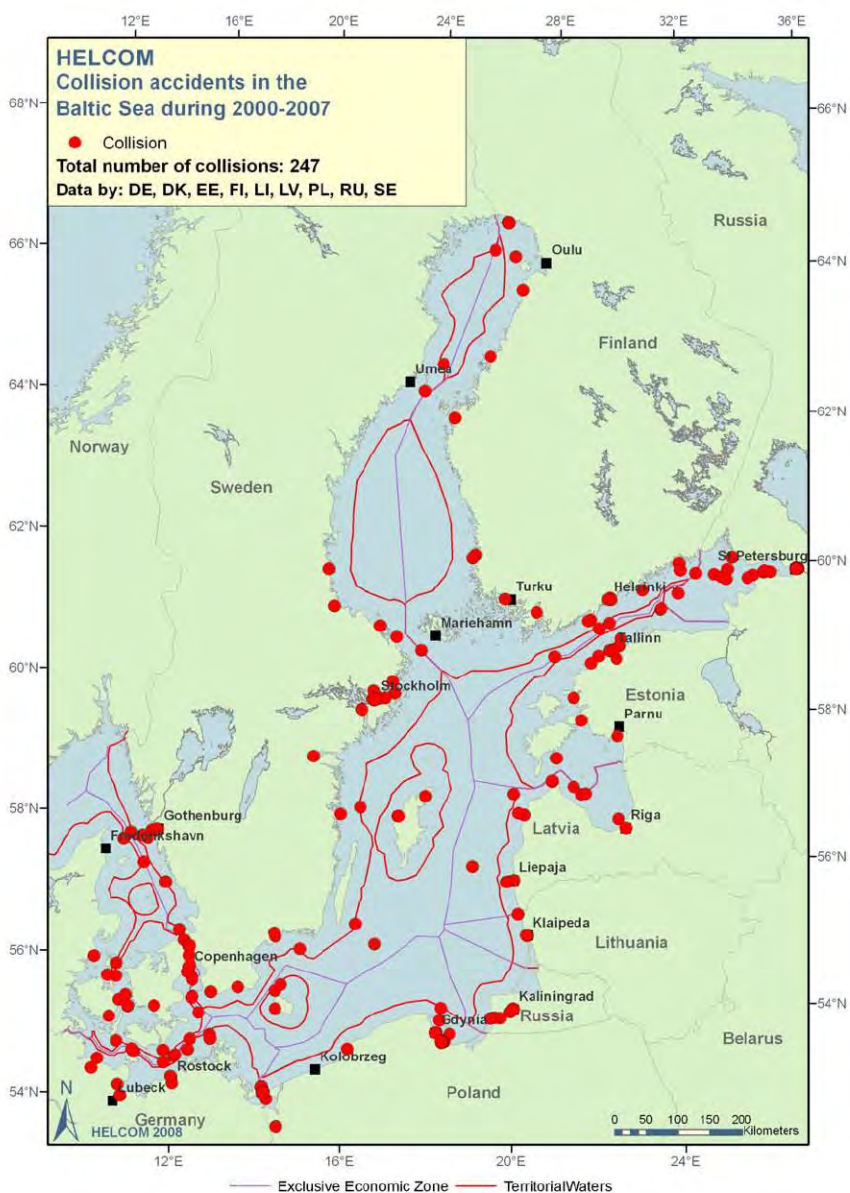




## Recent Risk Control Options (RCO's)

- R&D activities (Risk evaluations) in the GoF
- Kotka Maritime Research Centre's Network (SAFGOF, OILRISK, MIMIC, CHEMBALTIC, WINOIL, CAFE,
- Living Net Work of top scientists: Aps, Helle, Kuikka, Hänninen, Tabri, Goerlandt, Montewka, Kujala, Lehikoinen, Sormunen, Brunila, Mazaheri, Valdez Banda, Venesjärvi, Goncharov, Aysinov, Kouts, Semanov, etc....
- HELCOM Accident data collection
- EGDIS, VTS, GOFREP, AIS, AtoNs, DGPS, Routeing, Pilotage, .....
- IALA, IMO
- Icebreaking assistance
- TRAFI Maritime Risk Indicators - TRIAGE

# Collisions (left) and groundings (right) 2000 – 2007, by HELCOM





## Risk Indicators & TRIAGE

- Three categories:
- Level 1: Very Serious Accidents with severe consequences such as human loss, large environmental pollution, total loss
- Level 2: Serious Accidents with economical losses usually
- Level 3: Near Miss, anomalies, VTS reports, inspections reports,
- Vessel TRIAGE is a method for assessing and communicating the safety status of vessels in maritime distress and accidents.
- The method expresses the safety status of the vessel in terms of a Vessel TRIAGE category. There are four categories: GREEN, YELLOW, RED and BLACK. The safety status of a vessel is least compromised when its Vessel TRIAGE category is green. Black represents the most unsafe conditions



## Some new projects

- Old risk analyses for GoF made by VTT for GOFREP justification under "refreshment". Report should be ready in Spring/2017
- DG Echo funding received for OPENRISK which aims to
  - Create a pan-european synthesis ("lessons learned") of recent regional risk assessment projects within HELCOM, REMPEC, BONN, Copenhagen Agreement and other regional response organisations active in the EU
  - Develop transparent open access tools for high frequency, dynamic risk assessment for spatial component (locating risk areas)
  - Develop Best Practices for identifying best options for accident risk reduction in a given area
  - Develop Best Practices for implications for prevention, preparedness and response
  - Testing above tools of global/EU-wide applicability in a Baltic Sea case study.
- <https://portal.helcom.fi/meetings/SAFE%20NAV%207-2016-301/MeetingDocuments/3-2%20OPENRISK%20Project%20Short%20Description.pdf>

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**Swedish and Finnish  
vessels outside of the  
Swedish coastline in a  
joint exercise, September  
2016. Photo: J. Rytkönen**



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## **Towards environmental safety of maritime spatial planning for sustainable blue economies**





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# Outline

- Objective
- Ecosystem risk management
- Risk identification
- Risk analysis
- Risk evaluation
- Risk treatment

# The Baltic Sea

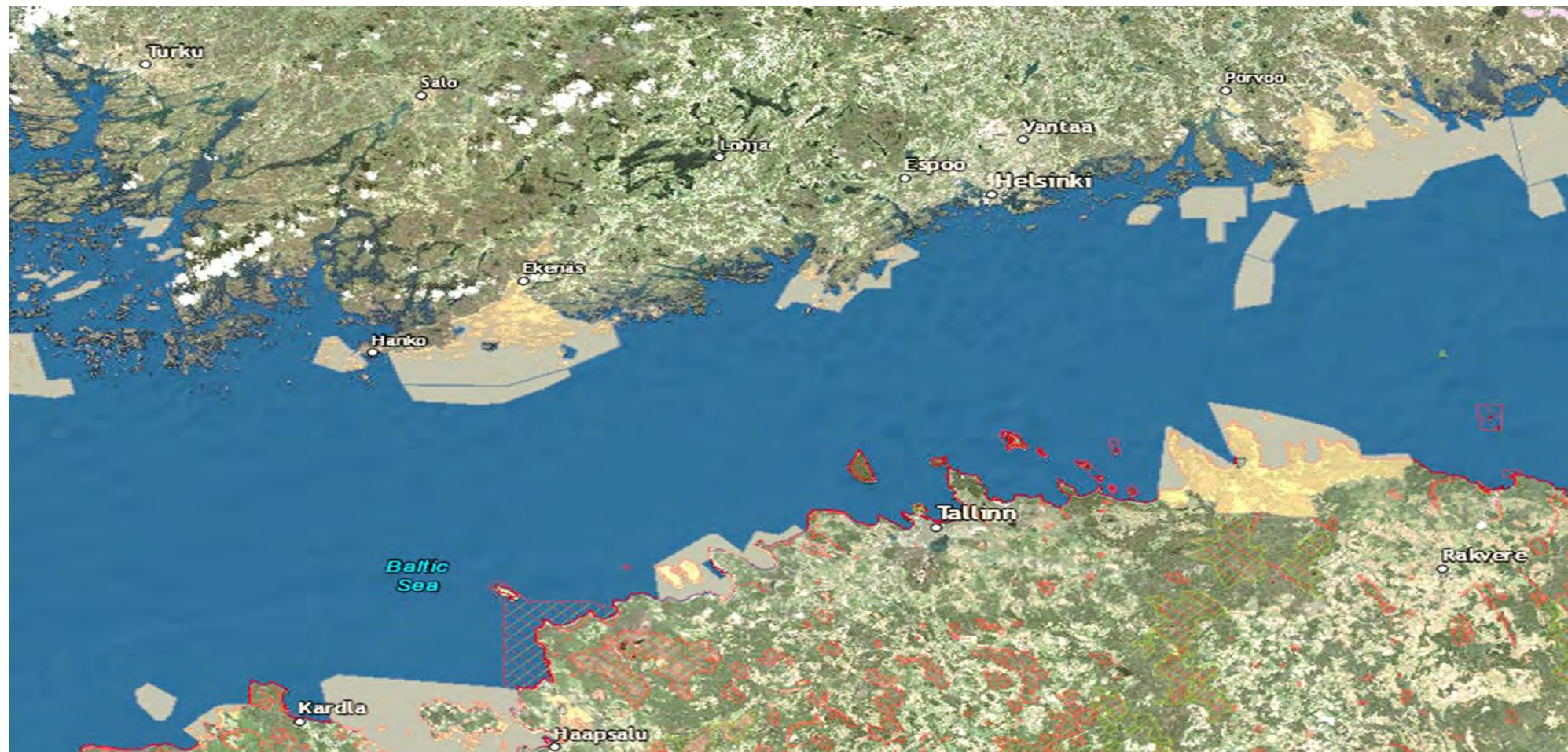




# Objective

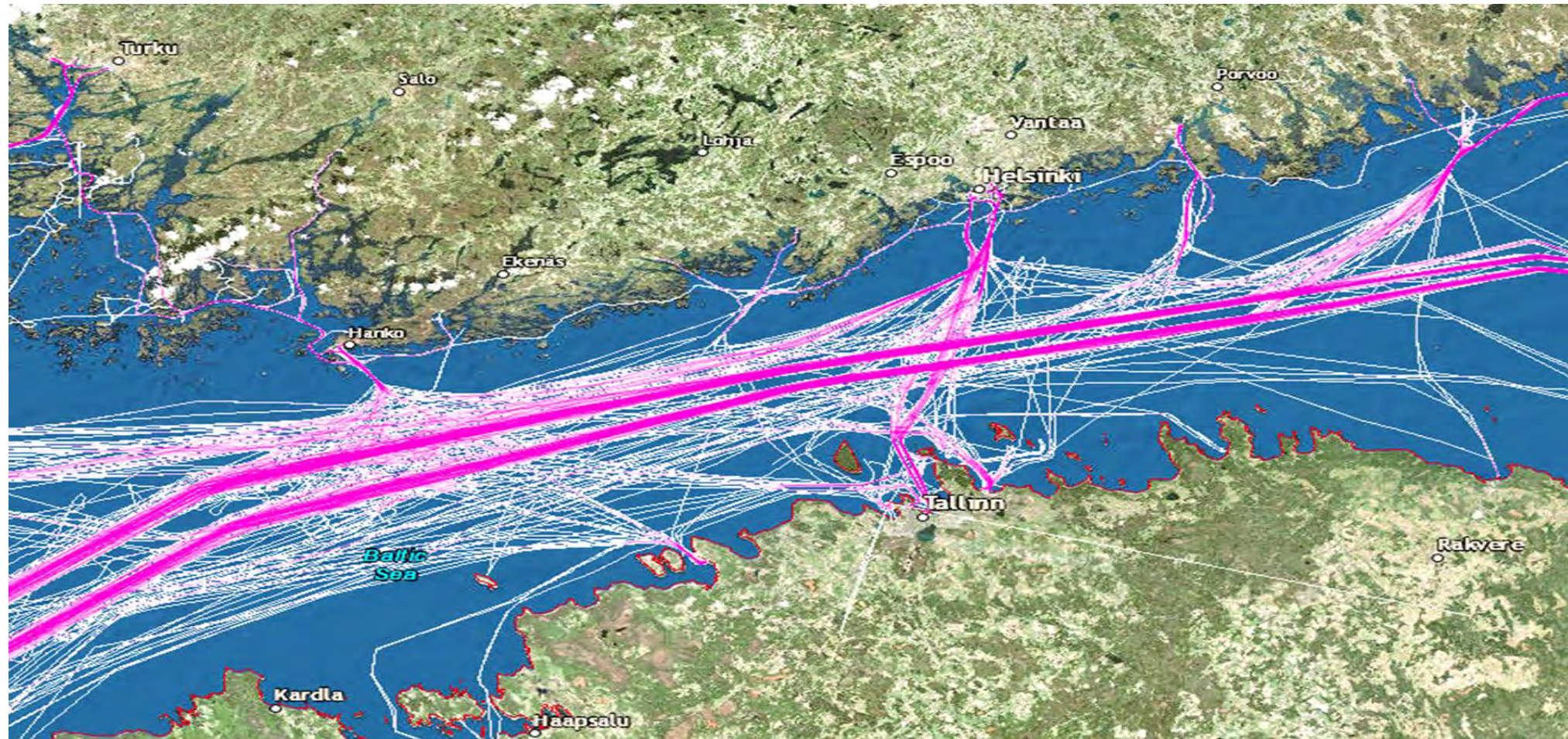
Integrate, referring to ecosystem-based MSP approach, the environmental risks assessment and management into the MSP process by continuously identifying, analysing, and evaluating environmental factors to determine if environmental risk management options are meeting pre-set ecosystem management risk criteria

# Sensitive environment



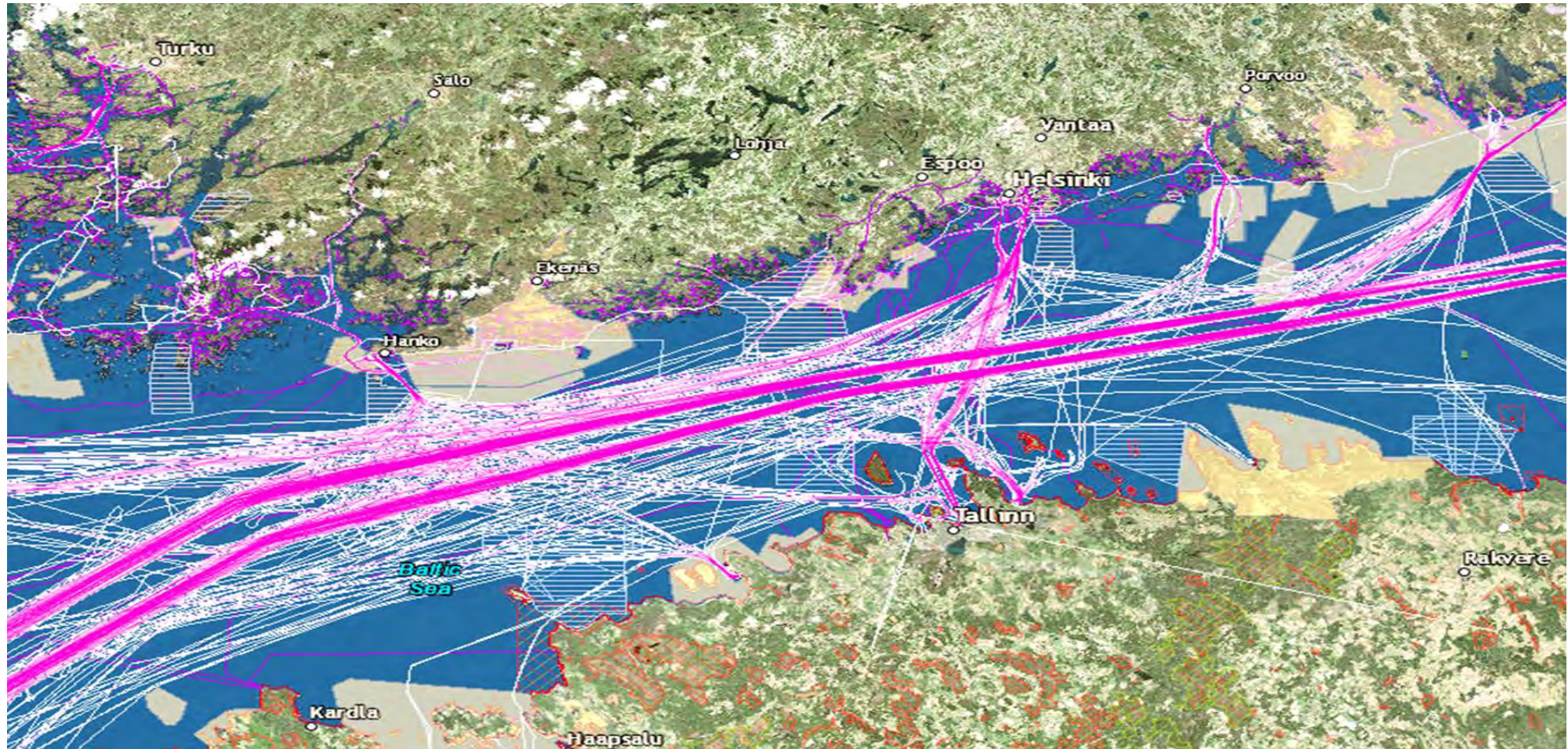


# Heavy maritime traffic





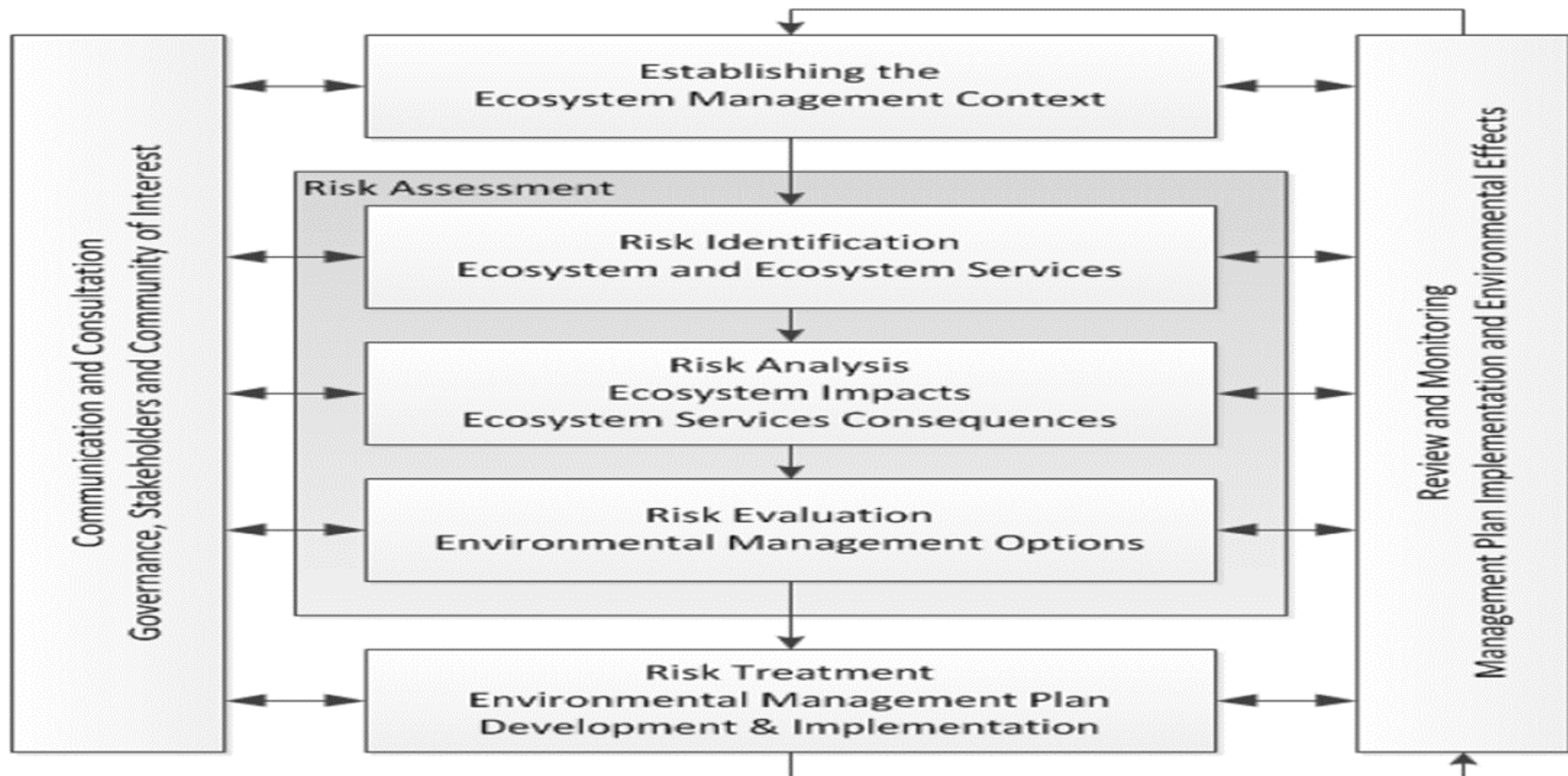
# Multi-use of marine space



**Ecosystem risk management for achieving ecosystem  
and socio-economic objectives within a maritime  
spatial planning management context**



# Ecosystem risk management approach adapted from ISO 31000:2009 risk management standard (ICES, 2014)





# Risk identification

*Significant ecosystem components*: species, habitat features, community properties, ecosystem processes that provide ecological functions within the ecological unit

*Ecosystem component susceptibilities* (degree to which an organism, habitat, or ecosystem is open to impairment or change in its normal life cycle, functional properties, or processes as a result of inherent or predisposed weaknesses to environmental impacts)

# Risk identification

*Significant ecosystem services* related to social, cultural, and economic benefits derived from the ecosystem, such as recreational area, aesthetics, and spiritual or fishery resources

*ecosystem service susceptibilities* (degree to which a social, cultural, or economic activity well-being is open to impairment of its normal operation or status owing to inherent or predisposed weaknesses to the loss of a goods or service caused by environmental impacts)

## Risk identification

Environmental vulnerability profile (descriptions of environmental vulnerabilities in light of driver/pressure cause-and-effect pathways to environmental impacts against the risk criteria) of the Gulf of Finland ecological unit is developed using the Bow-tie methodology and in consultation with the governance structure of the management area and the stakeholders as a geospatial and temporal representation of the ecological unit in relation to the intensity of the drivers and load of their respective pressures



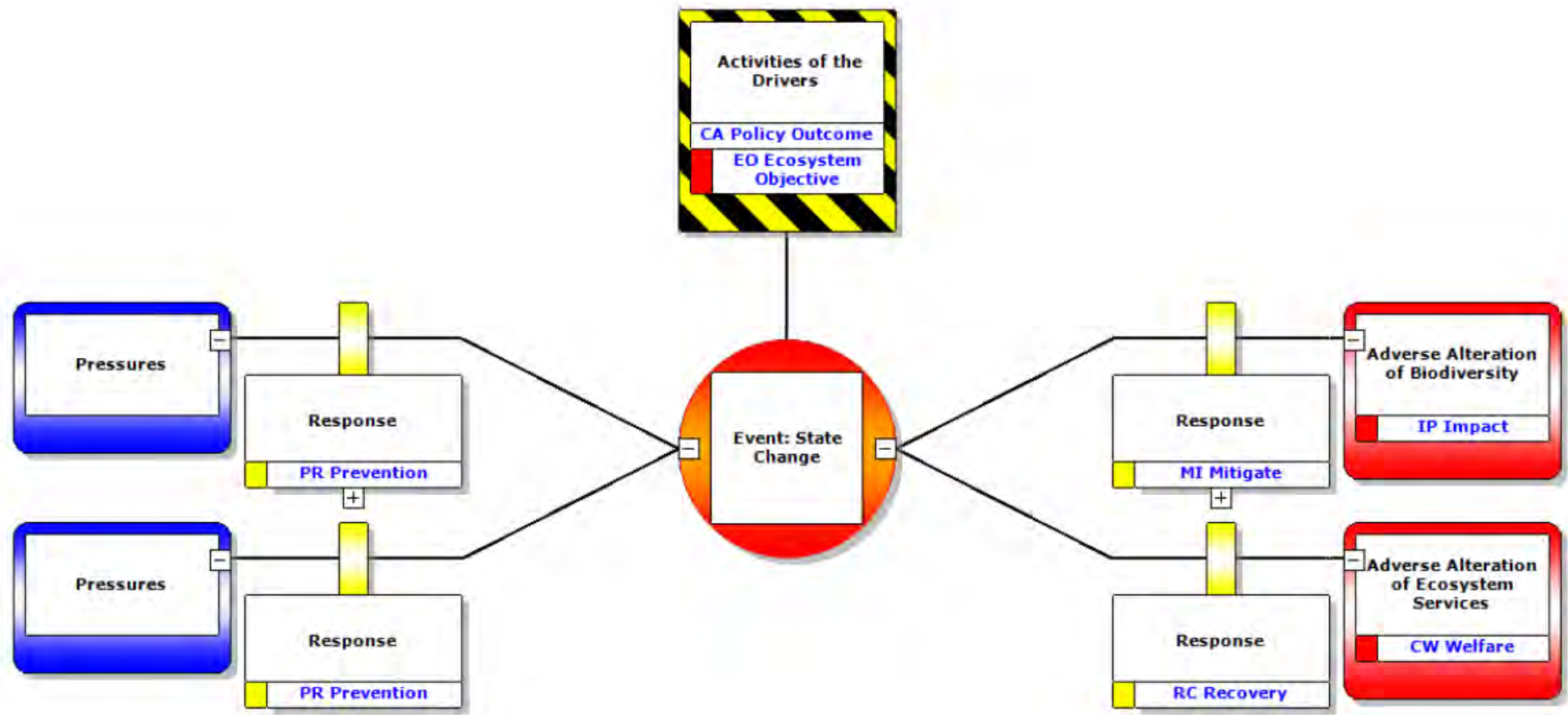
# Risk analysis

The environmental risk profile - spatial and temporal areas of highest risk, based on the likelihood and magnitude of environmental impacts, the impacts to the ecosystem and environmental services, as well as the legislative policy repercussions is developed in consultation with the governance structure of the management area and the stakeholders

# Risk evaluation

In a process of risk evaluation the risk analysis results are compared with with risk criteria in order to determine whether or not a specified level of risk is acceptable or tolerable

## Bow-tie representation of the DPSIR/DPSWR framework (ICES, 2014)

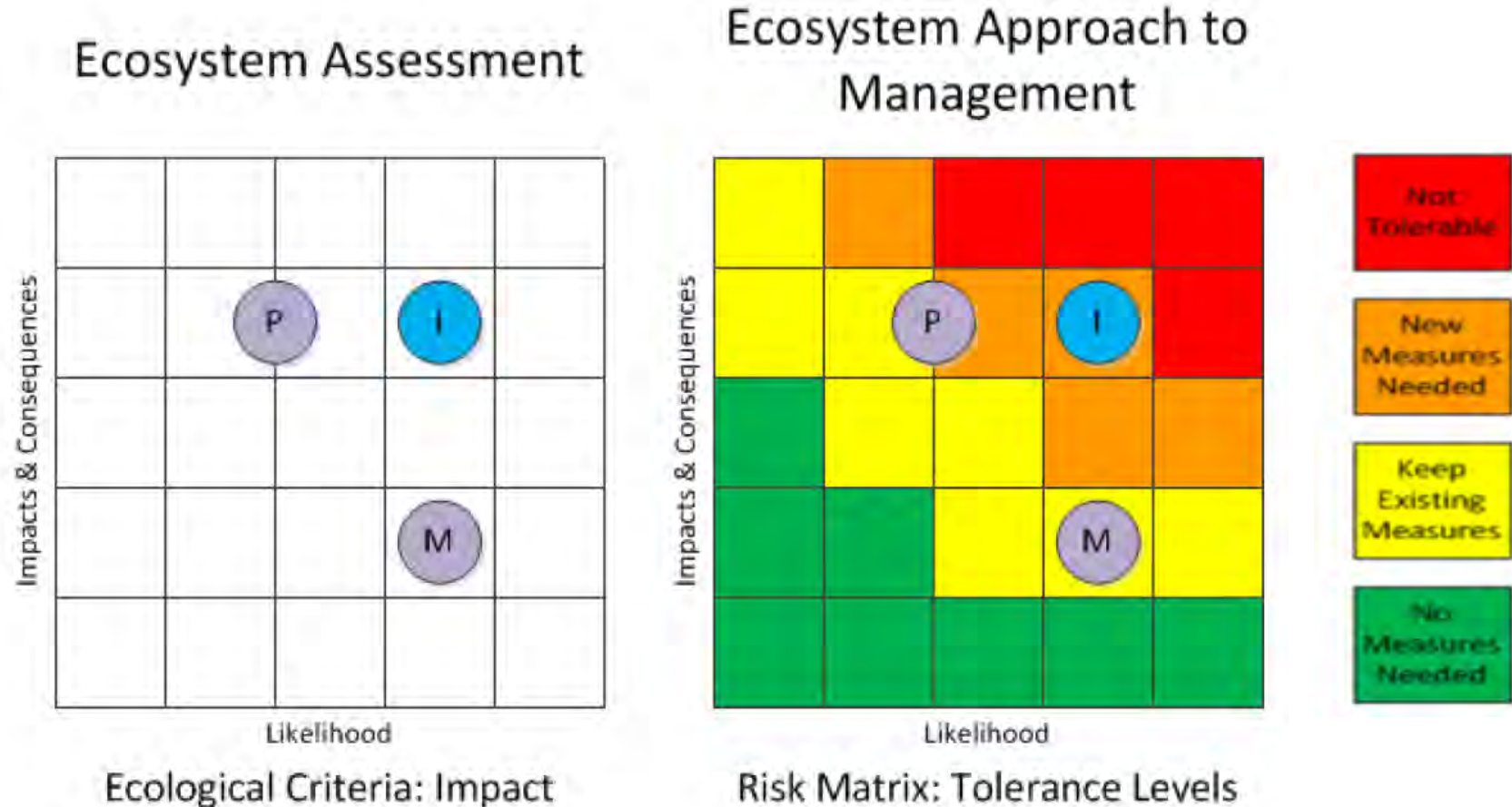




**“Given that a scientific assessment is objective and is based on facts, it would simply reflect likelihood and magnitude leaving the severity, tolerability or values to the governance decision-making processes and stakeholder constituency”**

**ICES, 2014**

The risk matrix defines the tolerability or the acceptability of each likelihood and consequences combinations in terms of the need for taking management action (ICES, 2014)



# Risk evaluation

Risk evaluation of management options for achieving ecosystem objectives in a MSP context is carried out with aim:

- 1) to assess the need to take ecosystem-based risk management action based on the level of risk considered acceptable by the competent authority in consultation with regulators, stakeholders, and the public (risk acceptance, tolerance or aversion)
- 2) to suggest enhancements to existing control and mitigation measures or new measures if the risks are unacceptable to regulators, stakeholders, and the public
- 3) assess existing control and mitigation measures to determine if enhancements are feasible based on available technologies, scientific knowledge, and implantation constraints. Identify new options as possible solutions



# Risk treatment

Referring to risk treatment as a risk modification process and based on the risk evaluation results the most cost-effective Blue Economy scenarios related environmental risk management controls (policy, procedure, practice, process) are developed and implemented using the Bow-tie methodology in consultation with regulators and stakeholders considering control and mitigation options in terms of their position along the cause-and-effect pathway

# The Vision



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## **Some aspects on further joint fisheries research in the Trilateral Estonian-Finnish-Russian cooperation in the Gulf of Finland**

Finland Gulf – area of the joint scientific research

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**Gulf of Finland  
Year 2014**



# GoF : FISH AND FISHERIES

## Road Map for the Gulf of Finland

- Gain a good ecological state of migratory fish stocks by ensuring the access to spawning habitats and successful reproduction in rivers by:
  - ☐ fisheries management and prevention of illegal fishing,
  - ☐ removal of unnecessary dams from rivers and building fish passes at the migration obstacles,
  - ☐ restoration of spawning and rearing habitats in rivers
  - ☐ working with taking steps in order to reduce the load of solid matter and nutrients from of catchment areas of human impacted river ,
- Implementation of measures to restore Atlantic salmon stocks in the four major rivers: the Neva, Narva, Luga and Kymi.
- Take actions to reach a good ecological state in the spawning and nursery areas for herring and other coastal fish species (e.g. by reducing eutrophication)
- Control and development of recommendations and implementation of measures for reducing the anthropogenic influence as a result of hydraulic engineering, pollutant emissions and other human activities in order to maintain the productivity of stocks of all fish species in the region and the health of the marine environment.

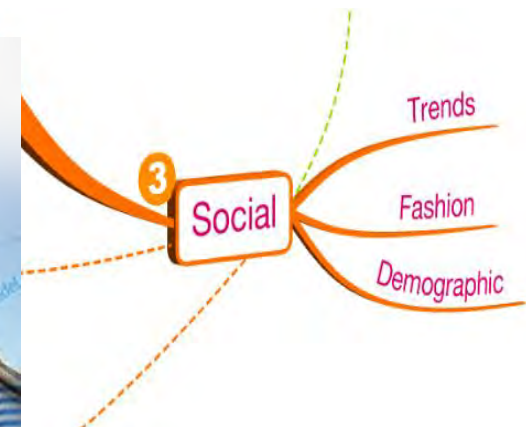
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To have common goals,  
but different opportunities

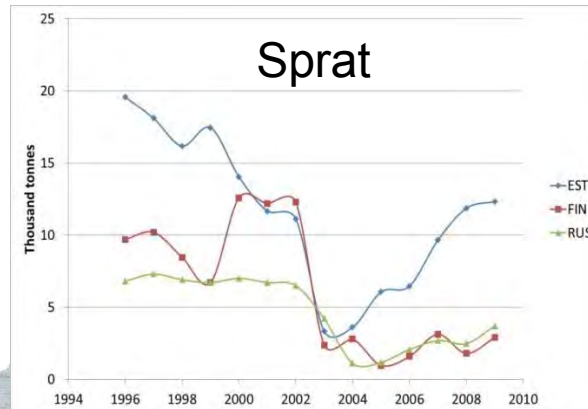
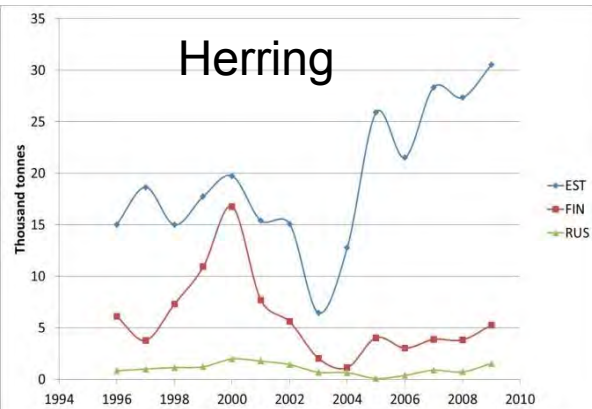


The implementation of the goals and joint research programmes complicate the political, economic and social factors

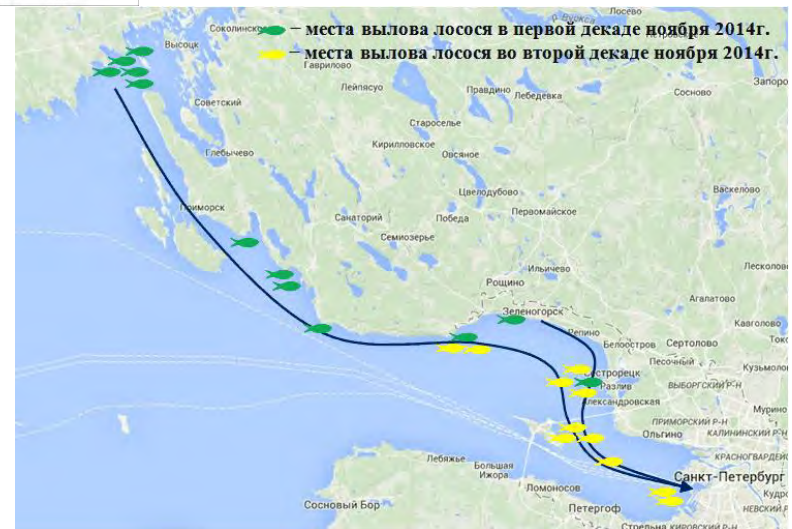


# GoF : FISH AND FISHERIES

Important tasks to ensure joint efforts are a scientific staff, methodological approaches and technical support of fisheries management observations and research.



assessment of fish stocks,  
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estimates of illegal fishing

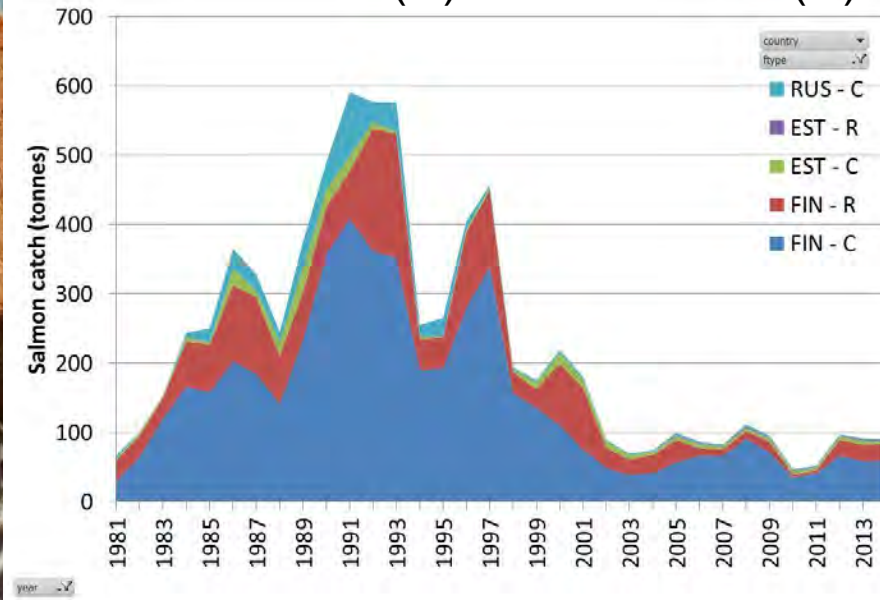




# GoF : FISH AND FISHERIES

We believe that the priority tasks for the near future are to maintain the volume of observations of the fisheries monitoring and surveys for the assessment of fish stocks of the Gulf of Finland, to determine the factors of negative impact on fish resources.

Salmon catch (C) and recreation (R)



# GoF: FISH AND FISHERIES

## Expected results:

### 1. Fish community changes and their causes

- Changes in community structure and species abundance (long-term changes)
- Long-term changes in the habitat of fish
- Climate influence on fish distribution patterns (Baltic herring and sprat)
- Joint acoustic surveys of Baltic herring and a sprat
- Development surveys of the fresh-water fishes on the GoF area
- Salmon assessment and migrations in the GoF basin.
- Ecosystem research in shallow bays and gulfs in the eastern GoF
- New methods for assessing the state of the fish stocks

### 2. Anthropogenic forcing

- Environmental disturbance on fish populations
- Assessment of coastal and commercial fish contamination with hazardous substances (core indicators)
- Local physical disturbance, e.g., dredging and dumping of the dredged material

### 3. Sustainable use of fish resources

- management of commercial stocks
- Long-term changes of commercial fish populations in the GoF
- Development of indicators to describe the status of fish stocks and the status of the marine environment



# GoF : FISH AND FISHERIES

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# Vision for the Baltic Sea

*“A **healthy** Baltic Sea environment with diverse biological components functioning in balance, resulting in a good ecological status and supporting a wide range of sustainable economic and social activities.”*

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[www.helcom.fi/baltic-sea-action-plan](http://www.helcom.fi/baltic-sea-action-plan)



# Report on the status of the Baltic Sea – second HELCOM holistic assessment

## Aims:

- Follow up on the **Baltic Sea Action Plan (BSAP)**
- In particular:
  - Better and more reliable indicators
  - Improved data flow
  - Increasingly automated and transparent assessment methods



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# Key parts of the assessment

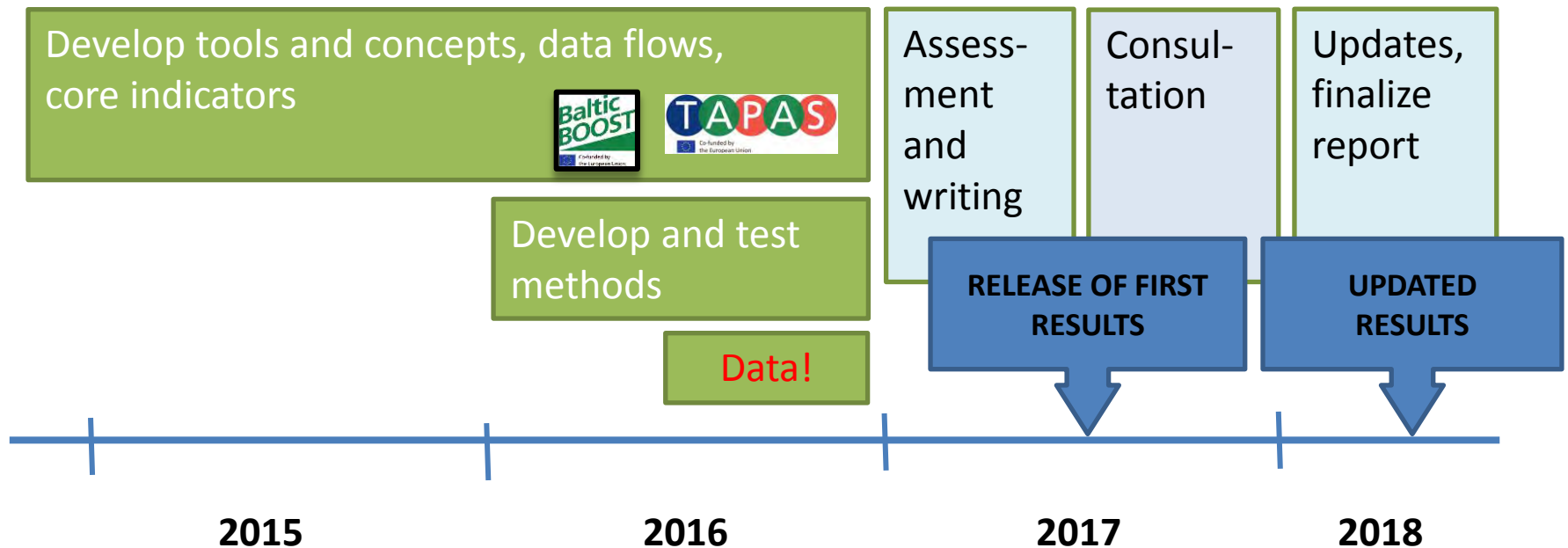
- Integrated assessments of
  - Biodiversity
  - Eutrophication
  - Hazardous substances
  - Maritime activities
- The Baltic Sea Pressure Index (Cumulative impacts)
  - Human activities and resulting pressures as spatial datasets
  - Ecosystem component spatial datasets
- Regionally coordinated social and economic analyses of use of marine waters and cost of degradation



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# Timeline

Project from December 2014 to June 2018.



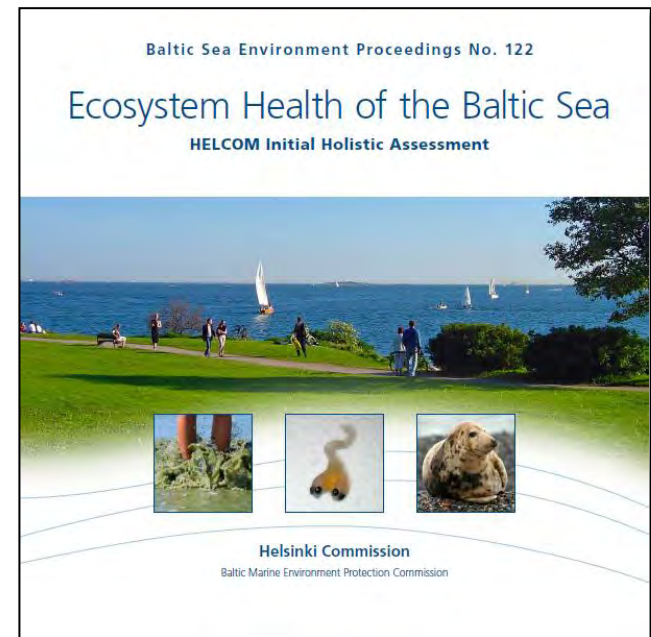
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# The report is part of HELCOM monitoring and assessment strategy

Builds on regionally agreed and coordinated assessment methods within HELCOM groups:

- Commonly agreed indicators
- Coordinated monitoring programmes
- Monitoring guidelines implemented e.g. COMBINE
- Data collection and regular data reporting workflows  
→ **aim for comparable publicly available data**



**Contents of the first report that was published in 2010:**

Status - Causes - Solutions - Costs and benefits -  
Conclusions and perspectives



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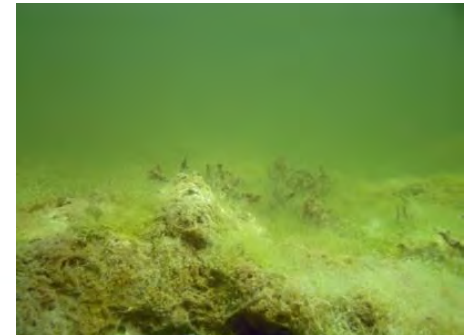
# Filling data gaps

- Complete Baltic-wide datasets are limited
  - How to fill in gaps → ad hoc data requests/  
data mining
    - All available free spatial datasets explored and  
utilized when applicable
    - Targeted data requests
- All efforts in making data available are highly  
welcomed!



# Indicators

- “Building blocks” of the assessment
- Common regional scale indicators developed in order to:
  - show the status of the indicator for agreed spatial scale (good / not good environmental status)
  - To show trends over time



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# Indicators

- **Monitoring** → Data → Indicator results → Assessment



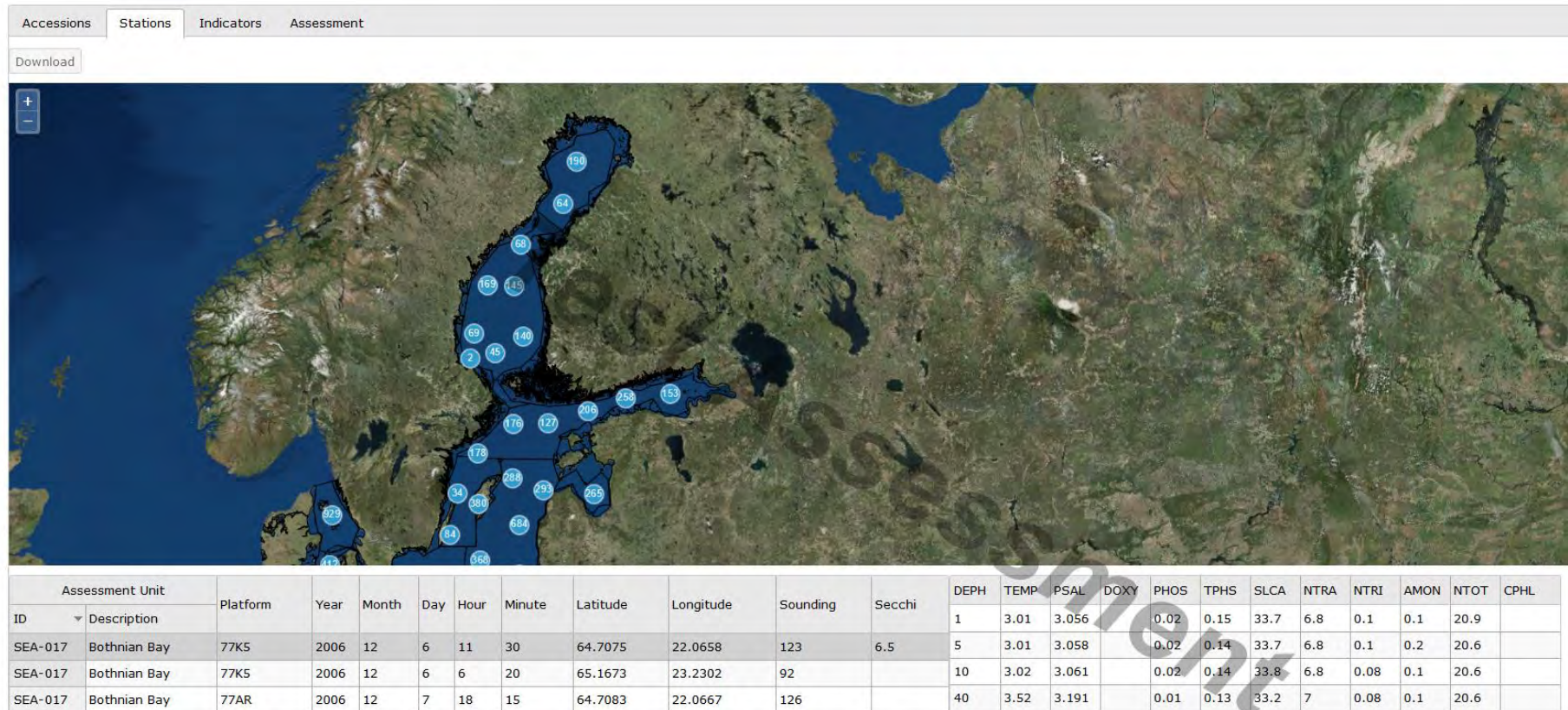
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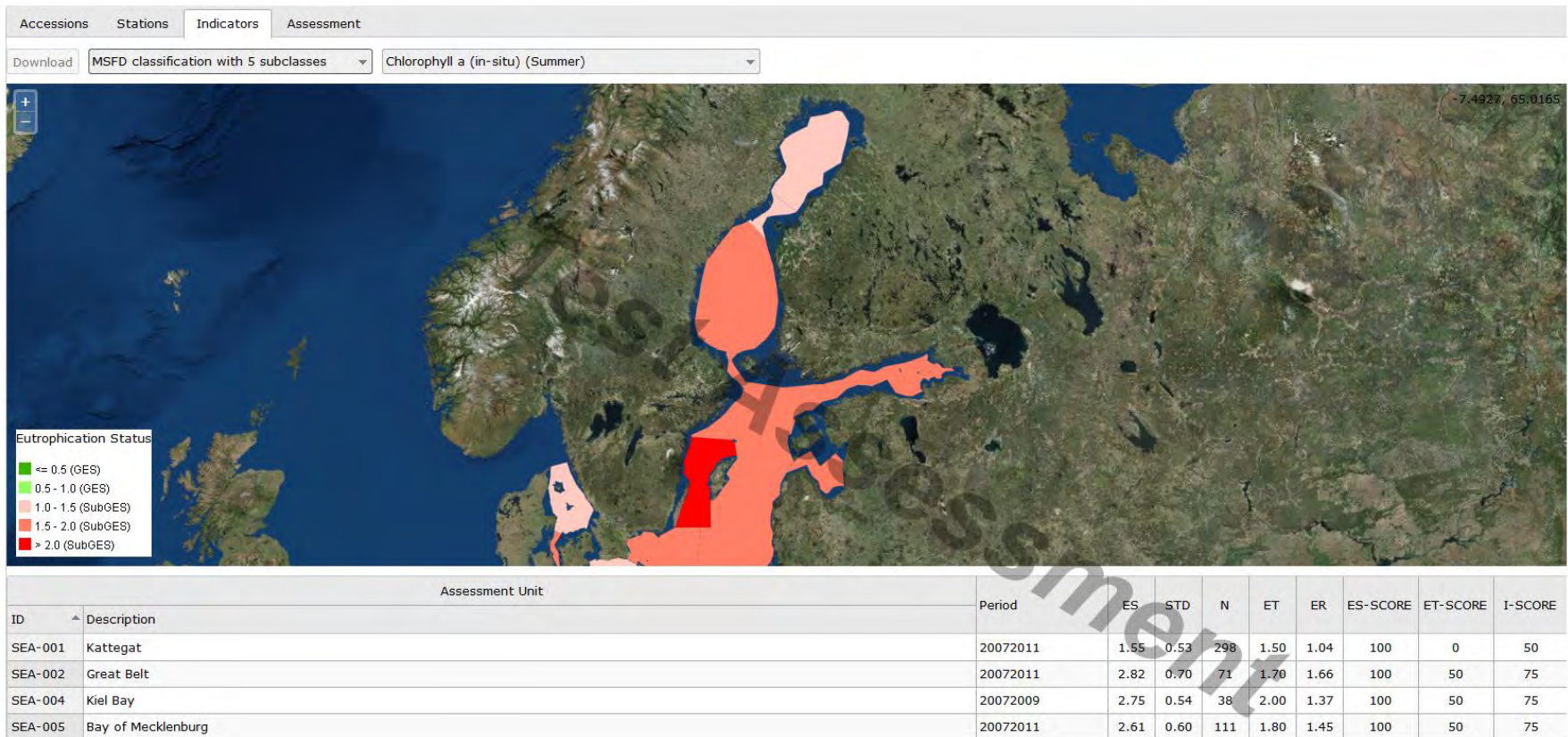


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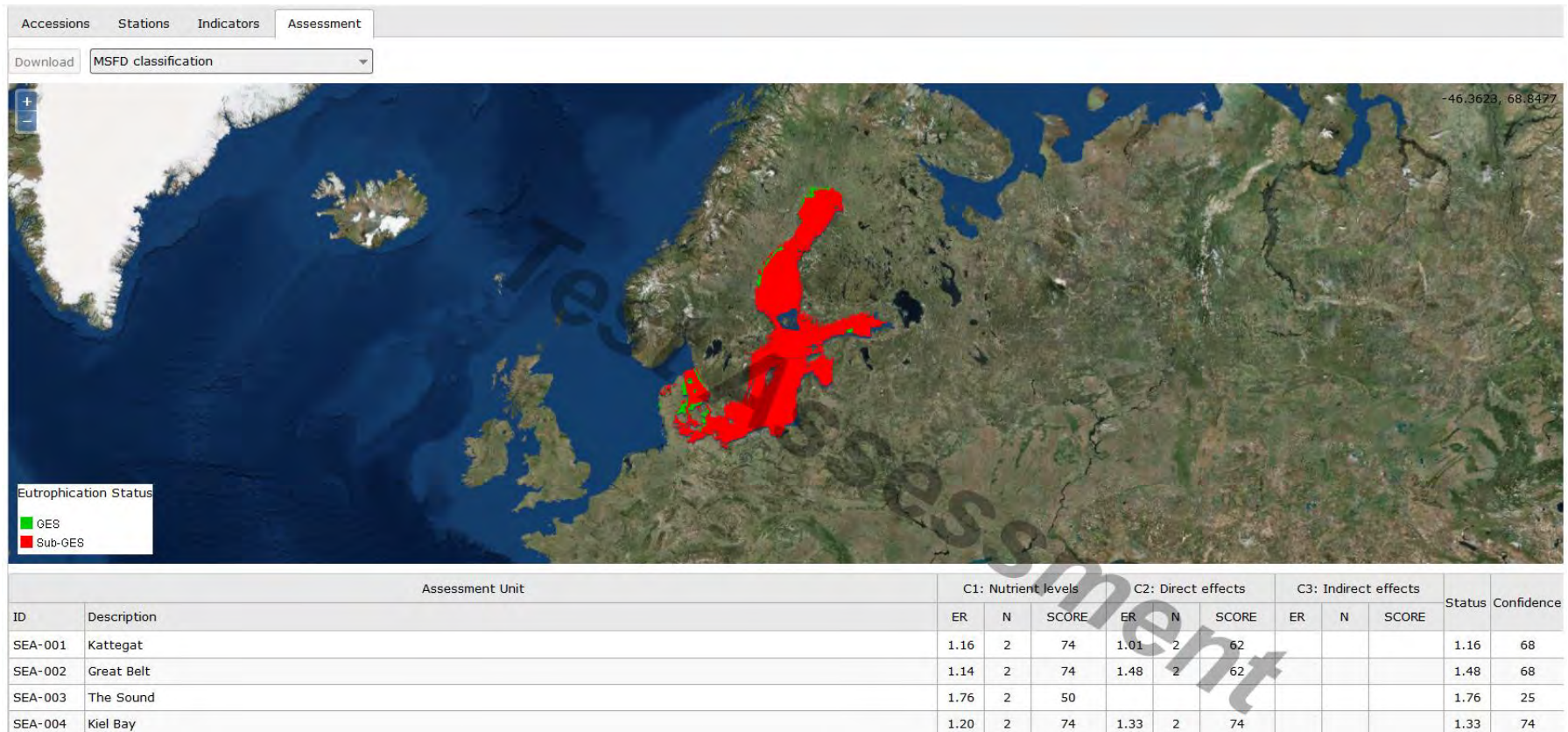


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# Pressures and human activities

- Limited data collection framework → ad hoc data requests
- Visualise the spatial distribution of human activities and pressures → serves also data needs of transboundary MSP

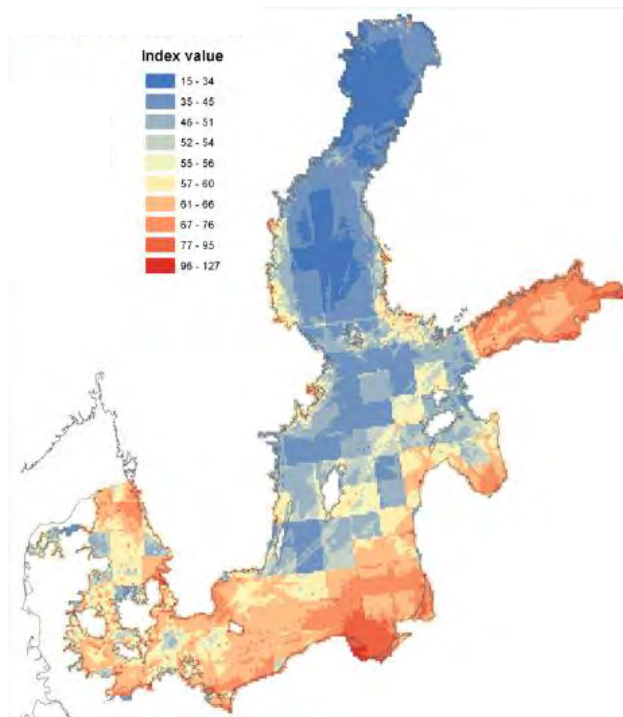


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# The 2010 Pressure indices

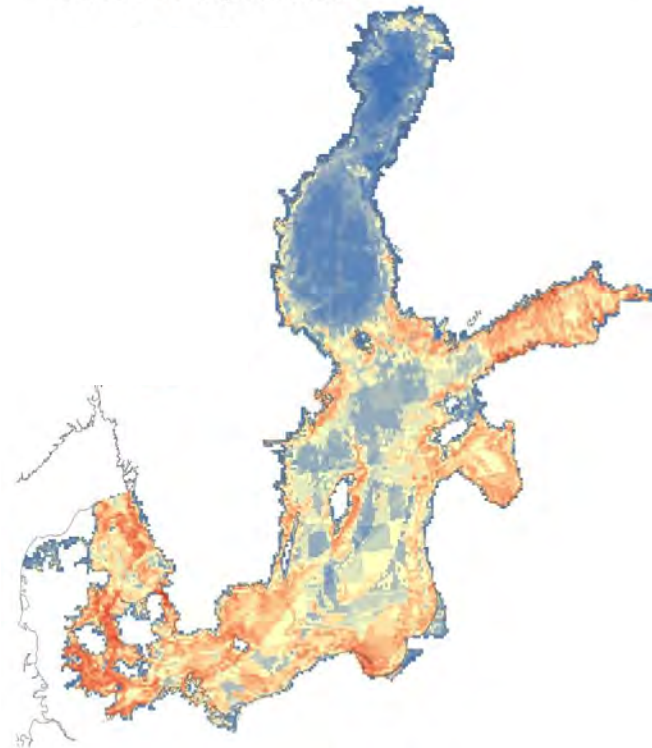
## HELCOM BSPI (Baltic Sea Pressure index)

- Pressure data layers (intensity)



## HELCOM BSPII (Baltic Sea Impact Index)

Pressure data layer & Ecosystem component data layers & Impact scores



Korpinen et al 2012. *Ecological Indicators* 15:105-114.



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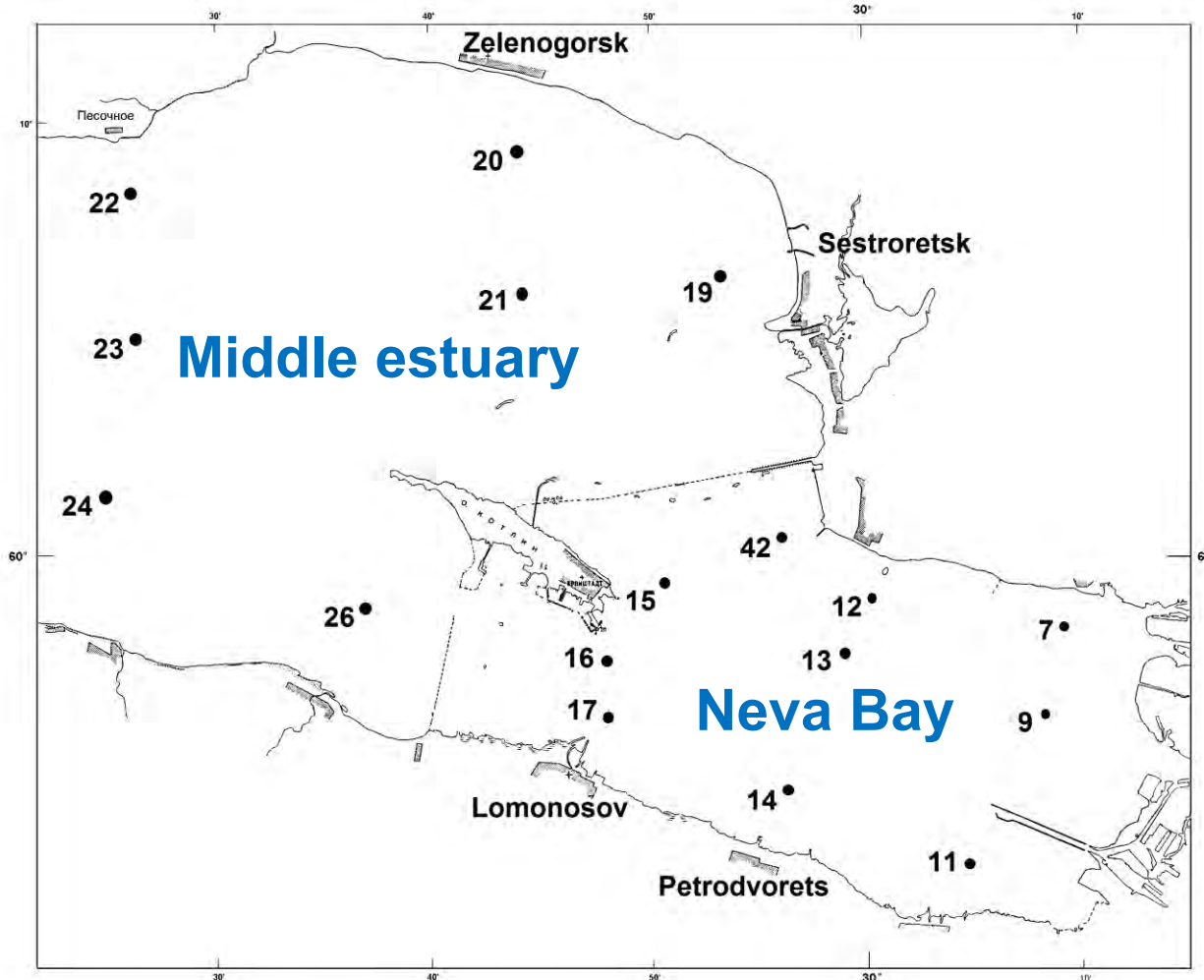


# Introduction

Most studies on eutrophication in the Neva Estuary are focused on phosphorus budget. However, modern definition considers an eutrophication as an increase in the rate of supply of organic matter (OM) to an ecosystem (Omstedt et al., 2014). Therefore, detail investigations of different forms of OM coming from the watershed and creating in the system are required to realize the ecosystem function and to develop effective remedial measures.

**The aim** of the study was to ascertain the importance of allochthonous an autochthonous organic matter in food webs and ecosystem functioning of the Neva Estuary by analyzing its metabolism and the stable isotopic ( $C^{13}$  and  $N^{15}$ ) composition of zoobenthos and seston.

# Stations of the annual sampling of planktonic and benthic communities in the Neva Estuary



**Neva Bay** –  
freshwater (0,07-  
0,02 ‰), shallow  
(mean depth 3.5-4  
m), separated from  
the Middle Estuary  
by Dam (surge  
protecting barrier)

**Middle estuary** –  
salinity of surface  
water (1 - 3 ‰),  
depth – from 9 (st.  
26) to 27 m (st. 23)

# Mean values of plankton primary production (A, PP) and mineralization of organic matter (D, R) in the Neva Estuary for 2003-2015

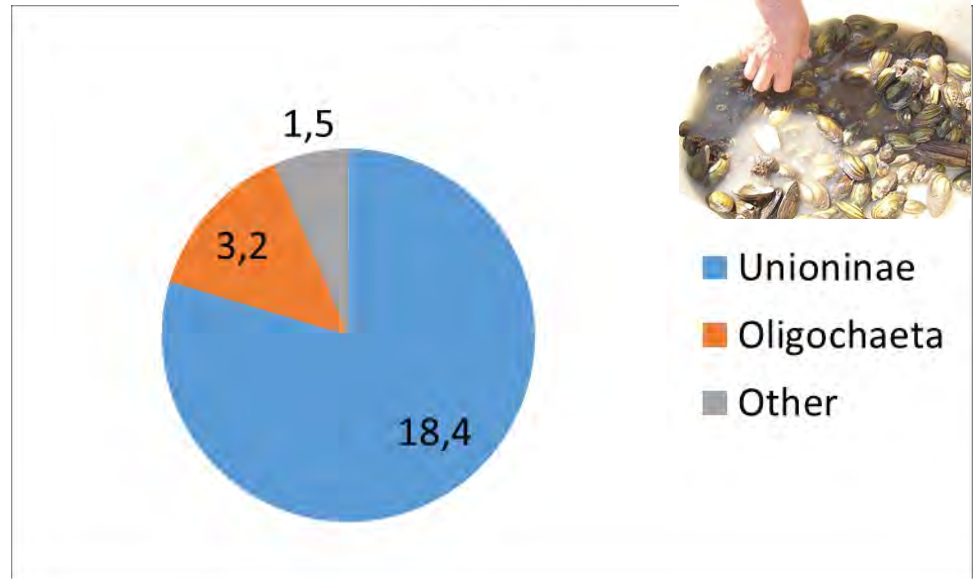
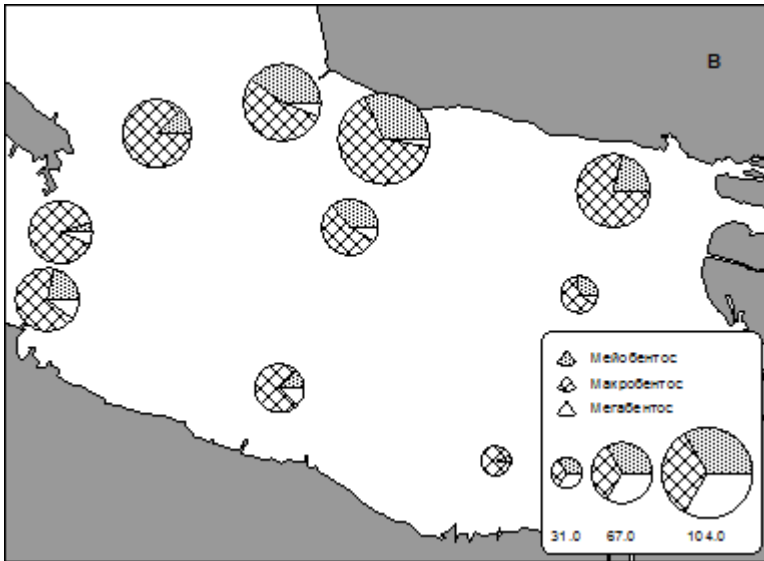
	A, gC m <sup>-3</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	PP, gC m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	D, gC m <sup>-3</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	R, gC m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	A/D	PP/R
Neva Bay						
Mean	0.61	0.62	0.30	1.04	2.02	<b>0.60</b>
±SD	0.17	0.18	0.08	0.30		
n	130	130	130	130		
Middle estuary						
Mean	0.94	1.39	0.29	2.46	3.25	<b>0.57</b>
±SD	0.34	0.58	0.11	0.83		
n	91	91	91	91		



# Zoobenthos in Neva Bay

**Energy flows ( $\text{mg C m}^{-2}\text{d}^{-1}$ )  
in zoobenthos** (from Maximov,  
Golubkov, Petukhov, 2014)

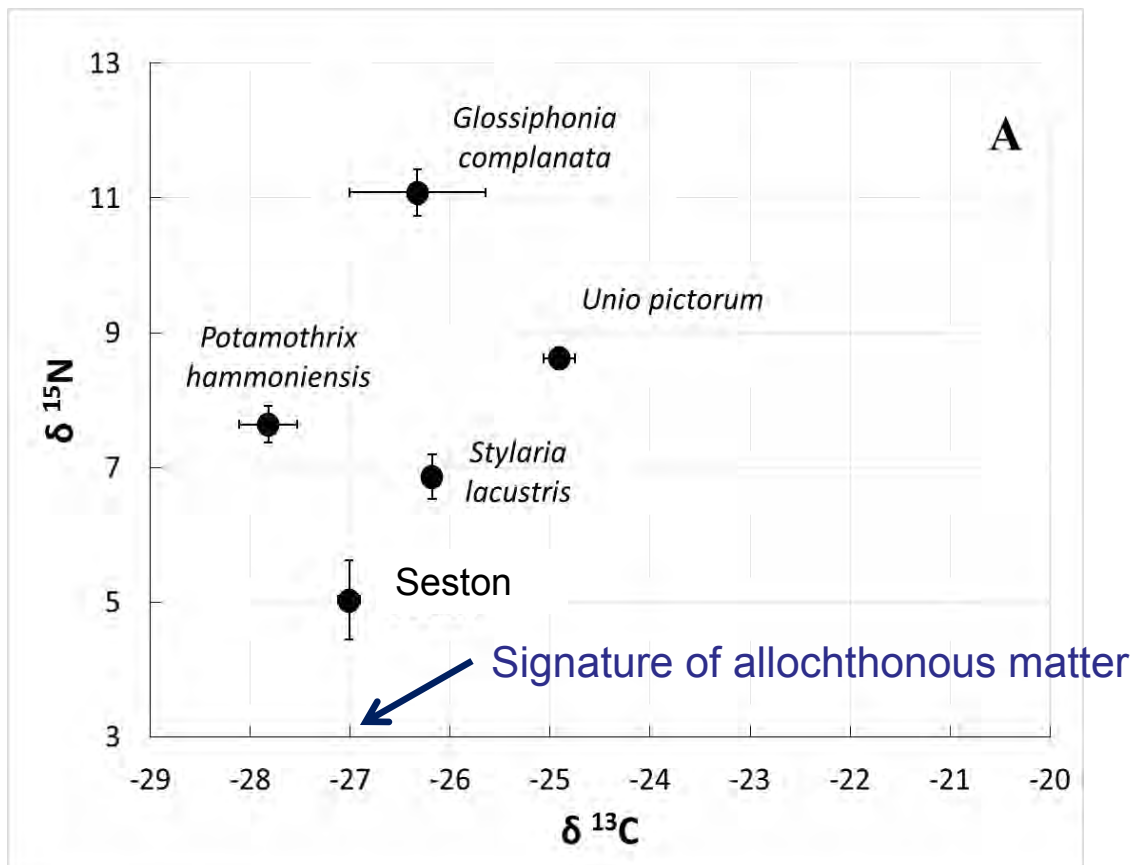
**Mean biomass ( $\text{g WW/m}^2$ ) of the  
dominant groups of zoobenthos in  
Neva Bay**



**Large mollusks Unionidae are predominant in zoobenthos in Neva Bay, but their role in energy flows are much lower than oligochaetes and meiobenthos**

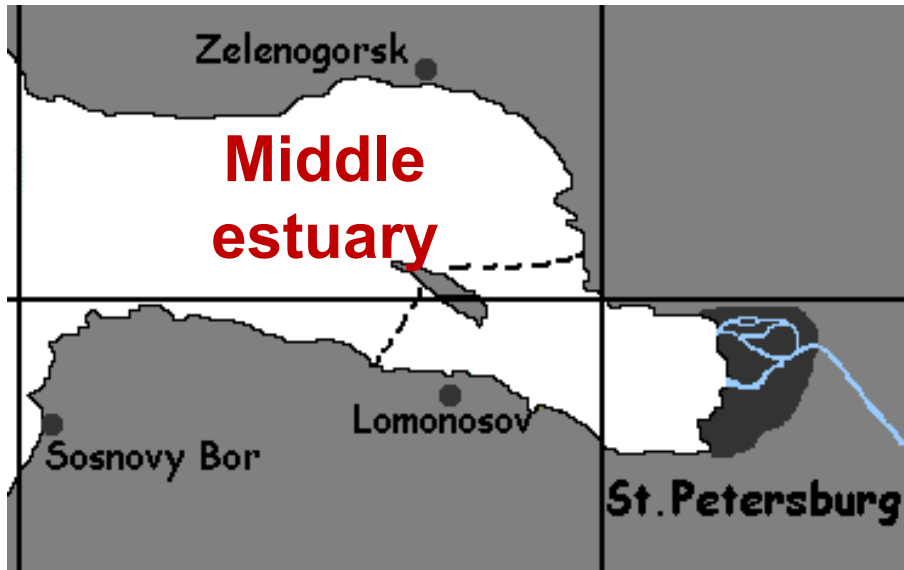
# Origin of carbon in the organic matter in Neva Bay

Stable isotope signatures of seston and dominant zoobenthic species in Neva Bay  
(from Golubkov, Tiunov, 2015)

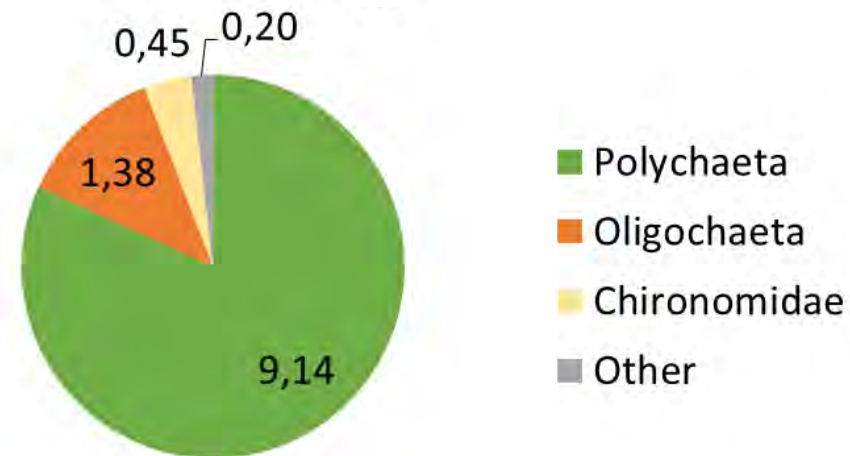


Isotope signatures ( $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ) of seston and most of the dominant zoobenthic species in Neva Bay are close to signature of allochthonous terrestrial carbon ( $-27$  ‰) coming from watershed.

# Zoobenthos in the Middle estuary



Mean biomass (g WW/m<sup>2</sup>) of the dominant groups of zoobenthos in the Middle estuary in 2013–2014



***Marenzelleria arctia* (Polychaeta) sharply dominates in the Middle estuary nowadays**



# Changes in zoobenthos of the Middle estuary



***Saduria entomon***



***Monoporeia affinis***

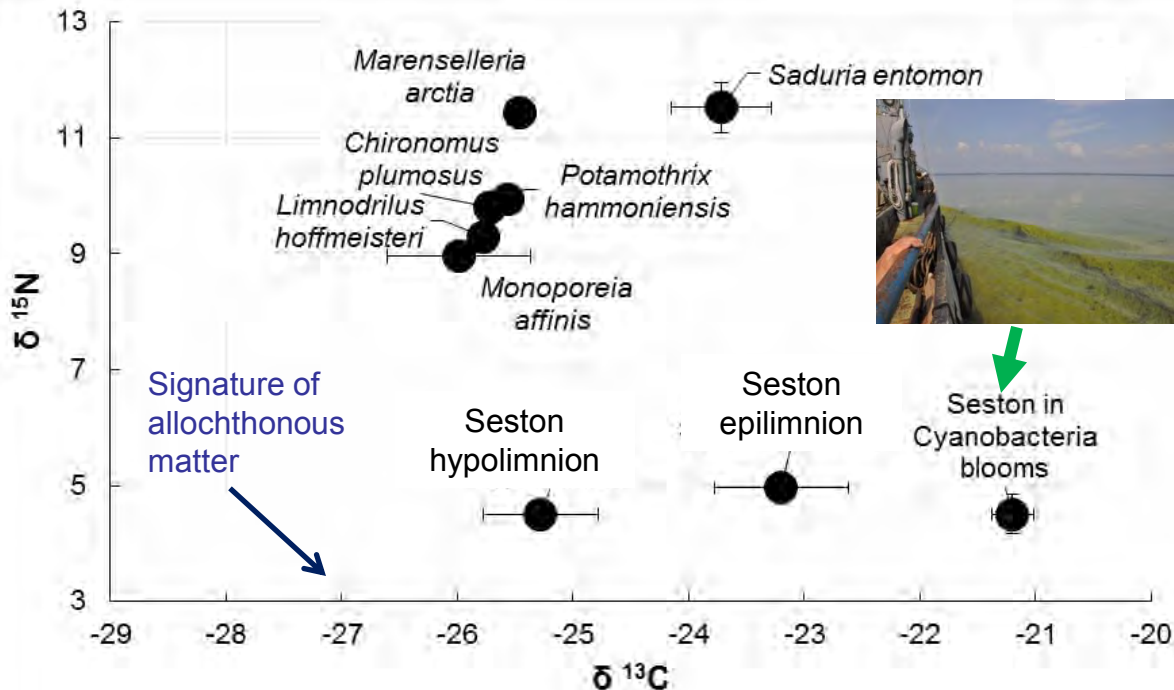


***Marenzelleria sp.***

Native nectobenthic glacial relicts ***Monoporeia affinis*** and ***Saduria entomon*** sharply dominated in zoobenthos in middle part of the eastern Gulf of Finland until the early 2000s. they were replaced by alien worms ***Marenzelleria arctia*** at the late 2000s – early 2010's after several hypoxia events, which deteriorated native benthic communities and promoted distribution of alien species

# Origin of carbon in the organic matter in the middle part of the Neva Estuary

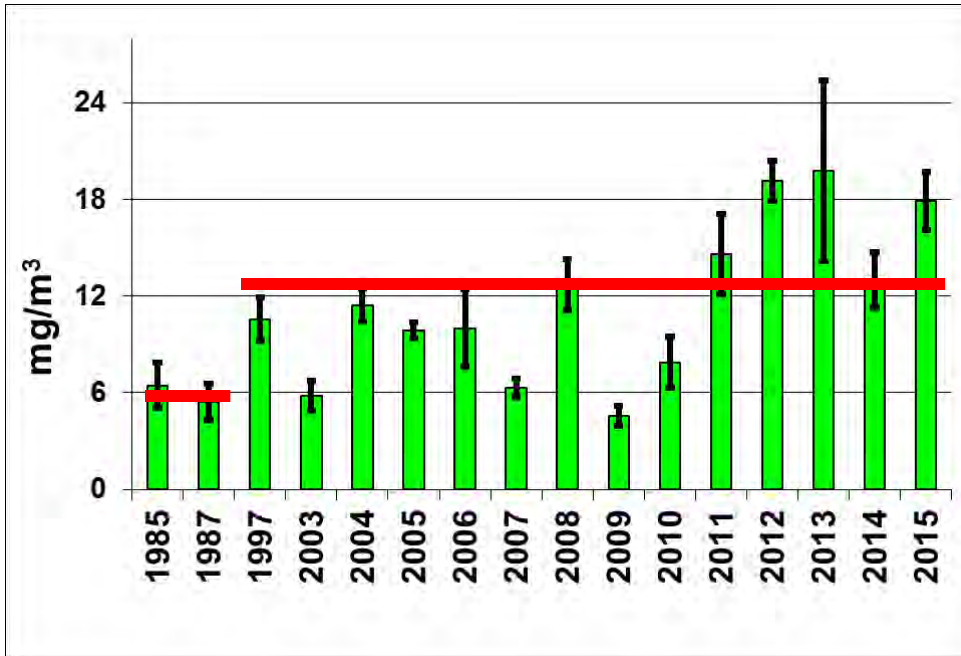
## Stable isotope signatures of seston and dominant zoobenthic species in the Middle estuary



In the Middle estuary δ<sup>13</sup>C signature of seston was distinctly higher than in Neva Bay. Especially high δ<sup>13</sup>C signature (−21 ‰) was determined for seston from the local blooms of cyanobacteria. Most species of zoobenthos had δ<sup>13</sup>C signature similar to the signature of seston in hypolimnion, which was notably lower than isotopic signature of cyanobacteria. Therefore, organic matter (OM) creating during cyanobacteria blooms was not important as a food for zoobenthos.

# Changes in phytoplankton in the Middle estuary during the last decades

Average concentration of chlorophyll *a* in in mid-summer



Concentration of chlorophyll *a* in the middle part of the estuary increased twice in 2000s as compared with 1980s.

Cyanobacteria blooms in the Middle estuary in August 2013



Cyanobacteria and other **low sinking** groups became dominant in summer phytoplankton in 2000's.



# Primary production (Pp) and production of zoobenthos (Pb) in the Inner Estuary in 1980s and 2010s

Index	1980s*	2014
Pp, mg C m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	340	890
Pb, mg C m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	12	13.3
Pb/Pp, %	3.53	2.02

\* - from Golubkov *et al.*, 2010

Changes in phytoplankton composition and deterioration of the native zoobenthos result in low effectivity of pelagic-benthic coupling and changes in zoobenthos in 2000s as compared with more early period. Alien *Marenzelleria* worms are less accessible for fish, as compared to the native crustaceans and their proliferation may be one of the reason great decline of fish stock in the eastern Gulf of Finland nowadays. The fish catch also declined from 30000 – 40000 t in 1970s to 4000 – 5000 t in 2000s

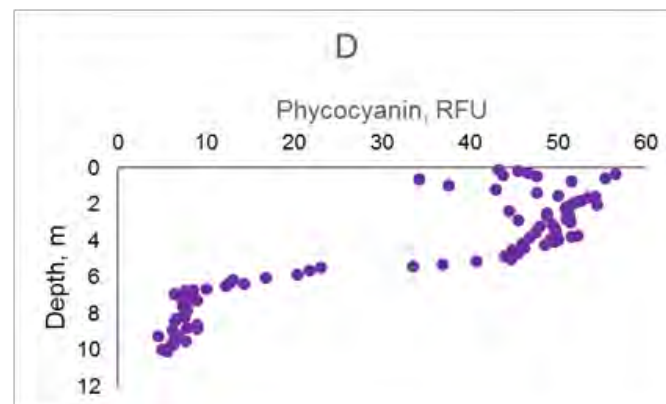
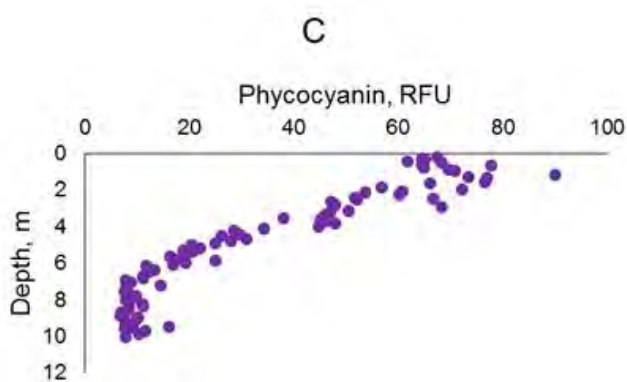
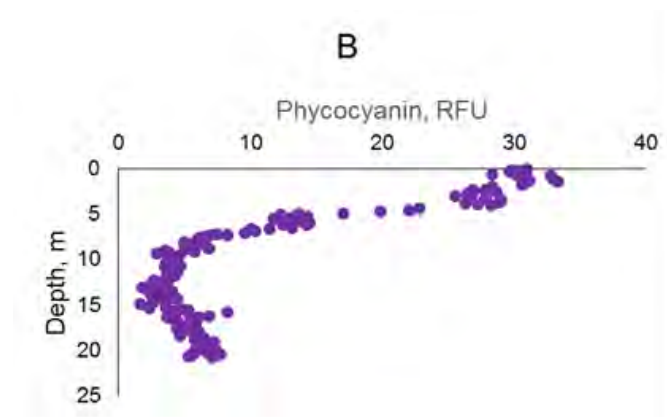
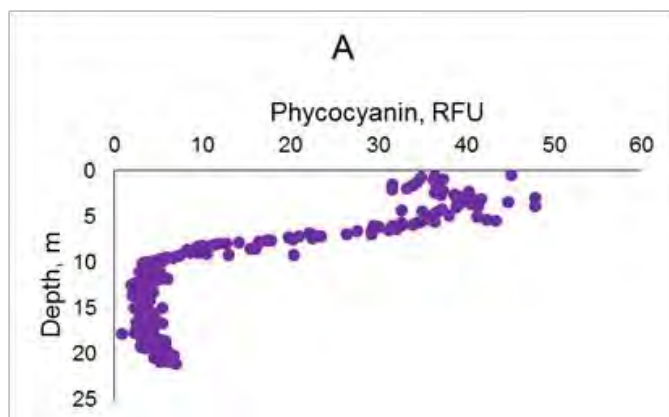
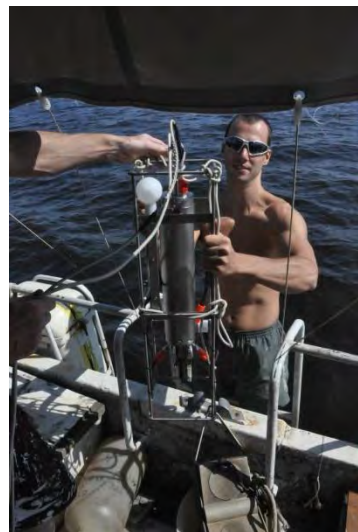
## Mean biomass of different phytoplankton groups ( $\pm$ SE) and their proportion in the total biomass of phytoplankton (%) in the Middle estuary for different periods

Years	Biomass mg/l	Cyano- bacteria	Bacillario- phyta	Crypto- phyta	Chloro- phyta	Others
1982-1988	1.9 $\pm$ 0.2	38.0 $\pm$ 5.5	42.5 $\pm$ 2.6	2.5 $\pm$ 0.1	13.0 $\pm$ 3.2	4.0 $\pm$ 0.9
1997-2000	3.9 $\pm$ 0.8	65.4 $\pm$ 12.6	10.0 $\pm$ 2.1	9.5 $\pm$ 3.2	7.2 $\pm$ 2.5	7.9 $\pm$ 3.1
2002-2004	5.2 $\pm$ 0.4	63.0 $\pm$ 5.6	13.2 $\pm$ 3.3	7.5 $\pm$ 3.4	14.3 $\pm$ 2.2	2.0 $\pm$ 0.5
2005-2010	3.6 $\pm$ 0.8	34.8 $\pm$ 9.8	25.7 $\pm$ 6.1	19.1 $\pm$ 4.2	15.5 $\pm$ 3.5	4.9 $\pm$ 0.6
2013-2014	4.3 $\pm$ 0.7	43.3 $\pm$ 5.6	18.8 $\pm$ 6.3	24.2 $\pm$ 5.8	15.9 $\pm$ 2.3	2.4 $\pm$ 0.5

$\pm$  - mean error

Biomass of diatoms (Bacillariophyta) remains a proximately the same in 2000s as compared to 1980s (about 0.8 mg/l), but biomass of Cyanobacteria increased more then twice, from about 0.7 to 1.7 mg/l

# Vertical distributions of cyanobacteria phycocyanine concentrations in relative fluorescence units (RFU) in the Middle estuary



A – station (st.) 23 in 2013, B – st. 23 in 2014, C – st. 19 in 2013, D – st. 19 in 2014.



# Conclusions

- The prevalence of mineralization over production of organic matter in the upper and middle parts of the estuary confirms considerable role of allochthonous carbon in its ecosystem.
- The carbon isotope signature of seston and most of zoobentic species in Neva Bay was close to the signature of allochthonous carbon leaking from the watershed ( $-27\text{‰}$ ).
- Higher values of  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  of zoobenthos and seston the Middle estuary than in Neva Bay indicate higher importance of autochthonous organic matter in food webs of the Middle estuary.
- Considerable increase of production and biomass of mid-summer phytoplankton was observed in the Middle estuary during the last decades mainly due to considerable increase in biomass of cyanobacteria. However, they are mostly concentrated in the upper water layers and only a small part of them reached the bottom and may be used as a food by zoobenthos. Therefore, additional amounts of autochthonous matter creating as a result of eutrophication poorly incorporates in benthic food webs.

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# PRIMARY PRODUCTION AND CHLOROPHYLL A CONCENTRATION IN MIXING ZONE OF THE NEVA ESTUARY

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# OBJECTIVE AND SAMPLING

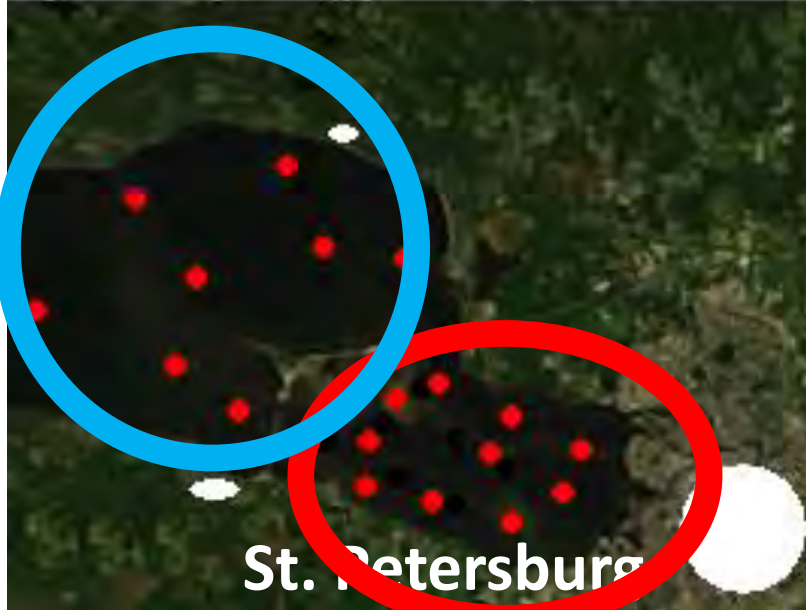


- **Objective:**

**Determination of the tendencies in the development of eutrophication process during the last two decades**

- **Sampling:**

**19 sampling stations were done at summer 2003-2016 at the end of July and very beginning of August 2003-2016 in the **Upper part of Neva Estuary** – *freshwater and shallow Neva Bay* and in the **Middle part of Neva Estuary** (*salinity of surface water up to 3 PSU, depth up to 30 m*).**





# METHODS



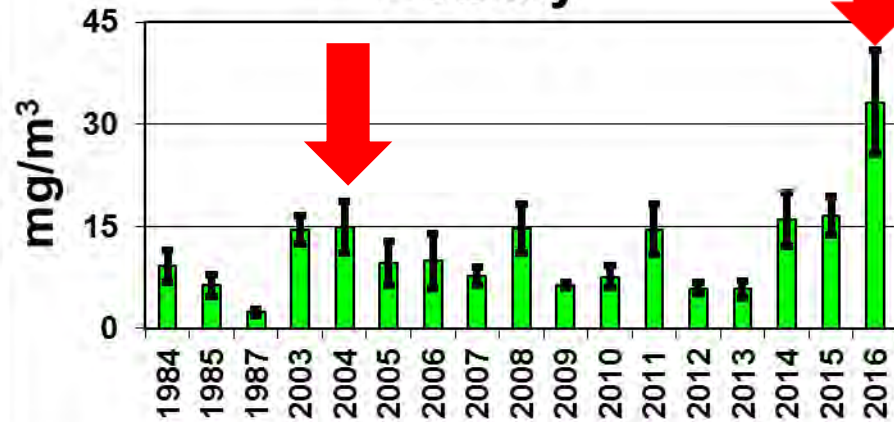
To characterize heterogeneity of the waters concentration of chlorophyll *a*, CDOM, turbidity, salinity, temperature were measured by C6-multisensor platform (TurnersDesigns, USA) and CTD90m probe (Sea&Sun Tech., Germany).

On each sampling station were measured Secchi depth, primary production of phytoplankton and decomposition of organic matter in water column, concentration of chlorophyll *a*, concentration of total phosphorus with classical hydrobiological methods.

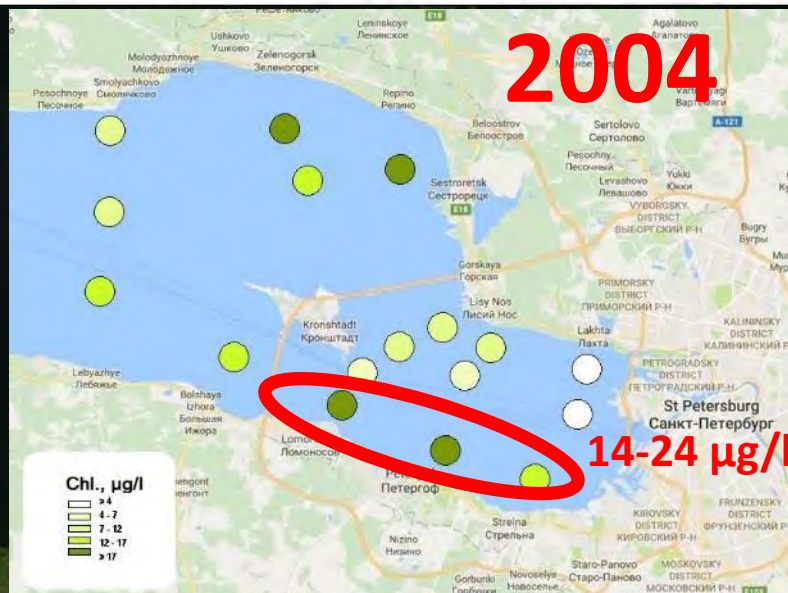
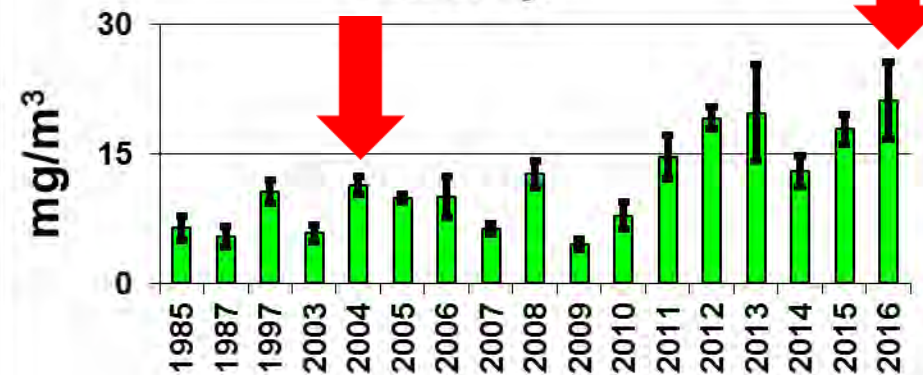


# Chlorophyll *a* in the Neva Estuary at the end of July and very beginning of August 2003-2016

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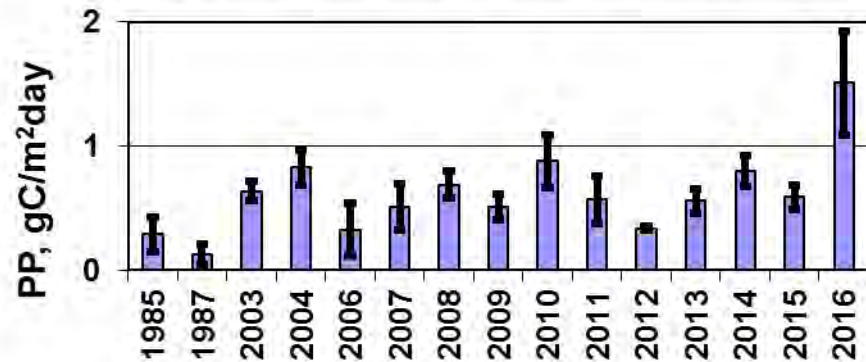
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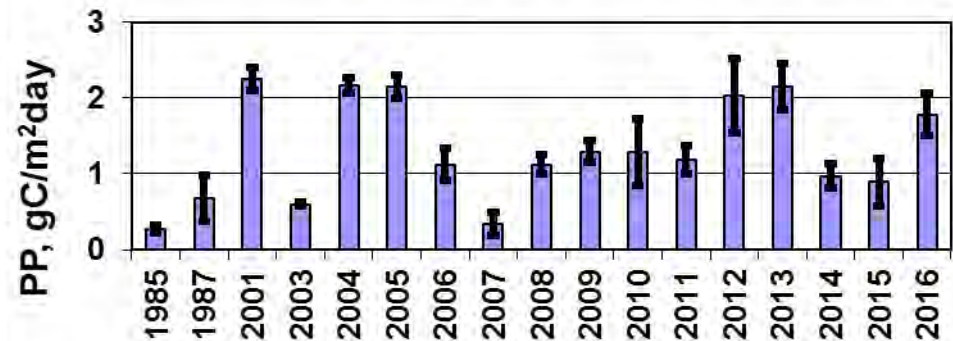


# Primary production of phytoplankton (PP) and decomposition of organic matter (D) in the Neva Estuary at the end of July and very beginning of August 2003-2016

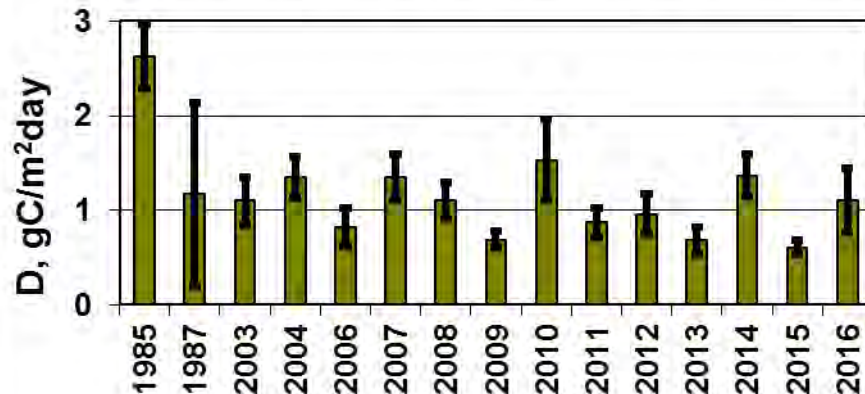
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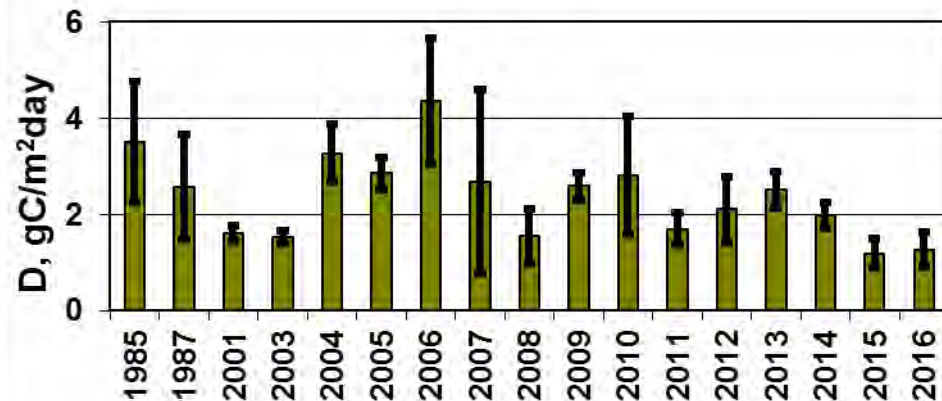
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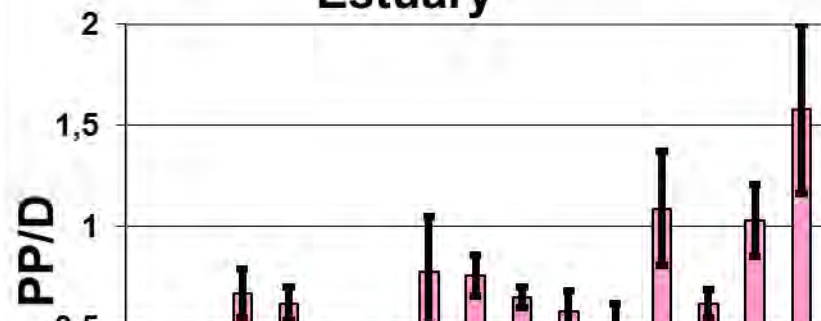
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# Ratio between primary production of phytoplankton and decomposition of organic matter in the Neva Estuary at the end of July and very beginning of August 2003-2016

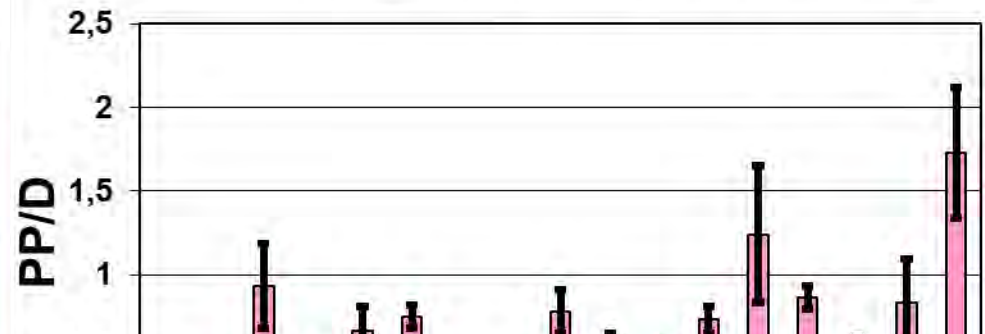
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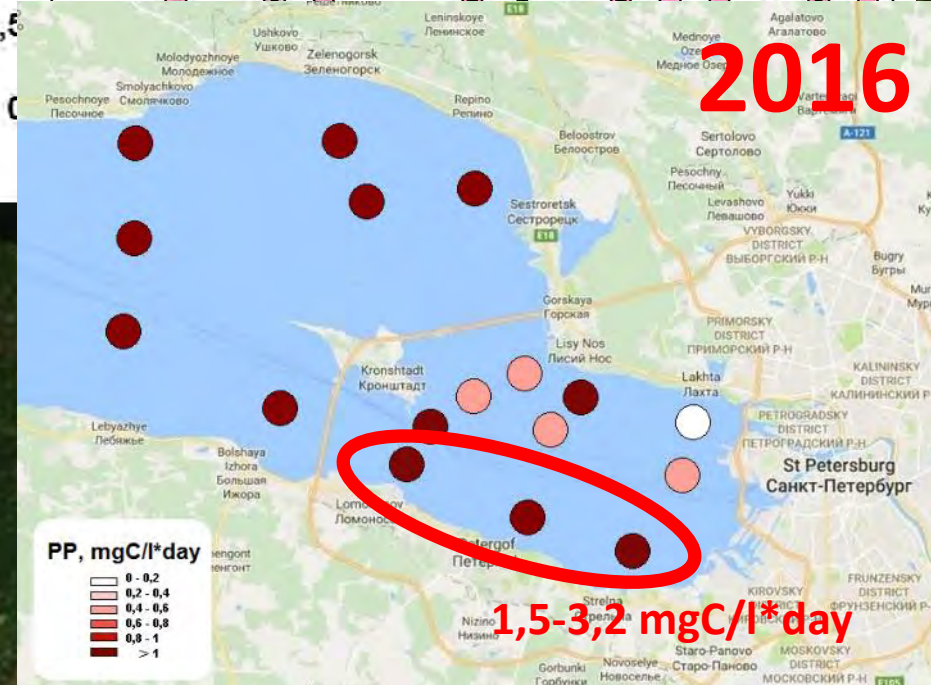
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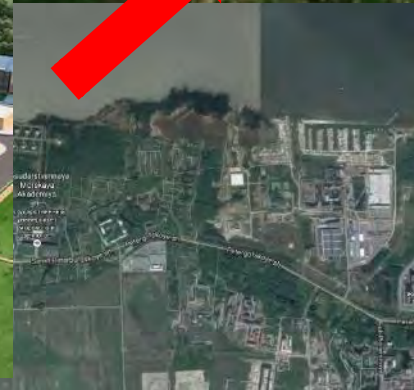
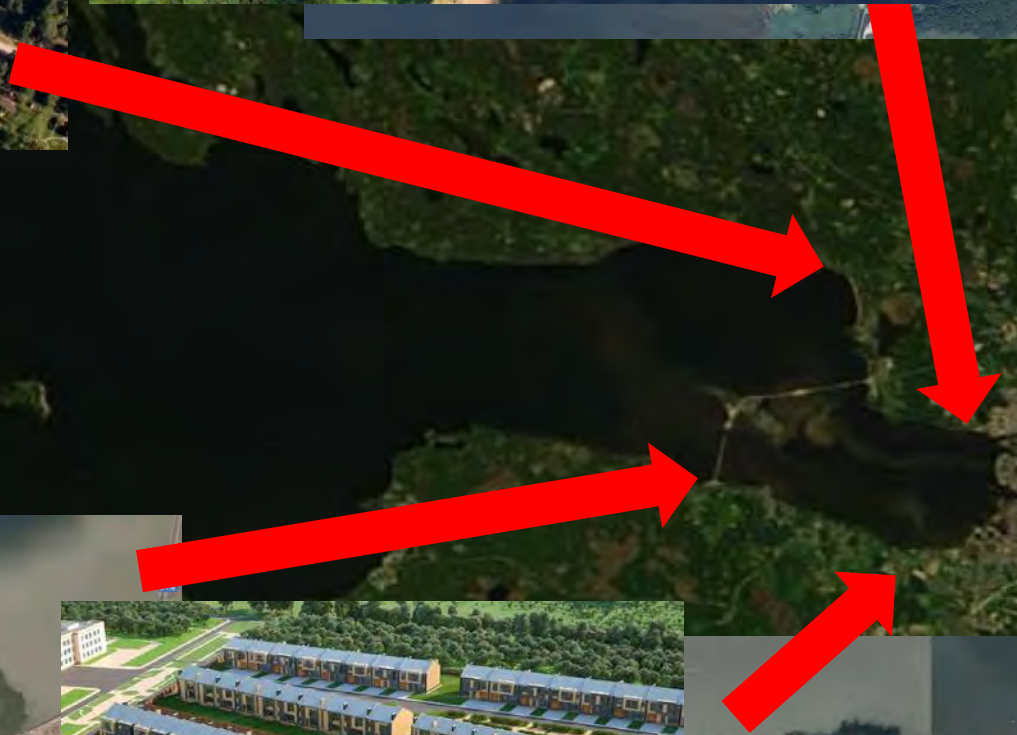
## Middle part of the Neva Estuary



**2016**



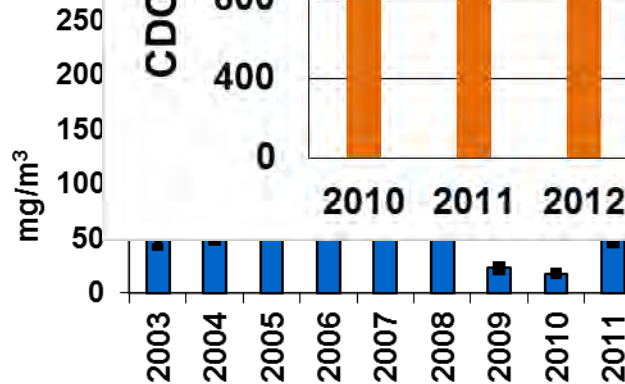
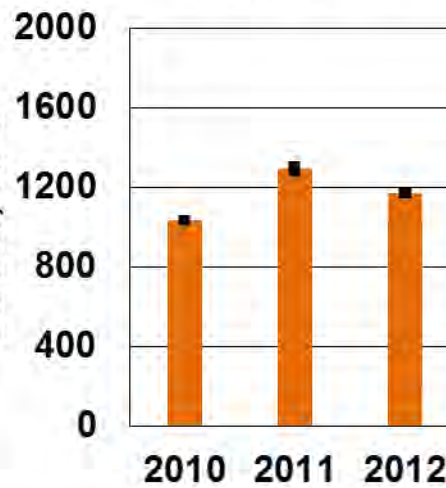




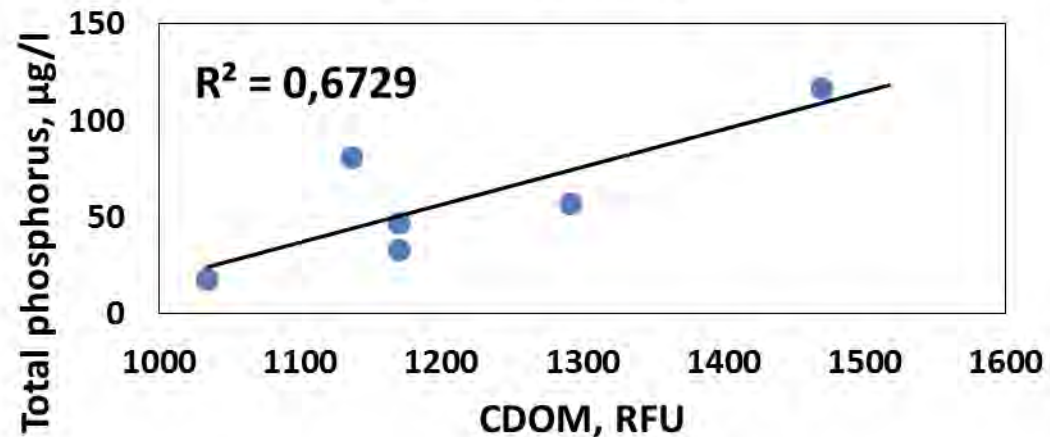


# Concentration of total phosphorus in the Neva Estuary at the end of July and very beginning of August 2003-2016

## Coloured dissolved organic matter in Neva Bay



## Upper part of the Neva Estuary (2010-2016)



2016



# Conclusion

- 1. Investigations show the development of eutrophication process in Neva Bay and in the middle part of the Neva Estuary in recent decades, especially high was observed in 2016;**
- 2. One of the reason of eutrophication process may be connected with the increase of nutrients input with waste waters from cottage villages around estuary;**
- 3. Another reason of eutrophication may be increase of nutrients inflow from catchment area due to increase of precipitation in this region in recent years.**



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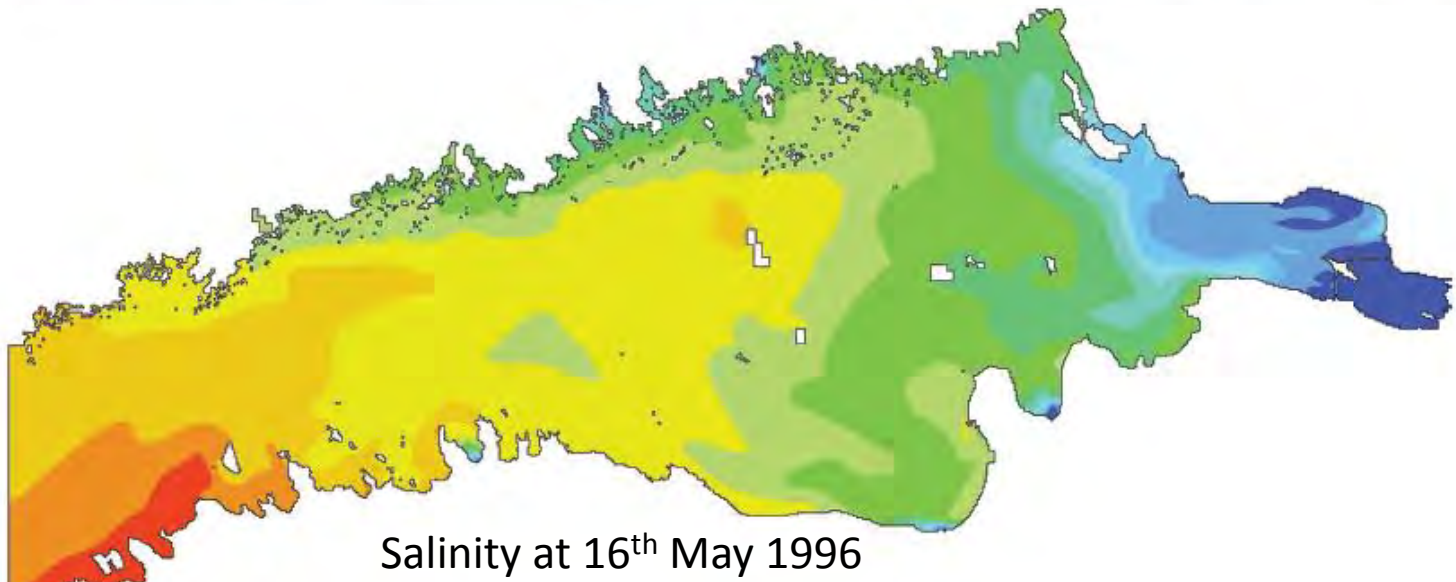
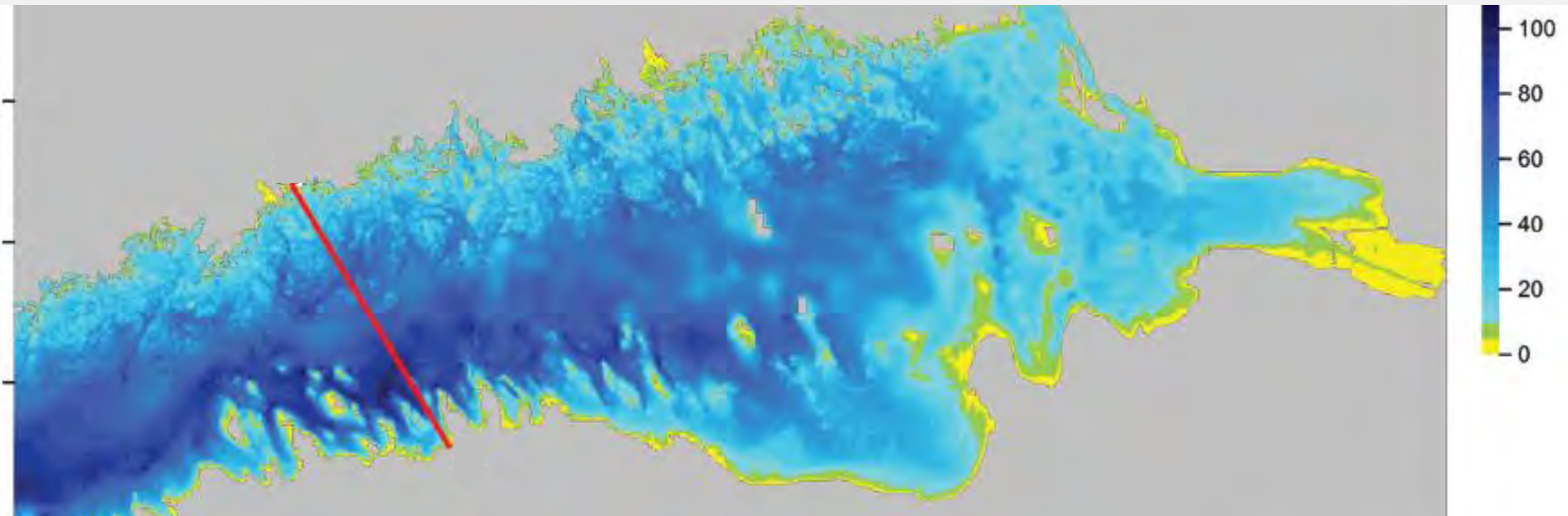
## The eastern Gulf of Finland eutrophication status according to GoF data set



# The GoF dataset 1996 – 2013: A viewpoint on the eutrophication status in the Russian waters



# Basic properties: Bathymetry and salinity

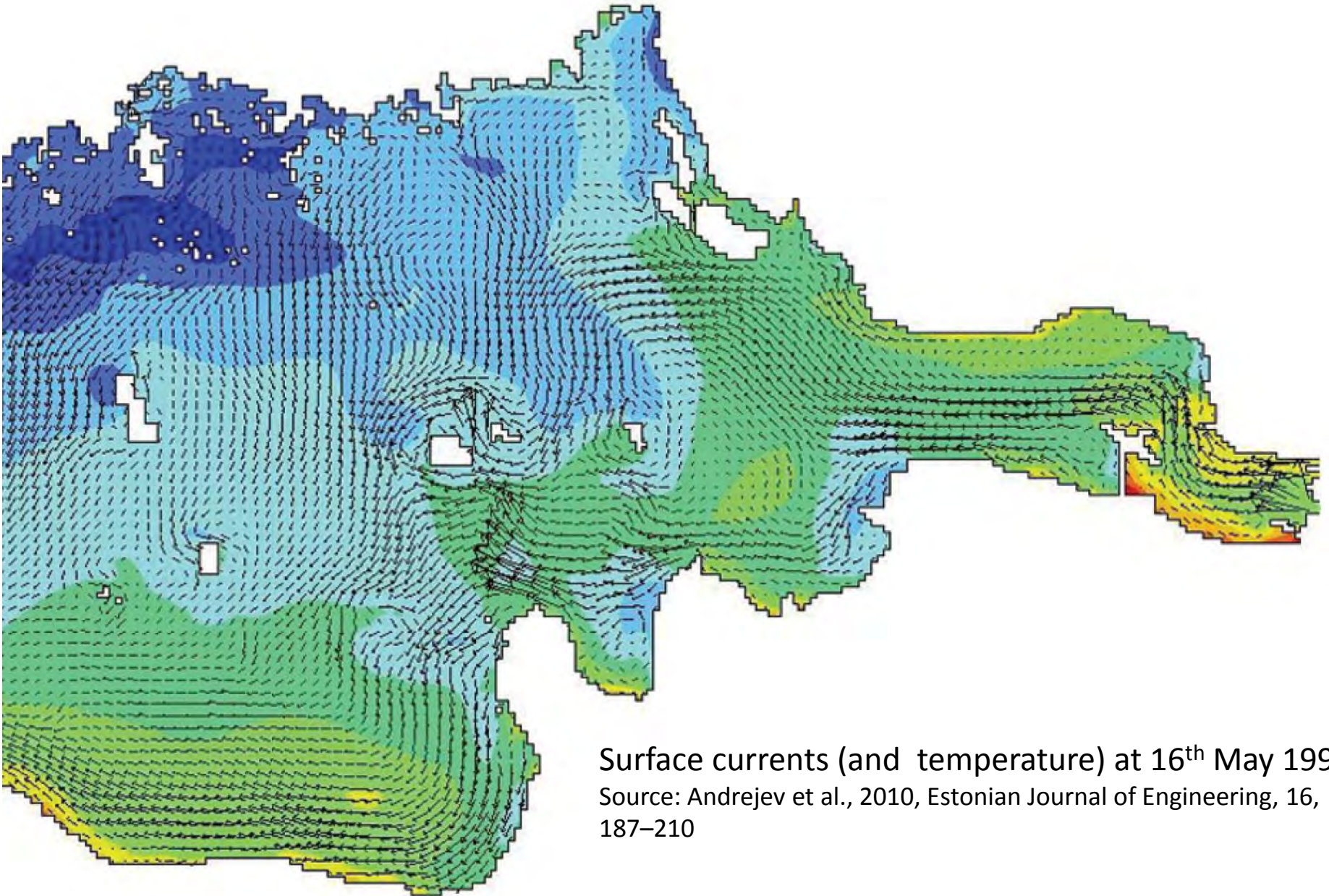


Salinity at 16<sup>th</sup> May 1996

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# Basic properties: Surface currents

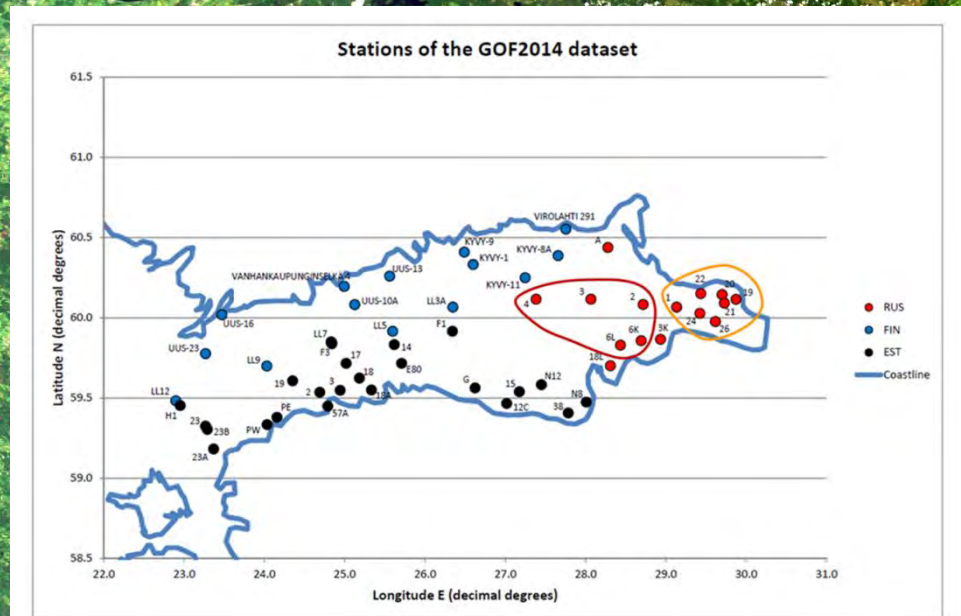
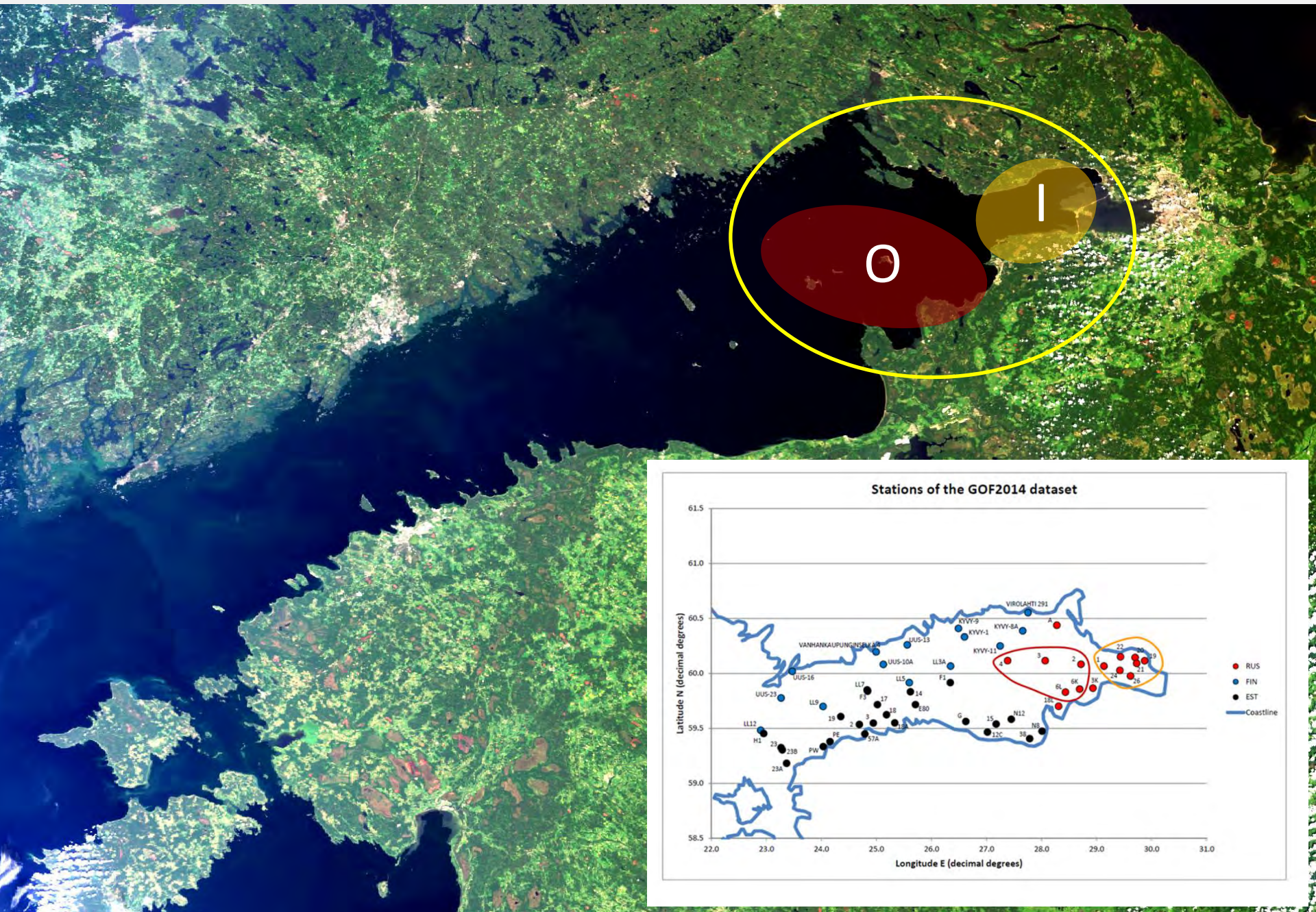


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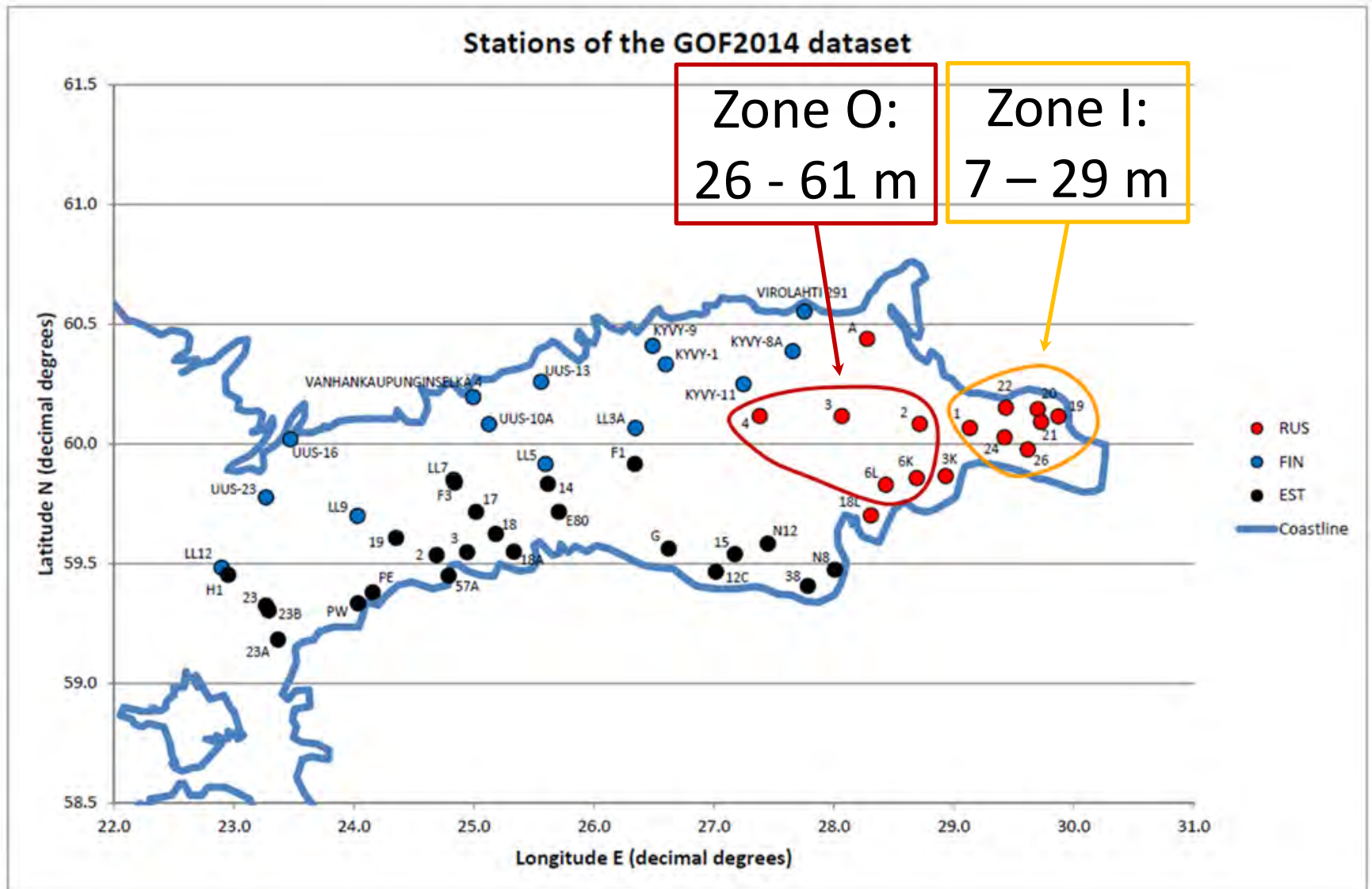


# Gulf of Finland dataset: Zonation

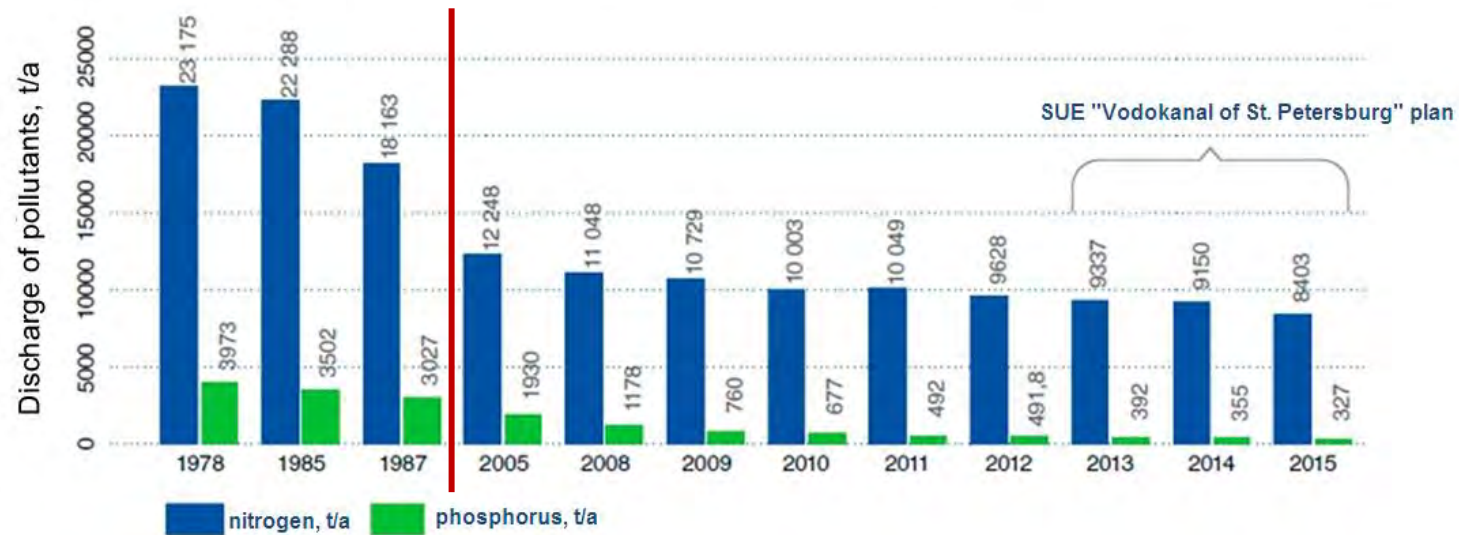




# Selected monitoring stations and zones



# Expected changes: Periods 1996 – 2004 & 2005 - 2013





STATION	DATE	STATION DEPTH (m)	OBSERVATION DEPTH (m)	SALINITY (PSU)	TEMPERATURE (°C)	O <sub>2</sub> (ml l <sup>-1</sup> )
1	20.6.1996	29	0			
1	20.6.1996	29	5			
1	20.6.1996	29	10			
1	20.6.1996	29	15			
1	20.6.1996	29	20			
1	20.6.1996	29	27			
1	25.7.1996	29	0			
1	25.7.1996	29	10			
1	25.7.1996	29	20			
1	25.7.1996	29	28			
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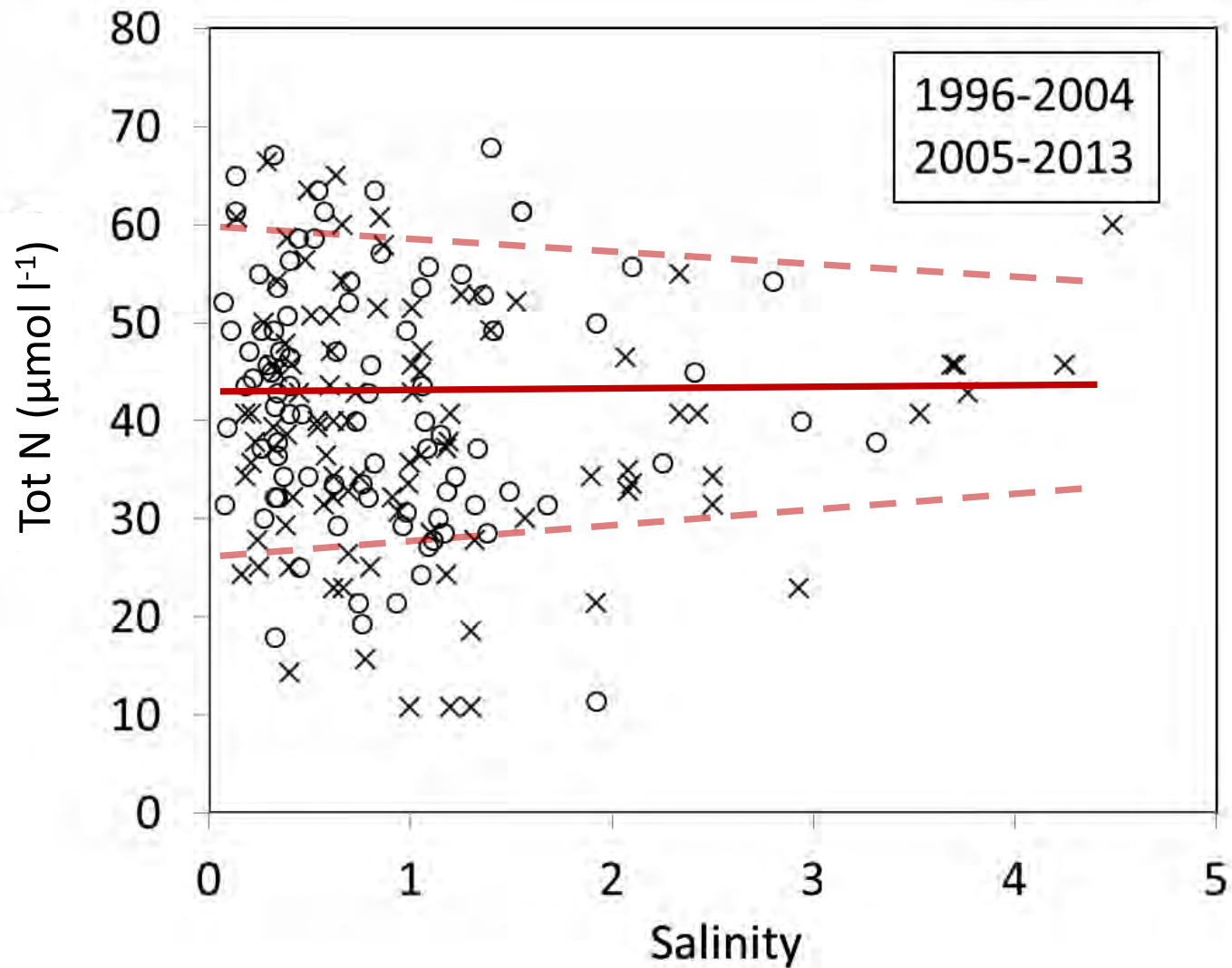
NO <sub>2+3</sub> -N (μmol l <sup>-1</sup> )	NH <sub>3</sub> -N (μmol l <sup>-1</sup> )	TotN-N (μmol l <sup>-1</sup> )	PO <sub>4</sub> -P (filtered, μmol l <sup>-1</sup> )	Tot-P (μmol l <sup>-1</sup> )	CHL <i>a</i> (μg l <sup>-1</sup> )
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# Inorganic nutrients: Summer/surface ( $\mu\text{mol l}^{-1}$ )

Zone	DIN 1996 – 2004	DIN 2005 – 2013	<i>p</i>	DIP 1996 – 2004	DIP 2005 – 2013	<i>p</i>
I	8,83	8,57	<i>n.s.</i>	0,20	0,20	<i>n.s.</i>
O	4,32	3,04	<i>n.s.</i>	0,15	0,17	<i>n.s.</i>

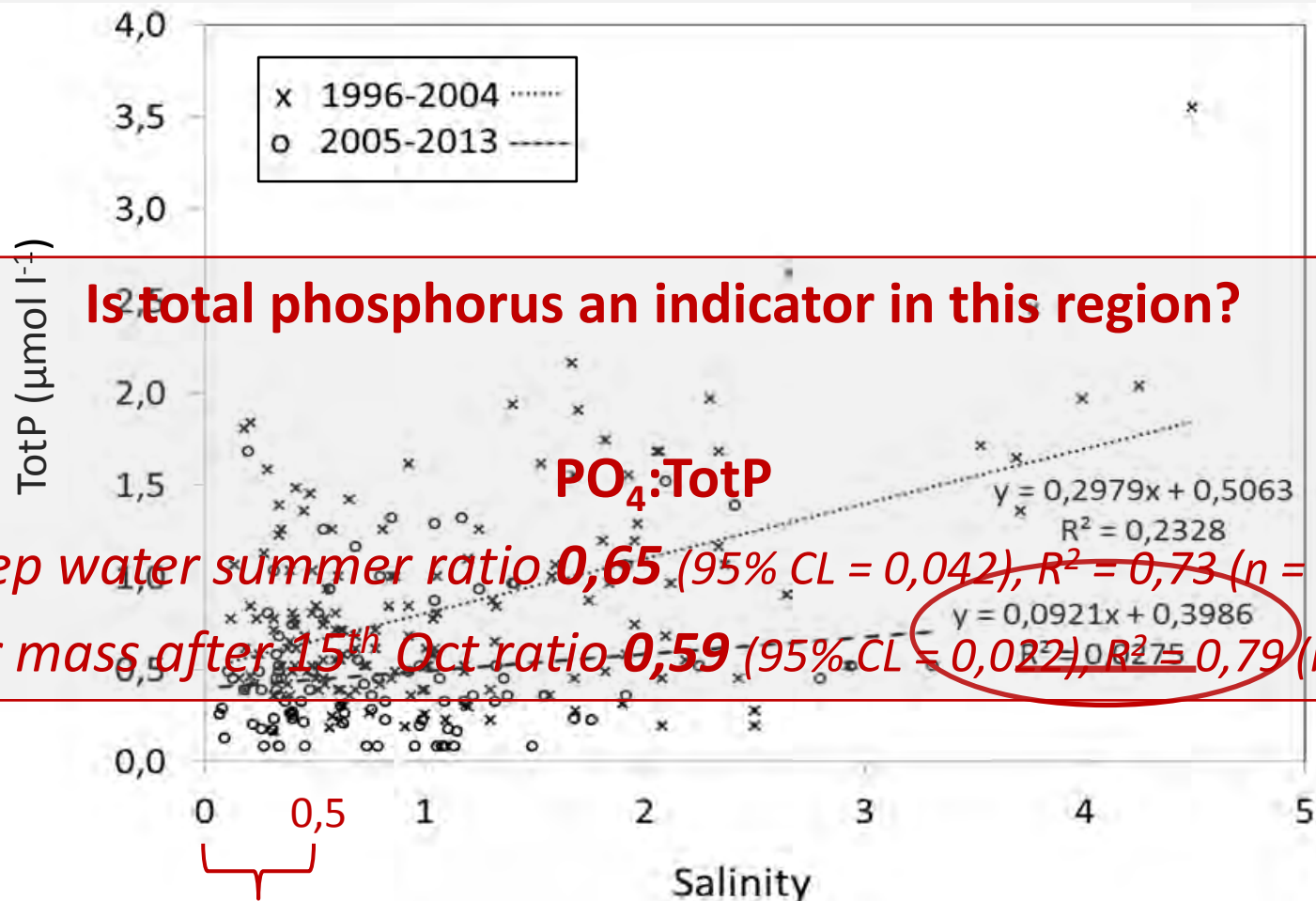


# Potential eutrophication indicators: Total nitrogen (surface/summer)



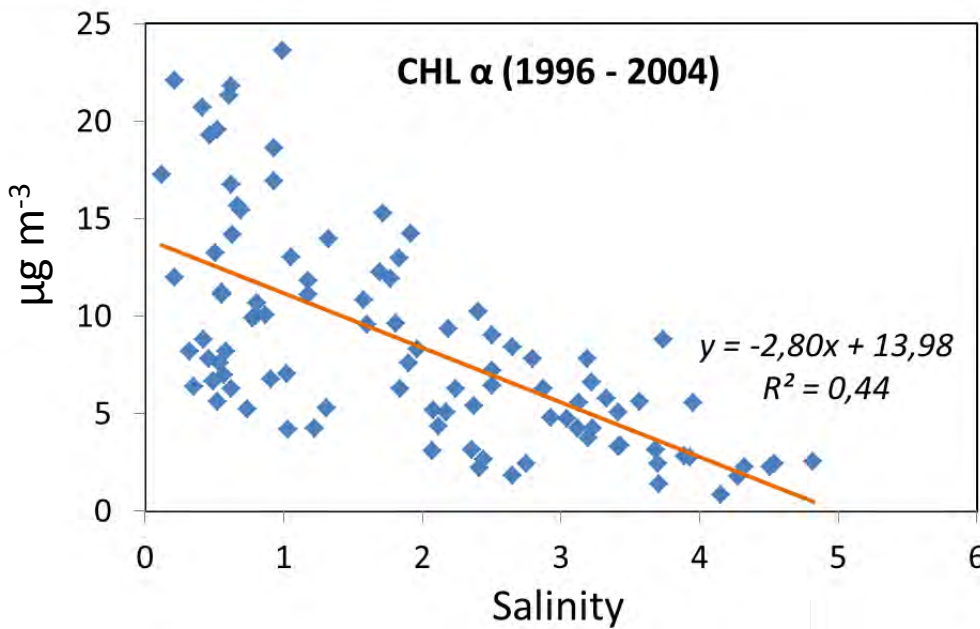


# Total phosphorus (surface/summer)



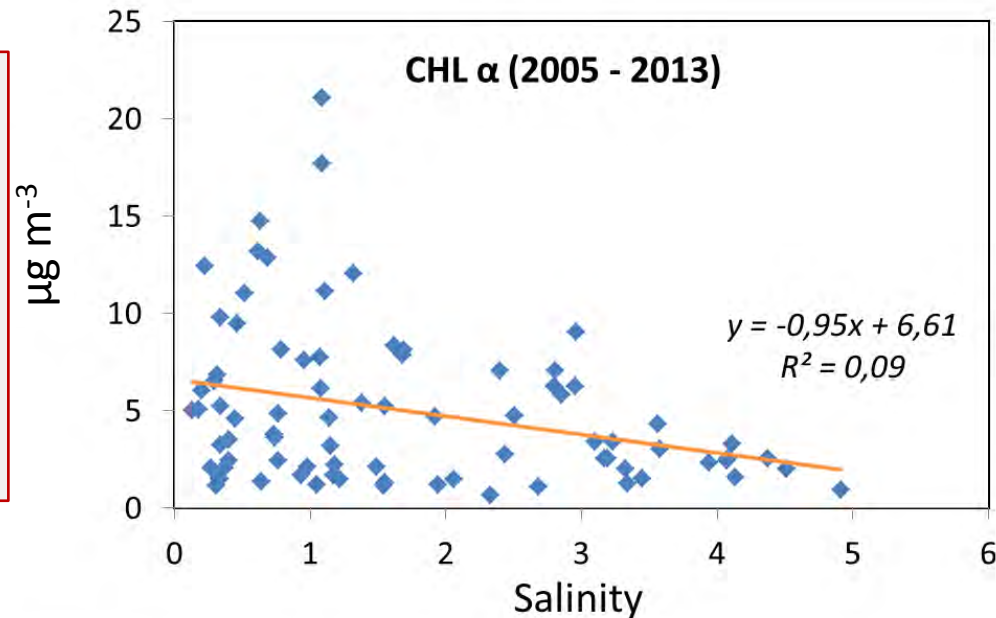
Period	1996-2004	2005-2013
TotP ( $\mu\text{mol l}^{-1}$ )	0,820	0,412
n	42	37
p-value	4,67*10 <sup>-6</sup>	

# Chlorophyll $\alpha$ (Zone I surface/summer)

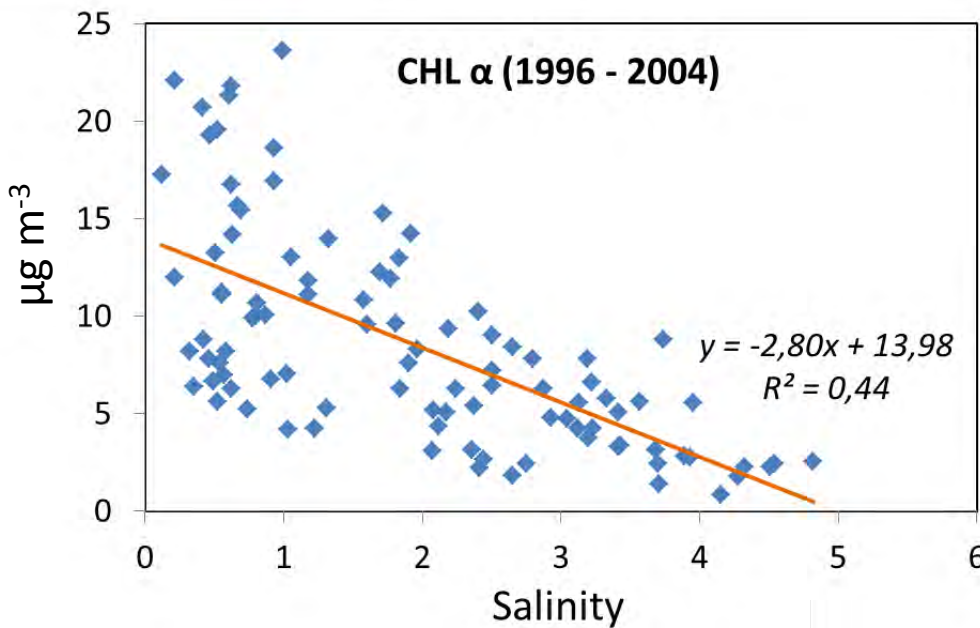


<b>Zone I: Chlorophyll <math>\alpha</math></b>		
	<b>1996-2004</b>	<b>2005-2013</b>
<b>(1996 - 2013)</b>		
<i>n</i>	11,00 54	5,96 50
<i>p-value</i>	1,76*10 <sup>-6</sup>	

<b>Zone I: Salinity</b>		
	<b>1996-2004</b>	<b>2005-2013</b>
<i>n</i>	1,08 57	0,83 50
<i>p-value</i>	n.s.	

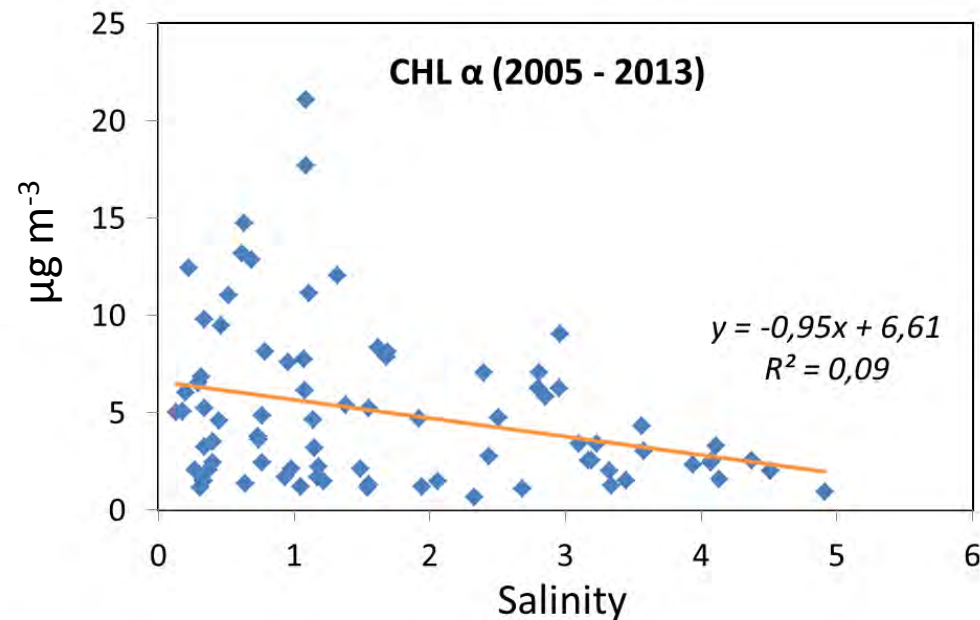


# Chlorophyll $\alpha$ (Zone O surface/summer)



<b>Zone O: Chlorophyll <math>\alpha</math></b>	
1996-2004	2005-2013
<b>(1996 - 2013)</b>	
<i>n</i>	5,13 41
<i>p-value</i>	3,42 31 0,017*

<b>Zone O: Salinity</b>	
1996-2004	2005-2013
3,14 41	3,12 31
<i>n</i>	
<i>p-value</i>	n.s.





# Deep water dynamics in Zone O (= deepest sample)

Period (summer)	1996 – 2004	2005 – 2013	p-value	
Salinity	5,55	5,69	n.s.	
Temperature (°C)	4,76	6,07	0,024*	
TotP ( $\mu\text{mol l}^{-1}$ )	2,41	1,70	0,008**	-29%
PO <sub>4</sub> ( $\mu\text{mol l}^{-1}$ )	1,69	1,22	0,032*	-28%
[DIN ( $\mu\text{mol l}^{-1}$ )	8,52	9,87	n.s.]	!small n
Oxygen (ml l <sup>-1</sup> )	4,48	4,10	n.s.	!sample >> bottom



*Marenzelleria*

(SURFACE)

(Salinity)	3,14	3,12	n.s.	
(Chlorophyll <i>a</i> ; $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ )	5,13	3,42	0,017*	-33%

# Conclusions

## The GoF dataset points at changes in:

- Chlorophyll concentrations (summer)
- Phosphorus in more fresh water part
  - Deep water phosphorus
- Hydrography does not explain the changes
- The analysis suggests a positive change in the Eastern Gulf of Finland

## ***BUT***

- Are these conclusions valid?
- Does this story correspond to other datasets?
  - Can the analysis be strengthened?

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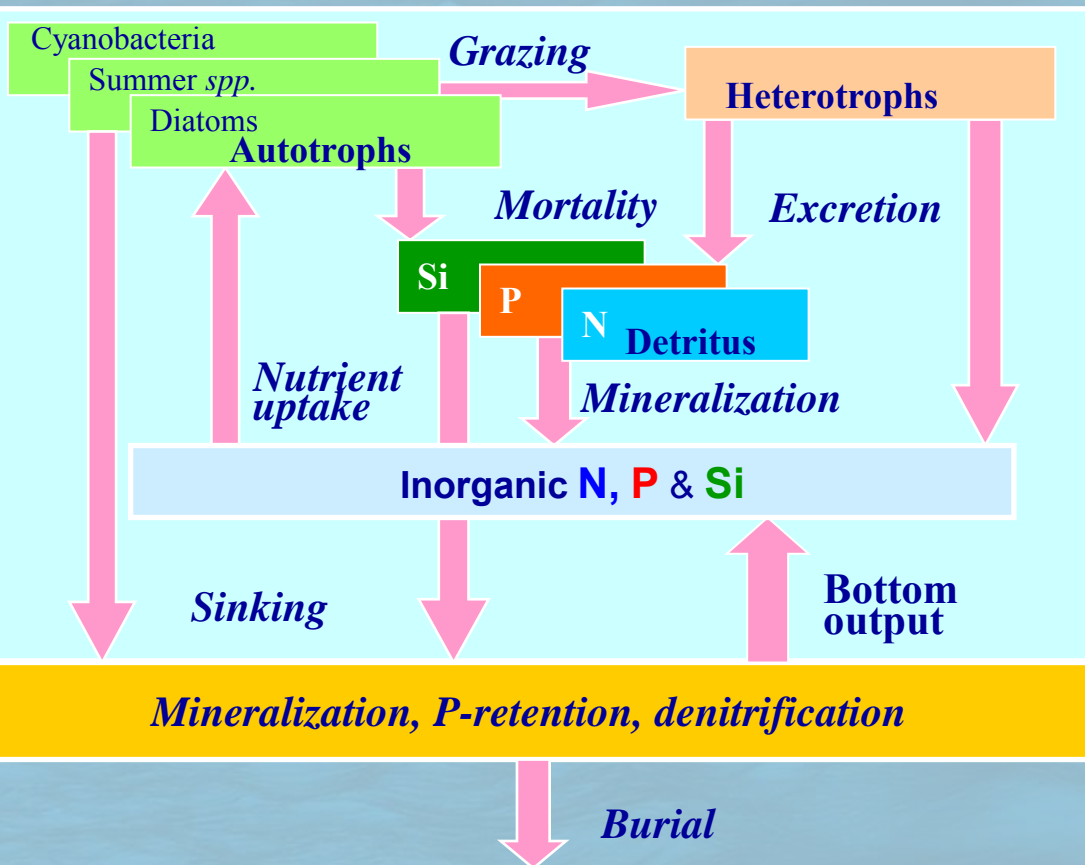
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# SPBEM

## St.Petersburg Baltic Eutrophication Model

Biogeochemistry module



is based on the model of

O.Savchuk, 2002, J.Mar.Systems,  
**32**, 253– 280

describes N, P and Si cycling in the  
coupled pelagic and sediment sub-  
systems

has 12 pelagic & 3 sediment state  
variables

# 4 SCENARIOS OF CLIMATE & LOAD CHANGES

Scenario of CO <sub>2</sub> emission	Global climate model	Loads scenario name	Land loads		
			1971-2007	2007-2020	2021-2100
<b>A1B</b>	ECHAM5	REF	Observed mean monthly values	Fixed as mean values averaged over 1997-2003	
<b>A1B</b>	ECHAM5	BSAP	same	Linear Reduction to BSAP target	Fixed target values
<b>A1B</b>	HadCM3	REF	same	Fixed as mean values averaged over 1997-2003	
A1B	HadCM3	BSAP	same	Linear Reduction to BSAP target	Fixed target values

ECHAM5/MPI-OM from the Max Planck Institute for Meteorology in Germany  
HadCM3 from the Hadley Centre in the UK

Roeckner et al. 2006; Jungclaus et al. 2006

Gordon et al. 2000



# VERIFICATION



Map of the location of 16 oceanographic monitoring stations from the Baltic Environment Database (BED)

Averaged Data from

Gustafsson and  
Rodriguez-Medina, 2011

# Model-data comparison

Mean observed (D) and difference ( $\Delta$ ) of observed and simulated values averaged over 16 stations (1971-2000), and amount of stations in different ranges of “cost” function (C)

Scenario	Upper layer (0-10m)								Near-bottom layer				
	T ann	T wint	T sum	S ann	NO <sub>3</sub> wint	PO <sub>4</sub> wint	O <sub>2</sub> Summ	Chl summ	T ann	S ann	NO <sub>3</sub> wint	PO <sub>4</sub> wint	O <sub>2</sub> aut
	° C			‰	mmol M <sup>-3</sup>		ml/l	mg m <sup>-3</sup>	° C	‰	mmol M <sup>-3</sup>		ml/l
<b>D<sub>obs</sub></b>	8.0	1.7	14.4	8.8	5.6	0.5	7.3	2.5	5.4	14.0	6.0	1.6	4.0
<b>Δ</b> ECHAM5	1.1	0.7	1.5	1.5	0.9	0.3	-0.5	0.7	0.5	0.1	3.2	-0.1	0.5
$0 \leq C < 1$	16	13	15	5	11	5	15	5	10	2	5	9	11
$1 \leq C < 2$	0	3	1	1	3	9	1	8	4	6	3	3	4
<b>Δ</b> HadCM3	0.5	-0.6	2.1	3.7	-0.3	0.3	-0.5	0.4	-0.1	2.0	1.8	-0.1	0.5
$0 \leq C < 1$	16	14	13	4	10	5	15	4	8	2	7	9	10
$1 \leq C < 2$	0	2	3	0	5	8	1	10	7	4	3	3	6

$$C = \left| \frac{M - D}{S_d} \right|$$

$0 \leq C < 1$  – good agreement

$1 \leq C < 2$  – satisfactory

$2 \leq C$  – bad.

# RESULTS

The difference between the future(2071-2100) and modern(1971-2000) values of parameters

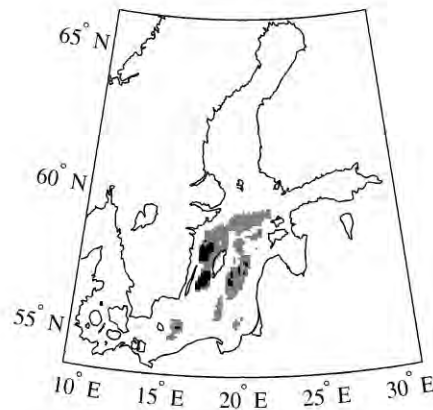
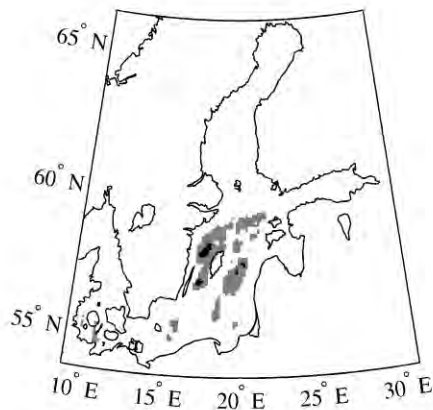
REF	Upper layer (0-10m)								Near-bottom layer				
	$\Delta T$ ann	$\Delta T$ wint	$\Delta T$ summ	$\Delta S$ ann	$\Delta NO_3$ wint	$\Delta PO_4$ wint	$\Delta O_2$ sum	$\Delta Chl$ summ	$\Delta T$ ann	$\Delta S$ ann	$\Delta NO_3$ wint	$\Delta PO_4$ wint	$\Delta O_2$ aut
ECHAM5	2.1	2.7	1.4	-0.8	2.5	0.4	-0.6	0.8	1.0	-0.3	0.9	0.6	-1.3
HadCM3	2.9	2.9	2.5	-0.2	1.3	0.6	-1.1	0.8	1.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.9	-1.8
<b>BSAP</b>													
ECHAM5	2.1	2.7	1.4	-0.8	1.4	0.3	-0.3	0.3	1.0	-0.3	0.4	0.5	-0.8
HadCM3	2.9	2.9	2.5	-0.2	0.7	0.5	-0.6	0.4	1.2	-0.1	0.0	0.7	-1.0

1. Temperature increase in future climate, especially in summer, is higher in HadCM3 runs
2. In REF runs, O2 decrease is greater with HadCM3 than with Echam5 forcing
3. Oxygen decrease in near-bottom layer is less in BSAP runs than in REF runs. Unlike ECOSUPPORT simulations, there is an decrease rather than increase of near- bottom oxygen.

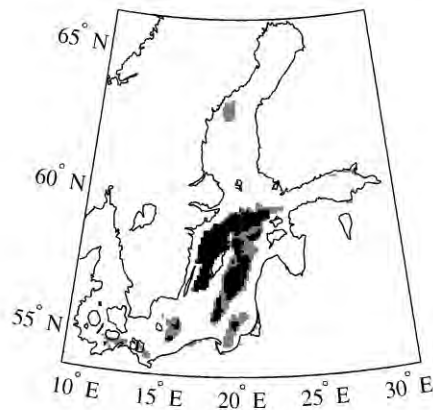
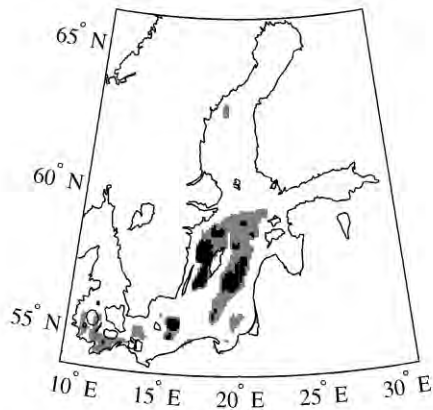


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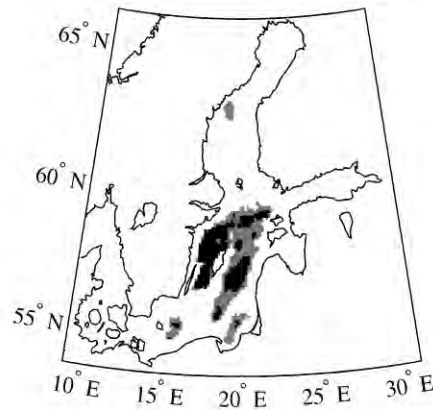
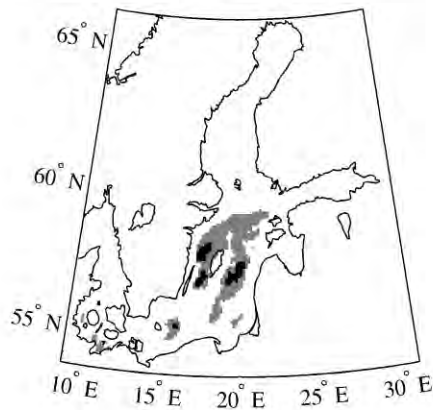
HadCM3



a



b



B

Averaged for August–September, anoxic ( $O_2 \leq 0$  mL/L, in black) and hypoxic ( $0 < O_2 < 2$  mL/L, in gray) areas in the Baltic Sea:

in the modern period (mean over 1971–2000) (a)

in the future (2071–2100 mean) in reference scenarios (b)

in the future (2071–2100 mean) in BSAP scenarios (c)

Left – ECHAM5 forcing  
Right – HadCM3 forcing

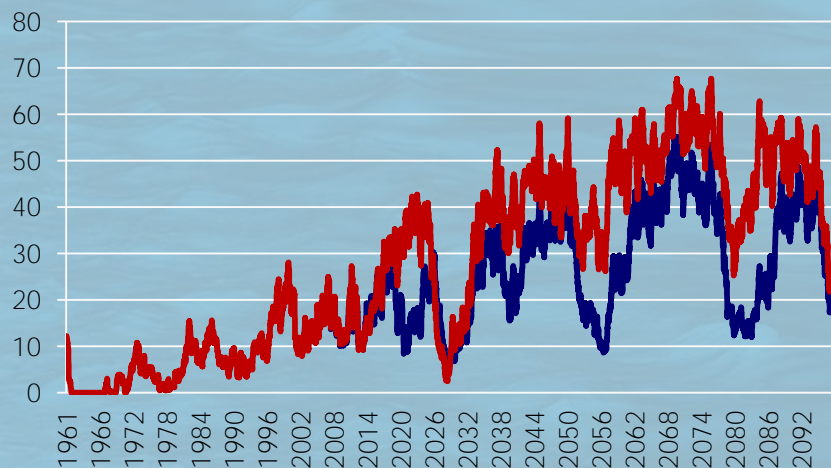
Long-term average (1970-2005)  $m$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$  of area  $S_{hypo}$  of hypoxic zones (in  $10^3 \text{ km}^2$ ) for different models

Model /data	Data (BED)	BALTSEM	ERGOM	RCO– SCOB1	Ensemble	SPBEM (ECHAM5)	SPBEM (HadCM3)
$S_{hypo} \text{ } m$	49	58	54	57	56	46	53
$S_{hypo} \text{ } \sigma$	12	15	6	7	8	11	11

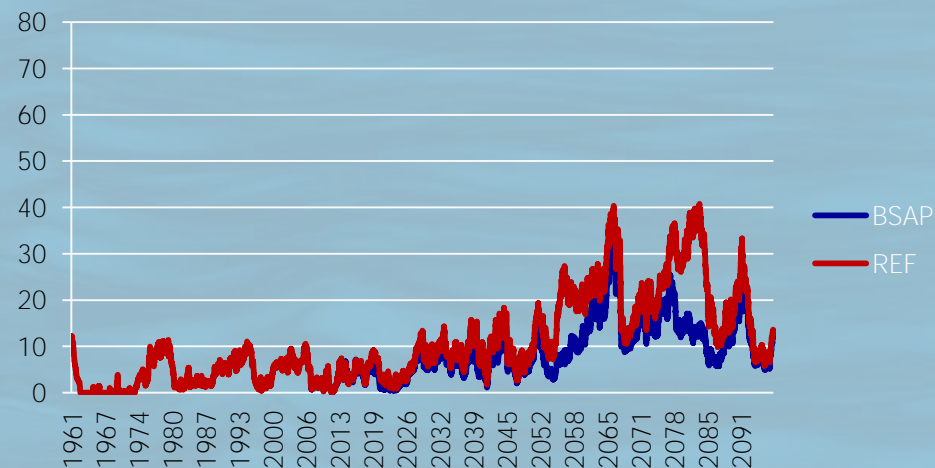
# RESULTS

## Comparison between REF and BSAP runs

Anoxic zones(HadCM3)  $10^3 \text{ km}^2$



Anoxic zones(Echam5)  $10^3 \text{ km}^2$



1. Nutrient load reduction suggested in BSAP will not lead to any fundamental changes in the water quality in the end of this century.
2. Areas of anoxia and hypoxia will grow in future climate, but slower than in the reference runs.

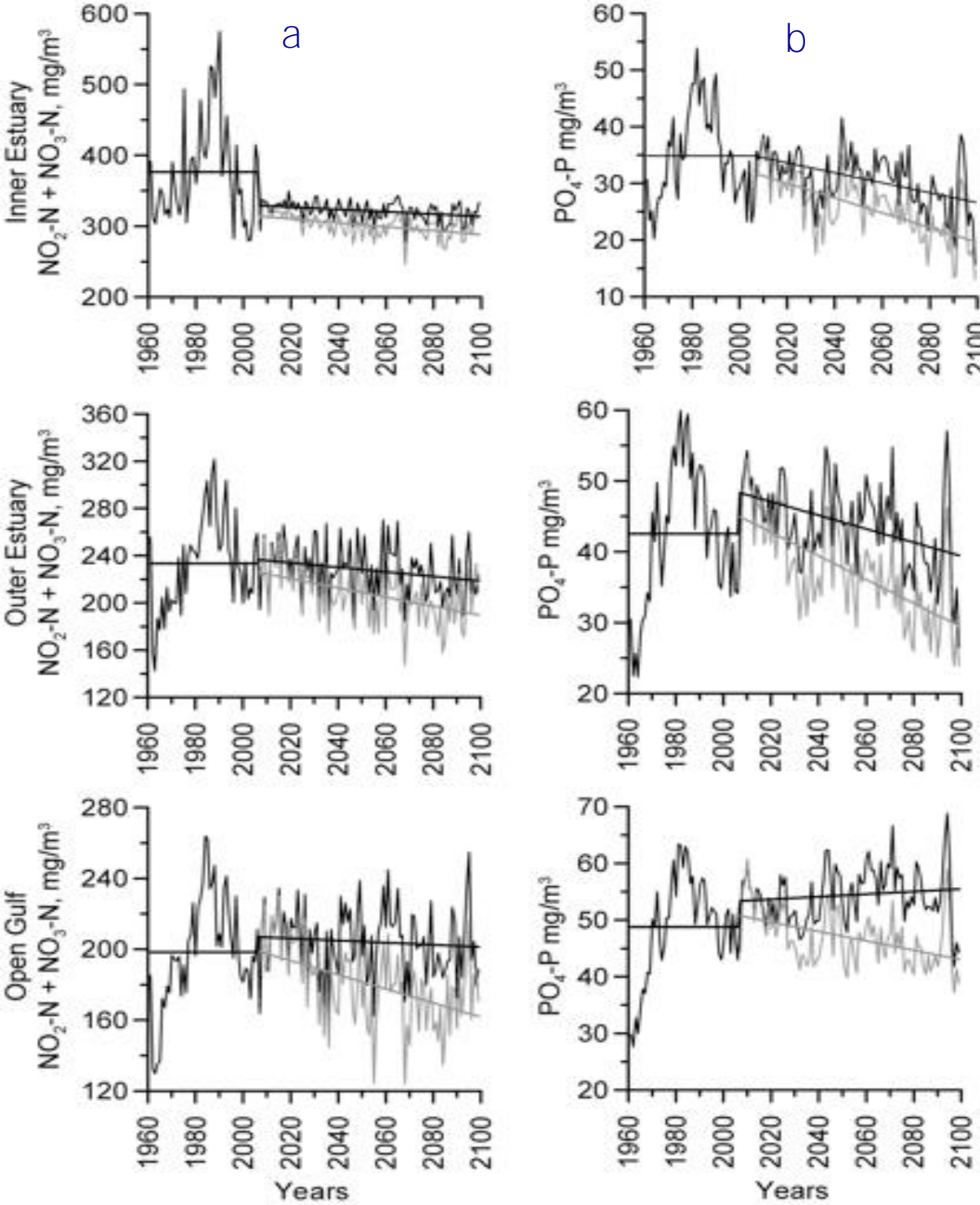


# CONCLUSIONS

## The whole Baltic Sea

1. Changes in eutrophication indicators in reference HadCM3 driven run is greater than in similar ECHAM5 driven run.
2. According to the ECHAM5 and HadCM3-driven BSAP scenario simulations, nutrient load reduction suggested in BSAP will not lead to any fundamental changes in eutrophication indicators in the end of this century. In particular, areas of anoxia and hypoxia will grow, but slower than in the reference runs.
3. The estimates are qualitatively consistent with the estimates of ECOSUPPORT, but impact of climate change on eutrophication was much stronger.

## ECHAM5 driven runs



*The winter depth-averaged concentrations of nutrients in 1961 – 2100 according to REF (black lines) and BSAP (grey lines) scenarios.*

*Straight lines: average concentration for the current period (1961 – 2006) and a linear trend in the future (2007 – 2100).*

*a - nitrate + nitrite*

*b - phosphate*

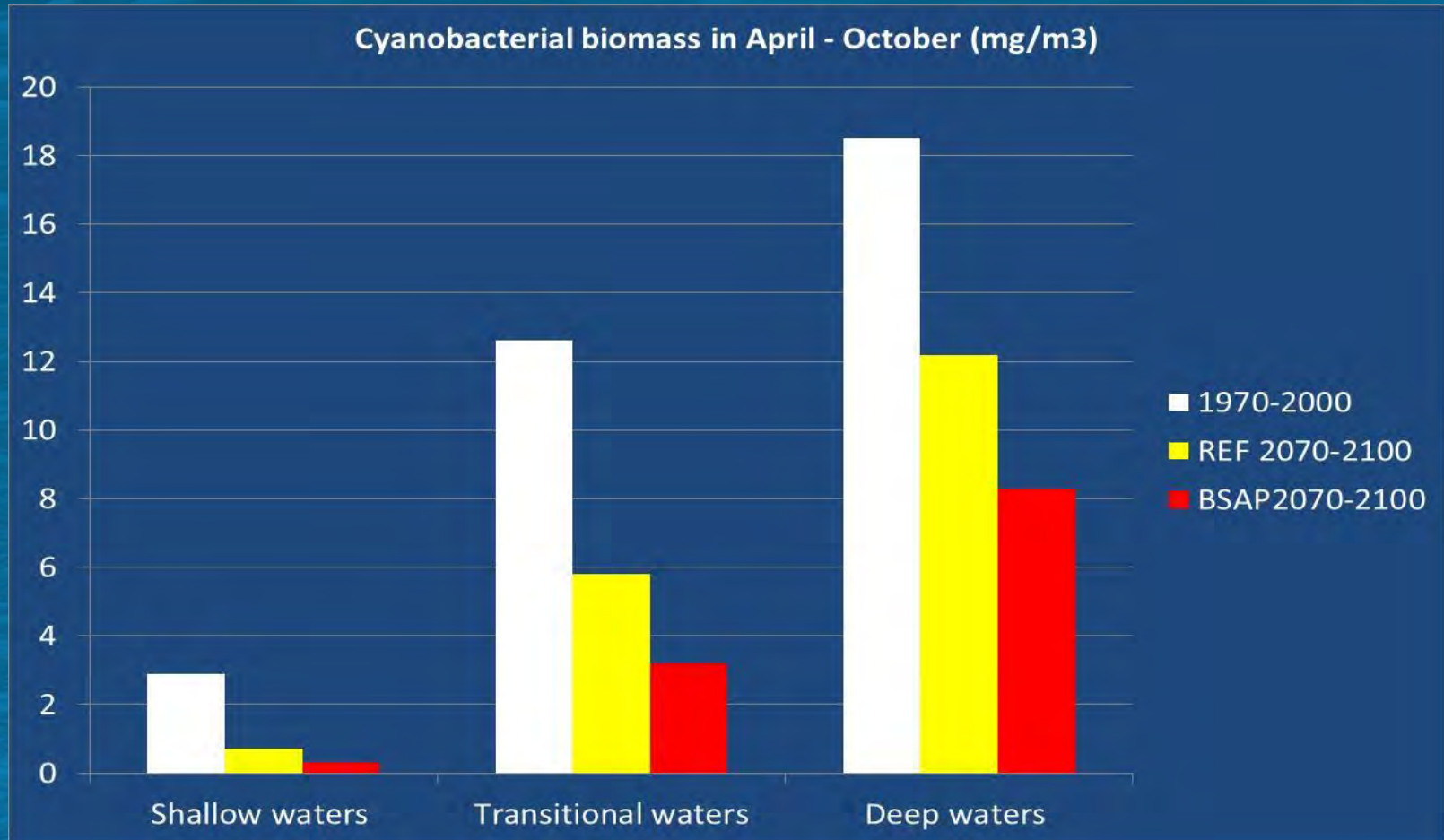
# Conclusions

## Eastern Gulf of Finland

1. The reference ECHAM5 scenario suggests that the future climatic changes in the most eastern GOF area will lead to:
  - 1) increased surface temperature and riverine inflow,
  - 2) reduced salinity and weakened salinity stratification,
  - 3) a rise of the bottom water oxygen concentration,
  - 4) decreased release of P and N from the sediments, and
  - 5) decreased nutrient stocks in the water.
2. Unlike the Baltic Sea as a whole, the DIN and DIP concentrations in the inner and external estuaries in the future climate would decrease rather than increase.
3. The BSAP scenario, if realized, will lead to a pronounced decrease in the DIN and DIP concentrations in all the sub-areas of the most eastern GOF area by the end of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



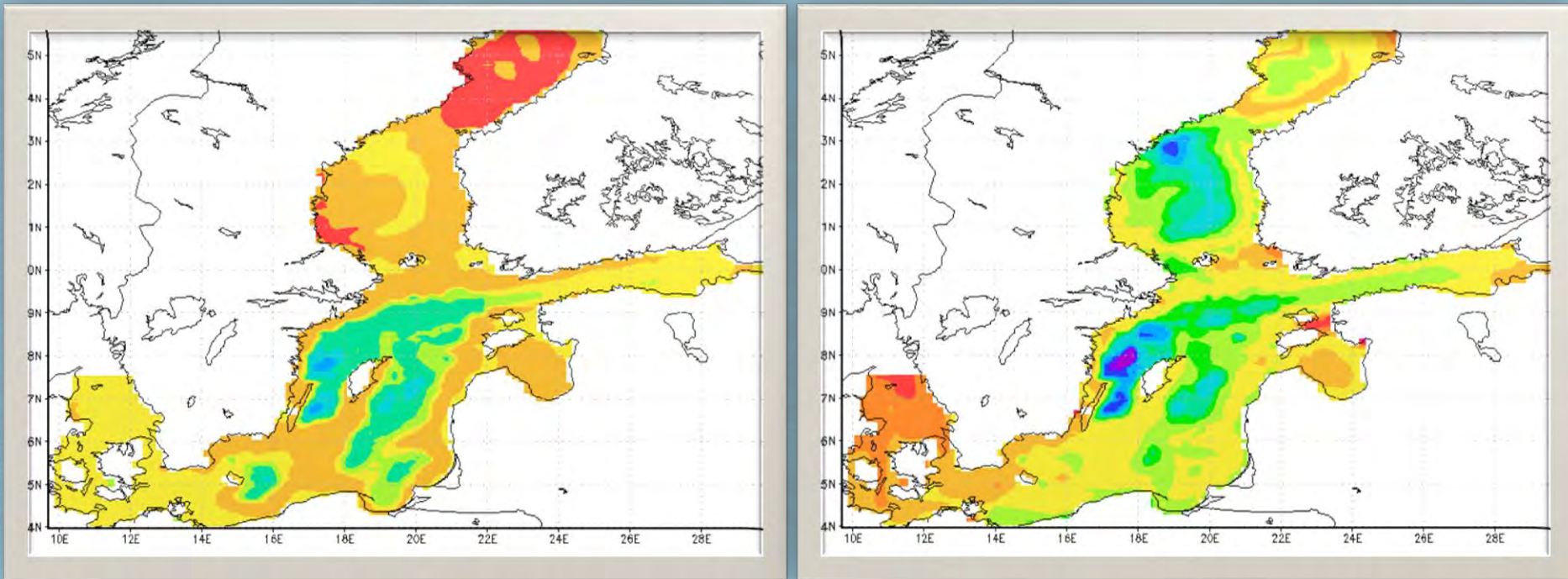
Shallow water – inner estuary, transitional waters – external estuary,  
deep water – open GoF



Cyanobacterial biomasses (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) in the eastern GOF at present and in the future according to the combined effect of the climate change and decreased external loads (BSAP).

# RESULTS

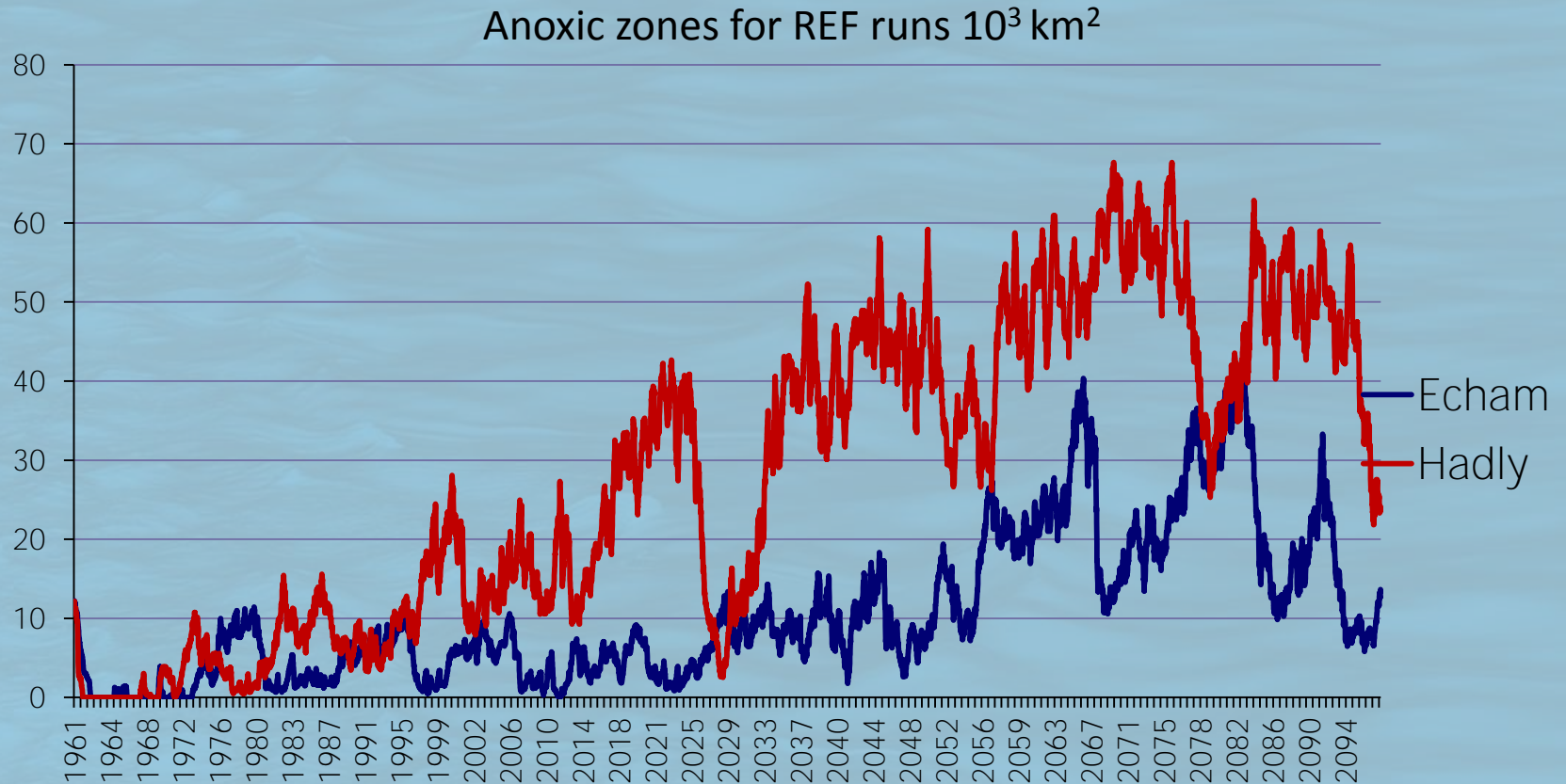
Oxygen concentration in the near-bottom layer in the case of HadCM3 forcing with REF loads



Modern(1971-2000)

Future(2071-2100)

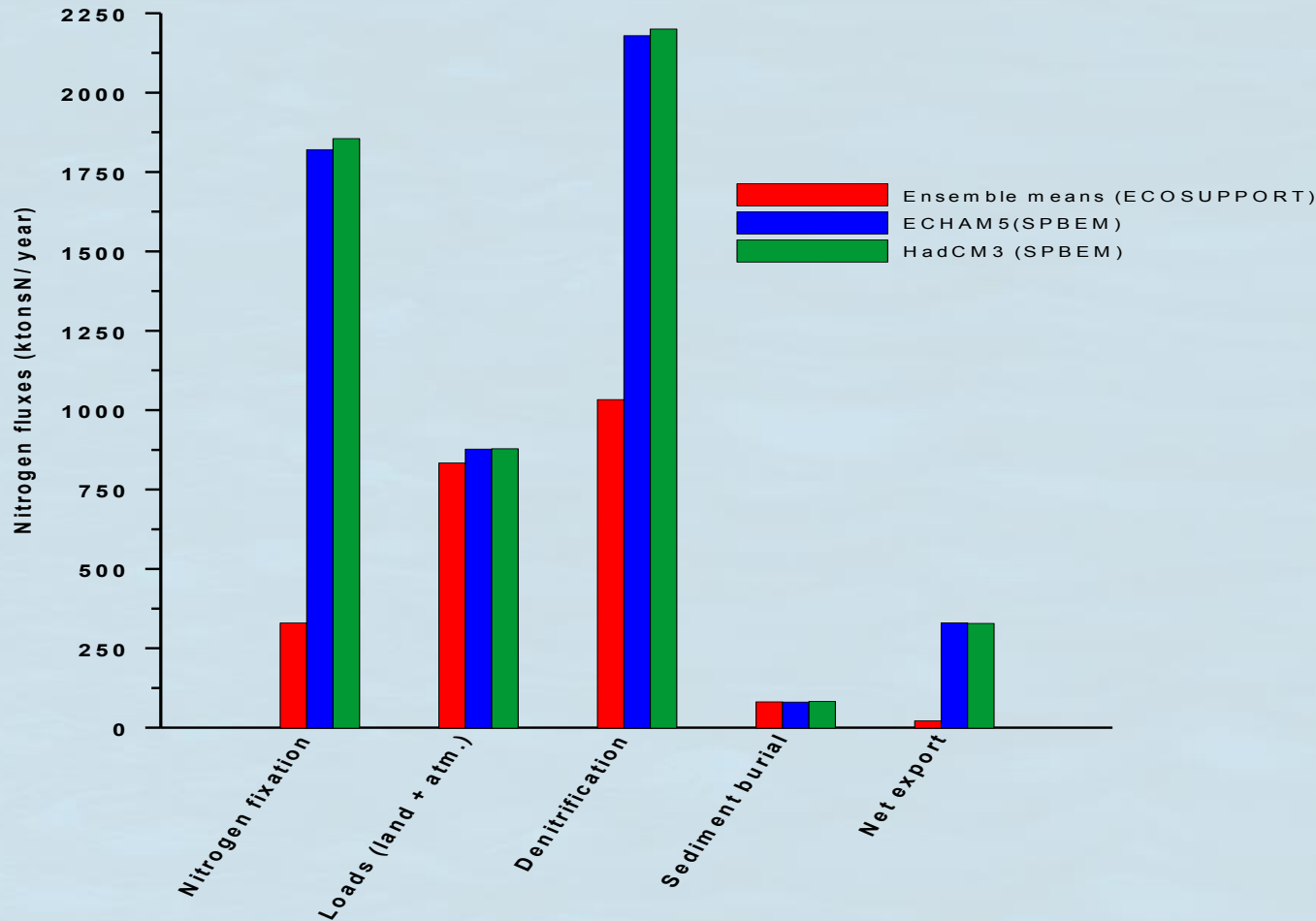
# RESULTS



Anoxic zones by the end of 21st century will be wider, compared to current conditions in reference ECHAM5 and HadCM3 runs.



## Modern climate, 1971-2000



Nitrogen fixation and denitrification in SPBEM runs are much higher than in ECOSUPPORT ensemble simulations

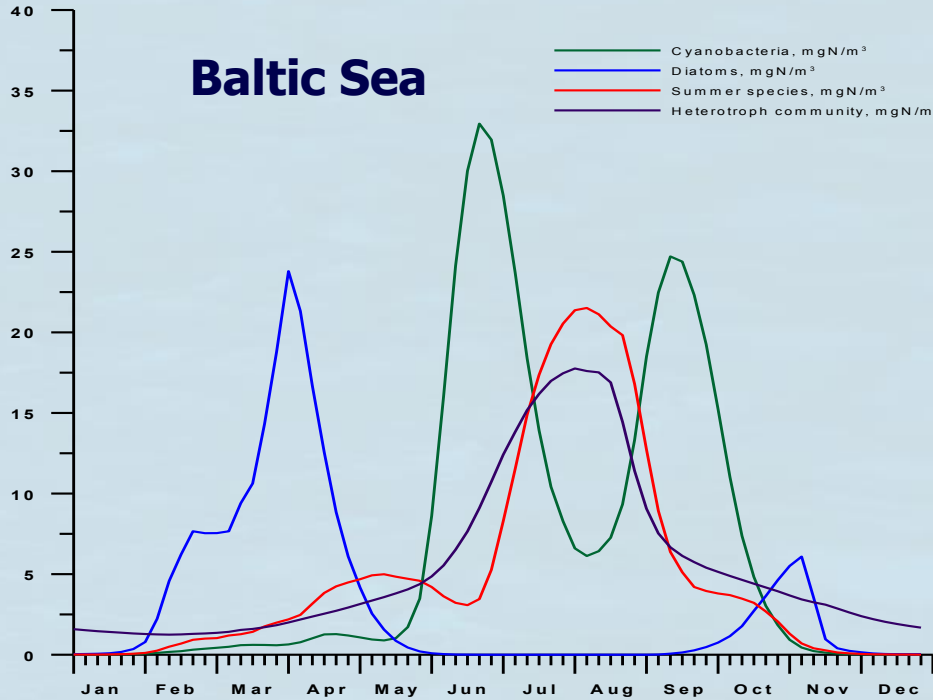
**Why?**

## Baltic Sea

Cyanobacteria, mgN/m<sup>3</sup>  
Diatoms, mgN/m<sup>3</sup>  
Summer species, mgN/m<sup>3</sup>  
Heterotroph community, mgN/m<sup>3</sup>

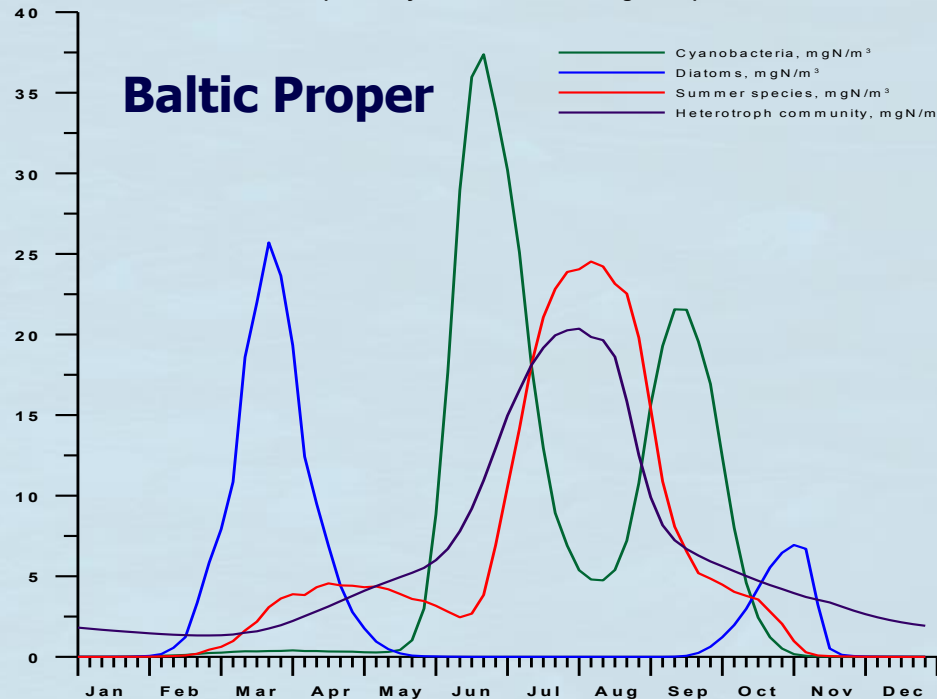
## SPBEM ECHAM run

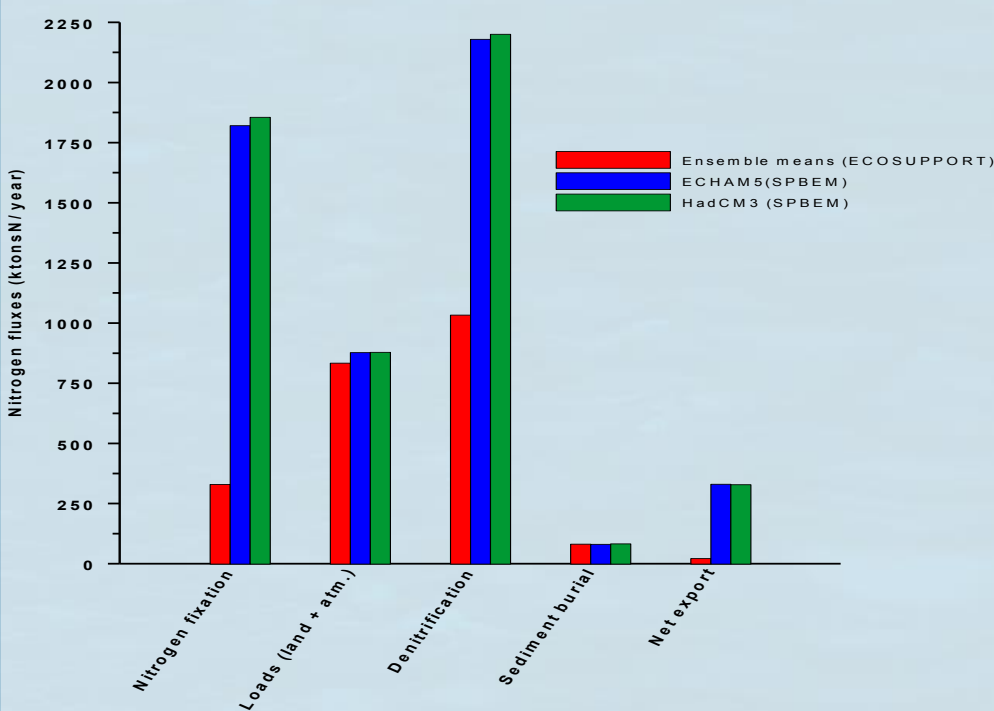
Seasonal succession of diatoms, summer species, cyanobacteria and zooplankton in the upper layer, averaged over 1971-2000



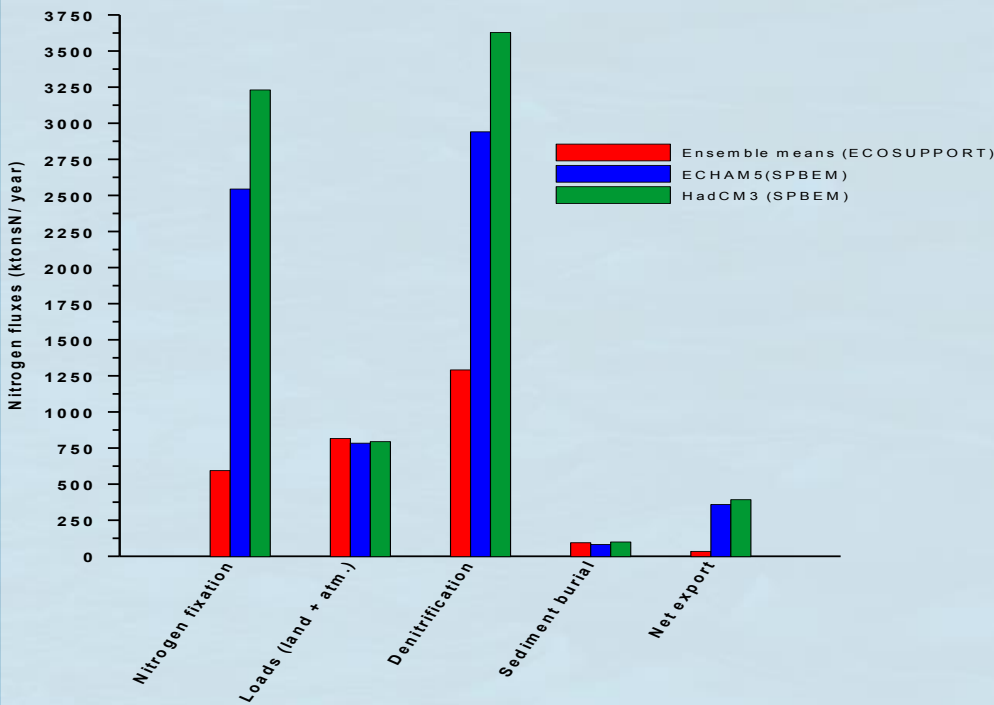
## Baltic Proper

Cyanobacteria, mgN/m<sup>3</sup>  
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**Modern climate, 1971-2000**



**Future climate, 2071-2100**

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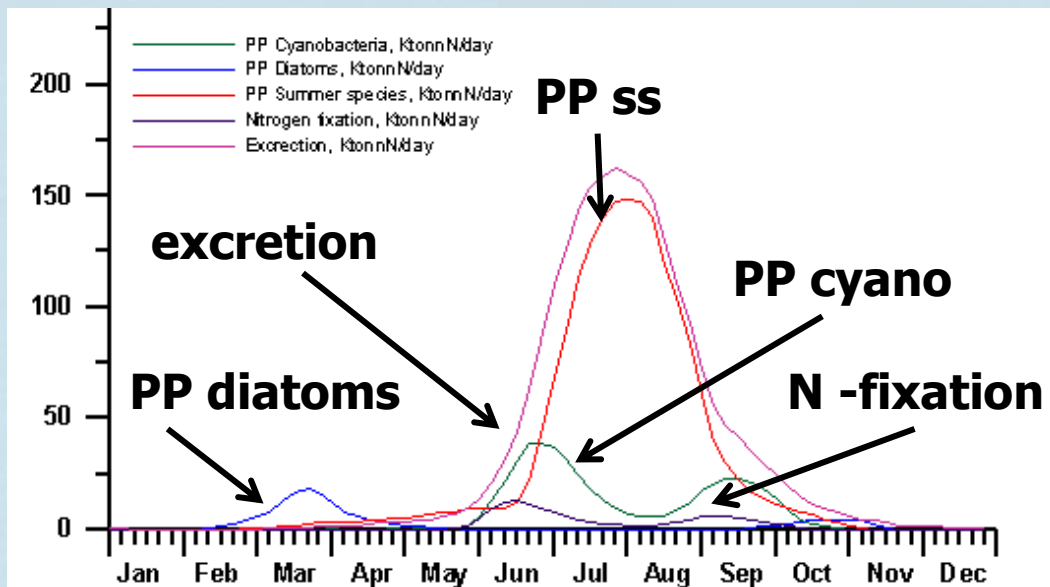
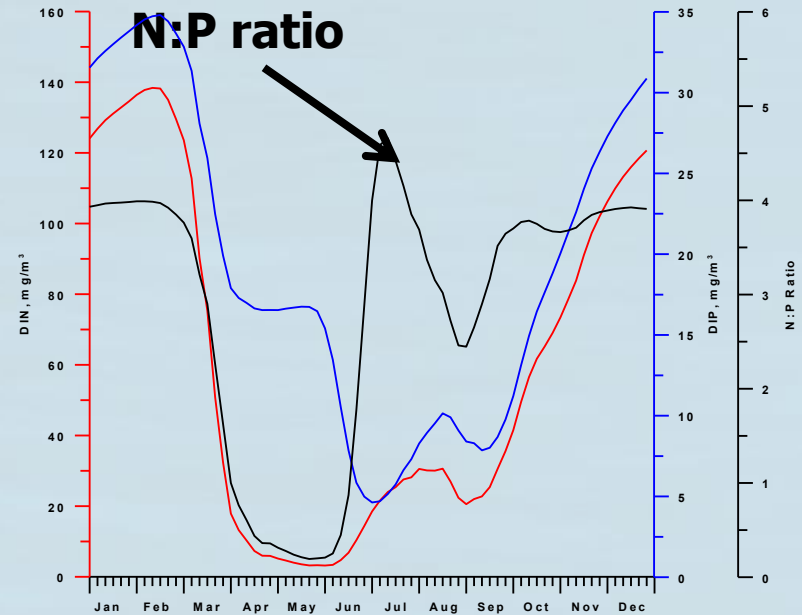
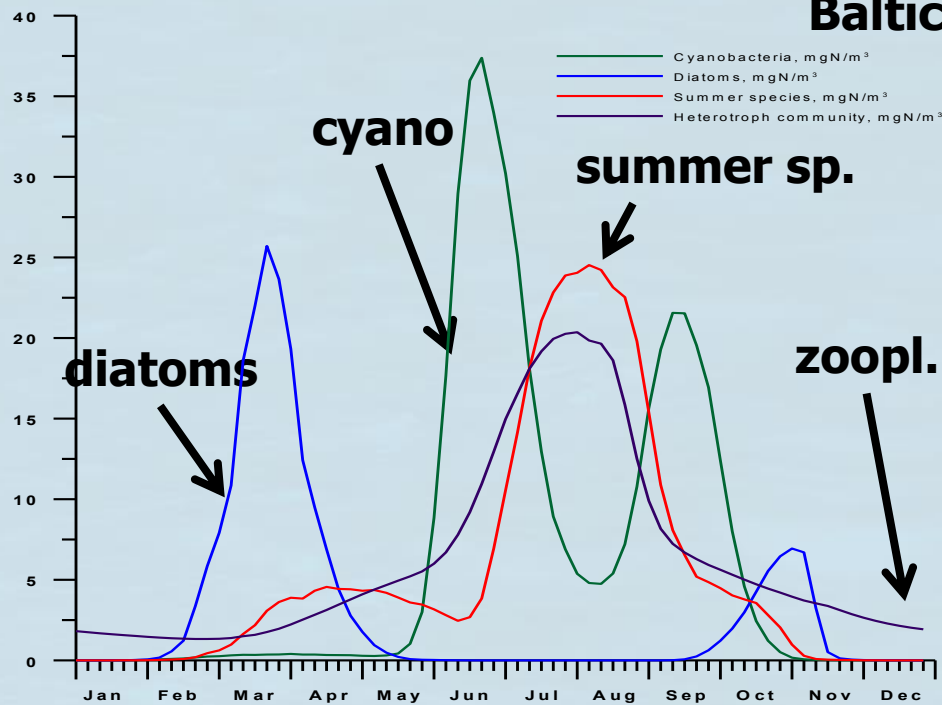


## SPBEM ECHAM run

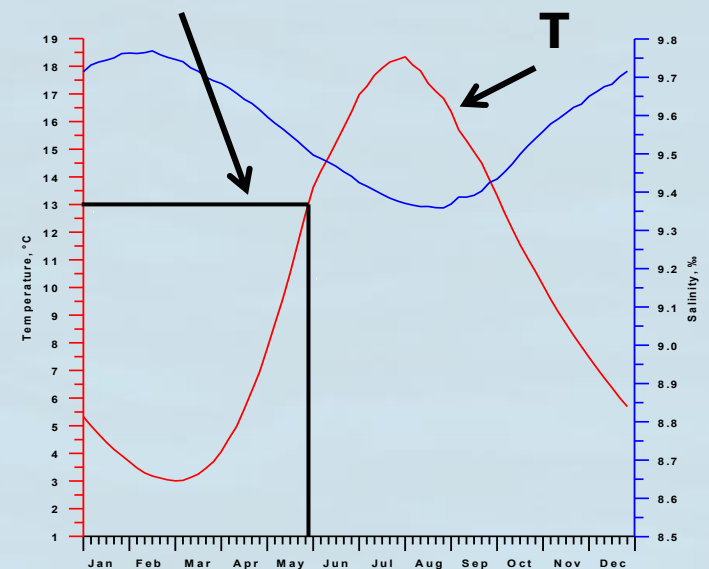
**Table 3.** Calculated (M) and observed (D) values of nitrate, phosphate, ammonium, dissolved oxygen and chlorophyll *a* in the sea upper layer (0-10m) at 2 monitoring stations in the Baltic Proper (averages over the period 1971 to 2000).

Station and forcing	Mean winter nitrate, $\text{mmol m}^{-3}$		Mean winter phosphate, $\text{mmol m}^{-3}$		Mean summer oxygen, $\text{ml}\cdot\text{l}^{-1}$		Mean summer chlorophyll <i>a</i> conc., $\text{mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	
	M	D	M	D	M	D	M	D
SE Gotland Basin ,E	9.2	4.8	0.8	0.5	6.2	7.4	3.0	2.9
Gotland Deep BY15, E	9.2	4.0	1.0	0.6	6.8	7.5	3.2	3.1
Entire Baltic Sea	6.4	5.6	0.8	0.5	6.8	7.3	3.2	2.5

# Baltic Proper



## N-fixation start



1. N:P ratio reaches its minimum after N-limited spring bloom creating favorable conditions for N-fixation
2. Modeled summer T is higher than observed by 1.5 C and reaches prescribed NF-threshold (13 C) earlier (in the beginning of June)
3. The Redfield DIP excess is also two-three times higher than observed because of the overestimated winter values
4. Taken together, all these conditions lead to a massive nitrogen fixation and strong cyanobacteria bloom already in June
5. Zooplankton biomass increases accordingly, accompanied by increased nutrient excretion, thus introducing fixed nitrogen into biotic cycles
6. Intensification of nutrient regeneration favors the growth of summer species. As a result, their PP is much higher than PP of diatoms and cyanobacteria.



So, we have in SPBEM much more intensive recycling within water column under the same external loads as in ECOSUPPORT.

The main reasons of that are:

- 1) higher initial P and N sediment content (in the comparison with ECOSUPPORT simulations);
- 2) higher summer temperatures.

Initial (in 1970) mean volume averaged pools of dissolved inorganic nitrogen (DIN) and phosphorus (DIP) and area averaged pools of nitrogen and phosphorus in the sediments (in kton) for the entire Baltic

	Water DIN	Water DIP	Sediment N	Sediment P
<b>ECOSUPPORT Ensemble mean</b>	1600	600	3000	900
<b>SPBEM</b>	2400	700	13000	2400

# CONCLUSIONS

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2. According to the ECHAM5 and HadCM3-driven BSAP scenario simulations, nutrient load reduction suggested in BSAP will not lead to any fundamental changes in eutrophication indicators in the end of this century. In particular, areas of anoxia and hypoxia will grow, but slower than in the reference runs.
3. The estimates are qualitatively consistent with the estimates of ECOSUPPORT, but impact of climate change on eutrophication was much stronger.
4. Nitrogen fixation and denitrification in SPBEM runs are several times higher than in ECOSUPPORT ensemble simulations. The main reasons of that are: 1) higher initial P and N sediment content; 2) higher summer temperatures in modern climate.
5. These simulations should be viewed as sensitivity analysis of the model solution to the initial conditions, which, as was shown, are a significant source of uncertainty of the final result.

The difference between the future(2071-2100) and modern(1971-2000) values of parameters

REF	Upper layer (0-10m)		Near-bottom layer	
	$\Delta\text{NO}_3$ wint	$\Delta\text{PO}_4$ wint	$\Delta\text{NO}_3$ wint	$\Delta\text{PO}_4$ wint
ECHAM5	2.5	0.4	0.9	0.6
HadCM3	1.3	0.6	-0.1	0.9