



Why Baltic ports cooperate?

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Baltic Sea as a model region
for clean ports and maritime
transport

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25 years and still counting



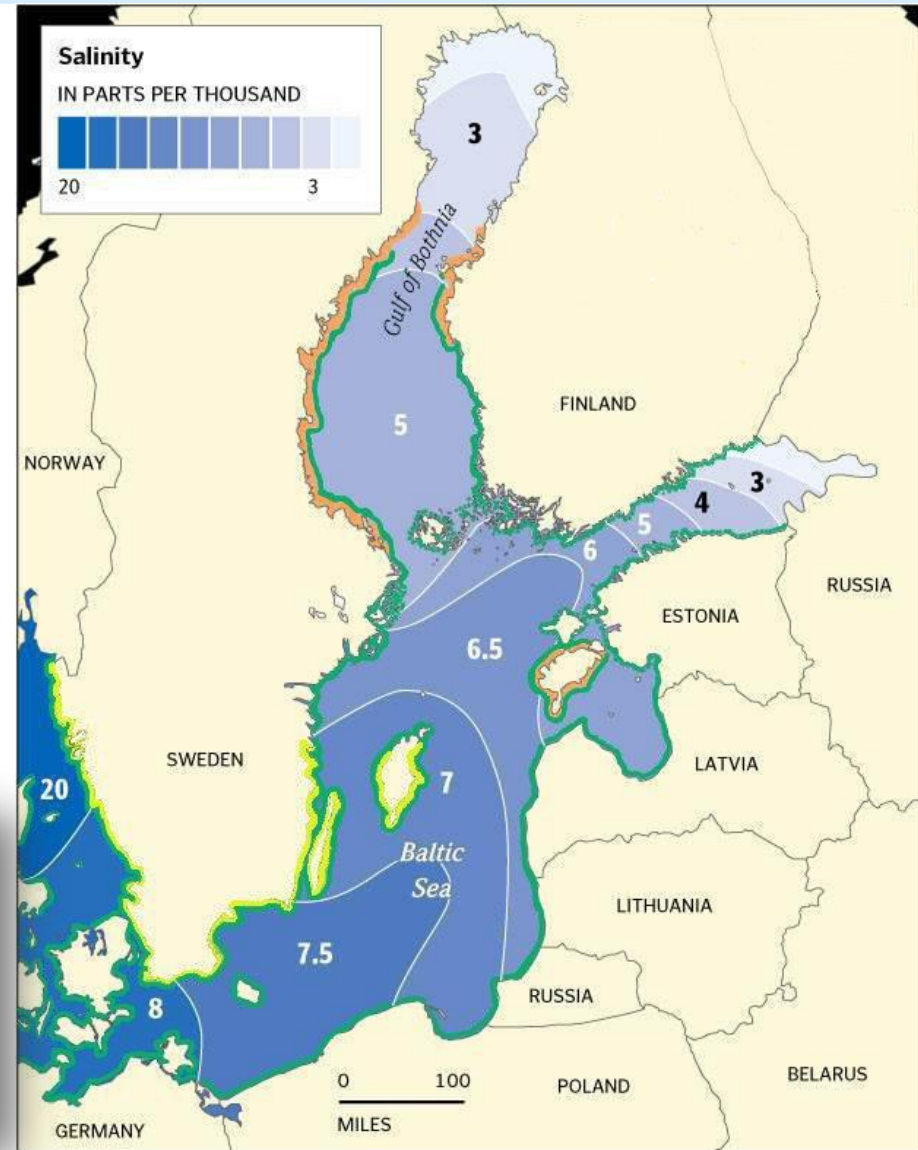
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The Baltic Sea

- The youngest sea on our planet
- The brackish sea with both salt and fresh water
- Surrounded by 9 countries – huge drainage area (4 times as large as the sea itself) -> pollutants released into the water remain there for a long time
- Large differences in salinity – from 25 ppm to 2 ppm
- Partly covered by ice during winter
- **Baltic ecosystem is very unique**





The Baltic Sea – ice conditions



The Baltic Sea is known to be one of the northernmost seas of Europe which freezes every winter contrary to the Norwegian and North Seas located at similar latitudes.

Source: Finnish Environment Institute



Baltic sea – ice condition for shipping



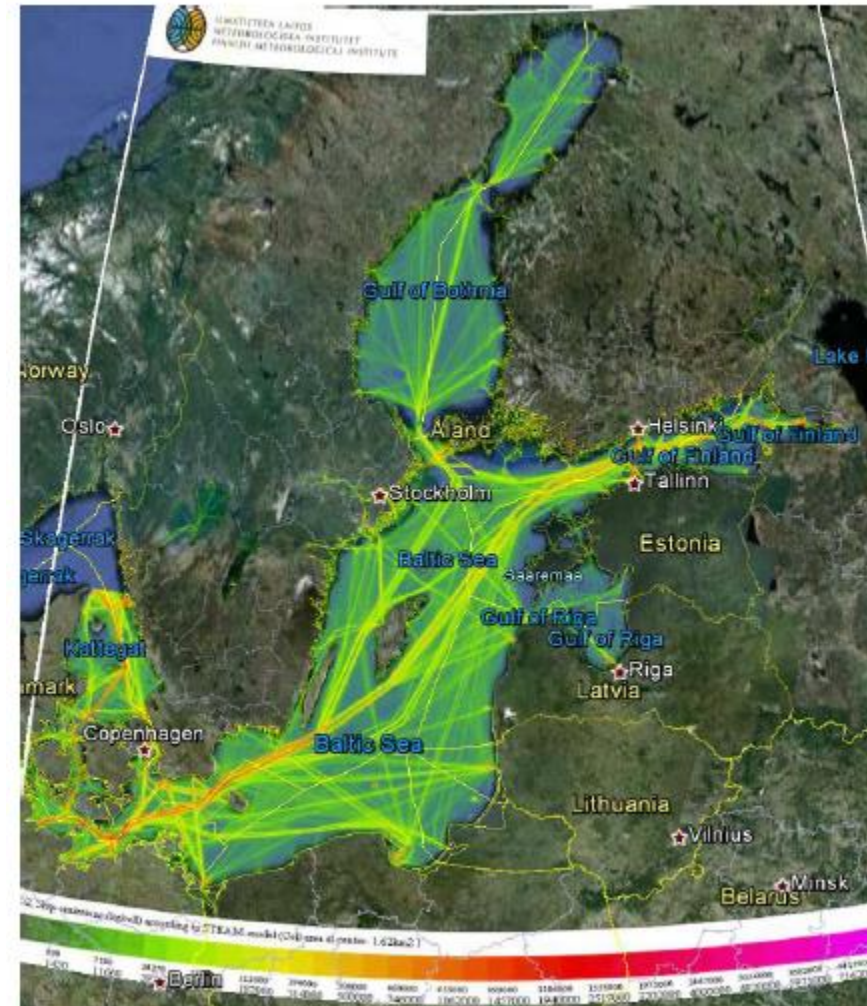
A passenger ferry **Amorella** had 753 passengers and 190 crew on board. The 10-deck ship belongs to Viking Line, which operates Baltic Sea cruises between Sweden and Finland.

March 04, 2010



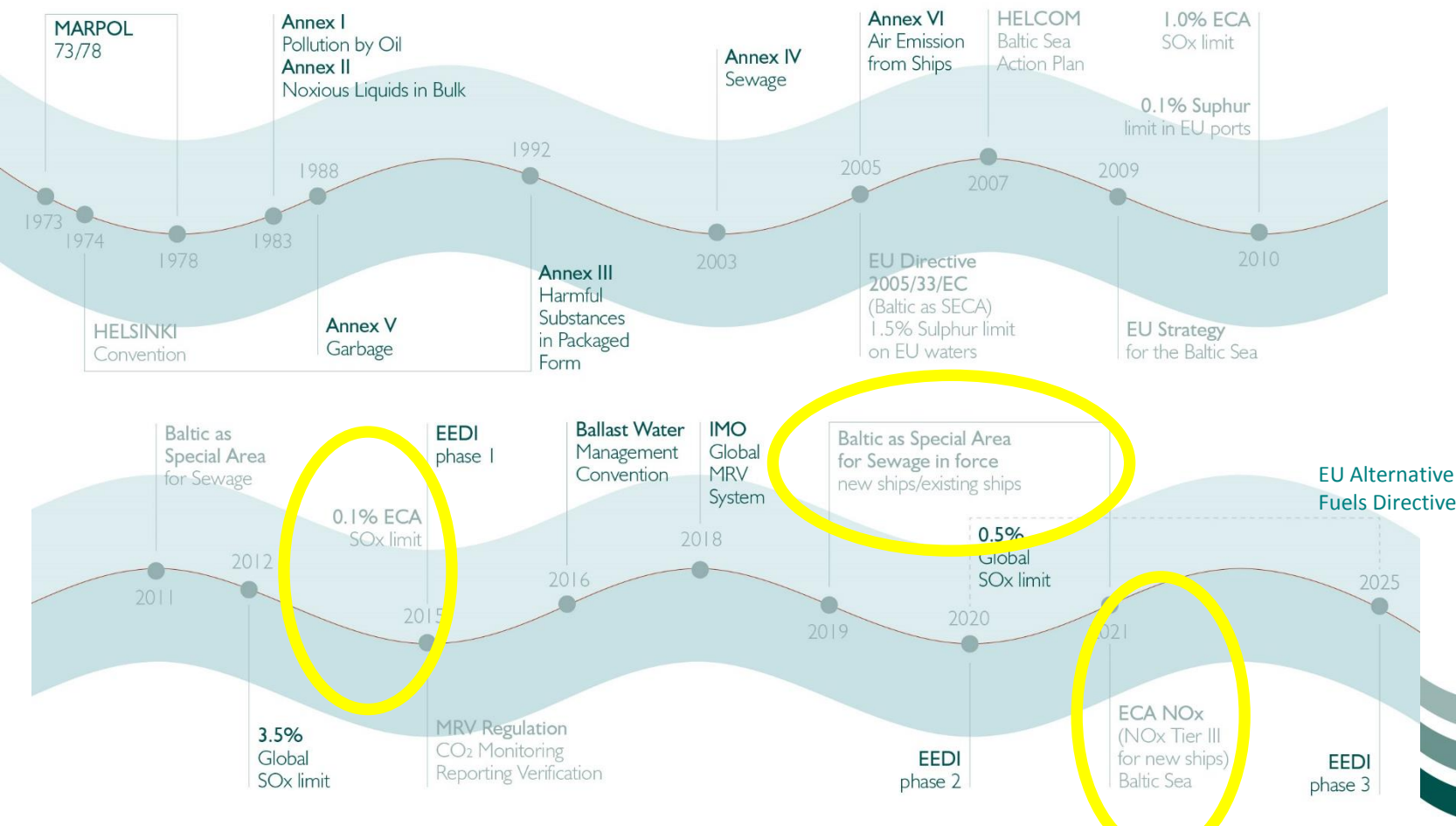
The Baltic Sea – shipping

- One of the most shipping-intensive marine areas in the world, up to 15% of the world's cargo transportation
- About 200 ports (excluding small recreational ports) are crucial points in the international flow of goods
- 2 000 ships at any given moment and each month around 3500 – 5000
- Over 60.000 ships pass through Kattegat into the Baltic Sea every year





Baltic Sea/North Sea regional regulations

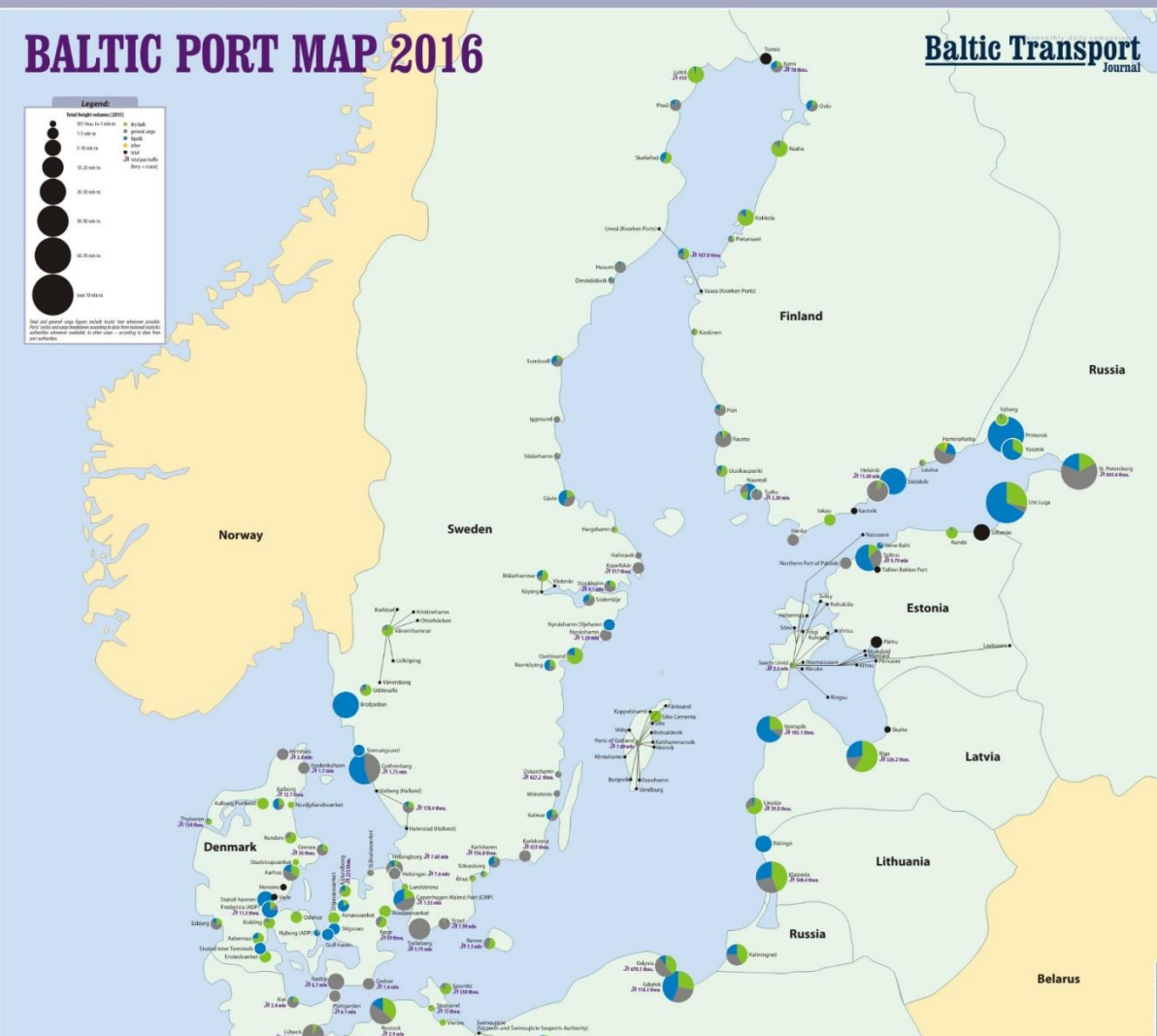
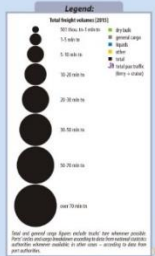


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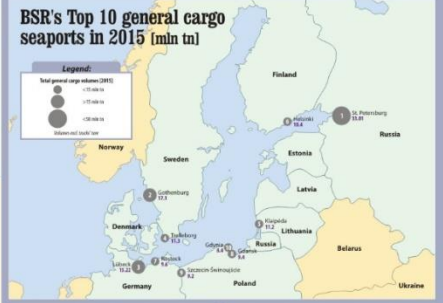
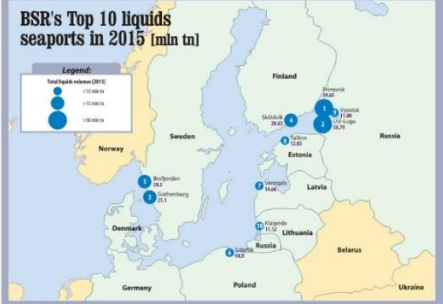
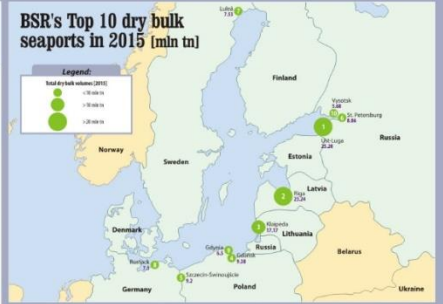
- Established on October 10, 1991, in Copenhagen
- Nearly 50 members – major ports in the nine countries surrounding the Baltic Sea
- Well-recognized within the BSR, in EU bodies and other international organizations
- Registered in Estonia (Port of Tallinn headquarter) and operates according to the Estonian Law on Non-profit Associations.
- Office in Gdynia, Poland



BALTIC PORT MAP 2016



Baltic Transport Journal



BSR countries' seaports turnovers	2010 (mln tn)	2014 (mln tn)	2015 (mln tn)	2010/2015 (%)	2014/2015 (%)
total freight	814.1	871.1	870.0	+7.0	-0.13

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BPO Tag Map – what we deal with?





BPO Strategy for 2017-2019

The BPO's mission is to contribute to sustainable development of maritime transport and the port industry in the Baltic Sea Region, thereby strengthening its global competitiveness.

The BPO's vision is an active port organization inspiring and supporting its members and cooperating pro-actively with relevant partners. BPO is well recognized within the Baltic Sea region as well as among EU bodies and other European regions.



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Tallinn, Estonia**





BPO Strategy for 2017-2019

BPO Areas of activities (examples):

BPO should represent the interests of the Baltic Sea ports towards EU institutions and other relevant organizations (e.g. Helsinki Commission).

BPO should contribute to the clean environment of the Baltic Sea, promote environmental management in the ports and play an active role in international dialogs where the environment is concerned.

BPO should promote Baltic Sea a model region for green ports and maritime transport. A part from promotion purposes, the idea of applying the same regulations in all Europe and worldwide, avoiding a distortion of competition in maritime transport, should be promoted as well.

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BPO Events for 2017

26th January | Fredericia, DK

BPO Comprehensive Ports Group meeting

February | EMSA Headquarter, Lisbon, PO

Seminar: Baltic as a model region for green ports and maritime transport

8th March | Sopot, PL

Green InfraPort meeting during the Transport Week 2016

22nd March | Brussels, BE

BPO Lunch Debate and BPO Board meeting with ESPO

25th April | Copenhagen, DK

BPO Seminar on Sewage

7-8 September | Trelleborg, SE

Baltic Ports Conference & 25th Anniversary of BPO + BPO Board + EWG meeting





Why Baltic Ports cooperate?

- Common interests

but

- not enemies.



Signing of MoU for development of OPS in 4 Baltic ports.





Competition issue in EU



BPO voice:

The same rules and regulations in all EU (if not globally) should be applied in maritime transport





Baltic Sea as a model region for green ports and maritime transport

Sharing green achievements in Baltic ports

Promoting the idea: „the same regulations in all EU in maritime transport”



The Baltic Sea as a model region for green ports and maritime transport



...and not forget: BPO is also a social club





Concluding remark

Why Baltic ports cooperate?

Working together is a key





Baltic Ports Conference 2017

7-8 September 2017, Trelleborg, Sweden





Go Baltic!

Thank you!

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