



# **EUSBSR** EU STRATEGY FOR THE BALTIC SEA REGION

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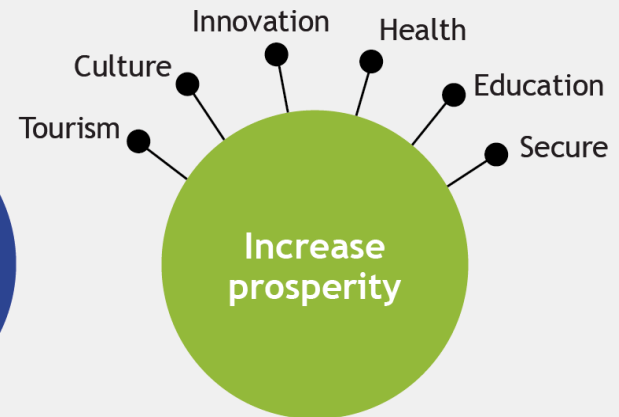
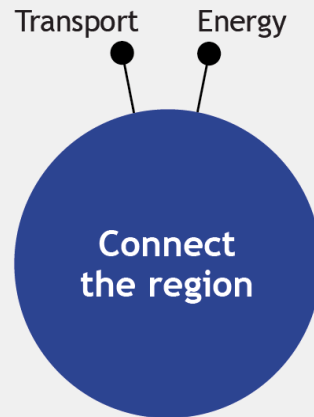
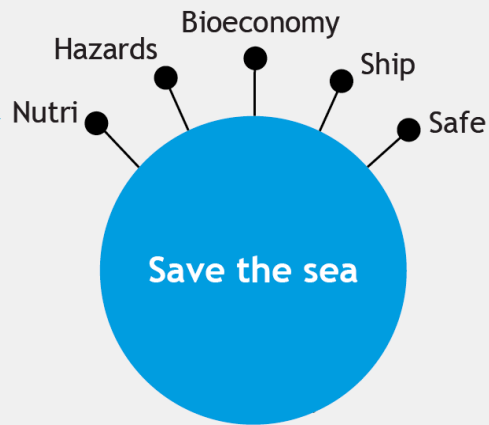
## EUSBSR: key facts

- first macro-regional strategy in EU, launched in 2009;
- 8 EU Member States, 85 million people (17 % of EU population);
- based on long history of cooperation;
- better and more effective use of existing policies, funding, institutions and legislation;
- addresses common challenges of the region.



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## Nutri objective:

- Policy Area Nutri works on Saving the Sea, which is one of the three main objectives of the EU Strategy of the BSR.
- The aim of the Policy Area is to reduce nutrient inputs to the Baltic Sea to acceptable levels.
- The Save the Sea objective is still very relevant and will continue to guide the work in Policy area Nutri in the future.
- Nutri will promote the implementation of the updated HELCOM Baltic Sea Action Plan.



1. Managing nutrients more efficiently
2. Improving waste water treatment
3. Facilitate cross-sectoral policy-oriented dialogue
4. Improve nutrient load data
5. Cooperate with non-EU Member States
6. Investigate cost-efficient nutrient reduction mechanisms

1. Action 1: Reduce nutrient emissions from agriculture and other diffuse sources
2. Action 2: Reduce nutrient emissions from urban areas
3. **Action 3: Develop and promote safe and sustainable nutrient recycling**
4. Action 4: Address nutrients already accumulated in the Baltic Sea

## PA Nutri – Draft new actions

- The scope of PA Nutri - not less, with new challenges:
  - Increasing the understanding and raising awareness of linkages between climate change and eutrophication
  - Developing and promoting safe and sustainable nutrient recycling as part of the circular economy package
  - Developing urban water management, including nature based solutions
  - Applying innovative water protection measures in agriculture and other diffuse sources

### **Action 3: Develop and promote safe and sustainable nutrient recycling**

Promote and develop environmentally safe and economically viable solutions to recover and reuse nutrients from agriculture, aquaculture, forestry, and municipalities. Encourage new business models and symbioses with cross-sectoral cooperation. Promote knowledge exchange, influence consumption patterns, raise awareness and carry on policy dialogue to facilitate nutrient recycling as part of the EU's circular economy package and the HELCOM Regional Nutrient Recycling Strategy.

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## Nutri - HELCOM cooperation

- HELCOM – formulation of policy recommendations, identification of bottlenecks in implementation, proposals of needs for actions and projects
- EUSBSR, PA Nutri – sharing of good practices, promotion & identification of flagship projects, linking financing
- HELCOM sets the policy targets in the region and EUSBSR supports member states in reaching those targets.
- Nutri proposes measures to strengthen and promote safe and sustainable nutrient recycling as part of the HELCOM Regional Nutrient Recycling Strategy





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