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# **EEA Grants Programme LV02 National Climate Policy**

## **Maritime Spatial Planning in Latvia**



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# Climate Programme



**Programme Operator** – Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development (Latvia)

**Budget** - 11 205 406 EUR

**Objective** - support Latvia in developing a comprehensive national climate policy covering all sectors as regards emissions and adaptation

## Implementation

- 2 open calls (~7 000 000 EUR)
- 2 pre-defined projects (~3 300 000 EUR)





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# ADAPTATION PRE-DEFINED PROJECT



## Pre-defined Project

Development of Proposal for National Adaptation Strategy

**Budget** EUR 1 209 305

## Project partners

- Norwegian Directorate for Civil Protection
- Latvian Environment, Geology and Meteorology Centre
- Latvian Institute of Aquatic Ecology
- Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Latvia

## Main activities

Climate change and impact scenarios for 2100

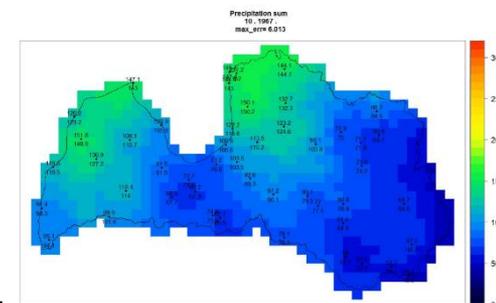
National Adaptation strategy

- Flood risk maps and upgrade of Flood Information System
- Risk and vulnerability assessment and adaptation measures
- **Maritime Spatial Plan** (budget 301 256 EUR)

Climate change web portal



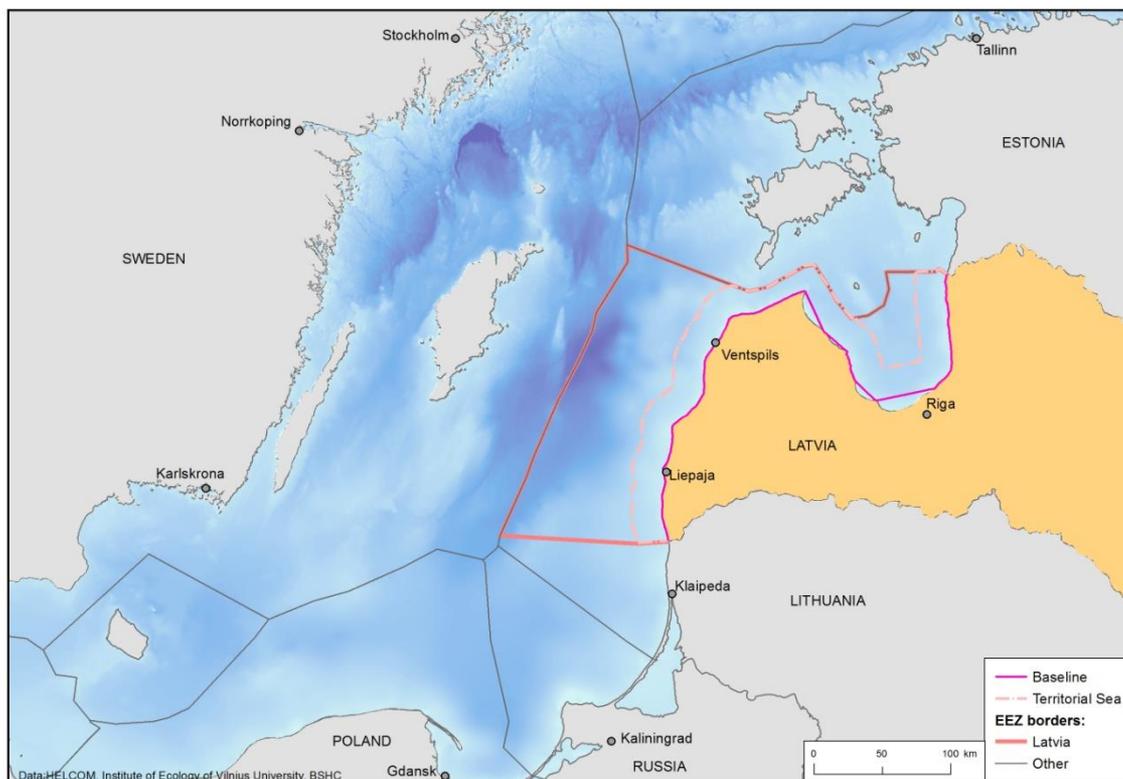
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# BASIC INFORMATION



- Total area of Baltic Sea waters under jurisdiction of Latvia is **28,500 km<sup>2</sup>**
- Marine waters of Latvia (the inland maritime waters, territorial sea and exclusive economic zone) takes up **7,7% total area of the Baltic sea**
- **32,5%** of total area of the territorial sea is designated as **marine protected areas**
- Waters under jurisdiction of Latvia **border** upon **Lithuania, Estonia and Sweden**



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# MARITIME SPATIAL PLAN

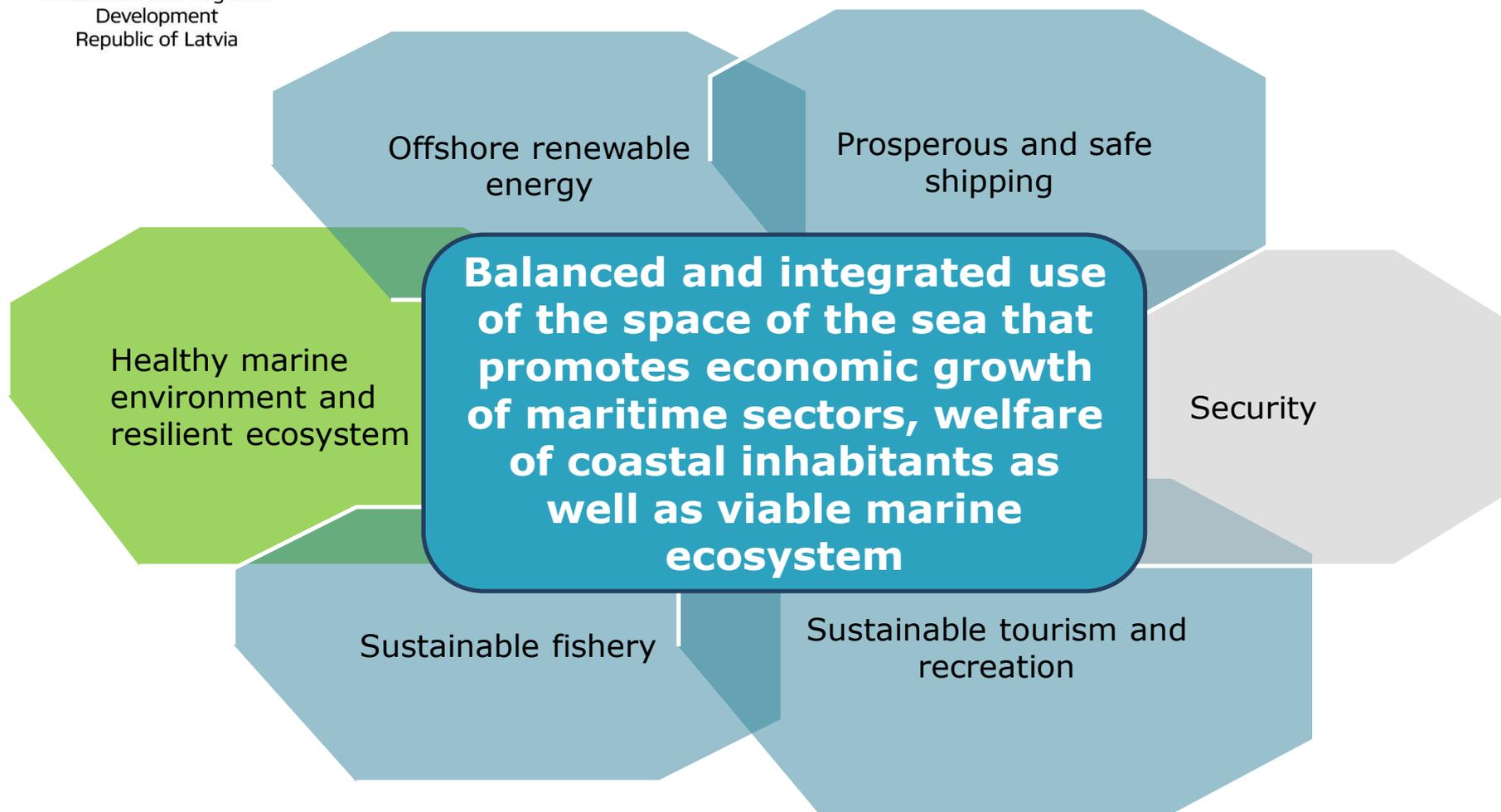
- National level long-term spatial planning document (until 2030)
- The plan will cover Latvian part of the Baltic Sea (incl. Inland Sea Waters, Territorial Sea and EEZ)
- Define planned (permitted) marine use and conditions
- MSP is being developed for the first time in LV





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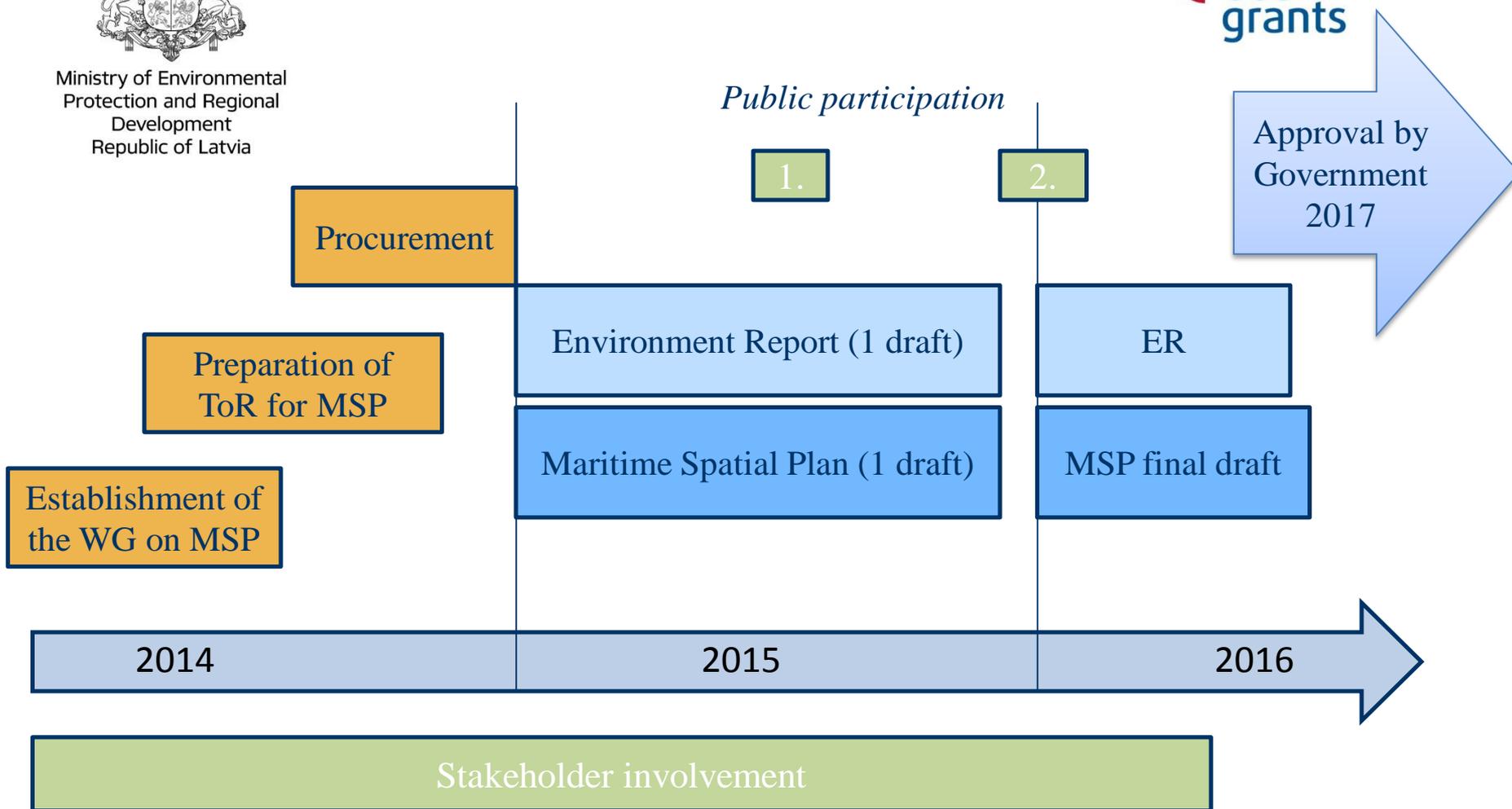
# THE GOAL & PRIORITIES





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# PROCESS





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# MSP COMPONENTS



## Analysis

Trends and current status on nature, environment and economic sectors related to sea uses

## Strategy

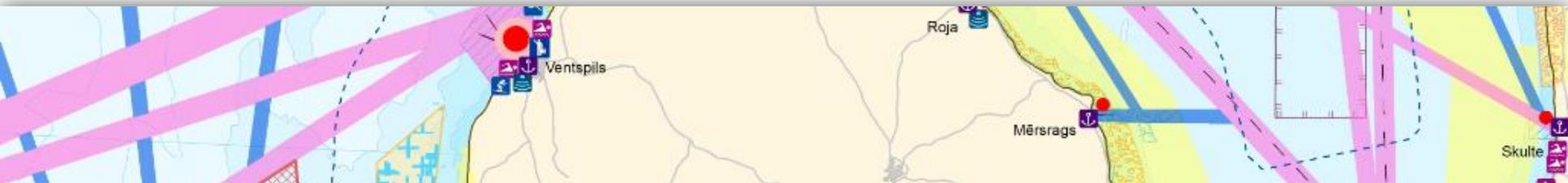
Long term development vision on the use of the sea, priorities, strategic goals and tasks

## Uses and management

Description and designation of the permitted sea use; spatial and legal solutions

## Maps

Current status, permitted sea uses, thematic maps and schemes





# CATEGORIES AND TYPES OF PLANNED USES OF THE SEA

## Areas of priority interest

- Priority areas for shipping
- Military training areas and surveillance towers and zones
- Marine Protected Areas and Investigation areas of nature values
- Important fishery areas (bottom trawling)
- Important areas for the coastal marine tourism

## Areas of potential development

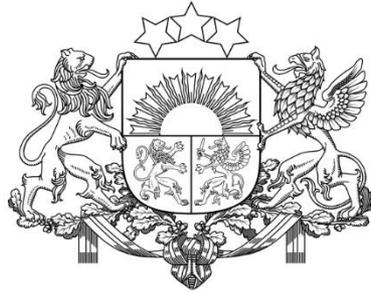
- Wind park development
- Marine aquaculture (algae and mussels)
- Marine aquaculture (algae, mussels, fish)
- Area for exploring the wave energy technologies
- Perspective electricity cables
- Tourism development

## Other types of the uses of the sea and marine features

- Navigation information
- Coastal tourism and recreation sites (bathing waters, Yachting clubs)
- Fish landing sites at the port
- Spatial units for exploration and extraction of hydrocarbons
- Sediment deposition areas
- *Others...*

## Areas of General Use





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