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Cooperation with other conventions and organisations in the subregion

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HELCOM



- Roots in early international scientific concern on marine environment
- The Convention on the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Baltic Sea Area, 1974 and 1992
- Governing body is the Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission – HELCOM
- Regional policy maker and bridge between science and policy
 - Recommendations, Ministerial Declarations,
 - Input to International processes (IMO, EU)
- 10 Contracting Parties – 9 BSS and EU



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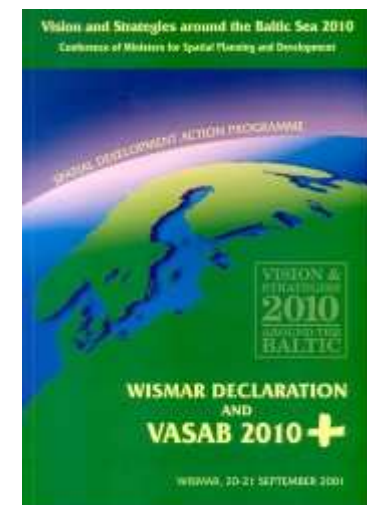
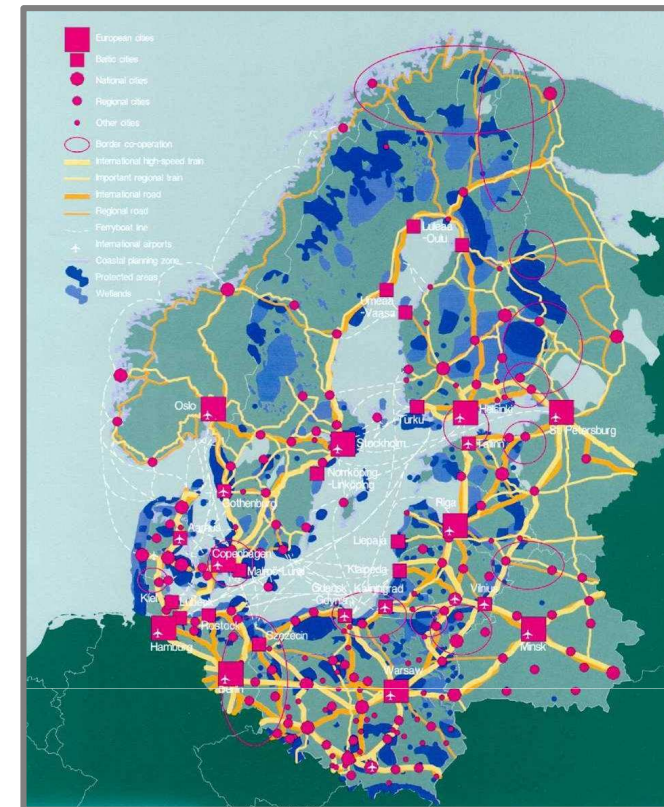
Intergovernmental network founded in 1992 to promote cooperation on spatial planning and development in the Baltic Sea Region

11 Member countries:

Belarus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Lithuania, Latvia, Norway, Poland, Russia and Sweden

Main mission:

- **Prepare policy options for the territorial development of the Region**
- **Provide a forum for exchange of know-how on spatial planning and development**



Other Conventions and organisations

In or near the region

- *OSPAR*
- *CBSS*
- *Nordic Council of Ministers*

Other region or global

- ICES
- Barcelona Convention