

The background of the slide is a photograph of a large body of water, likely a lake or sea, with a grassy foreground at the bottom. Two birds, possibly swans or geese, are captured in flight in the center of the image, their wings spread wide. The text is overlaid on this background.

Progress of the ARTWEI project

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Ultimate Goal of ARTWEI

ARTWEI is aimed:

- to facilitate **coherent spatial planning and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)** efforts
- **on the transitional waters**
- **across administrative borders**
- **and the land-sea boundary**
- **from a joint specific south Baltic perspective.**

Key Objective 1 ✓

- develop **4 cross-border Transitional Waters' Stakeholders Bodies (TWSBs)**
- for the cross-border decision-taking (in terms of **SEA**).
- **Each for every SBTW.**
- They identify **3-4 common cross-border problems** for **SEA** and
- launch **local programmes of measures.**

Key Objective 2 ①

- develop a **very user-friendly**
- **multilingual and interactive**
- **webGIS platform**
- for the cross-border cohesion of SBTWs
- Information exchange, data quarrying, spatial management and SEA decision-support

Key Objective 3 ①

- develop a **“White Book”**
- **for the cross-border cohesion of SBTW**
- **planning, integration, management and decision-taking (in terms of SEA).**
- **Including cases and best practices from all 4 SBTWs and the rest of Europe**
- **Presented at the project high-level panel**
- **Endorsed by some HELCOM body**

Key Result 1 ✓

- Number of created **cross-border networks**
- based on formal agreements - **1**,
- number of organisations involved in new / upgraded cross-border networks
- (“network of networks”) - **10**.
- **Source of Verification: Cooperation agreement, website**

Key Result 2 ①

- Number of **institutions with improved capacities** in the management of the Baltic Sea environment - **21**
- **(extra to project partners).**
- **Source of Verification: Lists of participants** and their affiliation
- **at interactive training events (sic!)**

Key Result 3 ①

- Number of improved **methods / instruments** for the management of the Baltic Sea area environment - **30**.
- **(Cases and best practice examples in the ‘White Book’)**
- **Source of Verification: Evaluation Report.**

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- **We are getting late!!!**
- Foreword – 2 p. **Alberto, Gerald & Michael**
- Relevance of ARTWEI to the HELCOM Baltic Sea Action Plan – 1 p. **Artūras**
- Executive Summary – 6 p. **Olof**
- Introduction – 2 p. **Olof**

Contents

- Chapter 1. Introducing transitional waters (**3 p.**).
Conclusions and watchwords – **1 p.**
- Map of Europe with transitional waters **Artūras**
- Chapter 2. Ecosystem goods and services of transitional waters (**2 p.**) **Artūras** Conclusions and watchwords – **1 p.** **Case studies – 3 p.**
- Chapter 3. Specific challenges in the reinforcement of the South Baltic trans-boundary transitional waters' environmental integrity (**3 p.**) **Artūras, Boris & Piotr** Conclusions and watchwords – **1 p.** **Case studies – 3 p.**

What is a “watchword”?

watchword - a slogan used to rally support for a cause; "a cry to arms"; "our watchword will be `democracy'"

rallying cry, war cry, battle cry, outcry

catchword, motto, shibboleth, slogan - a favorite saying of a sect or political group

What is a “watchword”?

E.g.: **Watchwords for an effective MPA**

- Be clear about the objectives;
- Seek local support;
- Build partnerships;
- Plan for financial sustainability;
- Don't prohibit more than necessary;
- Build for the unforeseen;
- Put in place structures for conflict resolution;
- Establish self-enforcement as much as practicable

Chapter 3

- 3.1. Nutrient and pollutant input, eutrophication, salinity and other factors
- 3.2. Risk of natural and technological hazards and declining resilience in the situation of the economic development and climate change
- 3.3. Threat of hydrographical and ecological alterations
- 3.4. Maintenance of robust migration corridors
- 3.5. Cross-border differences in the usage of resources, monitoring and spatial management systems
- 3.6. Absence of integrated cross-border risk mitigation, information exchange and decision-making systems

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- Chapter 4. Key issues in the trans-boundary reinforcement of the transitional waters' environmental integrity (4 p.) Ramūnas
Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. **Case studies – 3 p.**
- Chapter 5. Towards a strategy for the reinforcement of transitional waters' environmental integrity (3 p.) Ramūnas
- Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. **Tables – 1 p.**
Case studies – 3 p.

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- Chapter 6. Planning for the transboundary reinforcement of the transitional waters' environmental integrity (6 p.) Ramūnas Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. Case studies – 3 p.
- Chapter 7. Information management in the reinforcement of the trans-boundary transitional waters' environmental integrity (2 p.) Nardine + German and Polish colleagues. Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. Case studies – 3 p.

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- Chapter 8. Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment in a transboundary transitional water body (3 p.) Ramūnas Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. **Case studies – 2 p.**
- Chapter 9. Planning for financial sustainability of the trans-boundary cooperation (4 p.) Ramūnas. Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. **Case studies – 3 p.**
- Chapter 10. Research, monitoring, evaluation and review (3 p.) Olof Conclusions and watchwords – 1 p. **Case studies – 3 p.**

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- To be published in EUCC Germany Coastline Report series as a complete volume
- Template is already provided
- 1 page – app. 4000 (+/- 500) characters
- Extra tables and illustrations are welcome
- Use materials from the Case Studies!!!
- Collective authorship (authors listed according to the alphabet)
- Exact citation suggested by EUCC Germany (Coastline Reports, vol. ???)

Deadlines

- Chapters written – October 15!!!
- Circulation around and mutual reviewing – November 1
- Gerald, Alberto and Michael write Introduction, Olof – Executive Summary – November 15
- Editing (especially, English language - Swedes), final touches (Henrik + Ramunas), placing on the website – December 1
- Submission to HELCOM – December 15
- Endorsement – March 2012
- ISBN and publishing ??? (Is web + CD sufficient???)

Progress in webGIS

- A programmer is available but no contract yet
- Work to be done according to the ToR agreed in Szczecin last December
- Curonian lagoon (and Vistula lagoon) develop a webGIS with analytical tools
- Szczecin Lagoon: Polish partners take efforts to extend the available German system to include the Polish part and information in Polish
- Henrik takes efforts to “resurrect” the Danish-Swedish webGIS for the Sound
- All systems accessible via a single platform

Next steps: from C4 to C5

- Completing Component 4 – Panel of experts
- “Open high-level panel of ARTWEI experts will be held in relation to a meeting of some relevant task body of the Helsinki Commission in the third year of the project implementation.”
- Number of attendees - 20
- Ideally: in connection with a HELCOM HABITAT meeting, in a city with strong ARTWEI partner presence and interested students
- Time and place to be decided later.

Next steps: from C4 to C5

- Number of representatives of local and regional authorities at interactive competence building seminars – 50 (in 4 target areas)
- Number of participants at courses for building a capacity of business and citizen institutions - 100
- Number of study visits to other target areas – 4
- In reality means: In every area 10 representatives of local and regional authorities and 20 representatives of business and citizen institutions visit other part of the area and participate in one day interactive courses

Next steps: from C4 to C5

- Building an appropriate capacity of authorities, business and citizen institutions on Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) as a key prerequisite for the reinforcement of environmental integrity in the SBTWs ...
- ...with particular focus on the stipulations of the EU WFD, MSP, Espoo and Helsinki Conventions
- An interactive training following “learning by doing” and “experts to experts” principles,...
- Based on the knowledge available from the Good Practice Code of Conduct...

Next steps: from C4 to C5

Tasks of partners:

1. Identification of the topic, which could attract so many participants into a one day interactive training event (cross-border MPA, NATURA 2000 for SE/DK and DE/PL, SEA of megaprojects for PL/RU and RU/LT)
2. Contacting and motivating potential participants
3. (if bringing 30 participants across the border too complicated, we could arrange separate events in some cases, eg., Vistula and Curonian lagoon)
4. Interesting program (we shall develop together)

Next steps: from C4 to C5

Tasks of partners:

5. Methodology for the interactive training to be developed and adapted to every area
6. Partners will have to translate app 50 ppt slides and ensure oral translation during the event
7. Appropriate timing (Spring? Summer? Autumn?)
8. Facilitation of the events (venue, transportation, coffee and sandwiches (maybe lunch?), excursion, paper and pens)
9. Output of the interactive work – “stakeholders’ recommendations” on the issue

Next steps: Component 2

8 dissemination events presenting the project results and outputs will be held in all four transitional water areas

The press releases will be issued before every project communication and dissemination event in the language of the nation hosting that event and will highlight the environmental importance of the SBTWs, the need for the reinforcement of their environmental integrity

Visitors to the events - 2000

Next steps: Component 2

In reality it means placing an ARTWEI poster in local language in some visible place during some public event (a maritime festival?) ...

And having a person for a day next to it explaining to those interested about the necessity for the transboundary action for the reinforcement the transitional waters' environmental integrity.

This task could be somehow combined with the interactive training

We need ingenuity and careful planning!!!

Deadlines

- Producing interactive \training program (Ramunas) – end of December 2011
- Setting time, place and subject for interactive training – March 2012
- Mobilizing participants – May 2012
- Public large-scale events (Component 2) – Summer
- Interactive Training events – latest the end of the next year, but, preferably, the sooner, the better

Last but not the least...



Thank you for your attention.

Any questions?

