

Euroregion Baltic

Cooperating across borders since 1998

Success Stories of international tourism cooperation in the Baltic Sea Region



12. Baltic Sea Tourism Forum
Brussels (Belgium)
13 November 2019



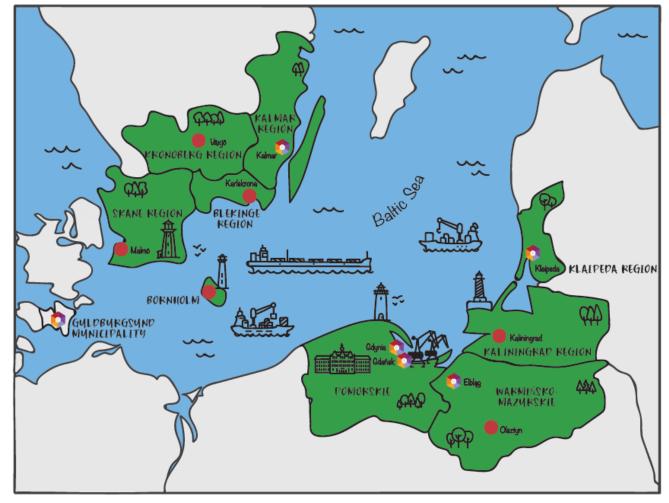


What is ERB?

- > one of the biggest maritime euroregions, created in 1998
- > first to include Russian partners
- hub for cross-border cooperation with focus on people-to-people projects
- > strategic actions via Interreg projects
- promoting local and regional perspective in the Baltic Sea Region and EU (MLG)
- exchanging knowledge and good practice, building capacities for local actors.

Umbrella Boosting cross-border cooperation in South Baltic Sea



























- ➤ important platform contributing to the development of the whole Baltic Sea Region and with particular attention to the South Baltic area
- providing added value in activities of the member organisations to achieve blue and green growth
- experienced and effective platform for development of good projects
- ➤ lobbying for improved cooperation in in the BSR including MLG







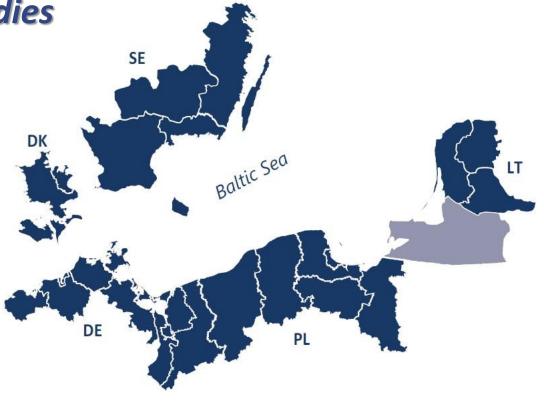
3. ERB and ETC (South Baltic Programme)

- > one of initiatiors of the South Baltic Programme
- > active stakeholder advocating for the Programme
- > participants and leader of numerous South Baltic projects

> active in Programme's decision making bodies







Macroregional approach in tourism

 EU macro-regional strategies (MRS) arise from a need to find more targeted solutions to common societal challenges indicated in the action plan;

• a qualitative leap **fostering synergies** for better regional governance;

The main aim of the Strategy is to facilitate mobilization of relevant EU
policies and funding associated to it, and coordinate the actions of all the
stakeholders.

Key tourism-related stakeholders in the BSR

EUSBSR
PA Culture, Tourism,
Inno, Edu

Interreg South Baltic, Interreg Baltic Sea Region projects CBSS
Baltic Region Heritage
Committe

Council of Europe – Routes4U project

European Commission

National & regional authorities

Municipalities

Certified Cultural Routes (Council of Europe)

SME's

Academia

Others?

Useful instruments for cooperation

Programme arranged tools: workshops, partner search forums, e-learning etc.

Single projects on smaller scale (Interreg SBP, Interreg BSR, Creative Europe, Europe for Citizens, etc)

Existing thematic networks, working groups, task force etc.

Project clusters/platforms – via EUSBSR PA Tourism?

Thematic calls organized by the founding programmes

Labeled Cultural Routes projects

Exchange seminars, workshops







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