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***EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region
PA ENERGY***

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EUSBSR PA Energy/ BEMIP Reform

As a result of a reform, the two regional cooperation formats were merged during the first half of 2015:

- BEMIP (Baltic Energy Market Interconnection Plan)
- EUSBSR Policy Area (PA) Energy



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Baltic Energy Market Interconnection Plan (BEMIP)

- MoU on BEMIP **was signed** on 17 June 2009 (Reinforced: 08 June 2015)
 - **Member States:** Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Finland, Sweden, Norway (as an observer).
 - **Aim:**
 - To create a fully functioning, integrated and efficient energy market in the BSR;
 - Balanced energy market in the BSR;
 - Energy security;
 - Develop infrastructure projects in order to foster the market integration.
- > One of the best regional cooperation examples



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EUSBSR, PA Energy

- The EUSBSR is **the first macro-regional strategy** in Europe, operating since 2009.
- The **same MS involved** as in BEMIP plus non-EU countries
- **Aim:**
 - to end the energy isolation of some Member States in the region
 - to foster market integration
 - to support energy efficiency and sustainable energy sources



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EUSBSR PA Energy/ BEMIP

- Based on willingness to cooperate expressed in Memorandum of Understanding

EUSBSR PA Energy/ BEMIP Action Plan (for competitive, secure and sustainable energy)					
Connect the Region			Increase Prosperity		
Electricity and gas markets	Security of Supply	Energy Infrastructure	Nuclear Energy	Renewable Energy	Energy Efficiency



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Projects/ flagships

-> To be added at a later stage

Key criteria :

- Macro-regional impact of the flagship
- How does it contribute towards the objectives/indicators/targets of the Action Plan
- How does it help implement one or more actions of the policy area/horizontal action concerned (dependency with project)

General criteria :

- Transnational dimension (≥ 3 Baltic Sea region states including ≥ 2 EU MS)
- Realistic timeframe for implementation
- Financial and activity plan
- Established partnership and flagship leader identified



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Interreg Baltic Sea Region Programme 2014-2020

Priorities and Objectives

Innovation

Research &
innovation
infrastructures

Smart
specialisation

Non-
technological
innovation

Natural resources

Clear waters

Renewable
energy

Energy
efficiency

Blue growth

Transport

Interoperability

Accessibility

Maritime Safety

Shipping

Urban mobility

EU strategy support

Seed money

Support of
PACs & HALs

Targeted
support &
EUSBSR forums



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Seed Money Facility

From seed money to a project



Project idea in
line with the
Strategy



Seed money
project



Main project



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