

# Integrating an ecosystem-based approach into maritime spatial planning

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# The aims of the project are

- ▶ To develop a “practical method with a set of guidelines and tools for Member States **to integrate EBA in MSP**”
- ▶ Including **a method to evaluate, monitor and review** the application of EBA in MSP

# We are looking how other EU legislation can support EBA in MSP

Including...

- ▶ Maritime Strategy Framework Directive
- ▶ Water Framework Directive (WFD)
- ▶ Birds and Habitats Directives
- ▶ Common Fisheries Policy (CFP)
- ▶ Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Directive



# And at the roles of cross-cutting processes, including

- ▶ Stakeholder engagement
- ▶ Cross-border cooperation, including cooperation at regional sea level



# We are looking at how EBA can be integrated across the five MSP “stages”

- ▶ **Defining**  
(scoping/characterising the system and key issues)
- ▶ **Developing** (understanding the system and challenges for EBA in MSP)
- ▶ **Assessing** (weighing options and actions)
- ▶ **Implementing**
- ▶ **Follow-up** (monitoring, review/evaluation)



# Five case studies will provide input...

- ▶ Baltic Sea (and Latvia)
- ▶ **Black Sea**
- ▶ Mediterranean (Upper Adriatic) – use of valuation techniques for ecosystem services
- ▶ Netherlands (national case study)
- ▶ Outside the EU: Massachusetts in the US

# Our timeline

- ▶ Late March 2021:  
draft final report
- ▶ Mid-May 2021:  
final workshop with an  
expert peer review
- ▶ Late May 2021:  
final report



Thank you

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