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Report of the BSHC HELCOM Updated Harmonized Re-Survey Scheme

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Status of the work within BSHC Updated Harmonized Re-Survey Scheme – speed-up re-surveys

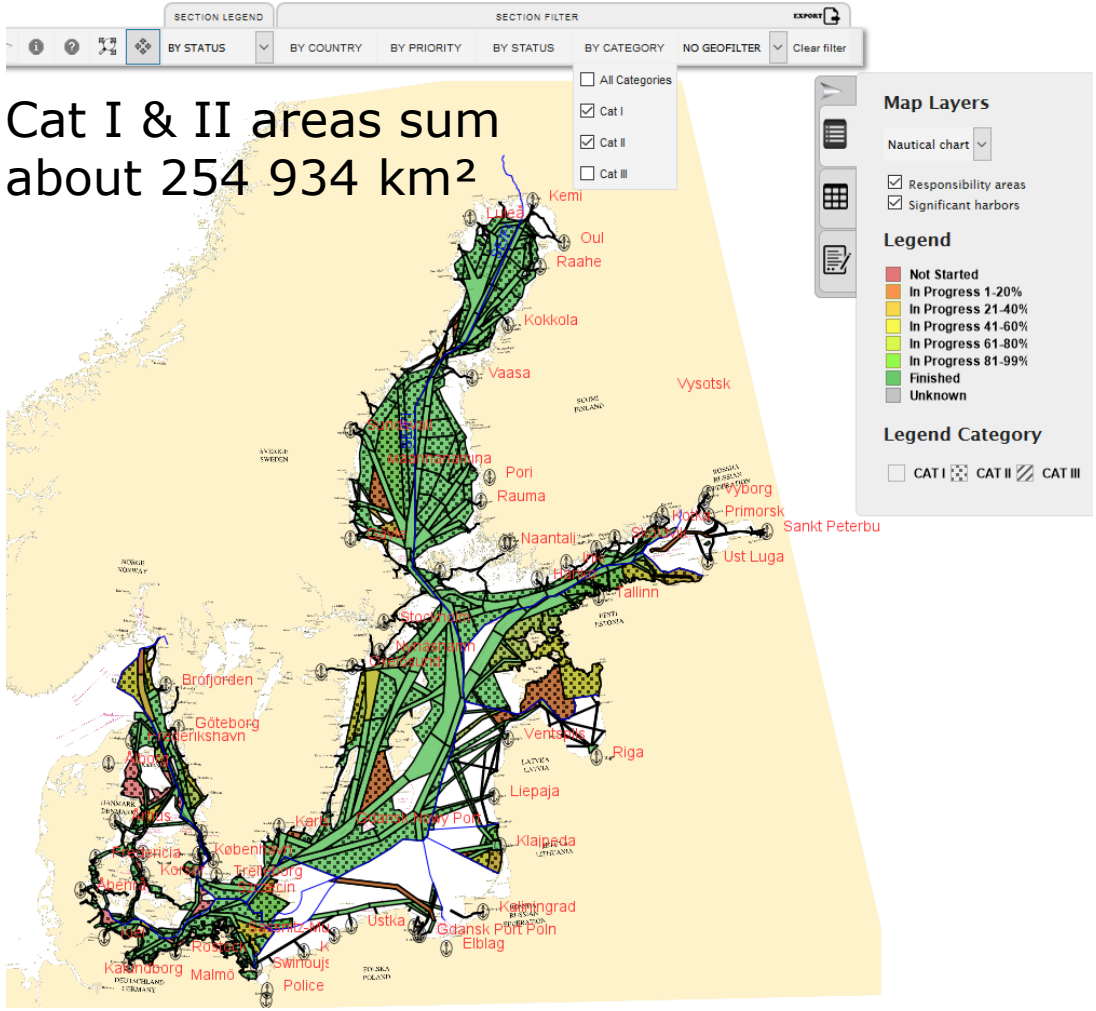
- All Baltic Sea member states, but Russia have updated and verified HELCOM Re-Survey status statistics (April 2021)
- Member states have studied and defined Cat I & II areas in their waters based on AIS data and carried out hydrographic surveys in order to promote safe and efficient shipping
- HELCOM Harmonized Re-Survey Scheme status has also been updated to contain Cat III areas. Updated Harmonized Re-Survey Scheme has been included into the HELCOM Baltic Sea Action Plan in ministerial meeting in Kiel on 20 Oct, 2021. Update has been presented also in:
  - HELCOM Maritime 21
  - HELCOM SAFE NAV 12

HELCOM Ministerial Declaration 2021

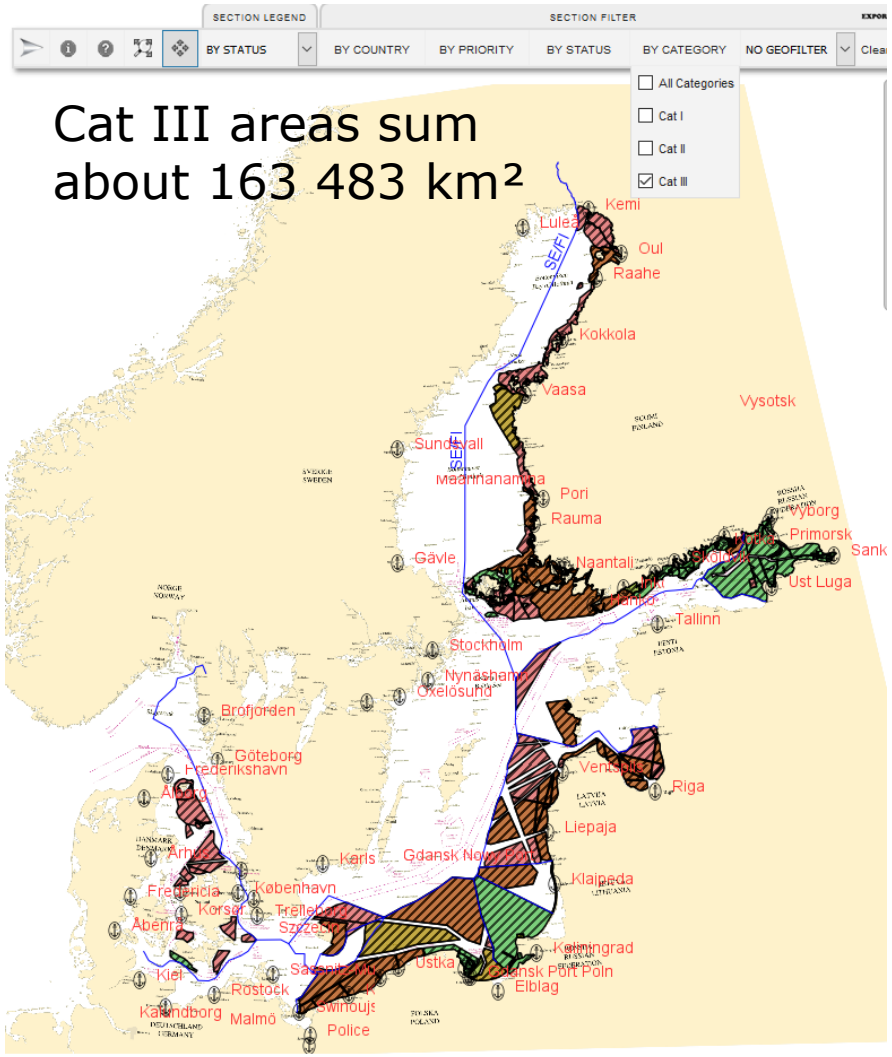
Topic: Maritime safety	
S2	Take actions to ensure the completion of the re-surveys for Category I and II areas used by navigation by 2030 at the latest.
S3	Ensure the completion of the re-surveys for near shore areas and other areas used typically for safe boating, environmental protection, GIS data purposes and oil recovery contingency (also called Category III areas), by the time specified in the revised Baltic Sea Hydrographic Commission (BSHC)-HELCOM Revised Baltic Sea Harmonized Hydrographic Re-Survey Scheme.

We, the Ministers of the Environment and Maritime Affairs, High Representatives of the Baltic Sea coastal states and the EU Commissioner for Environment, Oceans and Fisheries, assembled in Lübeck (Germany) on 20 October 2021, on the occasion of the Ministerial Meeting of the Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission (Helsinki Commission, HELCOM), have adopted the updated HELCOM Baltic Sea Action Plan (BSAP), our powerful and action oriented roadmap to achieving Good Environmental Status in the Baltic Sea.

BSHC HELCOM updated harmonized Re-Survey Scheme status



Cat I & II areas sum about 254 934 km²



Cat III areas sum about 163 483 km²

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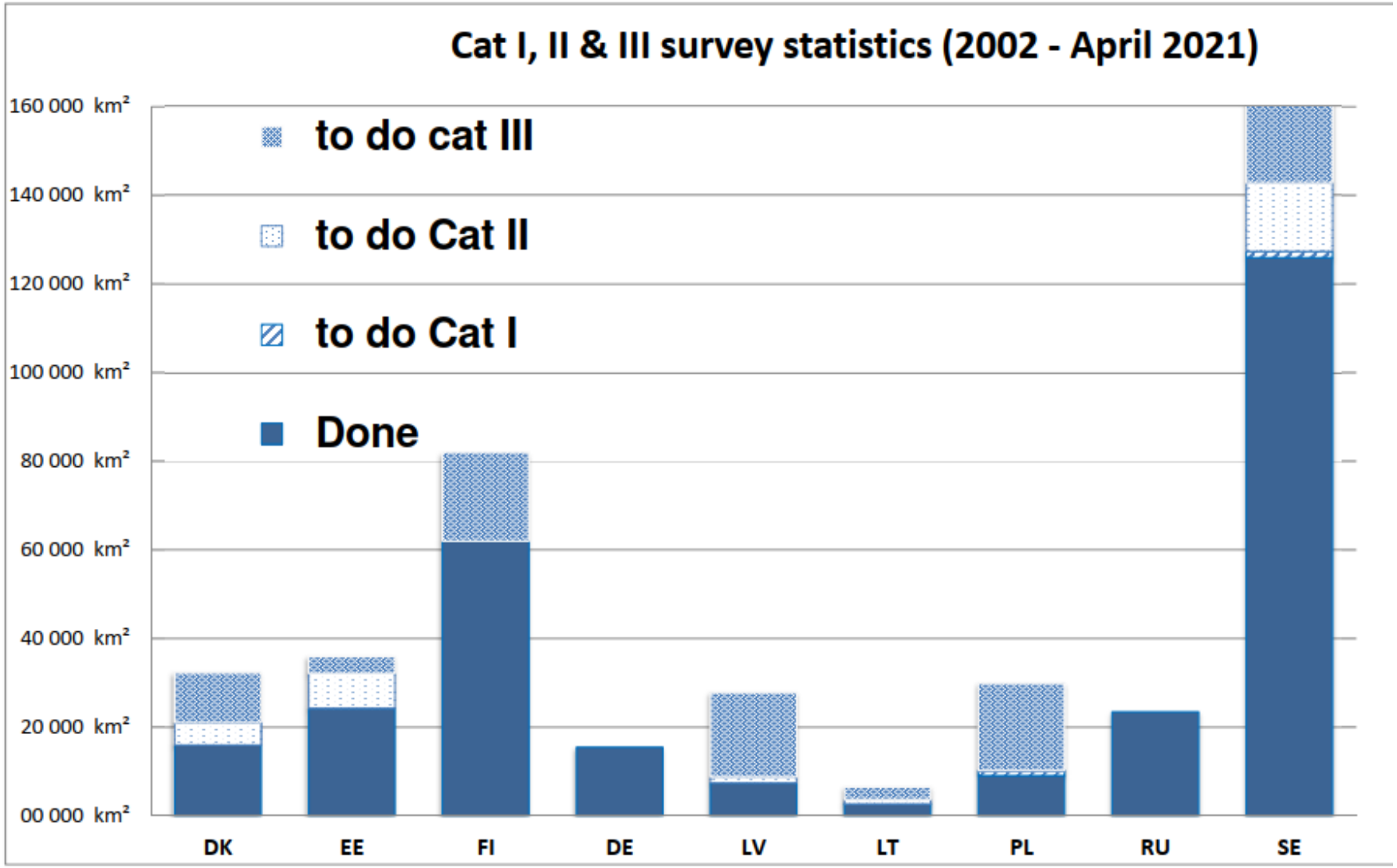

Examples of future work of the Baltic Sea national Hydrographic Offices

- To perform re-surveys in all updated harmonized HELCOM Re-Survey Scheme areas and to report the progress
- The BSHC will monitor the progress
- To study and define Cat I & II areas further based on the existing AIS-information on commercial shipping
- To follow up the HSWG (Hydrographic Survey Working Group of IHO) and to implement S-44 ed6 international standard to the hydrographic work within the Baltic Sea

EU SBSR PA Safe and Ship is invited to

- Take note of the information provided

- Promote the actions on the 2021 Ministerial meeting decision on the Baltic Sea Action Plan in the Baltic Sea EU Member States

Thank You!

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