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Maritime Spatial Planning in small sea areas

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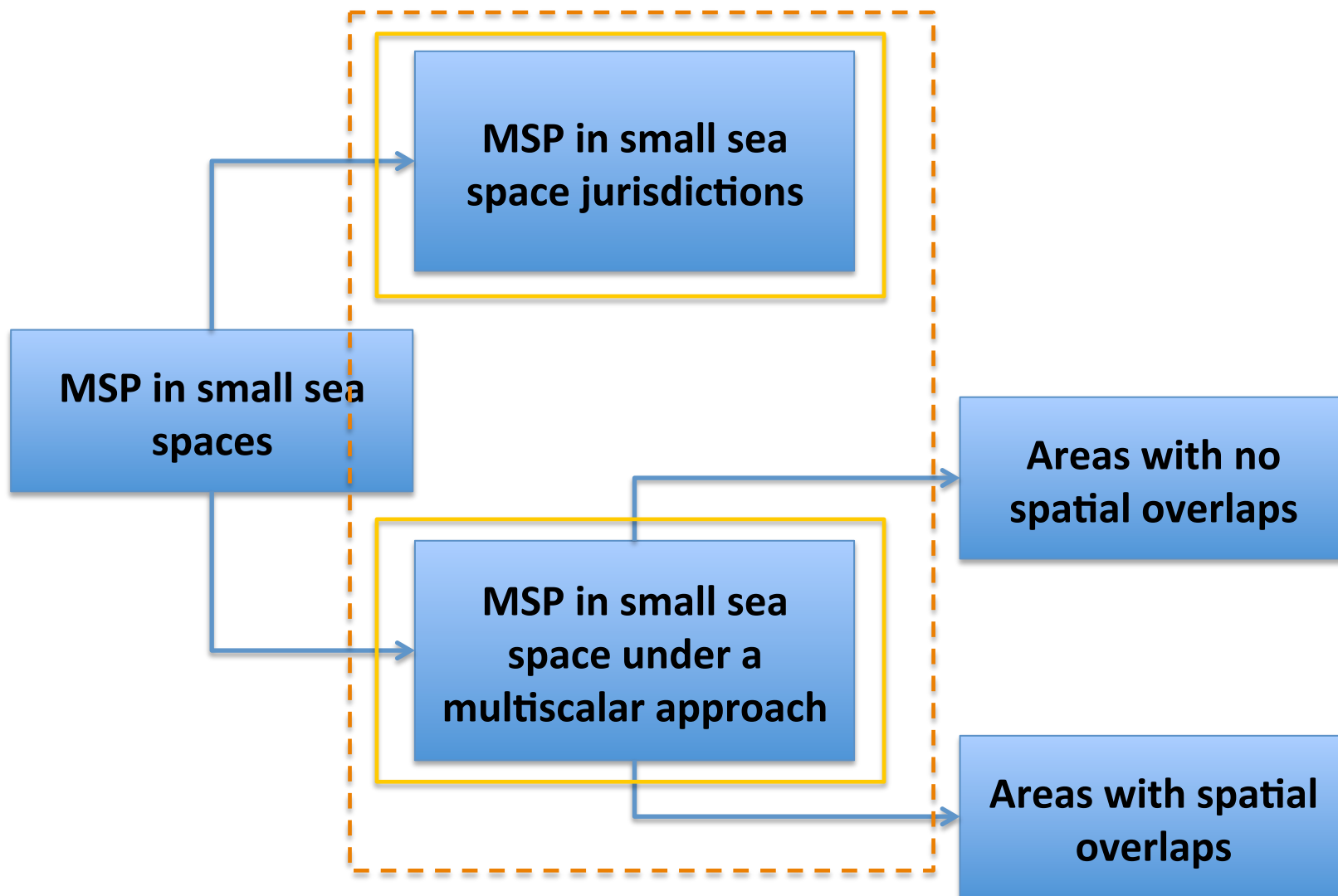


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Small sea spaces



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Topics for discussion

- How would you **define a small sea space** in relation to MSP?
- Is the proposed conceptualization of small sea spaces valid? Would you propose any modification?
- What are the main **commonalities** of running a MSP process in small sea spaces?



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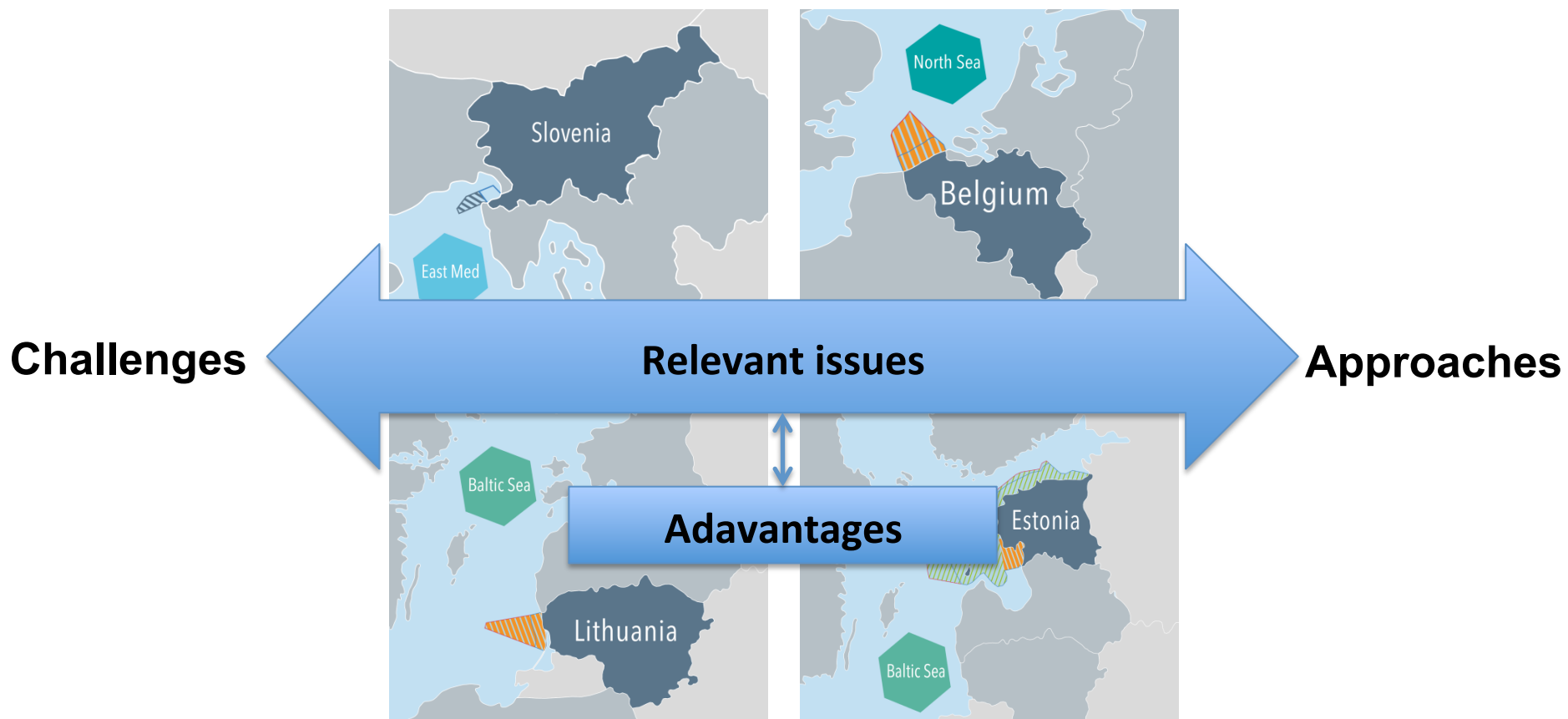
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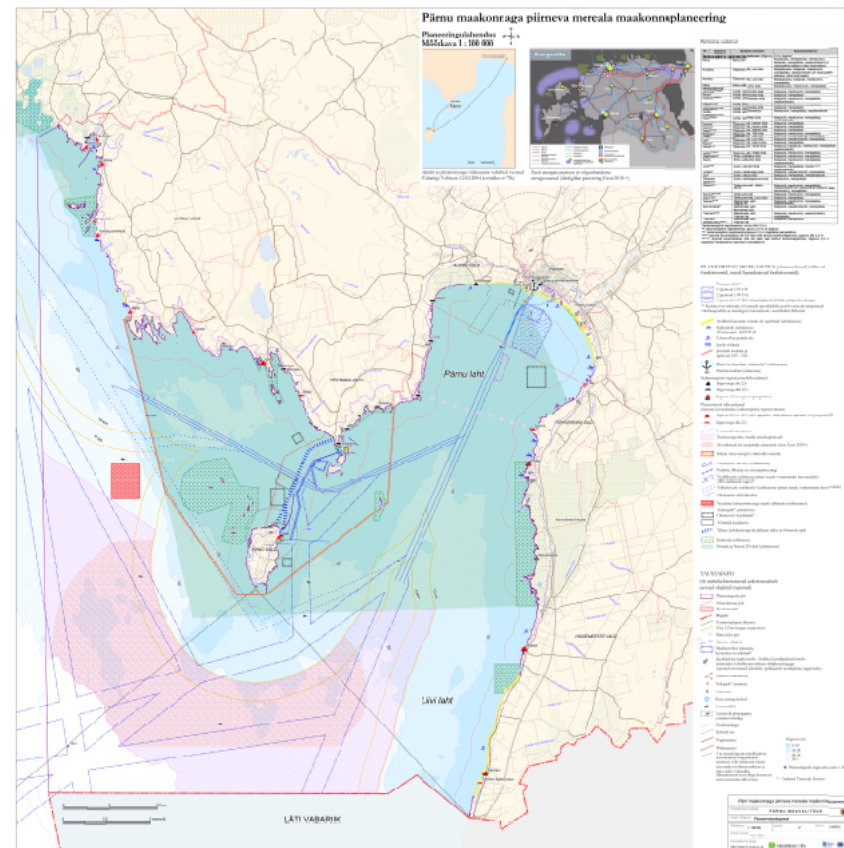
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MSP in small sea space jurisdictions



Concentration of uses

- Potential higher occurrence and magnitude of conflicts
- Few additional space available to manage conflicts
- But also opportunity to look for new alternative solutions: synergies and multi-use



MSP Plan in Pärnu Bay (Estonia) - Thanks to A. Konsap



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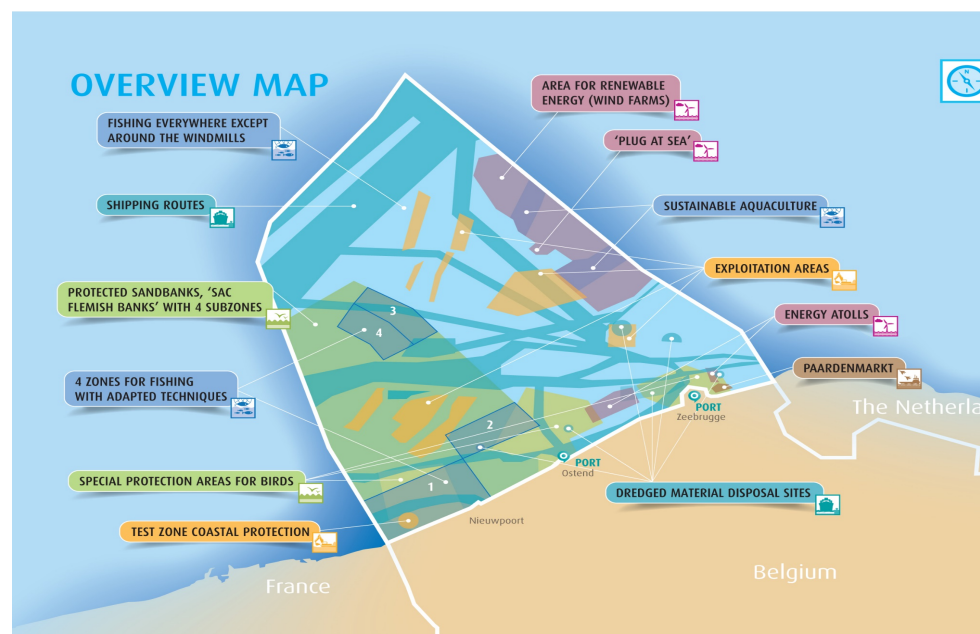
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Spatial dynamics

- Spatial needs can change in time
- Seasonality and future evolution of human activities
- Changing vulnerability of important habitats
- More difficult to be managed in small sea areas



*Belgium MPS Plan including some potential for flexibility –
Thanks to S. Vandenborre*



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Free space

- Relevant for the present
- To reserve space for future spatial needs
- Valuable resource which is more scarce for countries with small sea spaces



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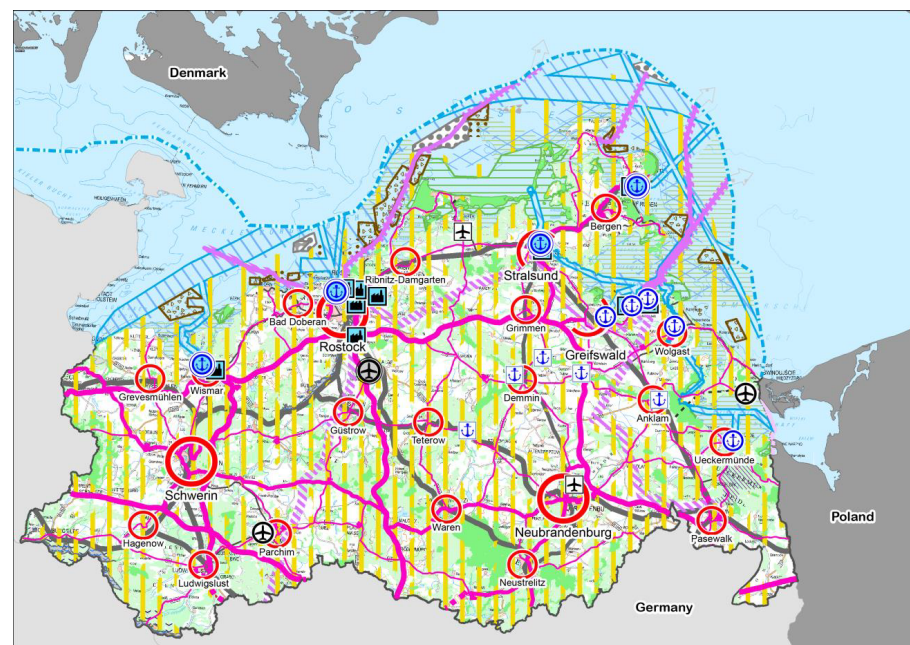
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Land Sea Interactions

- Implications of land-based activities on the use of marine space is more intense
- Impacts of land-based activities can be higher
- Stronger links with land planning and ICZM



*One holistic plan for Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (Germany).
Thanks to H. Janssen*



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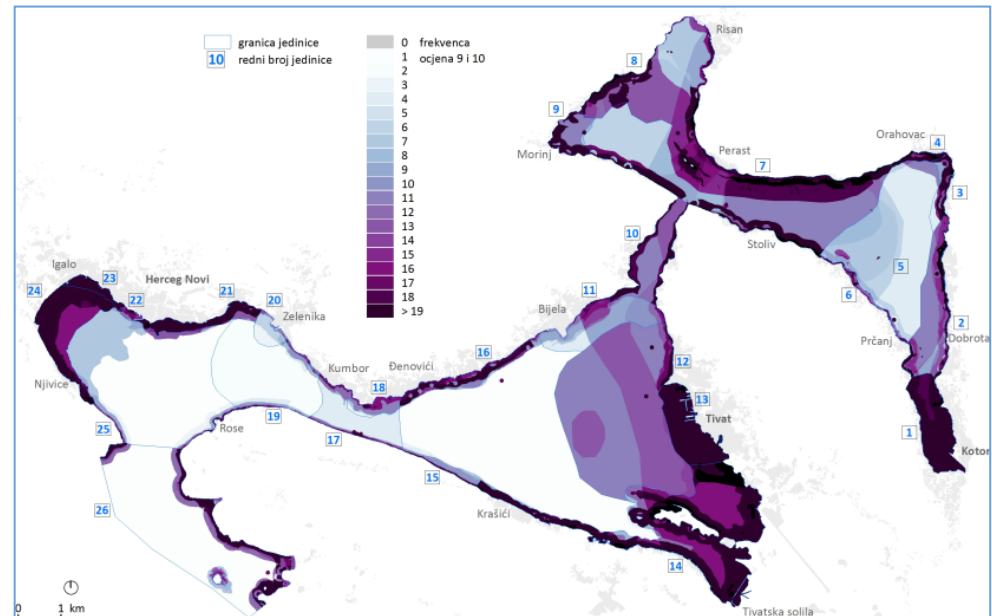
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Ecosystem-based approach

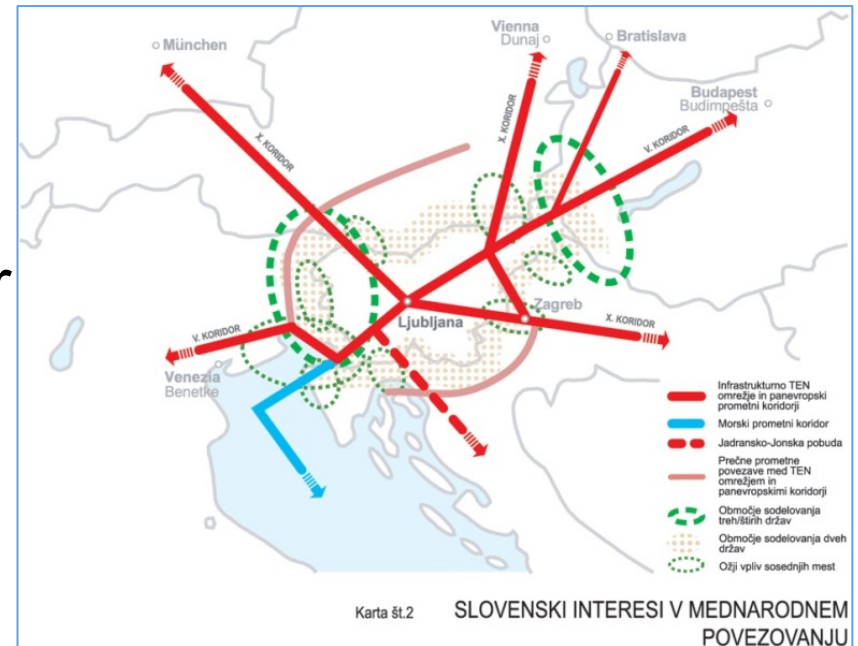
- Challenging for any MSP process
- More complex for small sea spaces
- Ecosystem boundaries vs. national borders
- Cross-border cooperation is essential



Assessment of integrated vulnerability in Bokakotorska Bay, supporting MSP in Montenegro – Thanks to M. Markovic

Cross-border cooperation

- Planning options can be influenced by cross-border ecological processes
- And by options taken by other countries
- Strong need to understand priorities of neighbouring countries



Need for good integration with neighboring areas in Slovenia – Thanks to L. Humerca Solar

Topics for discussion

- Do you agree with the **issues** for MSP in small sea jurisdictions identified in the briefing paper?
- Among the identified issues, which are of the **greatest importance** for MSP in small sea jurisdictions?
- What specific **approaches and methods** could be applied to deal with MSP in small sea jurisdictions?
- To what extent could sea basin **cooperation** facilitate planning of small sea jurisdictions? To what extent could commonly agreed planning principles assist?
- Which **good practices** can be capitalized?



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