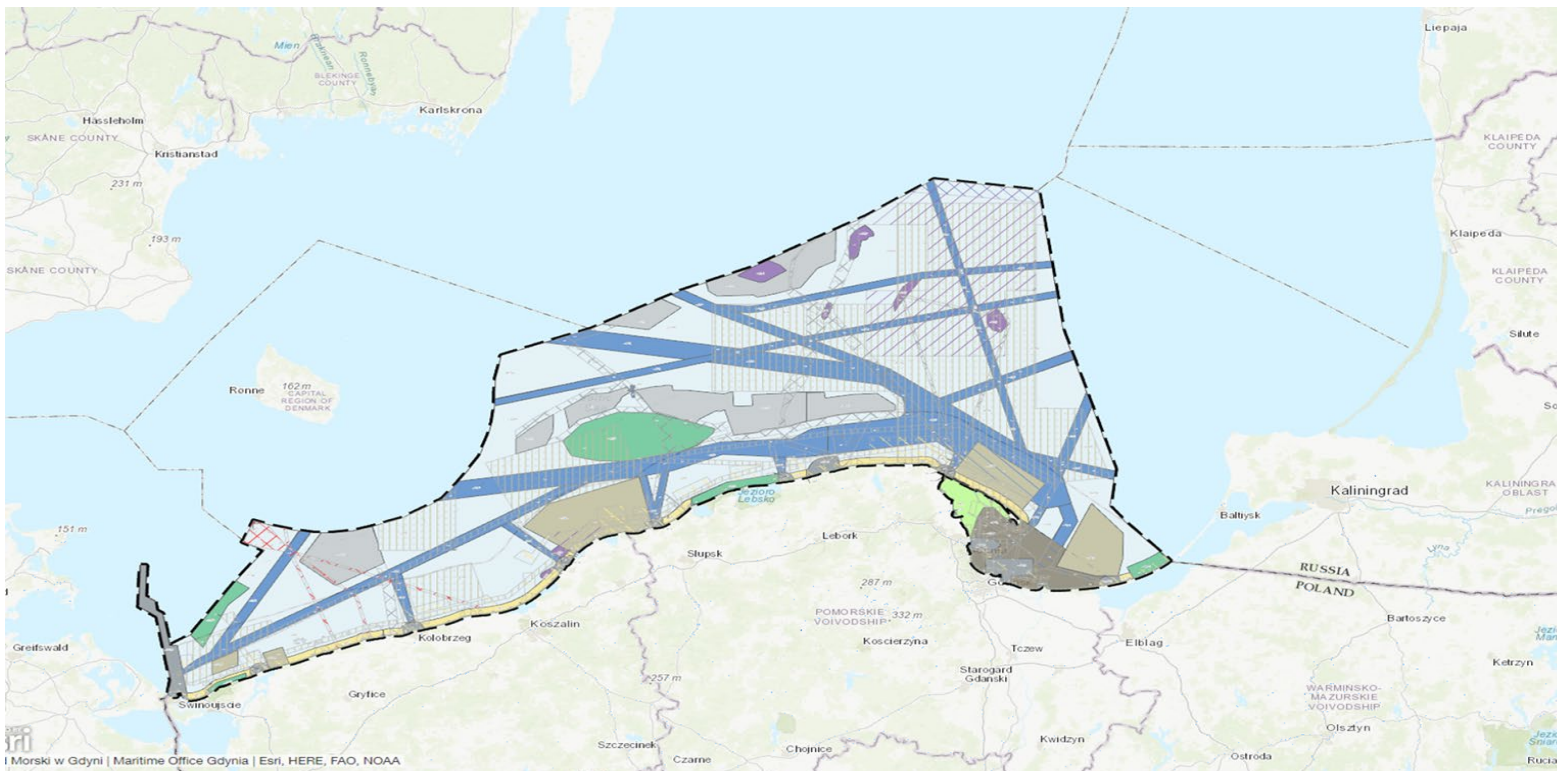


Transboundary SEA procedure for the Polish Marine Spatial Plan



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Regulations

- Directive 2014/89/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 *establishing a framework for maritime spatial planning*;
- Act of 21 March 1991 on the marine areas of the Republic of Poland and maritime administration (Journal of Laws of 2018, item 2214 as amended)
- Directive 2001/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2001 *on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment*;
- UNECE *Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context* (Kyiv, 2003);
- Act of 3 October 2008 *on the provision of information on the environment and its protection, public participation in environmental protection, and environmental impact assessments* (amended)

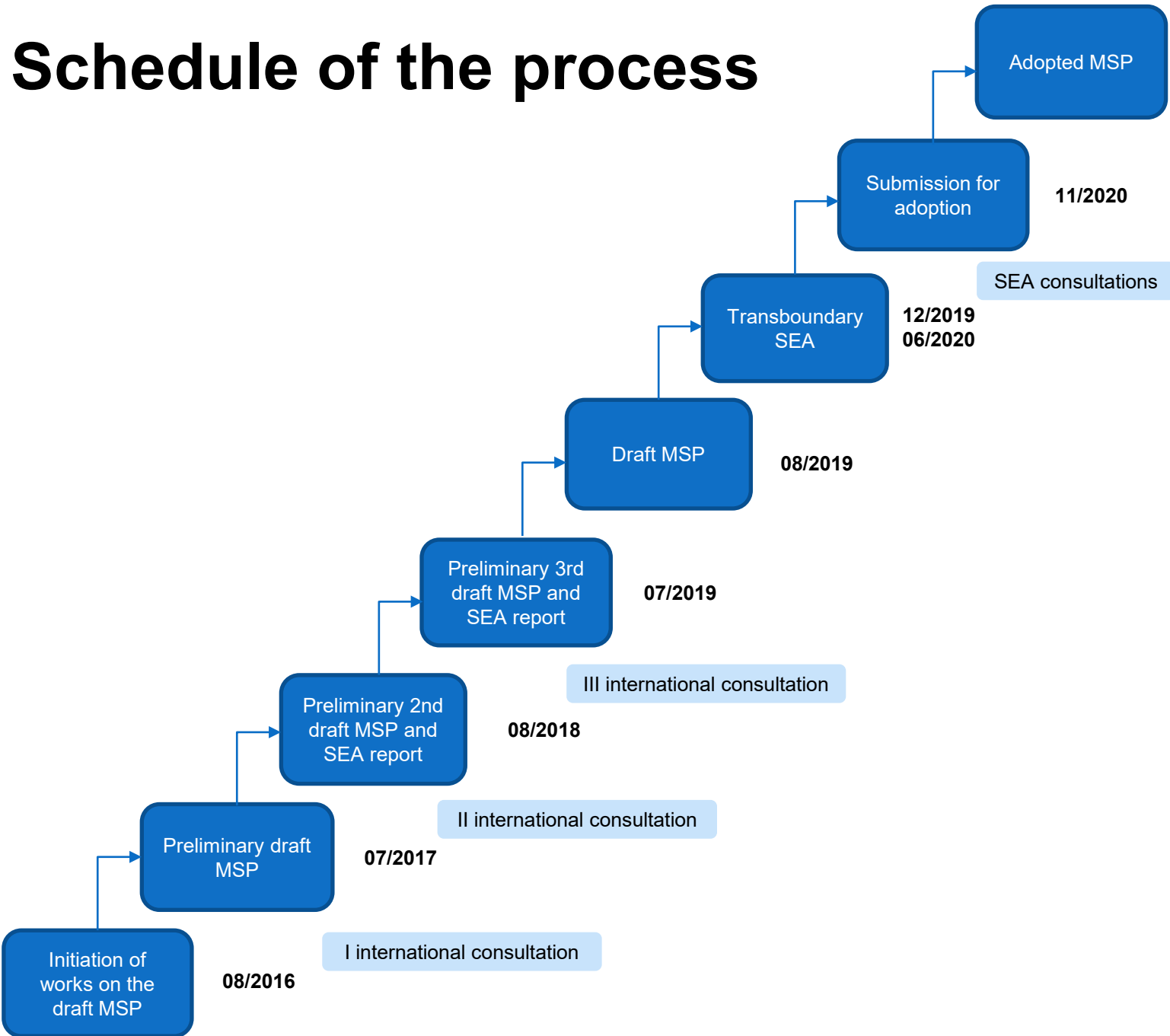
The purpose of the MSP

allocating the spatial distribution of different, competing activities to insure their coherent coexistence and sustainable development of marine areas using different methods of spatial planning

The authorities involved

- Maritime Office in Gdynia – development of the project MSP and conducting the SEA
- General Director for Environmental Protection – coordination of the SEA in a transboundary context
- The Council of Ministers – adoption of the MSP

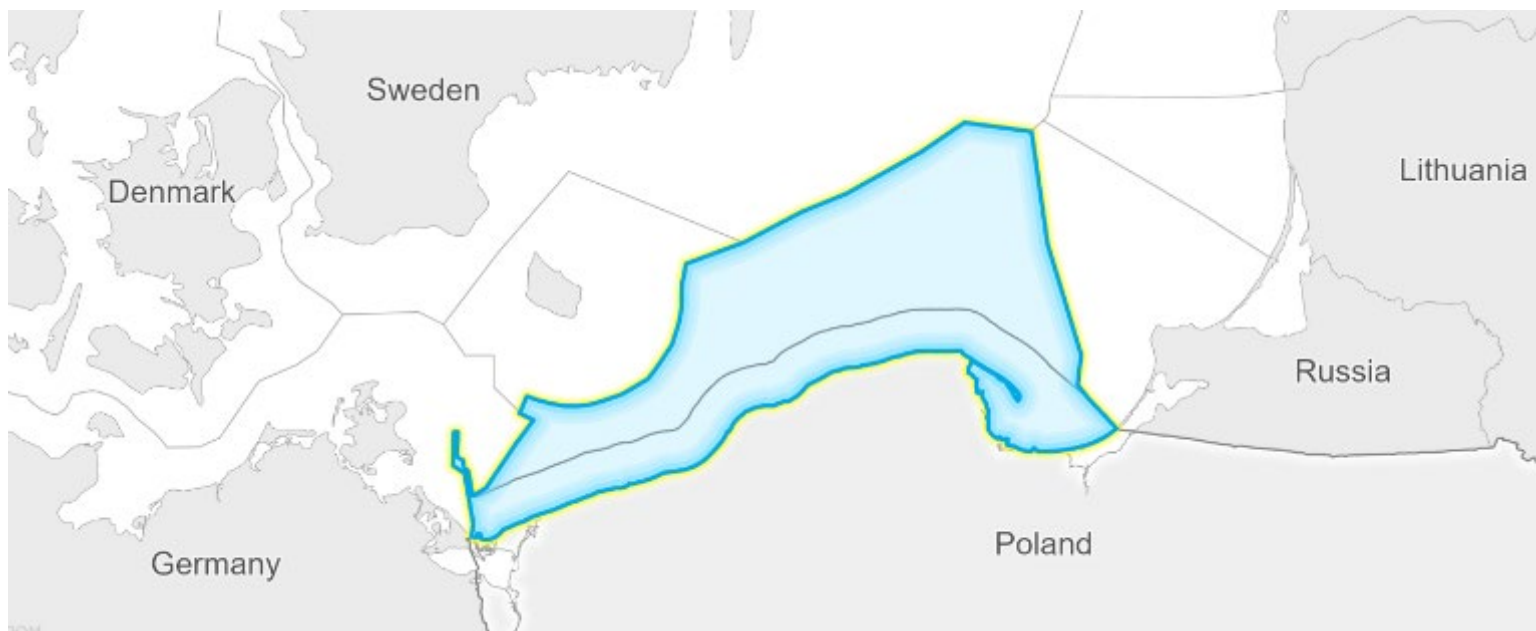
Schedule of the process



Benefits of the SEA

- identification of possible significant impacts;
- identification of potential conflicts between stakeholders (also in a transboundary context e.g. OWF/fishery);
- identification of valuable nature protection areas in a transboundary context;
- identification of important relations between different environmental components;
- taking proper account of transboundary sectoral coherence (e.g. shipping routes, nature areas);
- gathering knowledge during public consultations and international meetings;
- promotion of the MSP;
- improvement of the MSP and the SEA report.

Thank you for your attention!



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