

# EUROREGION



# BALTIC

9 regions  
6 countries  
6 million inhabitants

DK: Regional Municipality of Bornholm

LV: Kurzeme Planning Region

LT: Klaipeda County

PL: Pomeranian region,  
Warmia-Masurian region,  
ERB Association of Communes

RU: Regional Administration,  
Association of Municipal Establishments  
of the Kaliningrad Region,  
Regional Duma

SE: Region Blekinge,  
The Regional Council in Kalmar County,  
Association of Local Authorities and the  
County Council in Kronoberg

# Sustainable development within ERB

## Four strategic areas:

1. Promotion of a competitive business environment
2. Promotion of transport infrastructure
3. Social dimension actions (labour market)
4. Effective implementation of EU environment and energy policies

# The ERB action programme

Effective implementation of EU environment and energy policies

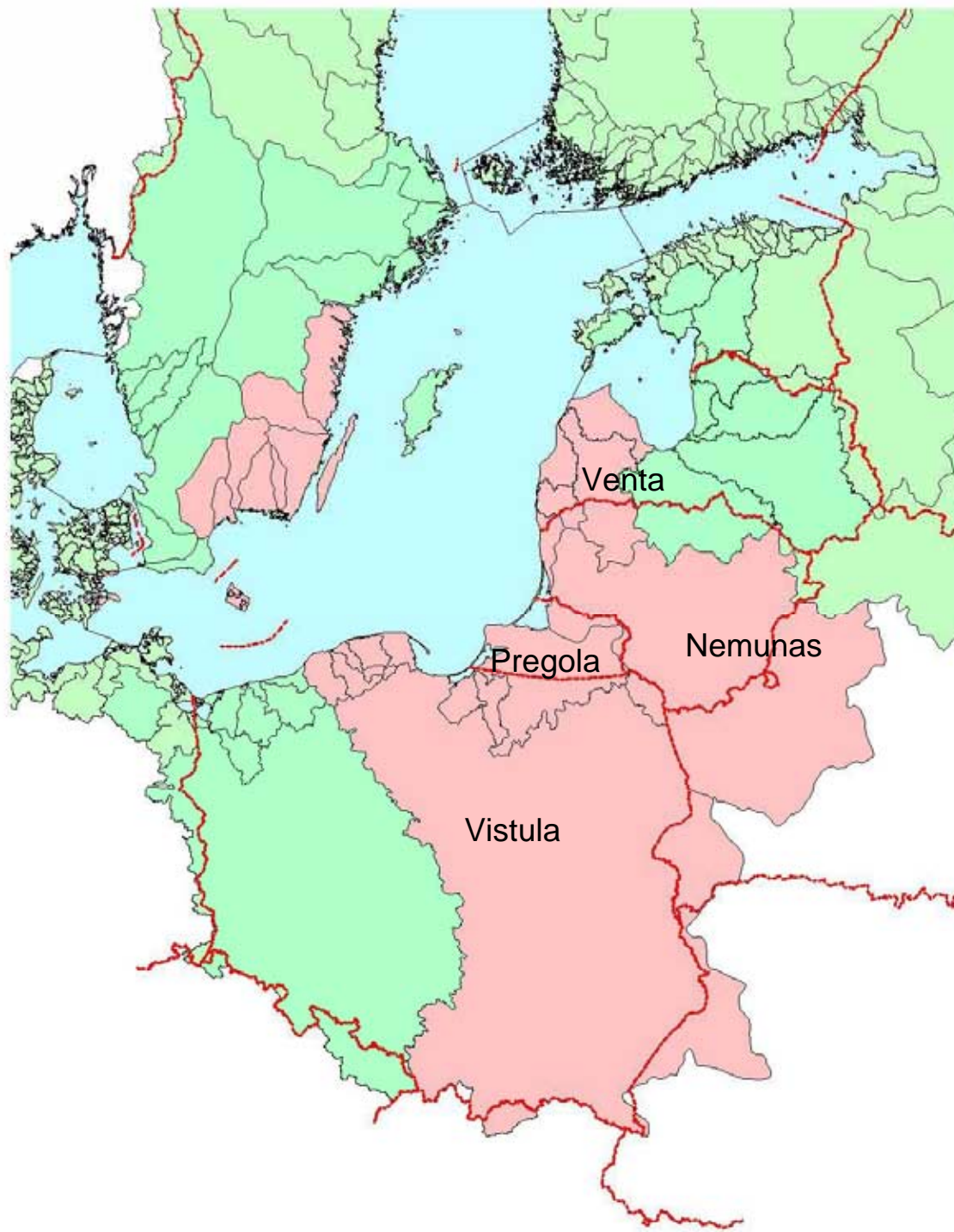
4.1 Pilot area for modern water management

4.2 Hot spots in the Kaliningrad Region

4.3 Energy management

# Starting points

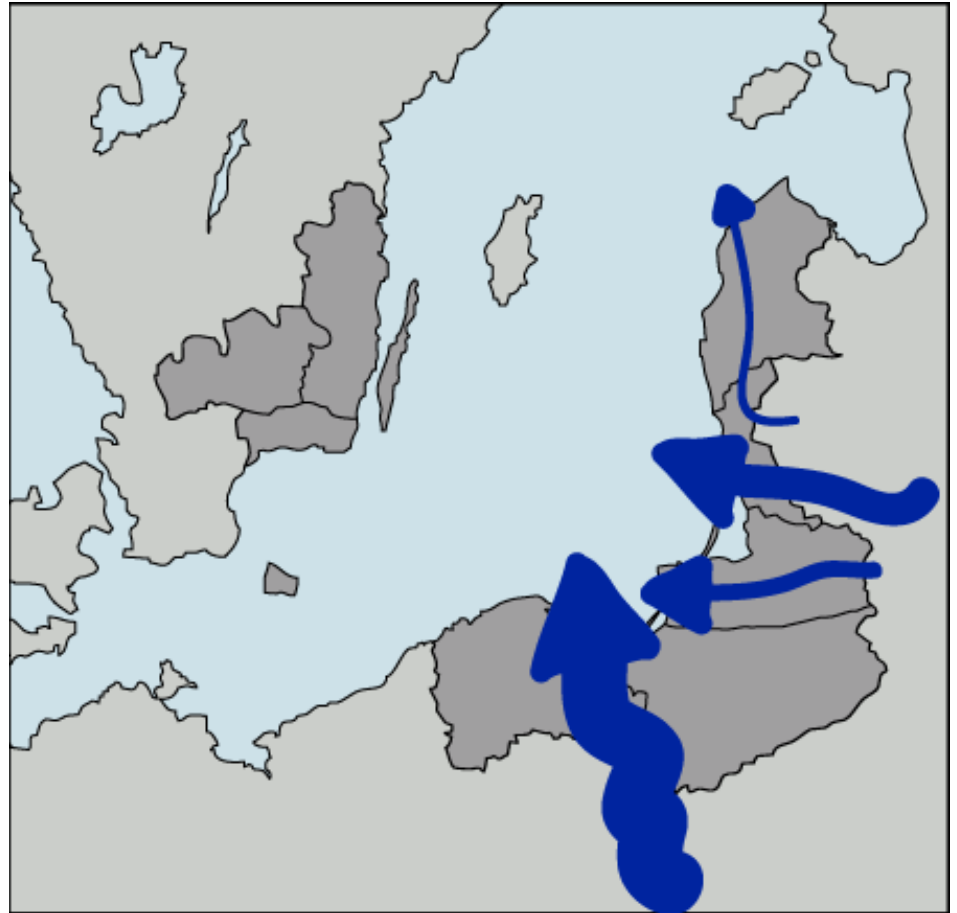
- ✓ Our common Baltic Sea
- ✓ Modern water management methods
- ✓ Water – a key factor for regional development
- ✓ Rivers out flowing along the ERB coast



# River outflow

*Top 4 river  
outflow along  
the Euroregion  
Baltic coastline*

HELCOM 2000



# HELCOM Hot Spots

*Serious pollution  
areas within  
Euroregion  
Baltic*



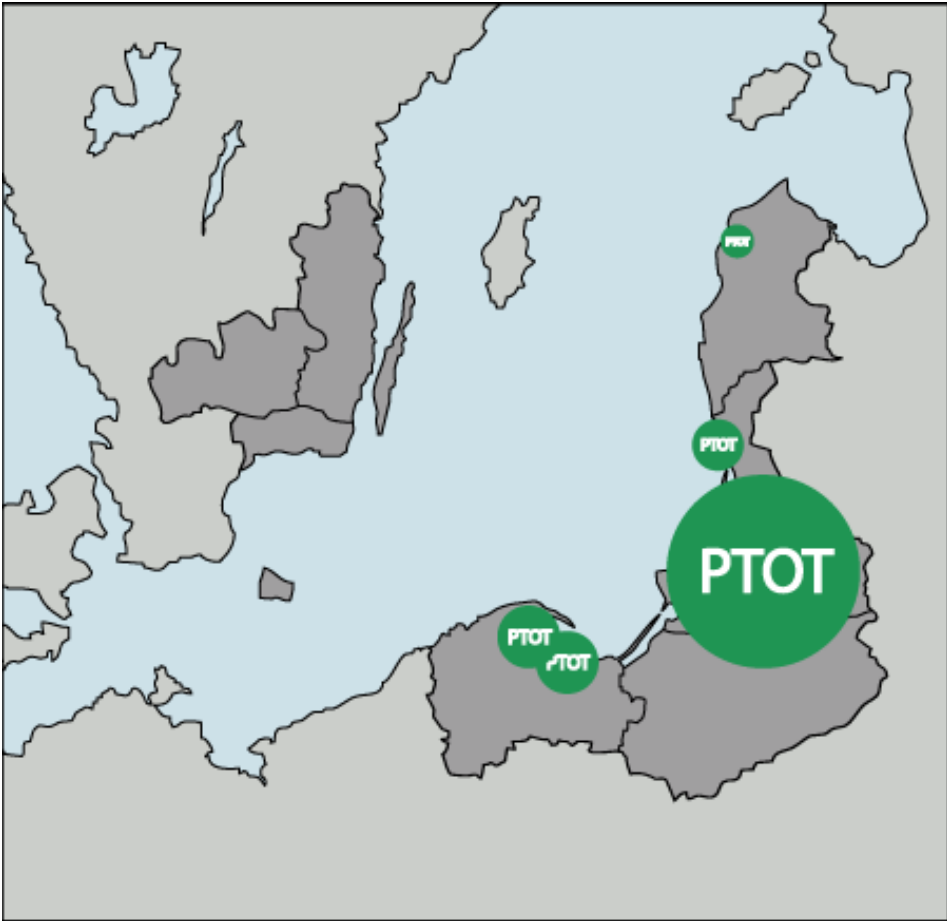
Current Hot Spots, November 2002

## ***Municipal WWTP***

*Top 5*

*Total-phosphorous  
load within  
Euroregion Baltic*

HELCOM 2000



# Focus 1: Nutrients (N and P)

A serious problem within the ERB as a whole.

Old EU-countries:  
agriculture and smaller point sources.

New EU-countries and Kaliningrad Region:  
also point sources (waste water, farms and industries).

Measures aiming at decreasing the outflow of nutrients from small and diffuse sources, i.e. farms, farming land, smaller settlements and private houses.

Don't forget: Air borne load of nitrogen from traffic and combustion!

# Focus 2: Co-ordination of measures

- Adequate administration
  - Authorities
  - River basin based water co-operation
- Relevant competence and knowledge at all levels
- Raise the interest, awareness and public participation
- Find ways for co-operation and mobilization among all stake-holders



# Formation of an ERB Water Forum?

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