



ENHANCING OIL SPILL RESPONSE CAPABILITY IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION 2019 - 2021

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Project OIL SPILL in a nutshell

- **13 Project Partners (PPs) from 6 Baltic Sea Region (BSR) countries**
- **Project duration 36 months in 2019-2021**
- **Co-funded by Interreg Baltic Sea Region Programme**
 - **Programme Specific Objective: *Maritime Safety, to increase maritime safety and security based on advanced capacity of maritime actors***
- **Total Project budget 2.0 M €; incl. 1.6 M € of ERDF (Interreg) co-funding**

Target of OIL SPILL

Strengthen oil spill response capability in the BSR among:

- **Key responsible Ministries;**
- **Operative Competent Authorities (CA); and**
- **Key Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) by:**

Enhancing cross-border and cross-sectorial cooperation structures, procedures and skills between and within relevant BSR stakeholders especially in shallow waters and coastal areas.

OIL SPILL Outputs 1/2

- **Identifying administrative or other procedures & communication where cross-border collaboration could be improved**
- **Building up (inter)national training schemes at all levels**
- **Organising relevant training events, incl. using simulators**

OIL SPILL Outputs 2/2

- **Organising cross-border exercises**
- **Taking part in existing exercise schemes (e.g. Balex Delta)**
- **Clarifying key legal issues in CA & NGO cooperation**
- **Speeding up adoption of state-of-the-art technologies**

General project outline

Project Partners

University of Turku (FI)

**Ministry of Environment of
Estonia (EE)**

**Southwest Finland
Emergency Services (FI)**

Danish Civil Protection League (DK)

Finnish Red Cross (FI)

Estonian Maritime Academy (EE)

**Fire and Rescue Department of
Lithuania (LT)**

**Östra Götaland Fire and
Rescue Services (SE)**

Lithuanian Red Cross Society (LT)

**Klaipėda University
Marine Research Institute (LT)**

Neste Corporation, Logistics (FI)

Finnish Environment Institute (FI)

Latvian Maritime Academy, (LV)



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