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# THE BALTIC SEA TOWARDS A CLEANER AND HEALTHIER BALTIC SEA

Brussels 21 June 2011, from 15.00 - 18.30

Introduction by Ms Satu Hassi, Ms Anna Rosbach and Mr Wojciech Michał Olejniczak

#### I. EU Baltic Sea Strategy

- General presentation of the Baltic Strategy by Mr Maximilian Strotmann (cabinet of Commissioner Siim Kallas) and Mr David Sweet (DG REGIO)
- The Baltic Sea policy by the incoming Polish Presidency: Ms Joanna Held (First Secretary, Regional and Cohesion Policy Section) and Ms Katarzyna Biedrzycka (Chief Inspectorate on Environment Protection)
- Questions and Answers by Members

# II. Baltic Sea, one of the most polluted sea areas in the world - what should be done to heal it

- Mr Mikhail Durkin, Professional Secretary of HELCOM, The Helsinki Commission for Protection of Marine Environment of the Baltic Sea

- Mr Seppo Knuuttila, Senior researcher at SYKE, the Finnish Environment Institute
- Mr. Bo Gustafsson, researcher at the Baltic NEST Institute for Marine models in Stockholm
- Questions and Answers by Members

### III. How to reduce euthrophication from agriculture to the Baltic Sea

- Ms Liisa Pietola, Head of Environmental Affairs at the Central Union of Agricultural Producers and Forest Owners (MTK)
- Prof Granstedt, research manager at the Biodynamic research Institute and Coordinator on the BERAS project (Baltic Ecological Recycling Agriculture and Society)

Conclusions by Ms Satu Hassi