

## EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

Priority Area on Maritime Safety and Security (“PA Safe”)

To members of Priority Area’s international Steering Committee  
Flagship Projects



Copenhagen, 24 January 2014

Dear recipient,

The Danish Maritime Authority, acting in its capacity as Priority Area Coordinator for the Priority Area on Maritime Safety and Security of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region in close cooperation with the Finnish Transport Safety Agency is pleased to forward information on the result of the 2nd financial decision of the EUSBSR Seed Money Facility.

As you may recall, in the summer and autumn of 2013 the Steering Committee decided to recommend three projects to receive seed funding from the facility, in order to ease and assist the initiation of these projects. The Priority Area Coordinators therefore supported these projects, and we are proud to inform you that it was decided to fund all three projects.

These projects are:

Geopositional early warning system integration for marine oil spills recognition in the Baltic Sea (GEOILWATCH) headed by Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia

Chemical risk assessment, management and recovery of the most commonly transported chemicals in the Baltic Sea (CHEMARE) headed by Kotka Maritime Research Association, Finland and

Crisis Communication Network (CCN) headed by the Swedish Coast Guard, Sweden.

We are looking forward to follow the progress of these seed-money projects and hope to meet representatives of them at upcoming Steering Committee meetings.

On behalf of the Finnish and Danish Priority Area Coordinators,

Sincerely yours,

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