

Letter of Support

On behalf of the Baltic Sea Advisory Council,

We, the undersigned, are pleased to endorse the BSR Programme project:

"MARELITT Baltic"

Our motivation to support the project is:

Fishermen are one of the main stakeholders in the proposed project. So it is natural that the Baltic Sea Advisory Council is interested in following closely the development of the project and being engaged in the discussions on the development of best solutions needed to reduce the impact of derelict fishing gear on the Baltic environment.

The Baltic Sea Advisory Council is primarily interested in the work related to the development and implementation of strategies and techniques aimed at reducing the number of nets lost. The development of mitigation measures should be carried out in close cooperation between the fishermen and scientists.

We, the undersigned, declare our willingness to give our active support the activities of the above-mentioned project which is applying for assistance from the Baltic Sea Region Programme 2014-2020 and contributing to the following activities:

The Baltic Sea Advisory Council will follow closely the development of the project. The Vice-chair of the Baltic Sea Advisory Council will be engaged in the implementation of the project and will report regularly to the Executive Committee on the development and outcomes of the project. Comments and input from the Baltic Sea Advisory Council members regarding the project will be forwarded to the project team by the BSAC Vice-chair.



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