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- 1 University of Turku, Lead Partner (FI)
- 2 Southwest Finland Emergency Services (FI)
- 3 Neste Corporation (FI)
- 4 Finnish Red Cross (FI)
- 5 Finnish Environment Institute (FI)
- 6 Ministry of Environment of Estonia (EE)
- Tallinn University of Technology (Estonian Maritime Academy) (EE)
- 8 Latvian Maritime Academy (LV)
- 9 Klaipėda University (Marine Research Institute) (LT)
- Fire and Rescue Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (LT)
- 11 Lithuanian Red Cross Society (LT)
- 12 Danish Civil Protection League (DK)
- Östra Götaland Fire and Rescue Service (SE)

# ASSOCIATED ORGANISATIONS

FEU—Federation of the European Union Fire Officer Associations (LU) State Fire and Rescue Service of Latvia (LV) WWF Finland (FI) Pro Bird Germany (DE) Rogaland Brann og Redning IKS (NO) Estonian Fund for Nature (EE) The Finnish Association of Fire Officers (FI)

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# PROGRAMME AREA



Baltic Sea Region





## **CHALLENGE**

### ENHANCING OIL SPILL RESPONSE CAPABILITY IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

Unlike in the open sea and international waters, combatting oil spills in shallow waters and coastal areas is often complicated. The division of tasks and responsibilities between competent authorities and other stakeholders, such as NGOs, is often unclear. The focus of OIL SPILL is to strengthen the oil spill response capability in the Baltic Sea Region (BSR) by enhancing co-operation structures, procedures and skills between and within the relevant stakeholders.

### FOSTERING CO-OPERATION BETWEEN COMPETENT AUTHORITIES AND VOLUNTEERS IN OIL SPILL RESPONSE

Coastal oil spill response is an arduous, long-term operation. Voluntary oil spill response capability is therefore critical in achieving optimal results and minimising environmental harm. Essential in optimising volunteer contribution is to establish a co-operation model for both authorities and volunteers. OIL SPILL aims to promote this co-operation in oil spill response.



### OIL SPILL AIMS TO PROMOTE CO-OPERATION IN OIL SPILL RESPONSE.

### **OIL SPILL OUTPUTS**

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Project's overall objective is to strengthen the oil spill response capability in the BSR at the levels of key responsible ministries, operative competent authorities, key NGOs, relevant universities and the petrochemical industry.

### OIL SPILL OUTPUTS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- Identifying administrative or other procedures to improve cross-border harmonisation;
- Clarifying key legal issues at all levels (incl. ministries, competent authorities and NGOs);
- Building up (inter)national training schemes;
- Organising relevant training events, incl. using simulators; and
- Organising cross-border exercises.

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