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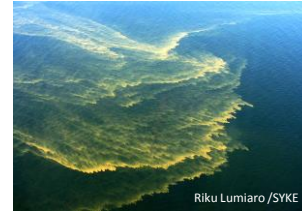
HELCOM Eutrophication Assessment Tool (HEAT)

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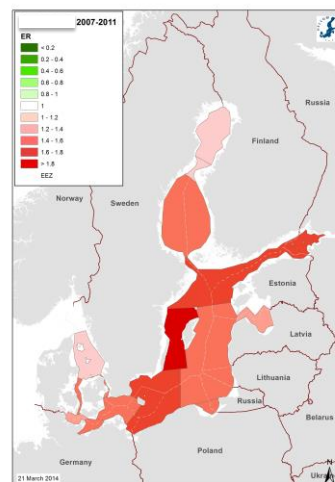
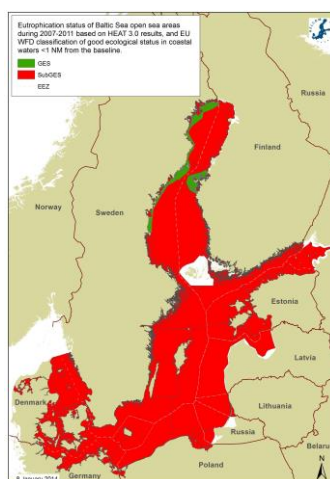


- HELCOM eutrophication assessment
- HEAT 3.0
- The EUTRO-OPER project
- Developing data flow

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Eutrophication assessment 2007-2011

EUTROPHICATION 2007-2011



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The eutrophication coreset of indicators for open sea

- $\text{PO}_4\text{-P}$, winter
- $\text{NO}_x\text{-N}$, winter
- Secchi-depth, summer
- Chlorophyll *a*, summer
- Deep-bottom oxygen debt
- (Soft-bottom invertebrates)



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Target setting 2006-2013

Tentative targets: Data mining (EUTRO-PRO)

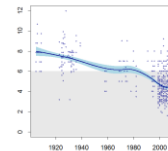
- Data mining, early hind-cast model, expert judgement
- Agreeing on tentative targets

Target revision, 1st stage: Scientific work (TARGREV project)

- Improving quality of data mining: spatial, annual and seasonal components
- Hindcast modeling
- Creating new indicator with target: oxygen debt

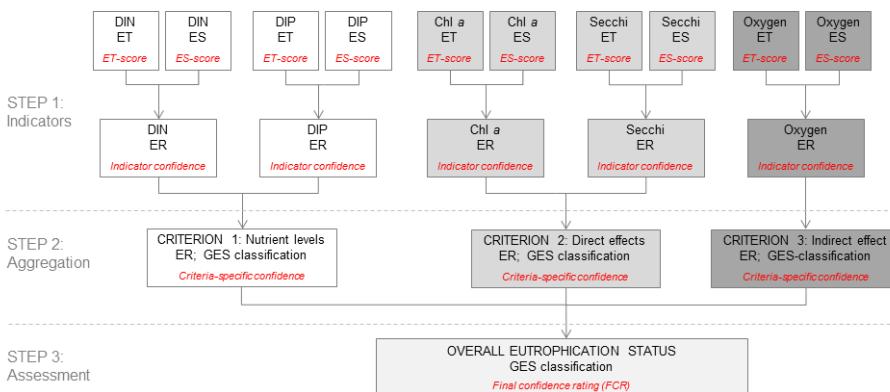
Target revision, 2nd stage: Finalizing targets (CORE-EUTRO, HOD)

- Eutrophication expert group evaluation
- Agreeing on targets



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Integrated eutrophication assessment



HEAT 3.0

RefCon	AcDev	ET	Unit	Resp	ET_Score	ES	ES_Score	ER	Ind_Conf	Weight	Cl_ER	Cl_ES	Cl_Conf	Cl_Weight
C1: Nutrient levels														
DIN (Dec-Feb)		2.90	µM	+	H M L	3.75	H M L	1.293	75 %	50%				
DIP (Dec-Feb)		0.25	µM	+	H M L	0.50	H M L	1.992	75 %	50%				
C2: Direct effects														
Chlorophyll a (June-Sept)		1.05	µg/l	+	H M L	2.78	H M L	1.692	75 %	50%				
Secchi depth (June-Sept)		7.10	m	-	H M L	5.50	H M L	1.291	100 %	50%				
C3: Indirect effects														
Oxygen deficit		8.65	mg/l	+	H M L	10.64	H M L	1.217	100 %	100%				
Final eutrophication status: Sub GES Final confidence rating: High														

Confidence assessment

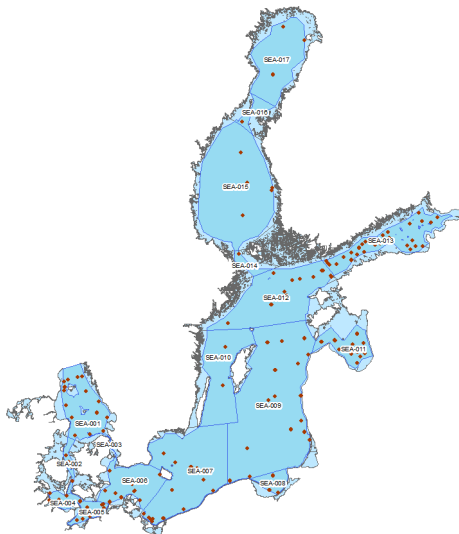
1. Confidence on target estimation
 2. Confidence on status data
 3. Number of criteria with indicators
- Combined to Final Confidence Rating



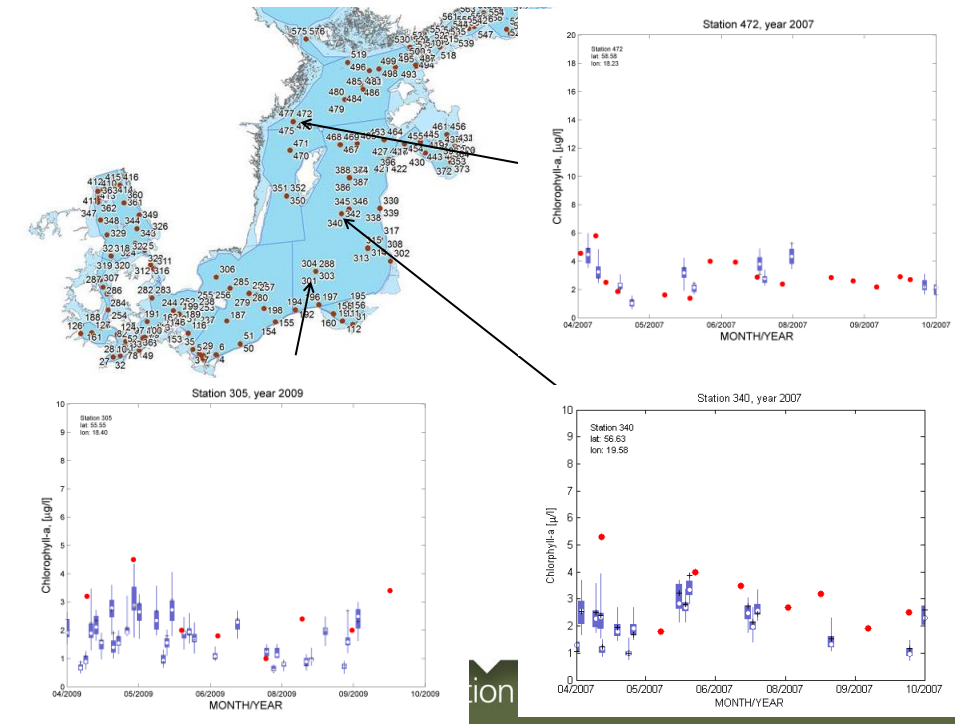
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Assessment data 2007-2011: chl_a



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Why EUTRO-OPER?

- Improvement needs



1. Inefficient data flow, from national datasets to indicator- and assessment products
2. Disharmony of coastal and open sea assessment
3. Present assessment does not register improvement toward target
4. Indicators do not allow use of new data types
5. The indicator coreset is still incomplete

