

COASTAL Biogas

Cluster On Anaerobic digestion, environmental Services and NuTrients removal

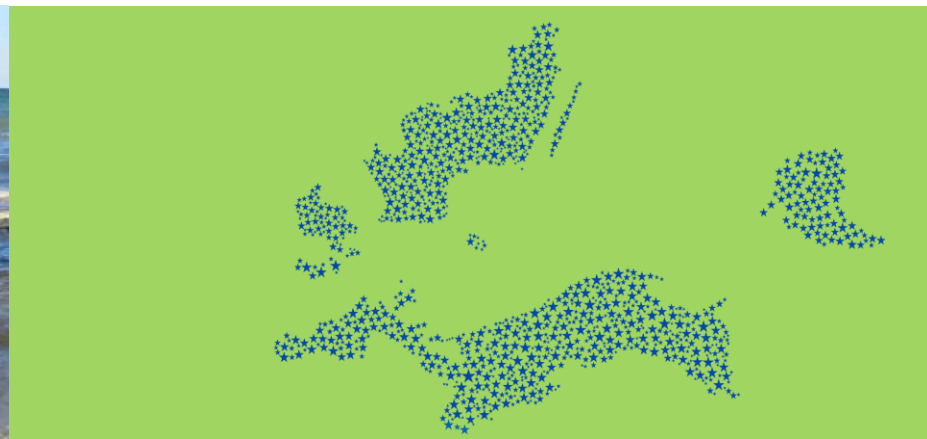
The final conference

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Environmental aspects and economy

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The Baltic Sea - Østersøen

Impacts and developments



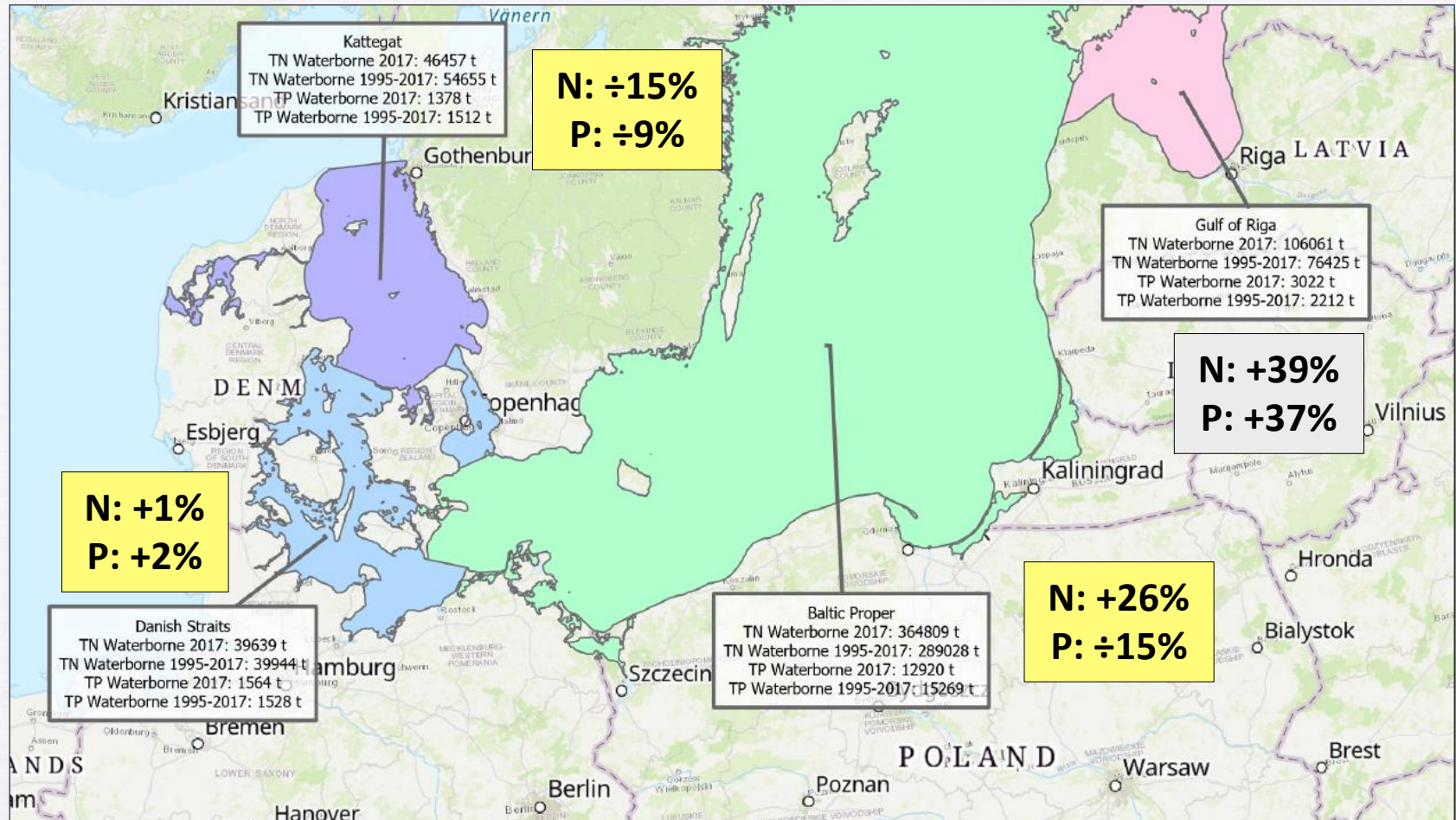
State of the Baltic Sea

– Second HELCOM holistic
assessment 2011-2016

Nutrients

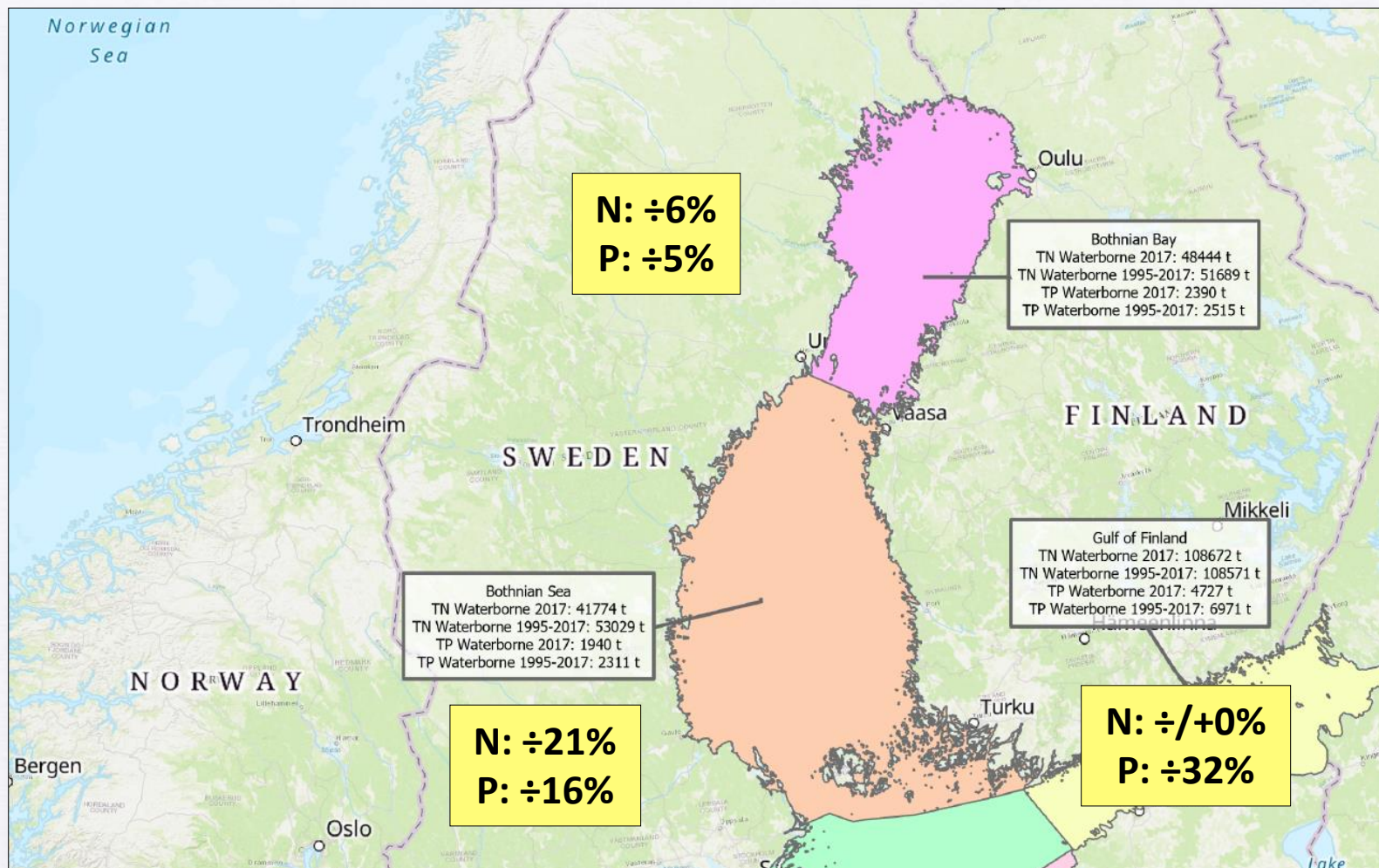
Estimated nitrogen and phosphorus emissions

Data from Helcom



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Dead Areas: Nutrients and Global Warming

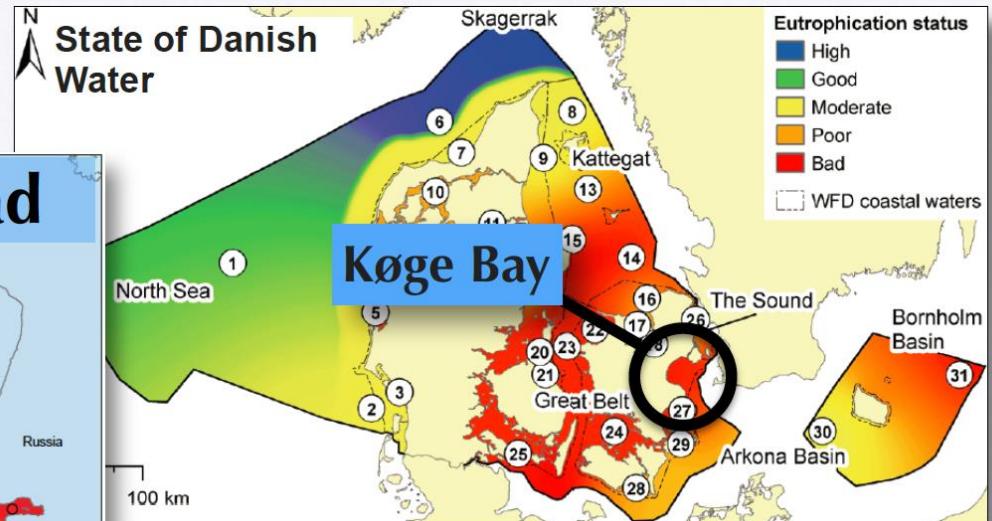
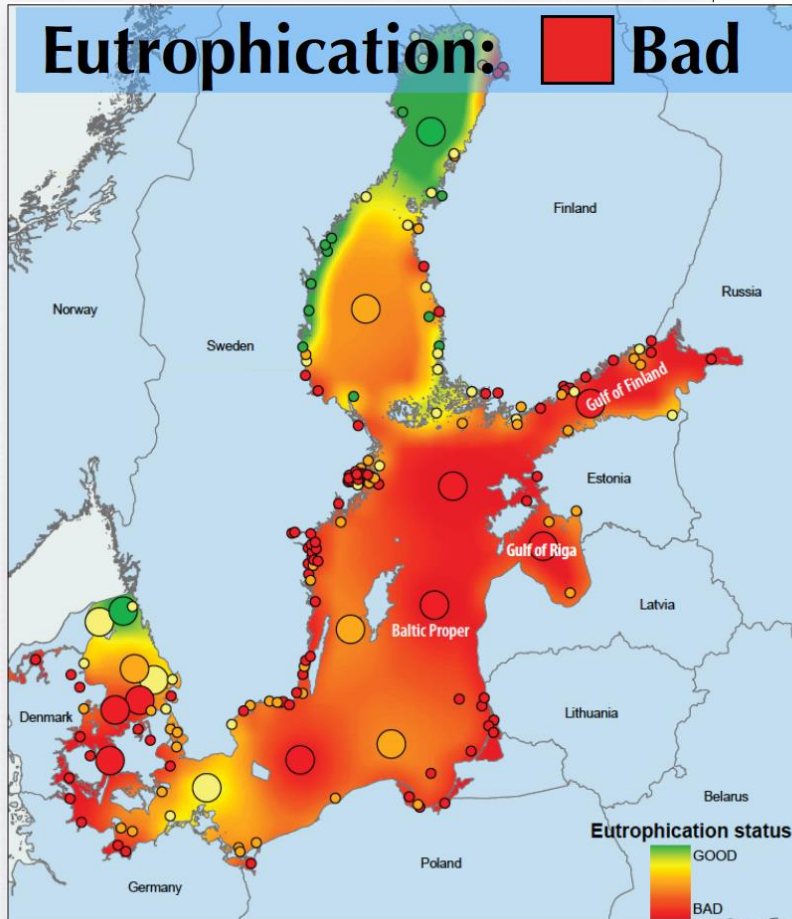
Global warming = less oxygen; global warming = increased oxygen consumption; increased nitrogen emissions = increased plant growth



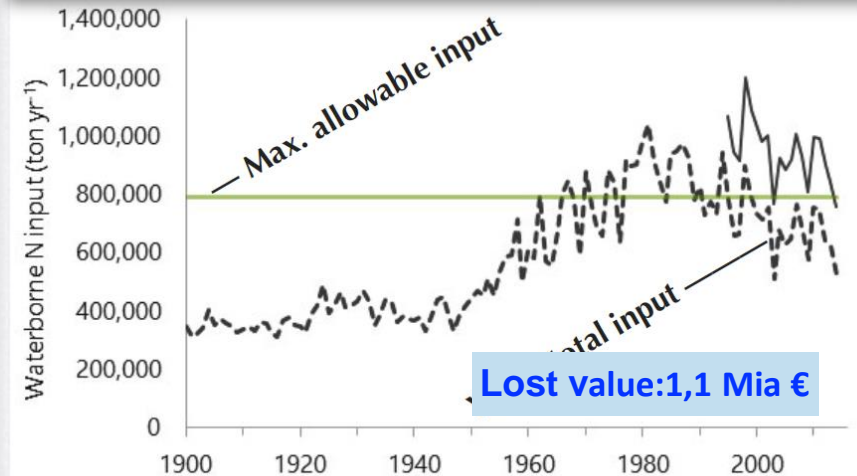
Nutrients

Nitrogen/Phosphorus

Helcom



Helcom, State of the Baltic Sea, 2018 - Nitrogen

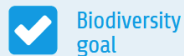


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New report 2021

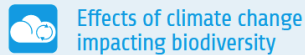
New goals

Baltic Sea Action Plan 2021 update

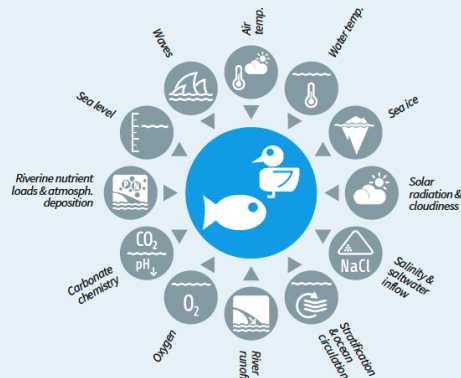


Biodiversity
goal

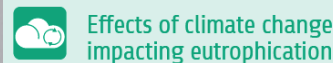
*“Baltic Sea ecosystem is
healthy and resilient”*



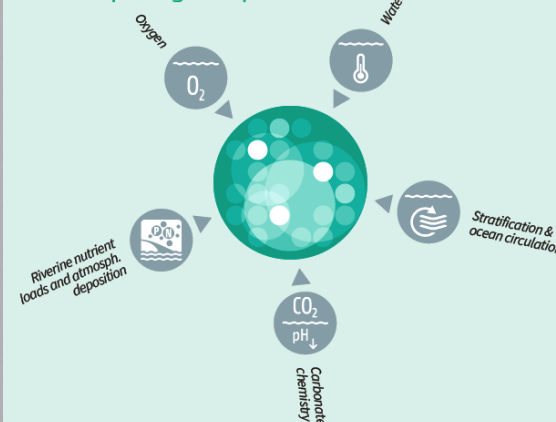
Effects of climate change
impacting biodiversity



*“Baltic Sea unaffected
by eutrophication”*



Effects of climate change
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Sea-based
activities goal



Management
objectives

*“Environmentally
sustainable sea-based
activities”*



Ecological
objectives



Hazardous substances & litter



Hazardous substances
and litter goal

*“Baltic Sea unaffected
by hazardous substances
and litter”*

HELCOM eutrophication effects

Assessment of economic effects of eutrophication

Country	Cost of degradation (M€/year, 2015 euros)
Denmark	125 – 158
Estonia	21 – 31
Finland	176 – 189
Germany	1,572 – 1,781
Latvia	8 – 9
Lithuania	19 – 22
Poland	368 – 383
Russia	1,028 – 1,129
Sweden	440 – 674
Total	3,760 – 4,380



HELCOM - efforts against eutrophication

New action plan - here are just a few examples of action plans

Theme: Nutrient recycling

- E30** Implement adequate measures, especially in agriculture and wastewater management, to achieve the objectives of the Baltic Sea Regional Nutrient Recycling Strategy by 2027.
- E31** Create legal and institutional tools to advance towards introducing annual field-level fertilization planning and farm-gate nutrient balancing for nitrogen (N) and phosphorus (P) as a requirement for all farms in the Baltic Sea Region to reduce nutrient surplus on farmlands to the highest possible degree in .
- E32** Enhance the use of recycled nutrients in agriculture making use of best available technologies and fertilize according to crop needs.
- E33** Develop by 2027 safety requirements for recycled fertilizer products and minimise the occurrence of harmful compounds in these products to comply with the requirements.
- E34** Increase the knowledge and promote education and advisory services on nutrient recycling.
- E35** Improve the conditions for the development of a market for recycled fertilizer products by setting incentives with the aim of making the use of such products equally attractive to farmers as the use of mineral fertilizers.
- E36** Enhance cooperation and share experiences between sectors and actors to create a holistic view on sustainable food systems including nutrient recycling across sectors.

Adopted: Total allowed emissions of nitrogen In Helcom-regi:

Total allowed: 792.209 tons/year nitrogen

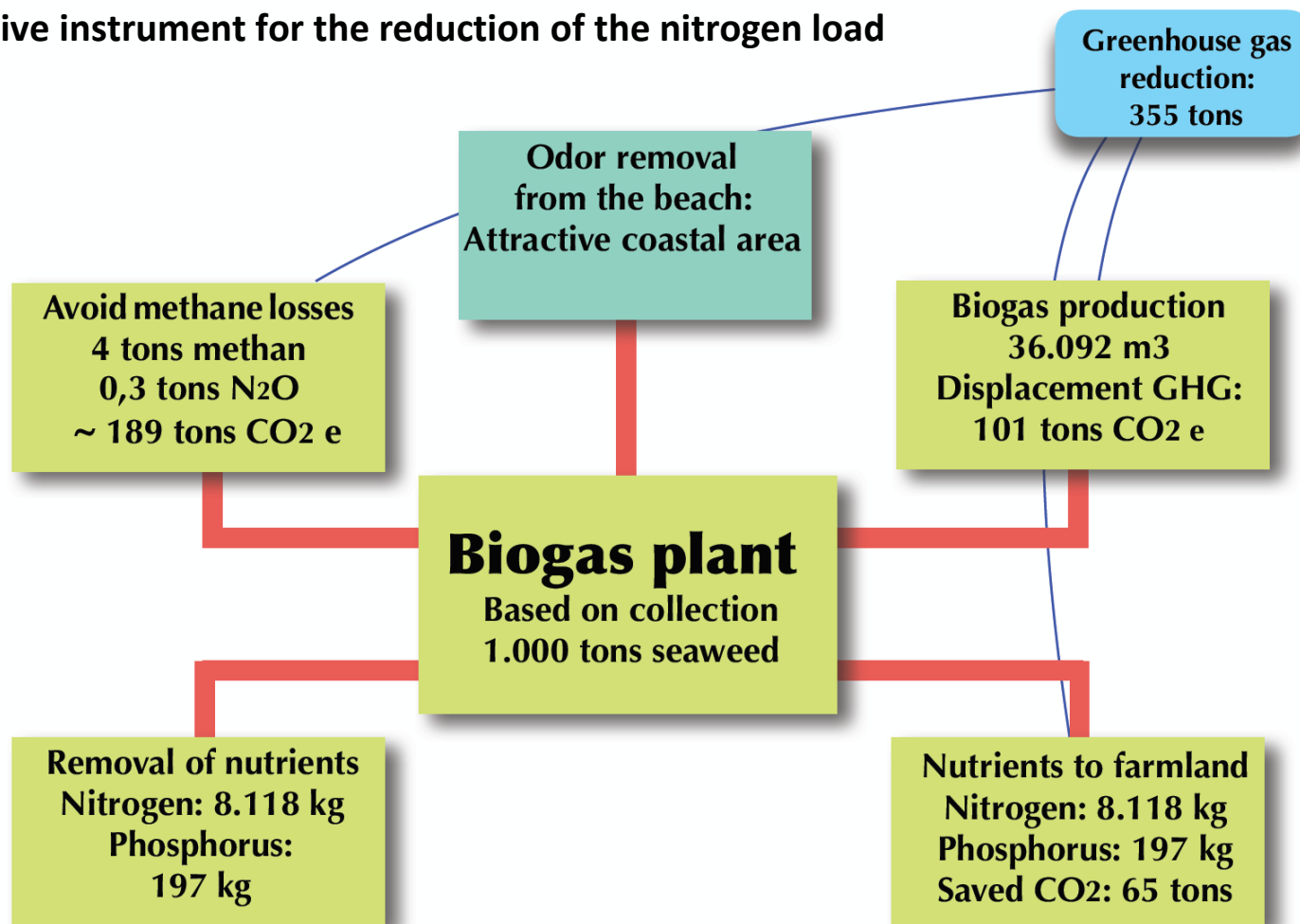
Exceeded by: 47.434 tons/year nitrogen

Area	Nitrogen in tons/year	Phosphorus in tons/year
Kattegat	74,000	1,687
Danish Straits	65,998	1,601
Baltic Proper	325,000	7,360
Bothnian Sea	79,372	2,773
Bothnian Bay	57,622	2,675
Gulf of Riga	88,417	2,020
Gulf of Finland	101,800	3,600
Baltic Sea	792,209	21,716



What could the biogas plant do for the sea

Be an cost effective instrument for the reduction of the nitrogen load



Seaweed for food

Greenhouse gas
reduction:
189 tons

Odor removal
from the beach:
Attractive coastal area

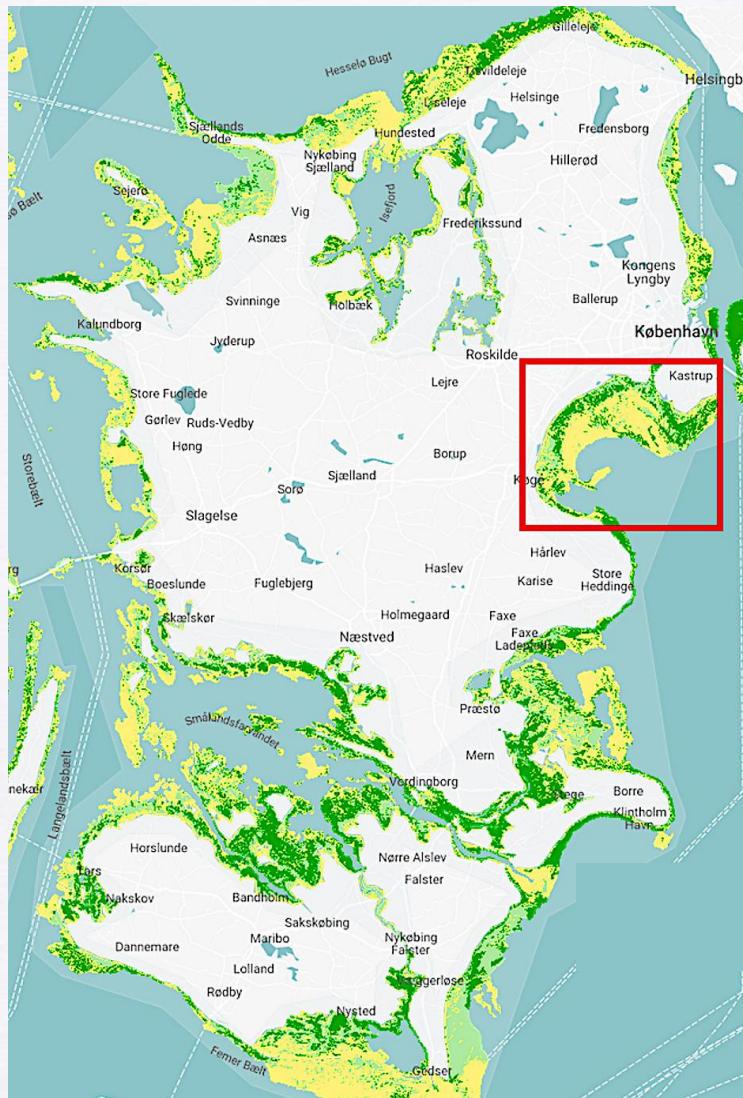
Avoid methane losses
4 tons methane
0,3 tons N₂O
~ 189 tons CO₂ e

Farming
E.g. Sukkertang
Based on 1.000 tons
(*Saccharina latissima*)
2-15°C / Salinity: 1,7%

Removal of nutrients
Nitrogen: 8,118 kg
Phosphorus:
197 kg

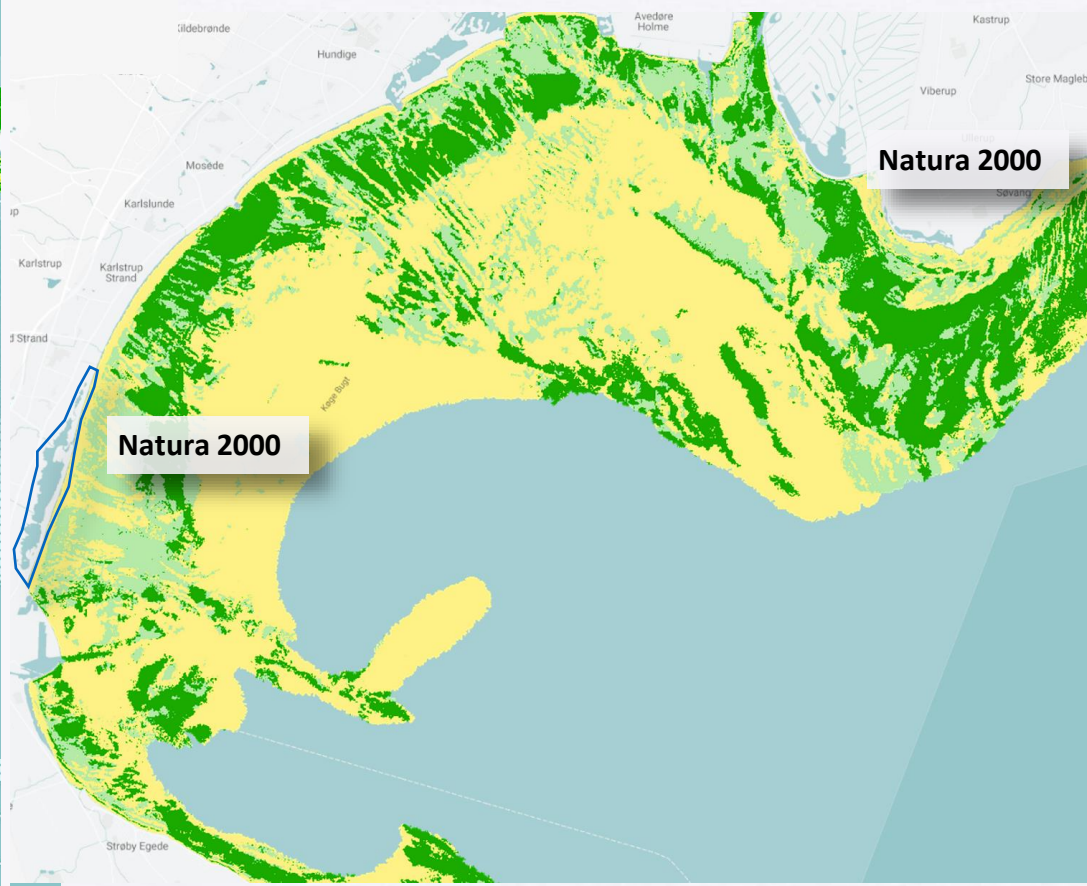


Seaweed in Zealand



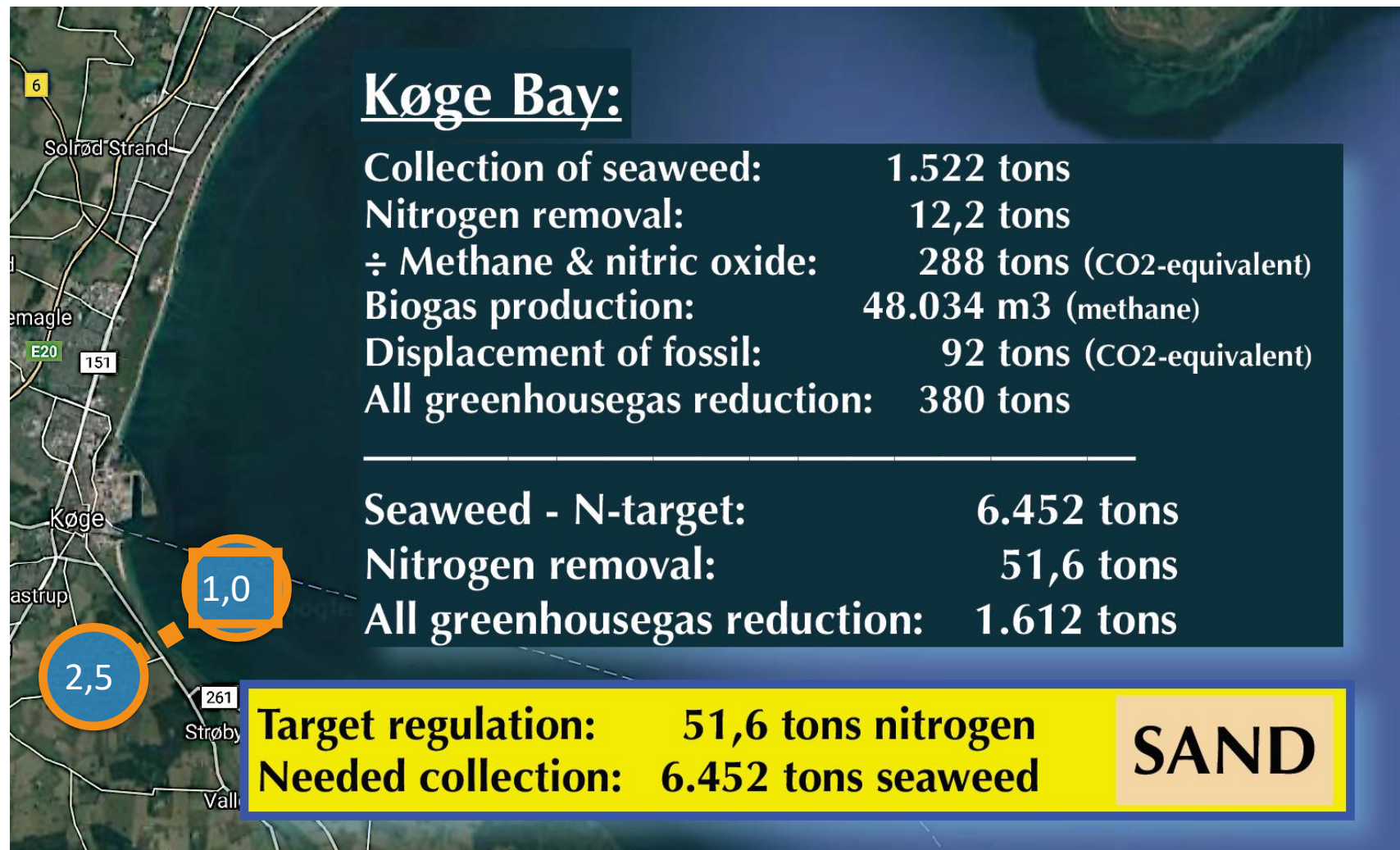
Seaweed production
in the Køge Bay

**Estimated seaweed per year
in Køge Bay: 30.825 tons**



The actual situation of Køge Bay - Water Framework

Reduction of discharge to the runoff area to Køge Bay - Direct nitrogen removal



Affordable pre-treatment

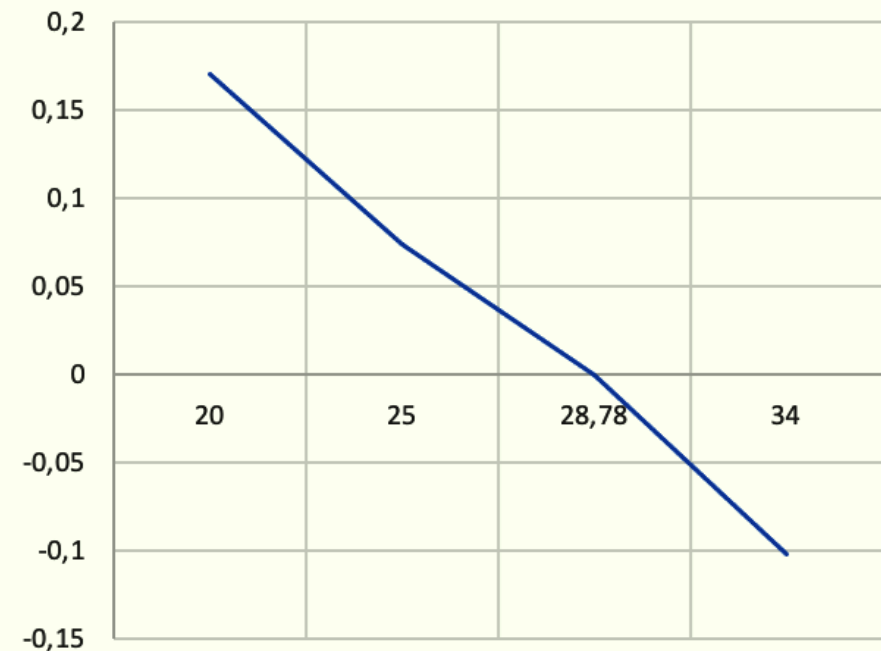
Cost efficiency N-reduction

Collection of seaweed is a cost-effective method of reducing the nitrogen load.

However, the collection cost level is a critical factor.

If the cost of collection, transport and pre-treatment is higher than 28-29 € per tons, the biogas use of seaweed will no longer be a cost-effective method

Calculation of cost efficiency (Cost structure Solrød Biogas)



Cost and price structure

		Cattle	Pig					
		manure	manure		Straw		Seaweed	Seaweed
Income								
	Gas (metan) pr tons:	11,4 m3	12,8 m3		193,8 m3		120,0 m3	54,0 m3
	Income pr. tons + subsidy	74,64 kr	83,54 kr		1.268,53 kr		785,65 kr	353,54 kr
Proces costs								
	Feedstock pr. tons	0 kr	0 kr		550 kr		0 kr	0 kr
	Collection + pretreatment pr. tons:	0 kr	0		120 kr		280 kr	280 kr
	Operation costs pr. tons RV:	23,13 kr	23,13 kr		23,13 kr		23,13 kr	23,13 kr
	Transport pr. tons:	11,4 km	13,1 km		30 km		8 km	8 km
	Transport (tur/retur):	23,99 kr	24,87 kr		57,00 kr		15,20 kr	15,20 kr
	Cost storage, etc.	45,00 kr	45,00 kr		45,00 kr		45,00 kr	45,00 kr
Brutto income								
	In total pr. tons fedstock:	-17,48 kr	-9,46 kr		473,40 kr		422,32 kr	-9,79 kr

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Thank you!

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