

**1st seminar of the Thematic Working Group**  
**Environment and Society**  
**within the Baltic InteGrid Project**

28<sup>th</sup> February, 2017

Venue: Poland, Warsaw, The Marriott Hotel<sup>1</sup>

12:30 – 17:30

**LUNCH, REGISTRATION | 12:30 – 13:15**

**INTRODUCTION | 13:15 – 14:00**

13:15 – 13:30 Opening & introductory round

13:30 – 13:45 Baltic InteGrid – information about the project and the Thematic Working Groups

13:45 – 14:00 Status Quo – existing and planned offshore grid and offshore wind farms in the Baltic Sea – spatial and environmental conditions (environmental protection areas, military, oil&gas, navigation routes)

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE BALTIC OFFSHORE GRID | 14:00 – 15:00**

14:00 – 14:15 Environmental impacts of the offshore investments – identification of impacts related to offshore grid concept on the Baltic Sea

14:15 – 15:00 Workshop and discussion on:

- identification of key environmental impacts for subsea cable infrastructure,
- prioritization of environmental impacts,
- environmental impacts for potential new interconnector case studies (Poland-Sweden/Denmark, Germany-Sweden) as part of the Baltic Offshore Grid.

**Coffee break | 15:00 – 15:15**

**SOCIAL IMPACTS OF THE BALTIC OFFSHORE GRID | 15:15 – 16:30**

15:15 – 15:30 Social impacts of the offshore investments – offshore wind farm examples, impacts of the offshore grid concept on the Baltic Sea

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15:30 – 16:15 Workshop and discussion on:

- identification of key impacts on other sea users and society,
- identification of conflict areas for the potential new interconnector case studies (Poland-Sweden/Denmark, Germany-Sweden) as part of the Baltic Offshore Grid,
- social impacts prioritization.

**IMPACTS MITIGATION STRATEGY | 16:30 – 17:30**

16:30 – 16:45 Case studies: Experience in impact mitigation strategies for offshore wind farms

16:45 – 17:15 Workshop and discussion on:

- experiences from the BSR countries,
- public acceptance – key aspects,
- tools and technics for successful communication and mitigation of conflicts,
- mitigation strategy for the offshore grid concept on the Baltic Sea

17:15 – 17:30 Summary and conclusions