



Concept for Baltadapt Stakeholder Dialogues (WP 3.2)

Set of dialogues and linkages to other Baltadapt activities

Within WP 3.2 a total of 4 dialogue workshops (2 sets of 2 workshops) will be conducted, one set on tourism and one on farming. The dialogue results will feed into the adaptation strategy that shall be developed in WP 3. The first set of workshops will be conducted in May 2012, the second in spring 2013 (January-May). The two workshops in a set are linked in the sense that they address the same target group (and ideally the same participants) and in the sense that the first workshops provides input to the project (expectations in adaptation strategy and information needs), which will be processed in the meantime in order to present results and get feedback on these in the second workshops.

The workshops will last one full day (preferably two half days) each. The developed concept suggests including aspects of the Baltadapt adaptation action plan (WP 5.2) in the last part of the first workshops. In doing so, the available funds for both tasks could be combined in order to provide travel refunds for more participants. It remains to be discussed whether the second workshops should address both the strategy and the action plan.

Aim

- Deepening the Baltadapt researchers' understanding of regional and sector-specific challenges
 - o Identify stakeholders' knowledge gaps and needs
 - o Identify stakeholder perspectives on challenges and opportunities of climate change (CC) and ideas for adaptation
- Provide input to the BSR transnational adaptation strategy
 - o Collect stakeholder expectations in the strategy (first set of WS)
 - o Discuss strategy draft and receive stakeholder feedback and modification needs (second set of WS)
- Create stakeholder support and acceptance of the strategy

Topics

- Farming: climate change impacts on farming (precipitation patterns, temperatures, vegetation period, suitable crops, etc.) and CC impacts on environmental impacts of farming (e.g. biodiversity, water pollution, use and management, etc.)
- Tourism: climate change impacts on Baltic Sea tourism (temperatures, weather, bathing season extension, algae blooms, invasive species, etc.) and CC impacts on environmental impacts of tourism (e.g. biodiversity, water management, land use, infrastructure, etc.)
- Workshops on both topics should follow a similar program with specific discussion questions

Participants

- 1-2 participants from each of the 8 Baltic Sea region countries (depending on funding conditions): 8 – 16 participants in total
- Representatives of regional authorities (farming resp. tourism, nature protection) and sector associations or sectoral disseminators
- The composition of participants should cover all countries and stakeholder groups. If some countries could be represented only with one participant (e.g. a representative from a regional agricultural administration or ministry or from a planning authority), it should be secured that a representative from a neighboring country is providing a different stakeholder perspective on the problem (e.g. from a farmer association's point of view).
- The second set of workshops involves the same two groups and preferably the same individuals
- Additionally researchers from the Baltadapt project will be involved: how many and who has to be discussed (Baltadapt researchers should facilitate and give presentations, see below. Apart from the scheduled presentations Baltadapt researchers should refrain from dominating the discussion with additional statements, but follow the discussion by listening to stakeholder opinions – since this is the main aim of the workshops: to learn more about the stakeholder perspectives.)

Methods/Language

- The workshop involve oral presentations, optionally presentations in the decision theatre, plenary discussions, world café discussions¹
- All discussions (plenary and world café) should be visualized on flipcharts or Metaplan boards
- Workshop language is English (no translators)

Documentation of the workshops

- Based on the flipcharts from the workshops and the Baltadapt researchers' minutes (one or two colleagues should be responsible for taking notes for the documentation) the results of the workshop discussions should be summarized (approx. 10 pages)

Suggestion for WS program (First set of workshops)

We suggest to plan the workshop as 1.5 day event (participants should have the time to arrive in the morning of the first day and leave around lunchtime on the second day).

¹ For information on this facilitation technique see <http://www.theworldcafe.com/>

1st Day (approx 4 hours and 40 minutes without breaks)

Topic	Responsible	Duration
Welcome and Introduction: Aim of the Workshop, Introduction to the program	NN, Baltadapt	5 min.
Personal introduction of participants (background, reference to farming/tourism, experience with adaptation, expectations regarding the workshop)	all	30 min.
Short Presentation: Baltadapt project and the adaptation strategy development process	NN, Baltadapt	10 min.
Worldcafé 1 – Introduction and three rounds: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Which are current challenges for the sector (farming/tourism) in your region? 2. Which are the most important long-term goals of the sector (farming/tourism) in your region? 3. Which are the most important influencing factors for reaching these goals or for failing to reach them? 	All	70 min.
Presentation (1 or 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - on possible climate change impacts in the Baltic Sea region - and on relevant impacts on the sector (focus Baltic Sea region) <p>based on Baltadapt results: if possible in the dome/decision theatre</p>	NN, Baltadapt	40 min.
Worldcafé 2 – Four rounds: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Which are the most important CC-related risks and challenges for farming/tourism in your region? 2. Which opportunities and potentials does CC provide for farming/tourism in your region? 3. How are environmental impacts from farming/tourism affected by CC? 4. What additional scientific information do you need to assess impacts, opportunities and threats? 	all	80 min.

Summarizing plenary discussion: Short presentation of world café results, concluding discussion on common aspects and regional differences	all	45 min.
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Dinner – possibilities for informal discussions

2nd Day (approx. 3 hours and 20 minutes without breaks)

Presentation on the adaptation strategy (results of policy forum) and on the adaptation action plan (at the end of the presentation exemplary references to the discussions at the 1 st day should be made)	NN, Baltadapt	30 min.
Plenary discussion: Which challenges in relation to climate change needs to be addressed on a macro-regional level? What could be macro-regional goals?	all	30 min.
Worldcafé 3 – Three rounds: 1. Which actors should get engaged in adaptation of the farming/tourism sector? 2. Which are possible adaptation measures in the farming/tourism sector? 3. For which adaptation challenges do the participants need political support?	all	60 min.
Questionnaire on information needs Participants should individually answer a short written questionnaire on information needs (results will feed into the development of the Baltic Window)	NN, Baltadapt	20 min.
Summarizing plenary discussion: Short presentation of world café results, concluding discussion: Which topics can be addressed on a transnational level? Which problems are regionally specific?	all	60 min.
Feedback on workshop method and content, wishes and suggestions for the next workshop	all	15 min.

Thanks and closing remarks (outlook on further Baltadapt tasks and relevance of the workshop results)	NN, Baltadapt	5 min.
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Suggestion for workshop program (Second set of workshops)

Duration approx. 6 hours, 20 minutes without breaks, can be organized as 1-day event or as 1.5 day event (like the first workshops)

Topic	Responsible	Duration
Welcome and Introduction: Aim of the Workshop, Introduction to the program	NN, Baltadapt	5 min.
Personal introduction of participants (background, reference to farming/tourism, experience with adaptation, expectations regarding the workshop)	all	30 min.
Recall of results of first workshop and presentation of Baltadapt results addressed to the identified information needs (1 st workshop)	NN, Baltadapt	20 min.
Two short Presentations on best practice examples of adaptation measures	NN	40 min.
Worldcafé 1 – Introduction and three rounds: 1. Which measures could help to reduce climate change induced risks in the sector (farming/tourism) in your region? 2. Which factors hamper or support the implementation of adaptation measures in the sector (farming/tourism) in your region? 3. How could the obstacles be overcome?	all	70 min.
Summarizing plenary discussion: Short presentation of world café results, concluding discussion: Which political support do you need to implement adaptation measures?	all	40 min.
Presentation of draft Baltadapt adaptation strategy	NN, Baltadapt	20 min.
Plenary discussion:	all	30 min.

Kommentar [eh1]: If all/most participants are the same, this can be omitted or instead participants could be asked for changes in their view on climate change and adaptation topics since the last workshop

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Does the strategy meet the expectations of the participants?		
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Worldcafé 2 – three rounds: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Which aspects/topics do you miss in the adaptation strategy? 2. Does the strategy provide support for your adaptation activities? 3. Which improvements should be made to the strategy? 	all	60 min.
Summarizing plenary discussion: Short presentation of world café results, concluding discussion: How can the strategy be implemented?	all	40 min.
Feedback on workshop method and content, wishes and suggestions for the final phase of Baltadapt work	all	10 min.
Thanks and closing remarks (outlook on final Baltadapt tasks and relevance of the workshop results)	NN, Baltadapt	5 min.

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