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# Possibilities and practices of monitoring effectiveness of MSP

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# This session

- Practical examples from five countries
- Feedback on Pan Baltic Scope recommendations
- Take home messages





# Can we know the effectiveness of MSP?





# Special challenge : To proof outcomes of MSP

- MSP operates in an environment that is affected by economic, political, societal, technological and natural developments and processes
  - The topics that MSP targets are influenced by multiple other factors than MSP only
- MSP is not a very detailed plan – and it shouldn't be
  - The final outcomes are results of decisions that follow after the MSP
- MSP operates in already governed and planned areas
  - MSP has a limited mandate





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## Focus on effectiveness

- Realist evaluation



## Impact assessment

- Precautionary, *ex ante*





**So, can we know the effectiveness of MSP?**











## Think beyond effectiveness

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# Different focuses for indicators

- **Context indicators**
  - Collect information on general developments in maritime sectors and marine environment
- **Input indicators**
  - Collect information on actions and resources to develop the plans, responsibilities
- **Process indicators**
  - Collect information on the planning process – also from the stakeholders!
- **Output indicators**
  - Collect information on the planning decisions and study the plan
- **Outcome indicators**
  - Collect information on immediate, intermediate and long-term outcomes such as licence application procedures and projects resulting from the plan, information on the impacts

*Attribution!*





# Indicators < Monitoring & Evaluation

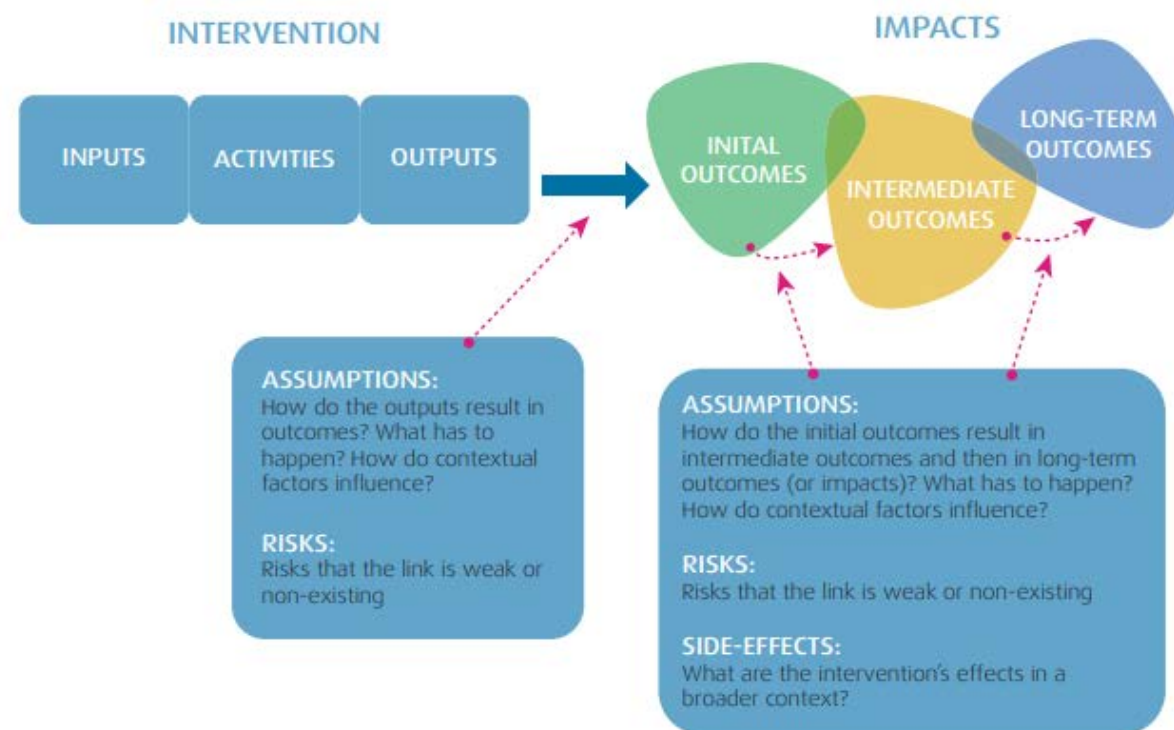






# Process of monitoring and evaluation

- Systematic expert and stakeholder process to fulfill indicator-based monitoring
- Collect feedback and experiences of:
  - How MSP influences maritime economies and marine environment?
  - If MSP fails to do so?
  - Who are affected?
  - Unintended consequences





# Plausible explanations of effects of MSP





# Key messages

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**YES, WE CAN!**

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