

## BSN Final Conference / CBSS Science Day Working Group 1 -Key Results

Challenges and opportunities of complexity when  
implementing the Green Deal in the Baltic Sea region

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How to improve collaboration between different levels (regional, national, European), affiliations (EU, Nordic, non-EU countries), funding agencies and research programs?

Better cooperation among different silos (Sectoral silos/ national silos/ funding silos) is needed. The joint work is needed.

Lack of regional strategic approach to find research partners. Brokerage plays an important role.

Need to distract researchers from the global agenda/market and attract them for the BSR.

Need to advance Triple Helix to Quadruple Helix by attracting society.

## How to better align regional, national, European and cross-border strategies, research support initiatives and funding programmes?

- **Identifying common areas of interest is needed.** Only after this you can know where to cooperate.
- A flexible missions approach can be helpful to foster joint research (the more open, the easier for different financing sources can cooperate), open calls – best ideas from **Quadruple Helix** actors
- **We need to make a two way political push** - we push authorities and they set an agenda for us. We need **proper partner combination of Quadruple Helix actors** for research cooperation.
- Green Deal is horizontal and requires a holistic approach. **Matchmaking and hackathons** in order to identify or unleash potential of cooperation from the BSR especially of young scientists.

# How to improve EU-non EU cooperation ?

- Common **funding instruments** available for EU and non-EU cooperation projects **needed**. Flexibility from EU financial instruments is important. Attractive co-financing rate. **Funding from non-EU countries to be identified**.
- We should use the existing priorities and specialization as identified within BSN-related processes and then to build project applications .
- We have enough ongoing cooperation and tools but there should be joint agenda and goals. **The role of CBSS is crucial!** All countries pay fees to CBSS and it might and should play a **key role in setting agenda and funding**.