Bioeconomy projects under the INTERREG Baltic Sea Region Programme

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How does current IBSR support Bioeconomy?

- **Innovation**
  - Research & innovation infrastructures
  - Smart specialisation
  - Non-technological innovation

- **Natural resources**
  - Clear waters
  - Renewable energy
  - Energy efficiency
  - Blue growth

- **Transport**
  - Interoperability
  - Accessibility
  - Maritime Safety
  - Shipping
  - Urban mobility

- **EU strategy support**
  - Seed money
  - Support of PACs & HALs
  - Targeted support & EUSBSR forums

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How does current IBSR support Bioeconomy?

• 14 projects with relation to Bioeconomy funded
  → with overall budget of 29.54 MEUR
  → wherof 21.39 MEUR ERDF co-funding
  → 123 organisations funded
  → 5 EUSBSR flagship projects
RDI2CluB: Rural RDI milieus in transition towards smart bioeconomy clusters and innovation ecosystems
Baltic Blue Growth: Initiation of full scale mussel farming in the Baltic Sea
SusBioPackaging: Novel biobased plastics for sustainable packaging industry
What have we learned?

• Institutional capacity building as the main strength
• Large variety of stakeholders involved
• Wide range of topics covered

Strategies, recommendations, tools and training measures as main outcomes
• More practical implementation and piloting is needed
• Stronger involvement of end-users
What do we know about the future Programme?

• INTERREG Baltic Sea Region Programme 2021 – 2027 is currently under planning

• EU COM drafted an Orientation Paper with recommendations

• Joint Programming Committee (JPC) set up to supervise programming process and take formal decisions

• Strong focus on Policy Objective 2 “A greener, low-carbon Europe…”
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