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SUSTAINABLE AND PROSPEROUS REGION

Sustainable & Prosperous Region aims to develop the Baltic Sea Region as a model region of sustainable societies, able to manage and use resources efficiently, to tap the economic, technological, ecological and social innovation potential of the region in order to ensure its prosperity, environmental protection and social cohesion. This work is carried out through improving the overall competitiveness of the Baltic Sea region through sustainable economic growth and labour market cooperation, research and innovation, promotion of green and low-carbon economy and inclusive growth, as well as supporting healthy ecosystems and our capacity to adapt to climate change.

SAFE AND SECURE REGION

The goal of this priority is to enhance societal security and safety in the Baltic Sea Region, and to ensure that people of the region are protected from violence, accidents and emergencies, as well as safeguarded against harm caused by criminal exploitation and human trafficking. The work in this priority focuses on counteracting all forms of trafficking in human beings in the Baltic Sea Region via preventive and protective activities, promoting comprehensive child protection in order to prevent all forms of violence against children, and strengthening societal resilience to disasters and hazards in all stages of crises through adequate prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.

REGIONAL IDENTITY

Regional Identity aims to foster a Baltic Sea Region identity and intensify contacts supporting its further development. The priority seeks to build a sense of belonging to the Baltic Sea Region through engagement, participation and multilevel governance, in a community spirit through dialogue, regional networks and institutions.

The CBSS work is guided by its three long-term priorities: Regional Identity, Sustainable & Prosperous Region and Safe & Secure Region. The CBSS also functions as a coordinator of a multitude of regional actors in the areas of its three long-term priorities.

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