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Fisheries Policy Atlantic, North Sea, Baltic and Outermost Regions The Director

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## Subject: Targeted stakeholder consultation for the preparation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> report on the implementation of the Baltic MAP

Dear Ms Zasępa,

Dear Mr Zieliński

I take this opportunity to write to you in the context of the preparation of the second report on the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2016/1139 establishing the Multiannual Plan for the Baltic Sea ('MAP'). This Regulation requires the Commission to report to the European Parliament and Council on the results and impact of the MAP on stocks to which it applies and on the fisheries exploiting those stocks, in particular as regards the achievements of the objectives of the MAP. The Commission published a first implementation report, covering the period 2017-2019, in September 2020 (<sup>1</sup>) and the second one, covering the period 2020-2024, is due by July 2024.

As an input to this second implementation report, we would be grateful for receiving the views of the Baltic Sea Advisory Council and of BaltFish on various aspects of the MAP. To this effect, a short survey with 18 questions on substance has been put online on EU-Survey under the following link:

https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/BS\_MAP\_implementation\_2024

Your inputs are very important to the Commission. Ideally, your respective organisations should provide a single reply; should this not be possible then each of your member organisations may reply individually. You may also forward this invitation to other organisations you deem having a stake in the implementation of the MAP. Please note that replies from individual natural persons will not be considered. Please further note that each organisation may give only one reply.

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Commission européenne/Europese Commissie, 1049 Bruxelles/Brussel, BELGIQUE/BELGIË – Tel. +32 22991111 Office: J-79 02/003 – Tel. direct line +32 229-82409 I would like to stress that this survey is not an open public consultation, and it will therefore not be advertised on the list of public surveys on the EU-Survey website. Hence, you will need to use the link to access it. Each responding organisation will have to identify itself at the beginning of the survey. We would like to stress that the individuals responding on behalf of their organisation should not provide any personal data.

The survey will be open eight weeks as of the day following the date of this letter.

The replies to and results of the survey will be used to inform the Commission's implementation report. Moreover, for reasons of transparency, the replies will be publicly accessible on EU-Survey once the survey will have been closed, and they will be published in a staff working document accompanying the report.

The text of the survey is only available in English. We would invite the respondents to use English if comments were given in the free text boxes, but other official EU languages may be used as well.

Finally, please note that user and connection related data will not be stored.

Yours sincerely,

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