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## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

Dear Members of the CPMR Baltic Sea Commission,

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF THE BSC WORKING GROUPS

The two-year mandate period for the positions of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the four BSC thematic Working Groups (Maritime, Transport, Energy and Climate, Arctic) will be renewed for a new two-year period. Please find below the Call for Nominations for the Chairs and Vice- Chairs of the BSC Working Groups for the period 2025-2026. We invite all Member Regions interested in submitting a nomination of a regional elected representative to hold the position of Chair or Vice-Chair of a BSC Working Group to do so to the BSC Secretariat by 17 January 2025.

# How will the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the BSC Working Groups be appointed?

At its next meeting early February 2025, the Executive Committee will appoint the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of all the BSC thematic Working Groups for a two-year mandate 2025-2026, based on the applications received (<u>Article 9 of the BSC Internal Rules</u>).

#### What are the BSC thematic Working Groups?

- Transport Working Group: more information <u>here</u>
- Maritime Working Group: more information <u>here</u>
- Energy and Climate Working Group: more information <a href="here">here</a>
- Arctic Working Group: more information <a href="here">here</a>

## How to apply?

 Each interested Member Region is invited to submit a nomination of a regional elected representative to the BSC Secretariat via email (<u>lucille.ehrhart@crpm.org</u> and <u>clare.booth@crpm.org</u>). The nomination should specify which Working Group (Maritime, Transport, Energy and Climate, Arctic) and which Position (Chair or Vice-Chair), and should include:

- 1-Name of the regional elected Politician that wants to become Chair/Vice-Chair;
- 2-Motivation of the Region to take on this mandate;
- <u>3-Name of the Civil Servant</u> supporting the elected Politician in his/her duty. The Civil Servant(s) of the regions that hold the positions of Chair or Vice-Chair are responsible for the daily running of the Working Groups (identifying the topics of the work, drafting agenda, minutes, organisation of meetings...);
- 4-Resources the Region plans to put in place in order to organise the Working Group;
- <u>5-Suggestions of themes</u> to address within the Working Group and to include in the two-year Action Plan 2025-2026.

#### The deadline to submit nominations is 17 January 2025.

#### What are the responsibilities of the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Working Groups?

The Chair and Vice-Chairs of the Working Groups, with the support of their respective Civil Servants, are responsible for ensuring the drafting and implementation of the Action Plan of the Working Group by organising meetings of the Working Group and other events (Agenda, Working Papers, Minutes), representing the Working Group in relevant events, developing relevant Technical Papers and Policy Positions. They are responsible for leading the development of a two-year Action Plan, with the support of other Members of the Working Group, that sets out the thematic priorities for the two years ahead, which will be presented and adopted at the BSC General Assembly 2025. The Chairs of each Working Group are invited to participate and report in Executive Committee meetings.

#### **Missions of the BSC Working Groups**

- Monitor relevant policy developments at EU and national levels;
- **Formulate** Policy Positions, Technical Papers, reports, statements and contributions to public consultations on relevant EU policies and instruments;
- **Promote** the interests of the BSC Member Regions on specific policy areas and participate in relevant events;
- **Exchange** best practices and experiences between the Member Regions, and share targeted information;
- **Serve** as a shared platform for project development.

# <u>Invitation | BSC Energy & Climate Working Group meeting on energy efficiency | 28-29 November, Malmö</u> (registration <u>here</u>)

Furthermore, we kindly remind you that the BSC Energy & Climate Working Group will hold an in person meeting on 28-29 November in Malmö (lunch to lunch), at the invitation of Mr Pontus Lindberg (Region Skane), Vice-Chair of the BSC Energy & Climate Working Group. The topic focuses on energy efficiency. Click <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jers.com/html/memory.com/html/energy-the-topic/focuses-on-energy-the-topic-to

Please do not hesitate to contact the BSC Secretariat if you require any additional information.

Your sincerely,

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