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New Action Plan of the EUSBSR - what has changed?



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ACTION PLAN

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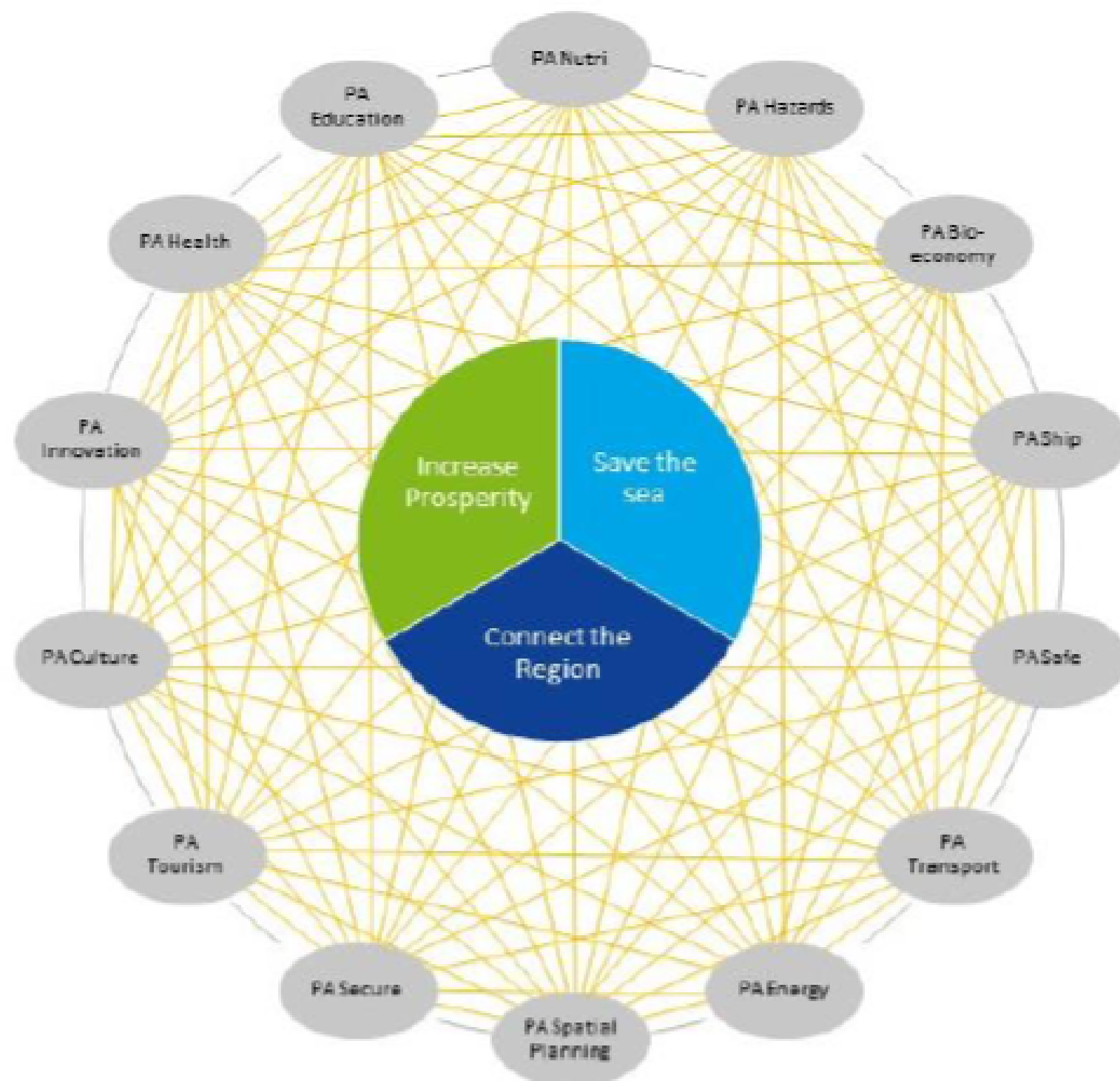


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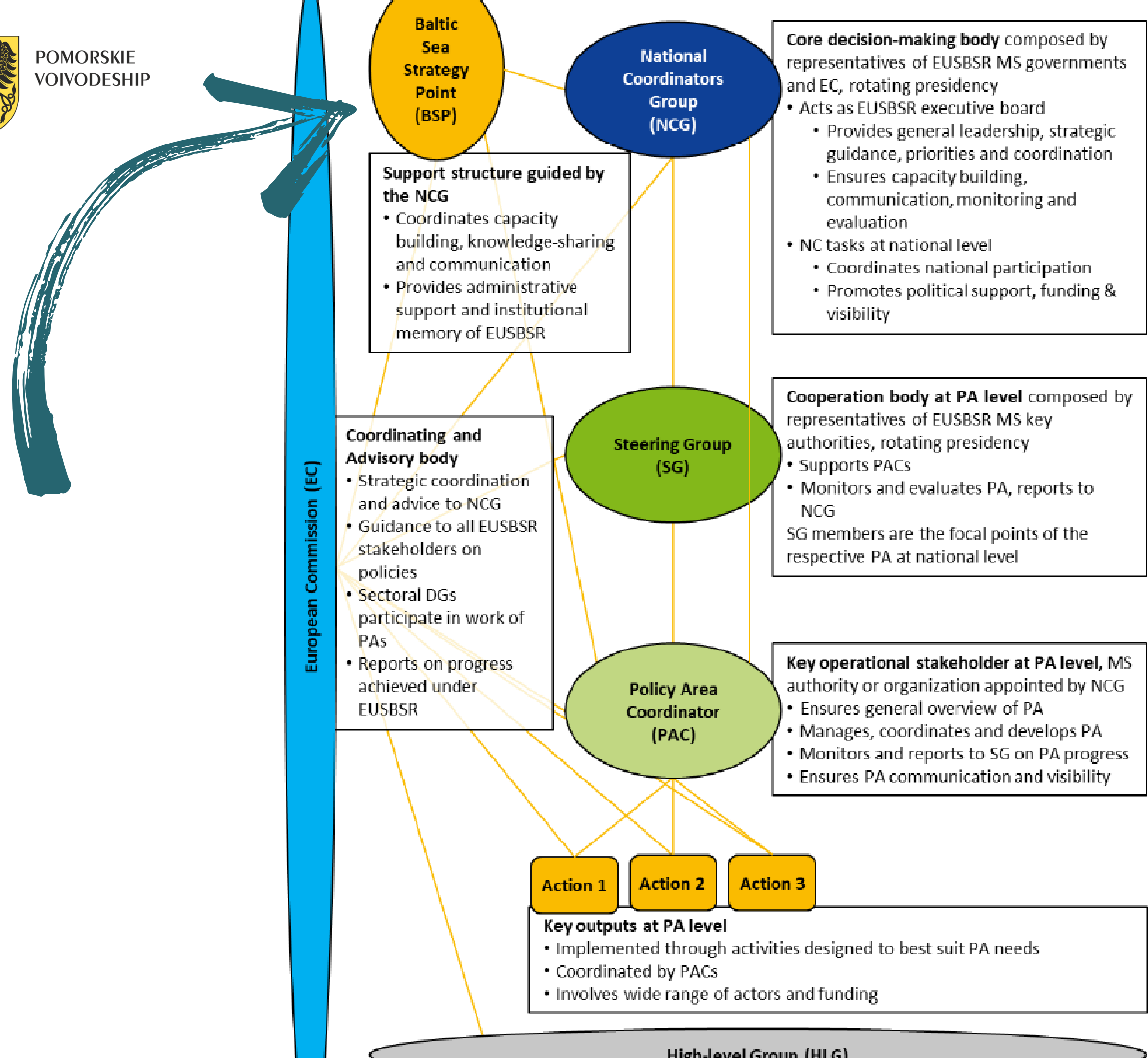
guiding principles:

- **streamlines Policy Areas and places them in a strategic context**
- **seek to connect Policy Areas more with **SDGs****
- **mainstreaming **climate change aspects** and **cooperation with neighbours** into all 14 PAs**
- **focus on embedding EUSBSR with European Union **policies** and **funding programmes****
- **aim at empowering the stakeholders and increasing **ownership** of the EUSBSR by setting clear roles and responsibilities**
- **establishing Baltic Sea Strategy Point**

1: Objectives and Policy Areas of the EUSBSR



- **The objectives of: Save the sea (1); Connect the region (2) and Increase prosperity (3) have remained unchanged**
- **14 instead of 13 Policy Areas (the new one is PA Spatial Planning)**
- **No Horizontal Actions any more**
- **HA Neighbours and Climate -> incorporated into the work of all other PAs; HA Capacity falls into BSP**
- **total number of Actions is reduced from 73 to 44**





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conclusions:

- a more **compact Action Plan** (better division of labour, reduction of overlaps, build up on synergies)
- more **result-oriented**
- more **embedded with EU policies and funding programmes**
- introducing more **coordination within the EUSBSR (BSP)**
- **moving the BSR cooperation into the next level ?**



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Thank you for
the attention

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