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## Strength by cooperation

The need for co-ordination of knowledge and common actions has never been more important. With growing economies in the countries around the Baltic Sea, the need of transport also grows. A clean sea is of decisive importance and a mutual factor for the future of the inhabitants in the coastal regions around the Baltic. The countries have agreed upon a united action plan regarding co-operation of environmental research for the Baltic Sea.

## KIMO

KIMO (Kommunenes Internasjonale Miljøorganisasjon/Local Authorities International Environmental Organisation) started as a Norwegian initiative for the environment of the North Sea and was founded in Denmark in 1990. Today fourteen countries around the North/Baltic Seas with a total of 128 municipalities participate. The organisation resides in the Shetland Islands.

## KIMO Baltic Sea

The establishment of KIMO Baltic Sea is a natural part of the commitment in the marine environment and in the sustainable development of the Baltic Sea. We want to create a forum where information, competence, knowledge and experience about the marine environment of the Baltic Sea is the focus of attention. We wish to take part in creating a sea with ecological balance, safer shipping and the possibility of continued professional fishing. KIMO Baltic Sea consists of a number of municipalities representing most of the countries around the Baltic Sea.

## KIMO Family

The environmental problems don't care about international borders. Increased globalisation means possibilities to influence the situation more effectively. The Baltic Sea is regarded as an inland sea within the EU and being a member of the KIMO family is favourable for everybody: KIMO Baltic Sea is offered access to established organisation, political strategy, lobbying experts and KIMO's international contacts and KIMO gets more members and better possibilities of lobbying and influence in the EU. There is strength in lobbying together with the EU, state, region, other municipalities and of course, not to forget, with the public.

## Main Issues

- Maritime Safety and Pollution
- Pollution from Oil and Gas Industry
- Marine Litter
- Coastal erosion
- Pollution from Hazardous Chemicals
- Eutrophication and Algal blooming
- Micro plastics
- Coastal planning
- Alien species