







## **BEA-APP:** An introduction

Project aims and main outcomes

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#### **BEA-APP** in a nutshell

Full title: Baltic Energy
 Areas – A Planning
 Perspective

• **Duration:** 2016–2019

• Budget: € 2.7 million

- Funding: Interreg Baltic
   Sea Region
- Flagship project of EUSBSR
   HA "Spatial Planning"
- 11 partners in 8 countries







## The reasoning behind BEA-APP

# BEA-APP addresses the territorial challenges related to the transition towards low-carbon energy systems

- Spatial planners lack the appropriate planning instruments to define and designate suitable areas to renewable energies
- Competing uses and interests often exist, such as cultural landscapes, agriculture or tourism
- Lack of social participation and stakeholder involvement in renewable energy projects - "not in my backyard" attitude





#### **Achievements**

#### **Optimising spatial planning instruments:**

 BSR-wide spatial planning recommendations and criteria for renewable energy planning

#### **Fostering social acceptance:**

- A handbook on innovative stakeholder involvement
- Innovative financing systems for renewable energy projects



#### **Achievements**

#### Regional pilot cases

 11 cases showcasing how to facilitate practical implementation of renewable energy projects

### Renewable energy concepts/ strategies

 7 revised and 19 new municipal/ regional renewable energy concepts





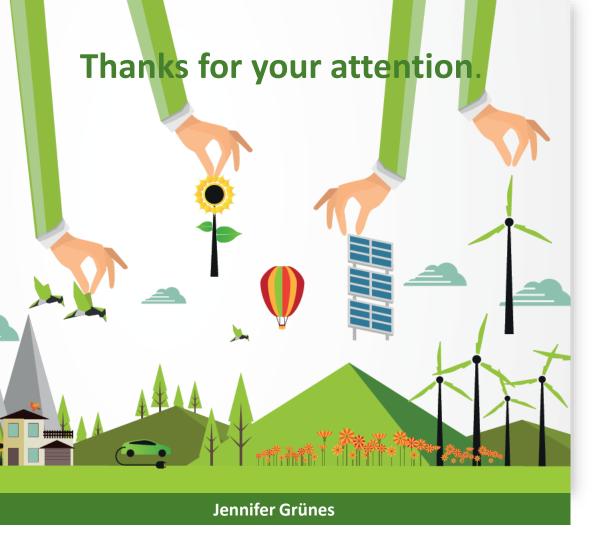


## What will these outputs lead to?

- ❖ BEA-APP will improve transnational planning approaches, finding the optimal balance between competing aims and land-use
- Facilitate cooperation between spatial planners and renewable energy planners
- Increase stakeholder involvement and acceptance towards local renewable energy projects
- Encourage dialogue and knowledge exchange on national and transnational level











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