

# North Sea Region 2020



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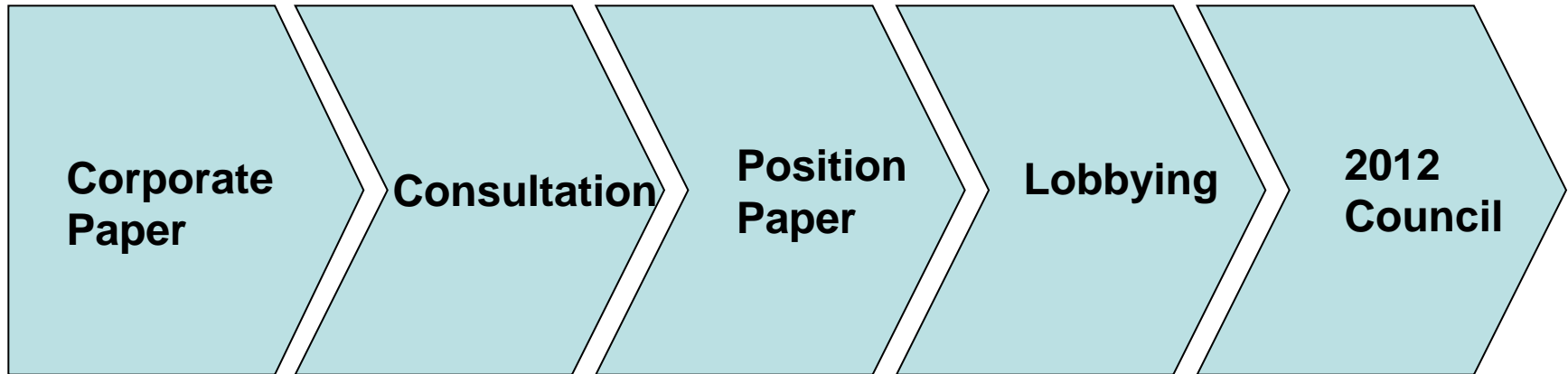
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# What is North Sea Region 2020?

- A development initiative for the North Sea Region
- An opportunity to:
  - Better co-ordinate existing policies
  - Target funding more effectively
  - Implement the EU's maritime policy and territorial cohesion agenda

- Put forward the case for NSR 2020
- Consult stakeholders
- Identify regional priorities
- Get ‘buy in’ from EU institutions
- If successful, implementation of priority actions
- Working with Committee of the Regions

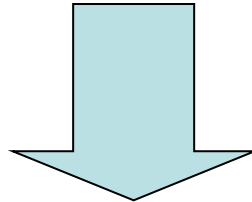
# An ongoing process...



- Managing Maritime Space**
- Increase Accessibility and Attractiveness**
- Tackling Climate Change**
- Promoting Innovation and Excellence**
- Sustainable Liveable Communities**

## Maritime sectors and the North Sea ecosystem

- Need to protect/enhance biodiversity
- Multi-sectoral usage increasing
- Coastal communities

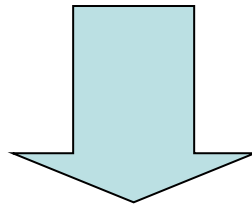


- Maritime Spatial Planning
- Stakeholder forum
- Better resource management

# Increasing Accessibility & Attractiveness

## Transport and Economic Development

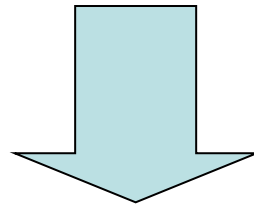
- Modal shift to shipping
- Hinterland connections lacking
- Coastal economy has growth potential



- Clean Shipping
- Improved connectivity
- Capitalise on expertise and knowledge

## Renewable Energy and Environmental Protection

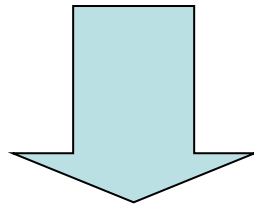
- Increasing demand for renewables
- Threat to coastlines and biodiversity
- Potential for 'green' jobs



- North Sea Grid
- Carbon capture & storage
- Coastal adaptation measures

## Research and Innovation

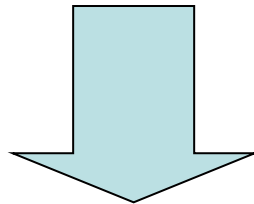
- Innovation capacity
- Strong research base
- Sectoral expertise



- Build upon foundations
- Better co-ordination
- Integration with growth sectors

## Cohesion and Culture

- Rural issues
- Urban issues
- Dependency



- Linkages between urban/rural areas and communities
- Add value to traditional sectors
- Diversification

With stakeholders....



...and NSC Members

- Broad or narrow?
- Priority activities?
- Member States on board?
- Maritime or regional?
- Link to funding programmes?

- Analysis of consultation with Members
- Linkages to CoR Initiative
- Development of position paper
- Further stakeholder conferences
- Lobbying
- Danish Presidency 2012



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### North Sea Region 2020

The North Sea Commission aim to prepare for a **North Sea Region 2020** paper together with other Stakeholder in the North Sea Region.

PowerPoint presentation of the NSC and the North Sea Region 2020 (NSS);

 [Info about NSC and NSS of 191109](#) (4.64 MB)

You will find relevant working papers below.

#### Background papers:

- Newcastle conference 17 and 18 March 2010. [External link to presentations.](#)
- Minutes from meeting in Brussels 12 January 2010.  
 [Minutes Brussels meeting 120110](#) (238.77 kB)
- What's happening?  
 [North Sea Strategy info February 2010](#) (66.29 kB)
- ESPON application for a North Sea Strategy project of 11 November 2009.  
 [ESPON Application NSS final](#) (244.03 kB)
- North Sea Strategy briefing document of 9 November 2009..  
 [North Sea Strategy Briefing document of 091109](#) (71.81 kB)
- Agenda and the Minutes from the Strategic Committee meeting 5 November 2009.
-  [Agenda Strat.Com. meeting in Brussels 5 nov](#) (45.5 kB)
-  [Minutes Brussels meeting 051109](#) (436.74 kB)

### North Sea Region 2020

**The timetable for North Sea Region 2020 activities in 2010 are as follows;**

- 17 - 18 March;  
Stakeholder Conference in Newcastle supported by UK Government and NSC. [External link to presentations.](#)
- 13 April; "Europe's macro-region: Integration through territorial co-operation". Hosted by the CoR in Brussels.
- 20 May; "Working together to Manage the Resources of the North Sea and Channel, Workshop in Oviedo during Maritime Day.
- 16 - 17 June; Joint NSC and Interreg conference in Stavanger "The North Sea Region 2020". [Draft](#)

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