

## **CCB seminar on Maritime Spatial Planning and the Aarhus Convention**

22 November 2016, Riga, Latvia

The seminar will take place in Albert Hotel, Dzirnavu iela 33, Riga, Latvia

09:30 – 10:00 Registration and coffee

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome. Introduction of CCB and the seminar, quick round of introductions

### ***Maritime Spatial Planning***

10:15 – 10:45 What is Marine Spatial Planning? The basics (background, European and Baltic policy basis, steps in implementation).

*Manuel Frias Vega, HELCOM Secretariat*

10:45 – 11:15 Maritime Spatial Planning in a CCB context

*Mikhail Durkin, CCB*

11:15 – 11:30 MSP on the national level – example from the Russia: Barents Sea/Kaliningrad

*Ivan Kesoretskikh, Institute of spatial planning and external relations, Kaliningrad*

11:30 – 12:30 Group work/discussions

12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch*

### ***The Aarhus Convention***

*Anne Friel, Client Earth*

14:00 – 15:00 Introduction to the Aarhus Convention and how it is integrated into EU law.

15:00 – 15:45 How can we as NGOs work with the Aarhus Convention?

*Group discussion*

15:45 – 16:15 *Coffee*

16:15 – 16:45 An example on applying the Aarhus Convention

16:45– 17:30 Discussion – Current issues where the Aarhus convention could come into play?

*Group discussion*

### ***Back to Maritime Spatial Planning***

17:30 – 18:00 MSP on the national and regional level – example from the Baltic Sea: Sweden

*Jan Schmidtbauer Crona, Swedish Agency for Marie and Water Management*