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Rec. #	Recommendation	Denmark	Estonia	Finland	Germany	Latvia	Lithuania	Poland	Russia	Sweden
#1	1a) Overview navigational purpose should be in harmony with other navigational purposes within the producers' portfolios.  1b) The Overview cell should be harmonised with adjacent cells in the North Sea.									
#2	The Harbour and Berthing navigational purposes should be in harmony with other navigational purposes within the producers' portfolios									
#3	On the Baltic Sea, the following values for the compilation scales should be used: General - 180,000; Coastal - 90,000; Approach - 22,000.									
#4	If a Hydrographic Office (HO) wants to use a compilation scale other than those recommended above, it may do so if all the following conditions are met:  i) the value used is in line with the intention of the IHO CL 47/2004  ii) use of it is agreed bilaterally with neighbouring HO(s) concerned, in order to avoid inconsistencies at the border, and  iii) every effort is made to minimise possible inconsistencies due to deviations from the recommended compilation scale.									
#5	BSHC should adopt the guidelines as stated in the Annex J.									
#6	6a) The BSEHWG proposes that the BSHC establishes a Working Group to study possibilities for Harmonisation of the Conveying and Presentation of Depth Information for both ENCs and paper charts.									



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	6b) Meanwhile, if the IHO recommended contour intervals are not applicable, or if additional intervals are needed, implementation should be agreed bilaterally/multilaterally so that possible inconsistencies to the mariners could be avoided.									
#7	All BSHC countries should ensure that bilateral arrangements are in place with their neighbouring countries concerning harmonisation of features continuing/extending over national borders.									
#8	All BSHC countries should check and carry out harmonisation before launching updates or new editions of ENCs.									
#9	All BSHC countries should check that there are no gaps between cells at national borders by establishing a buffer zone of up to 5 metres, if necessary.									
#10	The BSHC should agree on joint plans and time schedules for the adoption of new versions of ENC related standards (e.g. S-57 Ed. 3.1.1 or S-101).									
#11	The BSHC should agree on joint plans and a time schedule for the adoption of new object classes on their products.									
#12	12a) BSHC should encourage all countries to make further studies of the use of objects in the Baltic Sea ENCs and report to the following BSHC meeting.  12b) BSHC should decide on proper actions to ensure ENC consistency as far as possible.									
#13	If found necessary it is possible to deviate from the recommendations. When doing so, the relevant HO should make every effort to minimise the effect of any inconsistencies that may occur. This should be done through bilateral/multilateral agreements and through harmonisation of data in order to ensure that no serious disharmony is introduced to the ENCs.									

