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Main activities of Ventspils case study

1. Elaboration of strategic EIA for territory plan – how to develop town and economic activities and preserve natural values
2. Working out of forecasts of coastal erosion, forest monitoring , other natural things that can influence development activities



CZM stakeholders in Latvia

The stakeholders in CZM are intergovernmental organisations, governmental institutions, regional and local municipalities and their organisations, private businesses and their associations, developers, financial institutions, academia, media, nongovernmental organisations, civil society and individuals. The stakeholders represent various sectors such as defence, transport, communications, construction, fisheries, forestry, agriculture, mining, industry, tourism and leisure and education. These actors are involved in CZM through national and municipal elections, policy coordination and public participation processes of national, regional and local public policy decision-making, programming and budgeting, as well as through such policy instruments like spatial planning, EIA, sEIA, nature protection, building and land use transformation



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1. Different departments and institutions of Ventspils City Council – Architecture and city planning department, Economic dep., Financial dep., municipal board “Communal Services”
 - Ventspils port authority as the municipal structure unit
 - State Environment Service Ventspils Regional Environment Board and Marine and Inland Waters Administration (which perform environmental protection and nature resource use control in the territory of Latvia, continental shelf and economic zone of the Baltic Sea in the Republic of Latvia)
 - non-governmental organisation – Environmental Protection Club, Society “Zaļā nagla” (green nail) etc.



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Ventspils Free Port Rules

Issued in accordance with
Article 6 of Law "On Ports"

XVI Environmental Protection

93. All vessels, notwithstanding their ownership and flag of registry, all legal and natural entities operating or located in the Free Port shall comply with the requirements of MARPOL 73/78 and HELCOM 92 conventions and Normative Acts of the Republic of Latvia, concerning environment protection, with the requirements of Ventspils City Council and of those "Regulations" to such an extent that the above mentioned documents correspond to them.
94. It is prohibited in the Free Port water area to:
- 94.1 discharge water from cleaning cargo holds and deck;
 - 94.2 discharge any garbage, cargo residue and separation;
 - 94.3 pollute water area with the paints, when painting vessel;
 - 94.4 use incinerators;
 - 94.5 discharge bilge waters from engine room and sewage waters overboard;
 - 94.6 apply dispersants dissolving or submerging floating oil and its products.



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95. All vessels shall dispose following kind of garbage at the Free Port facilities:
 - 95.1 all kinds of garbage generated on board of a vessel, are forbidden to be discharged in the Baltic Sea according to MARPOL 73/78 and HELCOM 92;
 - 95.2 cargo residues that remain in holds after discharge operations and have to be removed, including cargo coverings, props, pallets, packaging materials, plywood, paper pasteboard, wire and tie scapes.
96. Dry garbage shall be separated according to the ship's sewage plan. Leaving the Free Port garbage volume on board of the ship shall not exceed 25% of its storage tanks or capacity of containers.
97. Vessels carrying out regular or short routes (ferries, fishing-boats) can be liberated from requirements of the article 95 Of the rules. In this case the Master shall inform the Free Port Authority on:
 - 97.1 the port in which the vessel hands on garbage;
 - 97.2 the route length;
 - 97.3 the volume of the storage tanks or containers.
98. Vessels with explosives (class 2 according the IMDG Code), compressed gas (class 2 according the IMDG Code), radioactive substances (class 7 according the IMDG Code) may enter the Free Port only with the permission of Free Port Authority and environment protection institutions.
99. In case of excessive cargo concentration in atmosphere resulting from violation of sanitary standards, loading intensity shall be decreased to an acceptable level.
100. Only toilets with closed storage tank or biological treatment systems can be used on board of all vessels in the Free Port.
101. Swimming and industrial fishing in the Free Port water area are prohibited. Angling is allowed according to regulatory framework.
102. Berth and terminal operators (owners, lessees) perform their functions in accordance with the environment protection license issued by the Ventspils City Council.



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Departments of City Council (11 departments) and cooperation among them

Environmental department

responsibility on environmental and nature protection in Ventspils
administrative
territory

APD

elaboration of planning documents (territory pan, detail plans, land-use
plans etc.)
Issuing of building permits

Department of Economics

Financial department



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Ventspils regional environmental board

- cooperation with municipalities (members of committees and working groups, information and harmonization of permits)
- explanatory work (seminars)



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Environmental Committee

Environmental department

Ventspils Regional environmental board

Environmental, geological and meteorological state agency

Public health agency

Fire department

Private environmental companies

Ventspils free port authorities



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Decision making procedure





