



WP2 Environmental risk management

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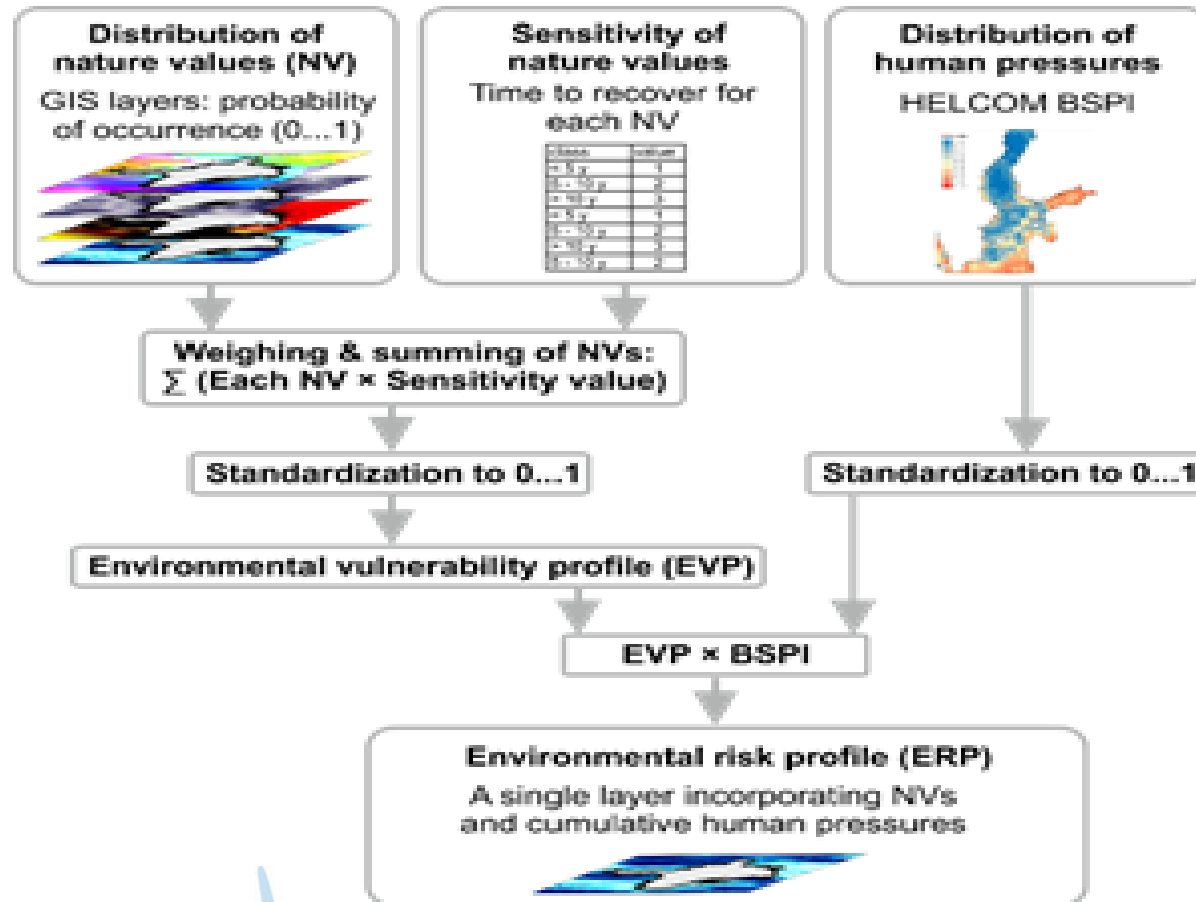


Objective and methodology

- Objective of this study was to develop and implement transparent and flexible methodology to create environmental vulnerability and risk profiles for marine areas concerned
- Practical implementation of EVP/ERP methodology to support site selection for Blue Economy developments will be demonstrated in a course of Plan4Blue project developments



General scheme of calculations of environmental vulnerability profile (EVP) and environmental risk profile (ERP)

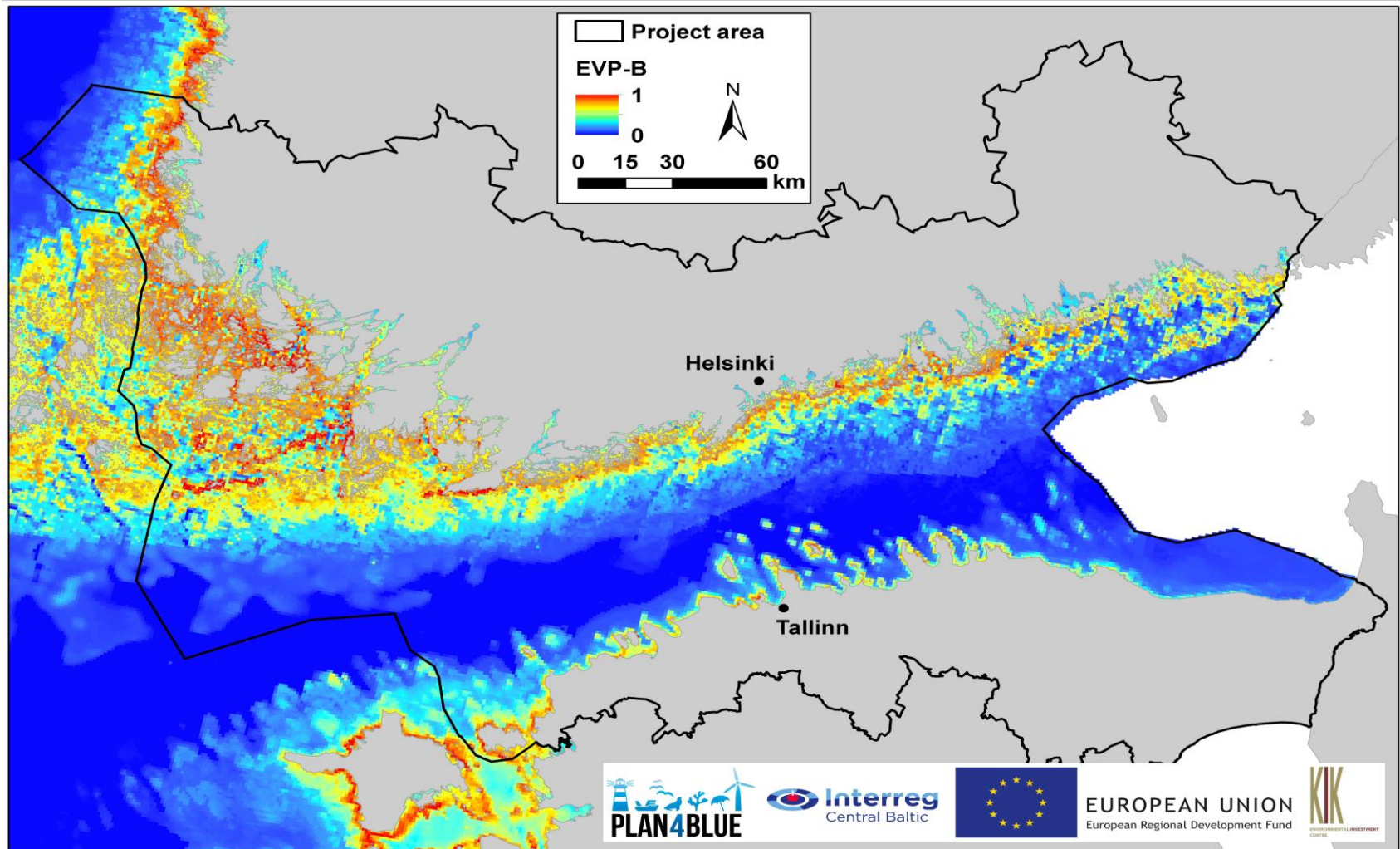


Data sources

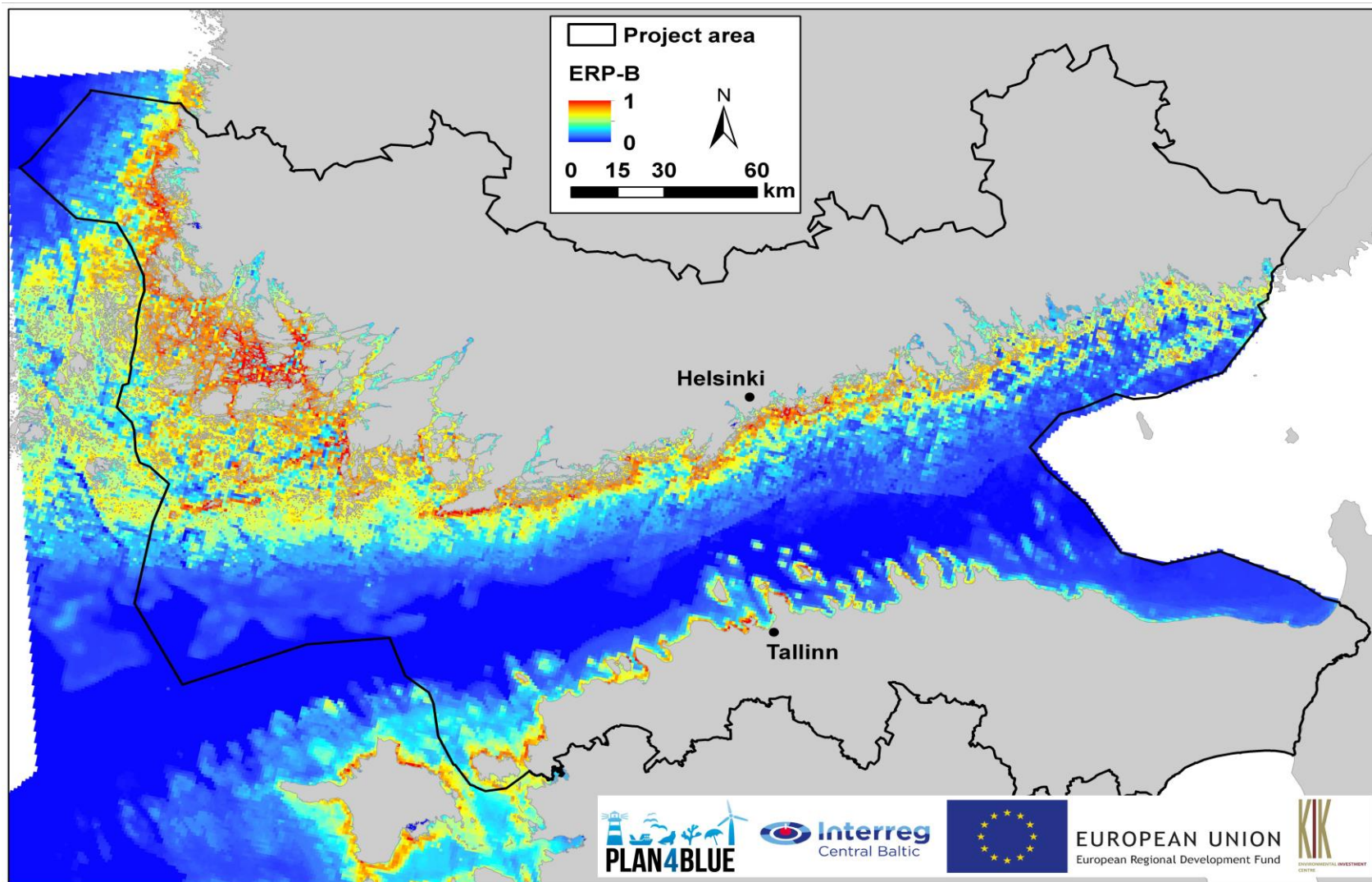
- A macrobenthos database of the Estonian Marine Institute, University of Tartu and HERTTA database of the Finnish Environment Institute were used as data sources for Estonian and Finnish datasets, respectively
- Data from 11523 Estonian and 4409 Finnish benthos sampling stations were used as an input for species distribution models
- Estonian dataset covered both flora and fauna observations while in Finland HERTTA database was used only for benthic invertebrate data
- Finnish macrophyte data were collected by Finnish Inventory Programme for the Underwater Marine Environment (VELMU) and the dataset consisted of 31230 dive transect points



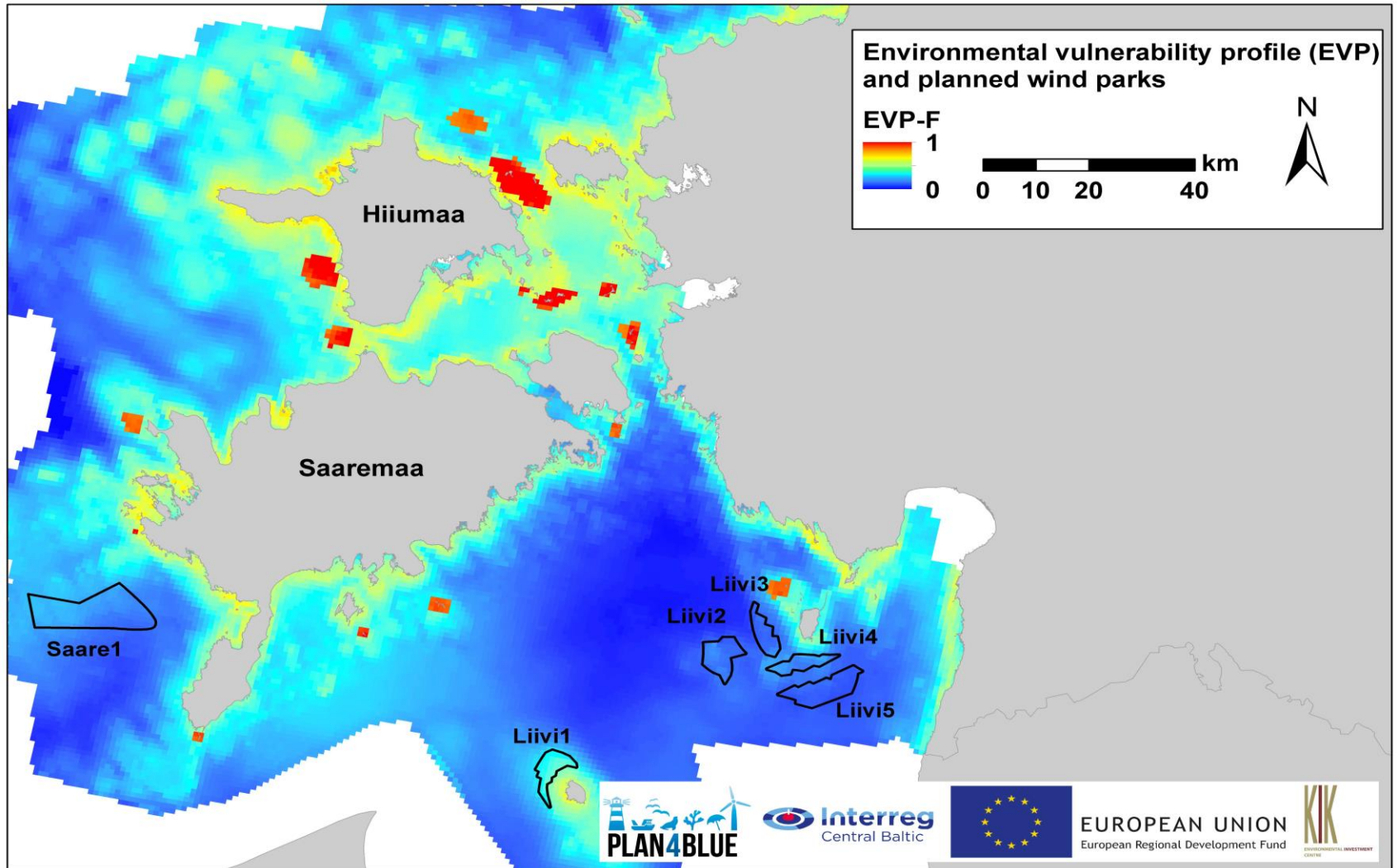
Gulf of Finland environmental vulnerability profile



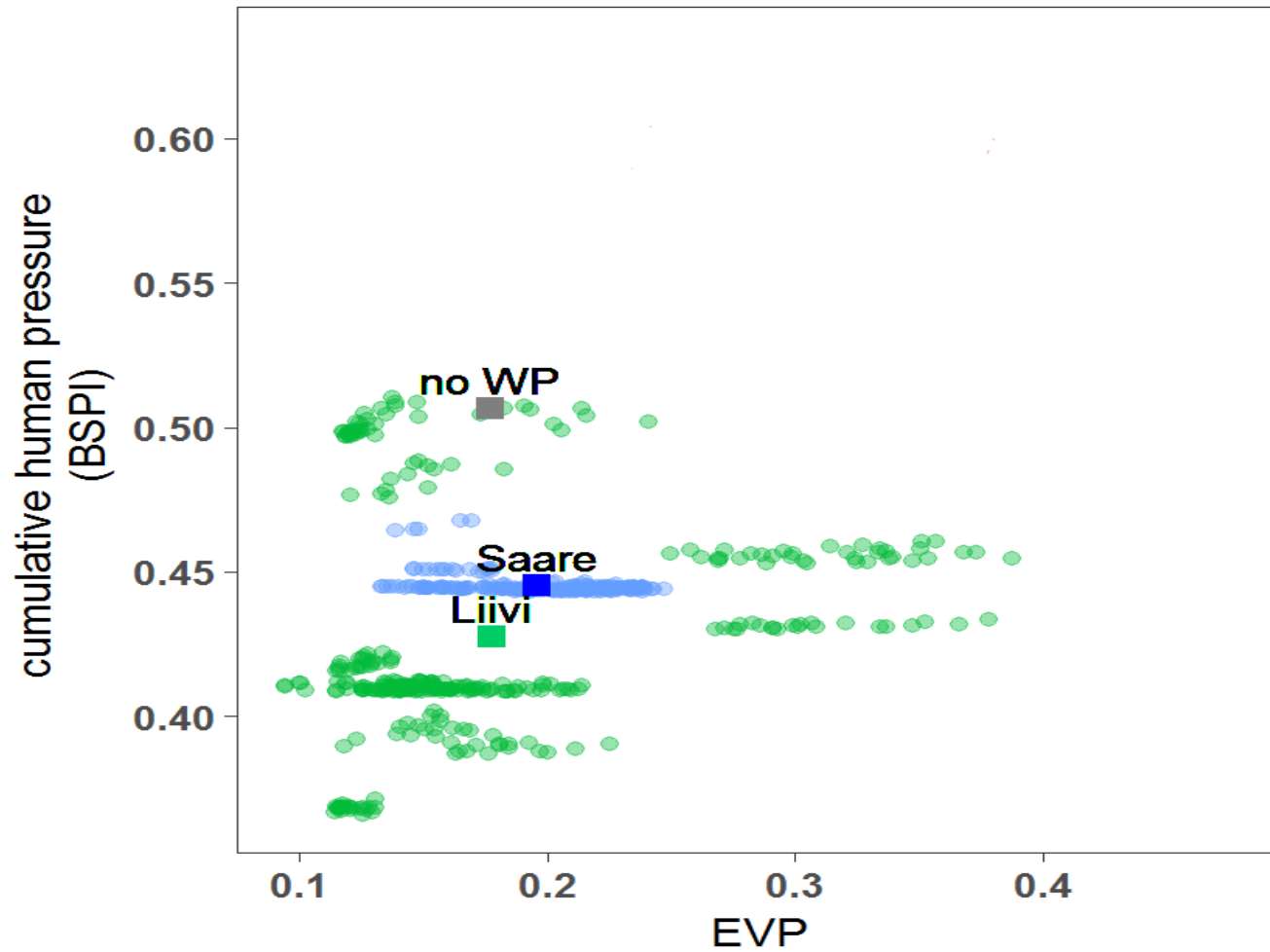
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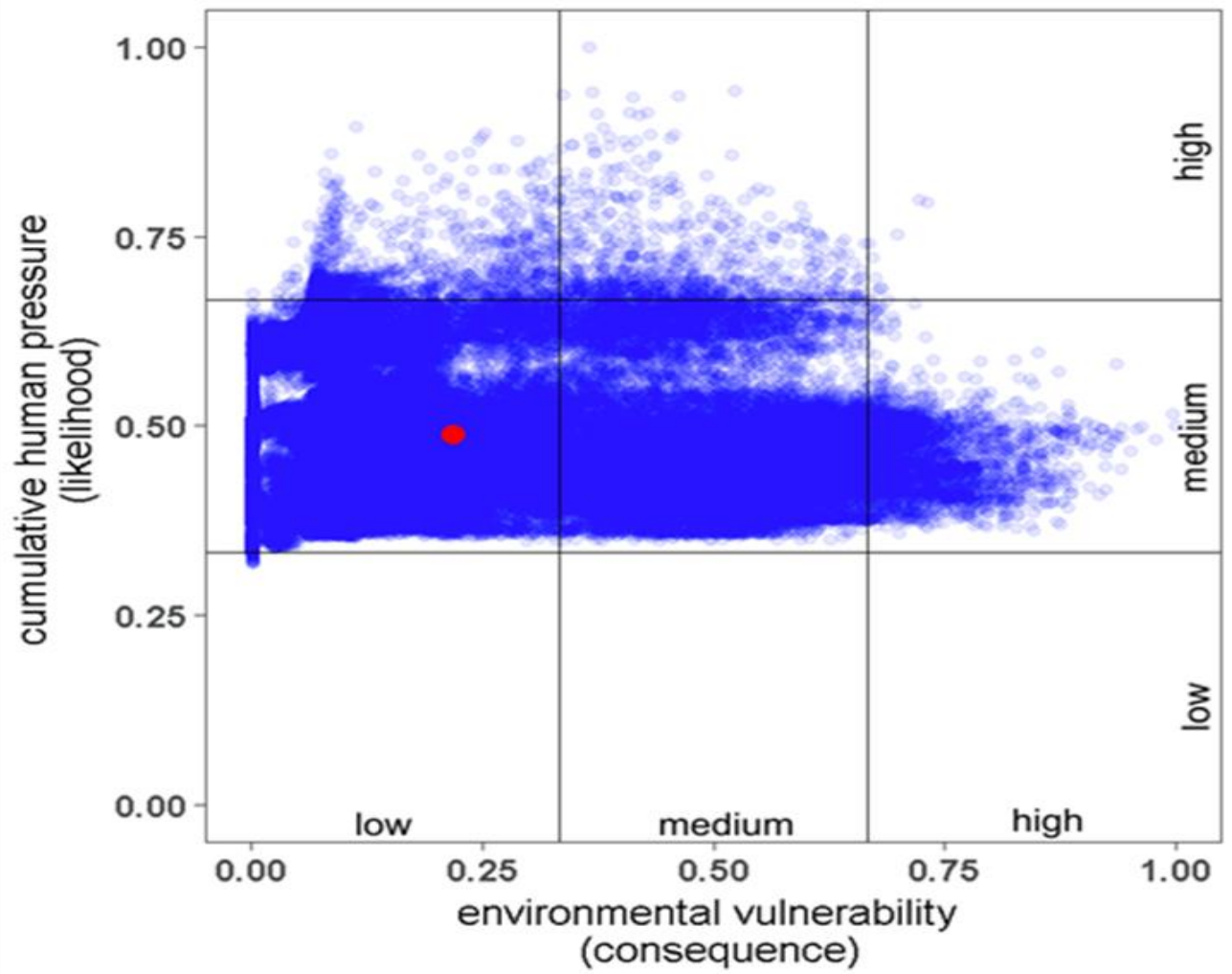
Planned Saare and Liivi wind park (WP) areas



WP areas (Saare – blue, Liivi – green) and only mean value is shown for “no WP”



Environmental Spatial Cumulative Risk Matrix



Environmental Spatial Cumulative Risk Management

“Given that a scientific assessment is objective and is based on facts, it would simply reflect likelihood and magnitude leaving the severity, tolerability or values to the governance decision-making processes and stakeholder constituency”

ICES. 2014. Report of the Joint Rijkswaterstaat/DFO/ICES Workshop

Timeline

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|-------------------|---|------------|------------|------------|
| Activity 3.1 | Developing the Gulf of Finland marine and coastal environmental vulnerability profile | 01.09.2016 | 03.03.2017 | 0.00 |
| Deliverable 3.1.1 | The Gulf of Finland marine and coastal environmental vulnerability profile | | 4.00 | 03.03.2017 |
| Activity 3.2 | Developing the Gulf of Finland marine and coastal environmental risk profile | 01.03.2017 | 02.08.2018 | 0.00 |
| Deliverable 3.2.1 | The Gulf of Finland marine and coastal environmental risk profile | | 4.00 | 02.08.2018 |
| Activity 3.3 | Developing environmental management strategy for MSP | 01.09.2018 | 02.03.2019 | 0.00 |
| Deliverable 3.3.1 | Environmental management strategy for MSP | | 4.00 | 02.03.2019 |
| Activity 3.4 | Developing guidelines on environmental management for sustainable maritime spatial planning | 30.04.2019 | 30.08.2019 | 0.00 |
| Deliverable 3.4.1 | Guidelines on environmental management for sustainable maritime spatial planning | | 4.00 | 30.08.2019 |

Type: Implementation

| WP Nr | WP title | WP start date | WP end date | WP Budget |
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| 4 | Spatial analysis of socioeconomic-environmental interactions | 2016-12 | 2019-05 | |



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