

## First Announcement

# Gulf of Finland Trilateral Co-operation and Baltic Earth Scientific Forum

17-19 November 2015, Tallinn

with a Special Issue in the Journal of Marine Systems

## Scope and objectives

Year 2014 was the Gulf of Finland Year. The aim of the scientific forum is to present the results of conducted scientific research and environmental assessment of the state of the Gulf.

## Structure and topics

The forum is scheduled for three days with the focus on Gulf of Finland Year on 17-18 November and on Baltic Earth Programme on 19 November 2015.

The overall headline of the Gulf of Finland Year 2014 was "Ecosystem approach to the management of the Gulf of Finland". The participants are invited to submit their contributions on the main scientific topics of the Gulf of Finland Year 2014:

- Biological and geological diversity
- Pollution and marine ecosystem health
- Maritime traffic
- Fisheries
- Maritime spatial planning
- Monitoring and assessment
- Eutrophication
- Climate change

Baltic Earth workshop will be held in conjunction to the Gulf of Finland Year 2014 scientific forum. More information on the Baltic Earth programme and focus will be available in June.

## Important dates

- Deadline for submission of abstracts: 7 September 2015
- Information on abstract approval: 5 October 2015
- Deadline for registration 3 November 2015
- Forum: 17-19 November 2015
- Deadline for submitting full papers for the Special Issue: 1 March 2016

## Registration, abstract submission and language

Registration and abstract submission will be available through the Gulf of Finland Year 2014 web site ([www.gof2014.fi](http://www.gof2014.fi)) in September 2015. The official language of the forum will be English.

Venue and suggestions for accommodation: to be announced.

## Local organizers

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