



Fowards an integrated transport system in the Baltic Sea Region

# TransBaltic - to connect, inspire and show new horizons

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### TransBaltic in brief



- Strategic project in the Baltic Sea Region Programme 2007-2013 led by Region Skåne (Sweden)
- 51 financial and associated organisations from all BSR countries
- Part of the EU Baltic Sea Strategy (Priority Area Transport)
- Target: sustainable multimodal transport system in the BSR
- New knowledge:
  - Vision of the system + green scenario
  - Network of green and efficient multimodal transport corridors
  - Impact of transcontinental flows (China, India, Central Asia, Russia)
  - Pilot business cases to green the corridors
  - Hard and soft measures to develop the system
- Final outcome: Macroregional Transport Action Plan







### TransBaltic partnership

# 20 formal partners from 9 countries

### regional authorities

SE - Skåne, Västerbotten, Blekinge, Västra Götaland

FI - Lahti

PL - Pomorskie, Warminsko-Mazurskie

DK - Sjaelland

NO - Vest Agder, Eastern Norway County Network

### specific partners

transport and logistics associations, NGOs, universities and research organisations

### 31 associated and supporting organisations

### 7 national transport ministries

Belarus, Estonia, Germany, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Sweden + Finnish Maritime Administration

### 9 organisations from Russia

Kaliningrad Region, City of St. Petersburg, Arkhangelsk Region, North-West Association of the Eleven Federal Subjects of the Russian Federation, City of Baltijsk, 4 universities and research organisations

#### 7 macroregional networks

CPMR Baltic Sea Commission, CPMR North Sea Commission, Baltic Sea States Subregional Cooperation, Baltic Development Forum, Baltic Sea Chambers of Commerce Association, Baltic Sea Forum, Baltic Ports Organization

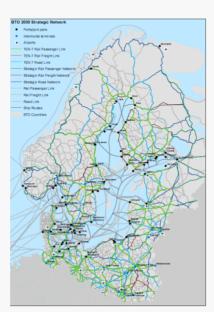
regions, regional networks, intermodal cooperation networks, private businesses





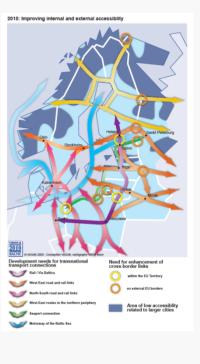
# A myriad of European, intergovernmental, pan-Baltic, interregional initiatives...

































### Previous efforts long forgotten?



- 25 partners from 4 countries
- regional authorities, national ministries & administration for transport, ports
- political umbrella of BEATA (Barents Euro-arctic Transport Area): transport ministries and DG TREN
- east-west transport infrastructure needs vs. traditional north-south domestic networks
- evaluation methods of cross-border transport projects
- regional networks (regional planning authorities)



- 5 metropolitan regions and municipalities
- Baltic Palette Co-ordination Network and permanent Joint Committee as an umbrella
- future global integration zone in focus
- metropolises as international gateways for their hinterlands
- common framework for intermodal transport infrastructure investments
- tools to support political and business decisions
- proposals for strategic actions in transport modes



- 38 partners from 7 countries
- regional authorities, ports, municipalities, national ministries & administration for transport,
- political support of the South Baltic Sea regions (joint political statements)
- gateway area serving both northsouth and east-west flows
- comprehensive intermodal transport system
- port twinning arrangements
- indicators for transnational investments
- Baltic Gateway Quick Start Programme









### Room for any new one?

- Role of the regional authorities?
- Effects for regional growth?
- Synchronisation, streamlining, synergising manageable?
- Pro-active approach?

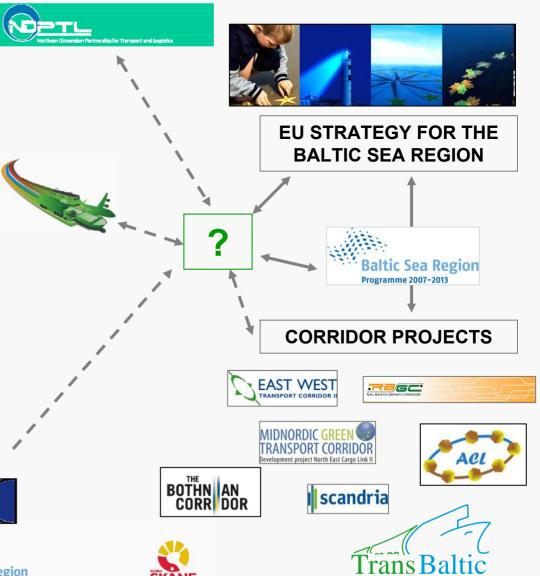
by the European Union

(European Regional Development Fund)

- Meeting place to discuss future?
- Coming together for a transport system?
- Framework of the EU Baltic Sea Strategy?







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### The ambitions of TransBaltic...

Regional level support for developing an integrated multimodal transport system in the BSR

Scenarios on the future geography of freight flows

# BSR-specific solutions for transport policies

- Challenges for Baltic ports
- Human capacity building in transport operations
- Transport sustainability and green corridors

### **Business concepts**

- · Dry port development
- Empty container management
- Deployment of ICT toolbox for planning of intermodal supply chains
- Competence management system in harbour logistics
- Rail transport solutions for North-South and East-West flows

### Macroregional transport action plan

(BSR transport system coherent inside and accessible from outside)









### And the layout of activities

Best practice inventories, results of previous initiatives



Green network analyses (links & terminals 2030)



#### Transport policy challenges

- New regulations and policy instruments vs. trade patterns
- Labour force education and learning needs
- New Fast-West divide
- A place-based approach (territorial cohesion, sustainable regional growth)

Transport scenarios 2030

BASELINE

COHESION

RIVALRY

**GREEN** 

Impact of transcontinental flows

Corridor investigation, case studies

Input from the allied projects (umbrella)

### Pilot demos to green the corridors

- · Dry ports
- · Pre-gate parking system
- · Management of empty containers
- Internet tools for better use of intermodal transport by SMEs
- Better skills in harbour services
- New solutions to increase rail freight

Macroregional transport action plan (regional level policy support for a sustainable multimodal transport system in the Baltic Sea Region)







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# POSITIONING: TransBaltic vs. EU Baltic Sea Strategy

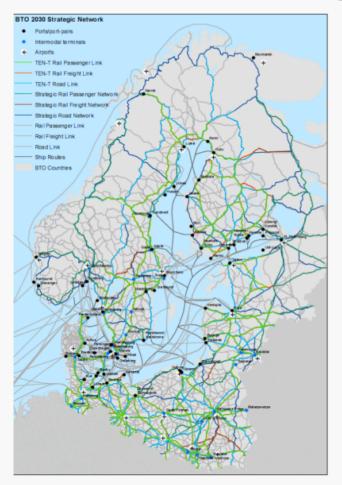
- Regional level contribution to transport harmonisation actions by the national governments
- Foresight process on the future geography of freight flows (2030 perspective) ca. 160 stakeholders presenting views on the challenges for transport policies
- Preparedness measures for rising intercontinental flows (BSR as an efficient transport gateway area)
- Policy conclusions from flow analyses and business cases
- External dimension (Russia, Central Asia, China, India)
- Showcase to adjust EU transport and cohesion policies
  - Territorial aspects in the TEN-T policy (TEN-T network vs. green corridors vs. Motorways of the Sea)
  - Verification of EU transport and cohesion policy proposals in specific macroregional conditions
  - New policy topics needed based on tested business concepts



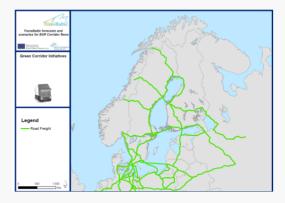


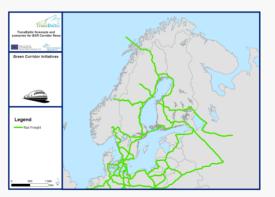


# POSITIONING: TransBaltic vs. other initiatives dealing with networks...















### Achieved delineation...



BALTIC Transport Outlook



Transport ministries of the ND cooperation	EU transport ministries	Regions + partners
Area: Northern Dimension area (incl. BSR)	Area: The Baltic Sea Region	BSR + factor countries (Belarus, Ukraine, Central Asia, China, India)
Focus on transport infrastructure	Focus on transport infrastructure	Focus on transport infrastructure, logistics services, ICT and knowledge
Macroregional approach	Macroregional approach	Macroregional approach with subregional measures
Mainly internal connectivity + important external links	Mainly internal connectivity	Internal and external connectivity (transcontinental flows)
NDTLP Regional Network 2030 (major corridors as of today)	BSR Strategic Network 2030 (current + approved links)	BSR green network 2030 (strategic network + functional links
Ports and large terminals	Ports and large terminals	Ports and large-medium terminals
3 scenarios + alternatives	1 scenario + alternatives	4 scenarios + alternatives

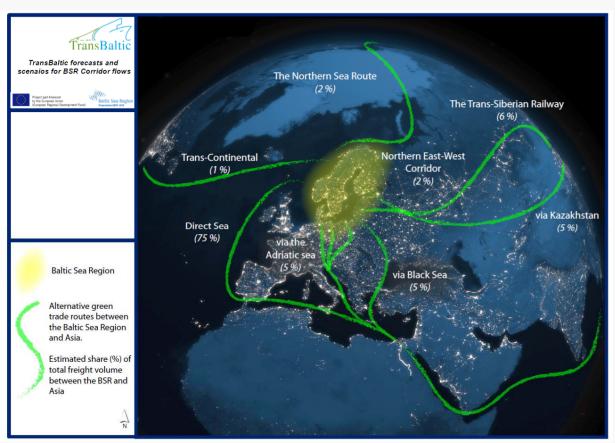








### Complementing the Baltic Transport Outlook(1)...





yielding additional pressure on some road, rail and short sea links



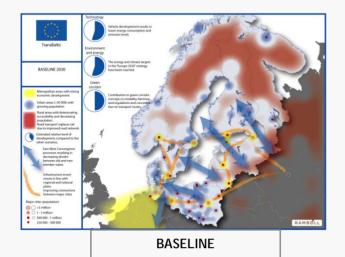
ALTERNATIVE TRANSCONTINENTAL ROUTES ASIA-BSR AND MODELLED VOLUME SHARES



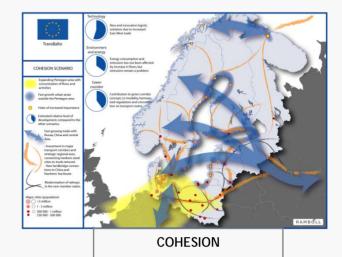


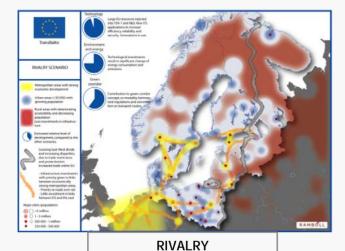


## Complementing the Baltic Transport Outlook(2)...



TRANSPORT & ACCESSIBILITY TRAJECTORIES TILL 2030





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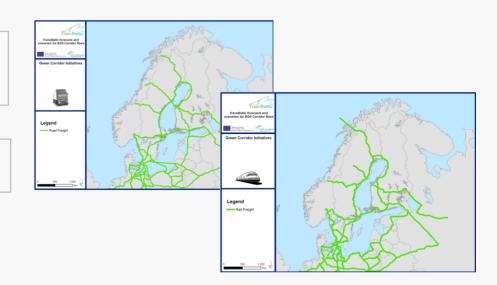
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### Complementing the Baltic Transport Outlook(3)...

THE GREEN TRANSPORT NETWORK IN THE BSR (links of interest for the Interreg transport projects in the BSR)

Changed speed/cost variables makes the corridors attractive!

- Capturing volumes from other parts of the network (extra 7% of road volumes and 14% of rail volumes)
- Road and rail ferries gaining much!
- Investment dilemma: where to place efficient intermodal terminals?



BUT WHAT IF **IMO Alternative** 

Cost of traffic on the Baltic Sea 7 30%

Re-routed flows (N-S corridors gaining volumes):

- via Black Sea 5→ 10%;
- via the Adriatic Sea 5 → 10%;
- •conventional sea route 75% → 65%



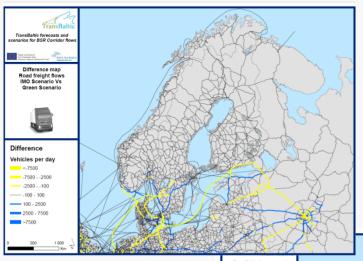






## Complementing the Baltic Transport Outlook(4)...

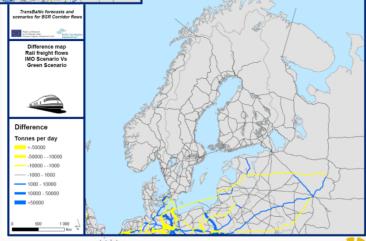
#### IMPACT OF THE IMO REGULATION ON GEOGRAPHY OF FLOWS



- Volumes on road ferries 

  14%, on rail ferries 

  50%
- Longer shipping routes in the BSR losing volumes
- Pressure on roads linking Moscow, St.Petersburg and Nordic capitals with western Europe
- Inflow of northbound volumes on road/rail corridors from the Med area

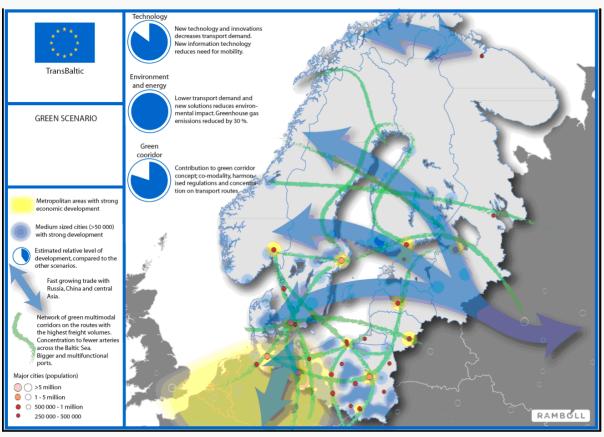




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### Complementing the Baltic Transport Outlook(5)

### THE GREEN SCENARIO AS ONE OF POSSIBLE TRAJECTORIES



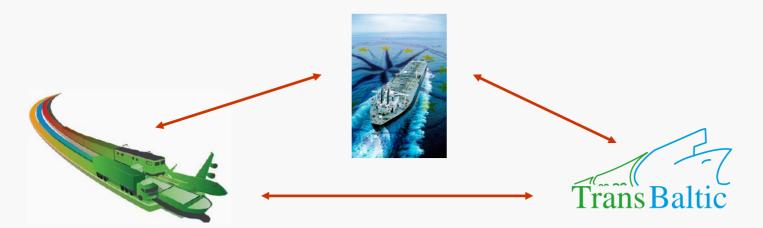
- Internalised transport costs and improved complementarity of the transport modes (co-modality)
- Network approach to multimodal corridors (green and efficient)
- Several influencing factors
- Market response and public acceptance a pre-requisite!
- Systemic, coordinated and well-structured public policy intervention needed!
- Eminent role of policymakers: harmonise, supervise and repair failures in corridors performance







### Contribution by TransBaltic acknowledged!



Action Plan for the EU Baltic Sea Strategy (July 2012)

**Priority Area Transport** 

Action: Facilitate efficient and sustainable Baltic passenger and freight transport solutions

TransBaltic named among initiatives to assist in the development of the green corridor network in the Baltic Sea Region







# TO CONNECT: Green transport corridor approach with the TEN-T

 White Paper on Transport 2011 - freight corridors to make the freight multimodality economically attractive for shippers in longer distances and to facilitate the modal shift



- Freight corridors with two attributes:
  - green optimised energy use and emissions, and minimised environmental impacts
  - efficient reliability, limited congestion and low operating and administrative costs









# ECOM willing to integrate the two concepts to achieve a 'green' transport system!

# Transnational dimension Cross-cutting themes: economic, social and territorial cohesion; spatial planning, environmental and climate change objectives + connections to important nodes Management body for each corridor + steering mechanisms (e.g. development plan) GREEN & EFFICIENT CORRIDORS Management connections GREEN & EFFICIENT CORRIDORS

- Top-down approach, arbitrary designation
- Strong role of ECOM and national authorities
- Interconnected large cities and markets
- Each EU Member States to take part in min 1 core network corridor

- Bottom-up approach, strong role of market players
- Public and private stakeholders sharing goals
- Corridors following supply chains
- Connections to build a functional network







# TO CONNECT the corridors: TransBaltic animating the umbrella cooperation



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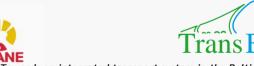
- Purpose: streamlined regional level contribution to strategic transport planning in the BSR
- Actors: relevant projects in the BSR, North Sea & Barents
   Sea programmes + interested cross-border projects

#### How:

- Meeting place to jointly work on green transport solutions
- joint events/dissemination of outcomes to the shared target audience
- strategic documents (action plans, manuals, guidance reports etc.) as evidence for future policies
- joint standpoints on EU transport policies







### ...started with the Green Corridor Agreement...





- Signed in November 2009
- Input from regional level to the green corridor concept
- Harmonisation of work and mutual responsibilities till late 2012
- Several joint seminars and workshops
- Cooperation open to other corridor initiatives







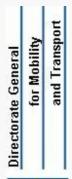
and expanding into the community of policy stakeholders...











































BALTIC-ADRIATIC AXIS

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# ... with an active role of the involved projects...

### Letter of intent by transnational Baltic and North Sea Region projects on assistance in developing the green transport network

Attn: Mr Jean-Eric Paquet Director, Trans-European Transport Networks and Smart Transport, DG MOVE, European Commission



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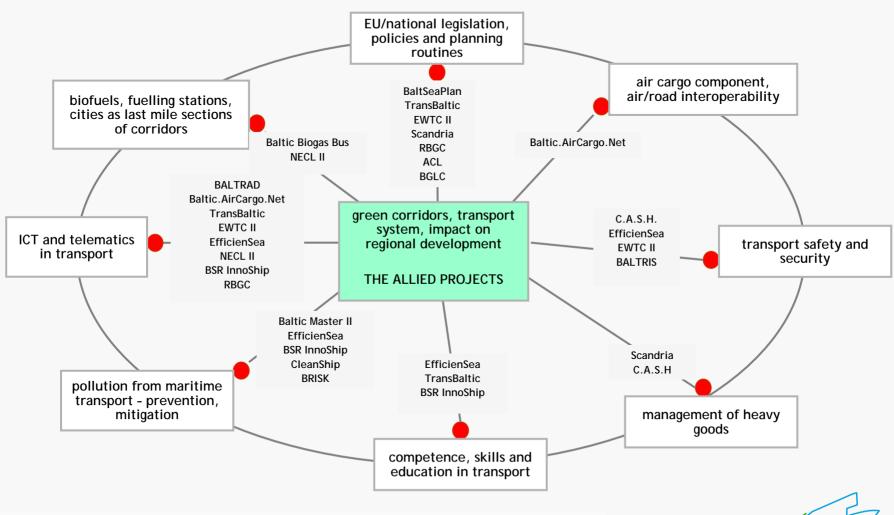








# ... and a good prospect for thematic expansion









### Added value of the umbrella

- Regional level contribution to the EU Baltic Sea Strategy (PA Transport)
- Representation of several regional authorities and geographical consortia covering whole BSR
- Corridor approach (transport development, territorial cohesion, sustainable regional growth)
- Focus on sustainable multimodal transport system in the BSR
- Testing of transport policy concepts/instruments in the BSR specificity
- Involvement of industry in the planning and demo work



TransBaltic shown as a good example of working with multilevel governance arrangements and policies (cf. State of the Region Report 2011)



Source: athome.allentate.com







### TO INSPIRE - new facts and evidence...

#### TRANSBALTIC POLICY REPORTS

### **ALMOST 40 THEMATIC REPORTS**











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# TO INSPIRE - business cases transformed into BSR blueprints

#### **TASK 5.1**

Dry port development: Västerbotten (SE), Warmia-Mazury region (PL), Poznan (PL), Region Zeeland (DK), NW Skåne (SE), Lahti (FI)

Pre-gate parking system: Hamburg Port



#### **TASK 5.3**

ICT tool demonstration report

Review of ICT tools supporting green logistics by Interreg projects



#### **TASK 5.4**

Competence management system in the BSR



#### **TASK 5.2**

Empty container management in the BSR

Empty container logistics Hamburg-BSR



#### **TASK 5.5**

Rail transport solutions for N-S and E-W flows

N-S green corridor in Poland











# TO INSPIRE - study trips and briefings towards policymakers









# TO SHOW NEW HORIZONS - sustainable multimodal transport system

- System robust to interconnect national networks and absorb future changes in routes, commodities and volumes
- BSR as a gateway for transcontinental flows
- Competitive relations with other macroregions in conveying East-West trade
- A joint strategic transport planning process required!









# The Macroregional Transport Action Plan to propose the way

- Own and exclusive findings by TransBaltic and cooperating projects
- Contribution of the regions to EU Baltic Sea Strategy (PA Transport 'Improve internal and external transport links')
- Primarily addressed to the public authorities
- Not a sum of national transport priorities and investments or any priority ranking
- Practical ideas how to apply EU transport policies in the BSR specificity
- Policy actions to create better interfaces between national networks and make the system more resilient to future changes
- Pro-active and future-oriented policy support instrument for a sustainable multimodal transport system in the Baltic Sea Region
- Living document (to be systematically updated and extended)!

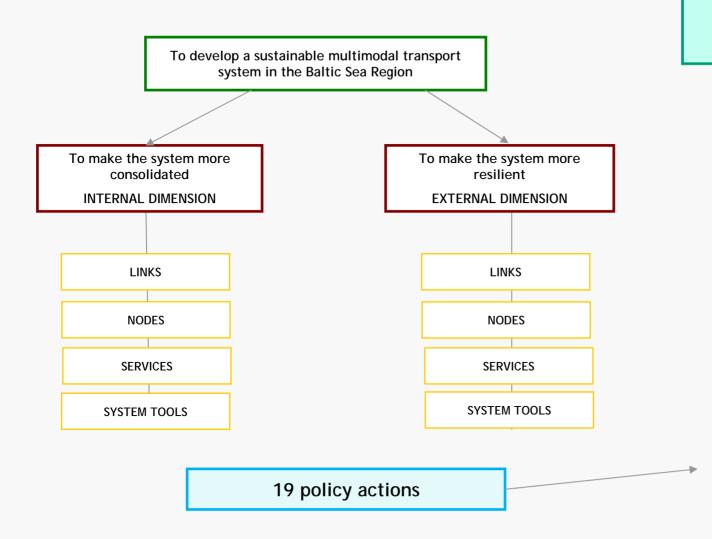




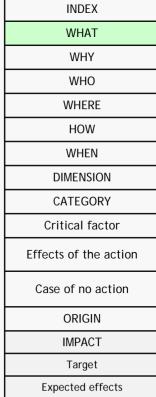




### The policy framework



6 key policy messages



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## Follow-up initiatives

# umbrella → transport cluster cooperation under the BSR Programme

- Headline: Sustainable, multimodal and green transport corridors
- Lead partners of 8 projects, support from other project initiatives
- Cluster leader: Region Skåne
- Purpose: Share knowledge, bridge activities, communicate achievements
- Duration: September 2012 -September 2013
- Expected to update and extend the MTAP document





- the 'BSR TransGovernance' project
- Objective: use multi-level governance instruments to better align transport policies in the BSR and include the business perspective
  - Initiators: TransBaltic, EWTC II, Scandria
- 23 partners, several associated organisations
- Project leader: Region Blekinge
- Purpose: Achieve greener and more efficient transport in the BSR, in line with the EU Baltic Sea Strategy
- Duration: September 2012 September 2014
- Expected to help streamline the MTAP policy actions with BTO key messages









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