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REPORT OF THE 7TH MARITIME LAW CONFERENCE “MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING”

From 11 to 12 April 2018 at the Faculty of Law and Administration of University of Gdańsk the 7th Maritime Law Conference entitled “Marine Spatial Planning” was held. The Conference was traditionally organised by Dorota Pyć and Jakub Puzskarski in cooperation with Magdalena Adamowicz from the Maritime Law Department (Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Gdańsk), and the European Law Students’ Association ELSA Gdańsk. Once again, a panel for young researchers was held, which brought together representatives of universities, who presented the results of their research. This year’s edition was again accompanied by the panel for young scientists, which took place the day before – on 11 April, 2018 at the Faculty of Law and Administration of University of Gdańsk.

The honorary patronage over the Conference was taken by Mieczysław Struk, Marshal of the Pomorskie Voivodeship, Paweł Adamowicz, Mayor of the City of Gdańsk, professor Jerzy Gwizdała, Rector of University of Gdańsk.

The 7th “Marine Spatial Planning” Conference was attended by those interested in legal issues related to marine spatial planning, first of all, the academics, representatives of maritime administration, legal practitioners and law students from many universities in Poland.

The 7th Maritime Law Conference “Marine Spatial Planning” was dedicated to issues that are of great importance in the field of developing and applying in practice maritime spatial planning instruments for sustainable marine governance, including in particular: principles of marine spatial planning, maritime spatial plans, responsibilities of public administration bodies, strengthening cooperation between sectors in the national and international dimension.

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The starting point for the discussion on maritime spatial planning is the model of managing human activities at sea ensuring the achievement of environmental, economic and social goals. During the conference, the layout of the three panels addressed selected issues regarding the legal, political and socio-economic aspects of maritime spatial planning, as well as the rational use of marine space.

The first panel was entitled “Marine Spatial Planning Law and Policy. Is it possible to balance the sea space?” In that part of the Conference the panel participants raised the issues related to the principles and aims of marine spatial planning. The first paper was presented by professor Dorota Pyć. The paper, which was the starting point for further discussion, concerned the marine spatial planning legal principles. The participants of the Conference had an opportunity to get familiar with the sustainable development principle, precautionary principle and an ecosystem approach as well as the principle of fit, multiple use, stakeholder involvement and adaptive management. The second paper, entitled “Goals of maritime spatial planning of the European Union” was presented by Monika Adamczak-Retecka, PhD (Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Gdańsk). Professor Tomasz Bąkowski (Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Gdańsk), in his paper, raised the issues and challenges of marine spatial planning legal regulation from the Polish perspective. The panel was ended with the speech delivered by Maciej Nyka, PhD (Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Gdańsk). In his speech, he emphasized an importance of an ecosystem approach in marine spatial planning. The panel discussion was ending the first part of the Conference, as well as the second and the third parts.

The second panel of the Conference entitled “Marine Spatial Planning Instruments. Sharing or multiplying the sea space?” was began with the paper, by professor Jacek Zaucha (Faculty of Economics, University of Gdańsk) and Andrzej Cieślak, and was entitled “State of advancement of work on maritime spatial plans in the EU and Poland”. In his speech, professor Jacek Zaucha pointed out that the MSP idea of the European Union was put into practice by the EU Member State with different results, and he stressed that Poland was efficient in developing the maritime spatial plan. The director of the Maritime Office in Gdynia Anna Stelmaszyk-Świerczyńska, dedicated her speech to the challenges for maritime administration in terms of implementation of marine spatial planning. A paper entitled “Duties of maritime administration employees in the implementation of maritime spatial development plans” was presented by professor Monika Tomaszewska (Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Gdańsk).

The title of the third panel was “Marine Spatial Planning Joint Practice. How to use the sea space in a rational way?”. The first paper in that panel was entitled “Scenarios for the development of maritime shipping in the Baltic Sea Area in the context of marine spatial planning” and was presented by Ernest

Czermański, PhD (Faculty of Economics, UG). Magdalena Jabłowska, Lotos Petrobaltic SA, delivered a speech entitled “Drilling platforms as a part of the maritime spatial development plan”. The development of the port of Gdynia in the context of maritime spatial planning was addressed by representatives from management board of the port of Gdynia SA. The last speech in the panel “Offshore wind energy in the planning of maritime development” was delivered by Mariusz Witoński, CEO at Polish Offshore Wind Energy Society.

It is also worth to mention the entities that supported the 7th Maritime Conference. Once again, the chief partner of the Conference was Remontowa Holding SA, and its strategic partner was the Gdańsk Port SA Authority and InvestGDA. The other partners were: DCT Gdańsk-Deepwater Container Terminal, Coastal Cities and Communes Association (ZMiGM), Misiewicz Mosek & Partners, Counsellors at Law, Kacprzak Law Firm, Polish Ocean Lines Inc., LOTOS Group, Energa Group, WARTA SA Insurance and Re-insurance Company, the City of Gdańsk and LONZA-NATA.



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The SEAPLANSACE Project - Marine spatial planning instruments for sustainable marine governance - is of international character and is implemented in cooperation with partners from Poland, Germany, Denmark, Sweden and Lithuania. The aim of the project is to strengthen the competences of administration employees, the private sector, students and university graduates in the field of marine spatial planning for sustainable marine governance. The implementation of the project is associated with the requirement to develop and implement marine spatial plans by the Member States of the European Union until 2021. The objectives of the project will be achieved through joint preparation in cooperation with SEAPLANSACE partners:

- ✓ training programs implemented in 5 countries;
- ✓ an English-language publication, covering international aspects of maritime spatial planning, preparation of bilingual publications, in the field of maritime spatial development and sustainable marine governance from the perspective of the countries participating in the SEAPLANSACE Project, as well as
- ✓ conducting training for about 300 participants from countries participating in the SEAPLANSACE Project;
- ✓ launching and operating an internet portal, aimed at sharing experience and knowledge in the field of maritime spatial planning.

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Cele projektu SEAPLANSACE będą osiągnięte przez wspólne przygotowanie przez partnerów:

- ✓ programów szkoleń realizowanych w 5 państwach;
- ✓ publikacji angielskojęzycznej, obejmującej międzynarodowe aspekty morskiego planowania przestrzennego, przygotowanie publikacji dwujęzycznych, z zakresu zagospodarowania przestrzennego obszarów morskich i zrównoważonego zarządzania morzem z perspektywy państw uczestniczących w projekcie SEAPLANSACE, oraz
- ✓ przeprowadzenie szkoleń dla ok. 300 uczestników z państw, biorących udział w projekcie SEAPLANSACE;
- ✓ uruchomienie i obsługę portalu internetowego, mającego na celu wymianę doświadczeń i wiedzy w zakresie morskiego planowania przestrzennego.

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