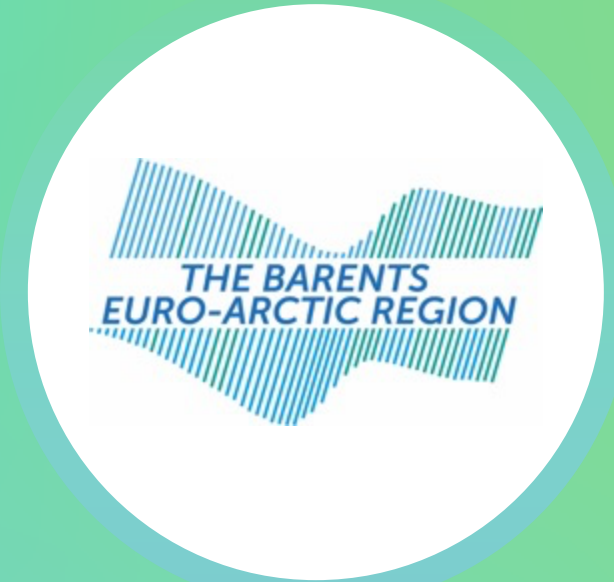



Barents Hot Spots Exclusion

Forward together





Barents Environmental Hot Spots are major polluters and issues, which impose significant environmental hazards to surrounding communities and nature.



*We are on a mission to turn
every part of the Barents
region back to its roots – To be
an area of a naturally clean
environment with unique
indigenous culture.*

Cooperation on climate and environment in the Barents Region

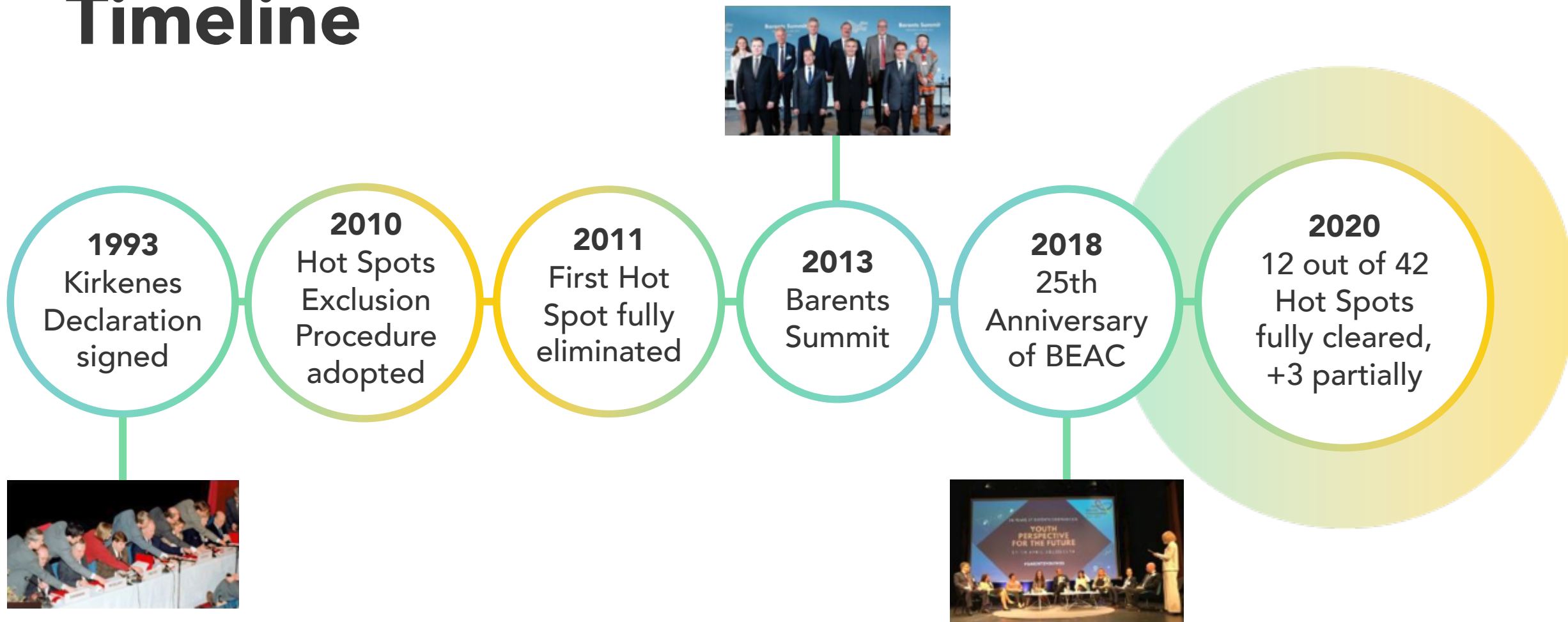
The Barents Euro-Arctic Council (BEAC) is the forum that gathers the Barents countries and regional authorities to promote stability and sustainable development in the Region.

The BEAC Working Group on Environment (WGE) and its subgroups take the lead in the important challenge to promote responsible, sustainable and environmentally sound economic activities.

The Subgroup on Nature and Water (SNW) covers a wide array of themes: biodiversity conservation, protected areas, sustainable forestry management, sustainable management of water resources and water use, transboundary water bodies, mitigation and adaptation to climate change and ecosystem approach.

The Subgroup on Hot Spots Exclusion (SHE) serves as the central driving force and coordinator in this work, which requires thorough effort from regional authorities and other stakeholders.

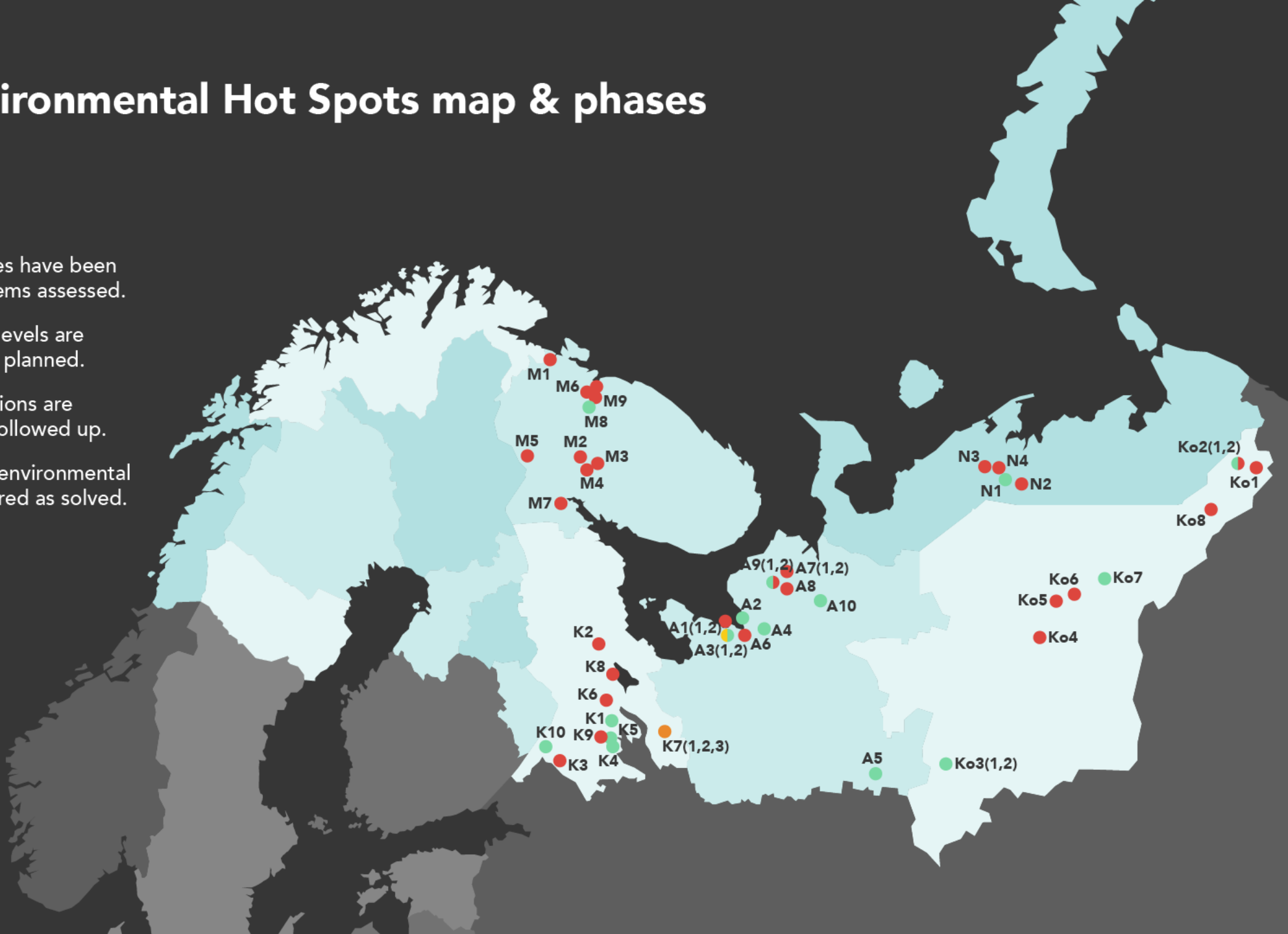
Timeline



Barents Environmental Hot Spots map & phases

Phases

- Red:** Responsibilities have been mapped and problems assessed.
- Orange:** Ambition levels are agreed and actions planned.
- Yellow:** Agreed actions are implemented and followed up.
- Green:** Addressed environmental problems are declared as solved.



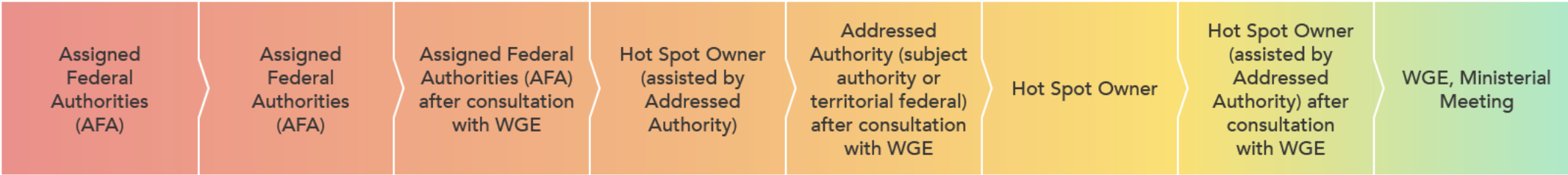
How the exclusion procedure works?

Hot Spots Exclusion Procedure

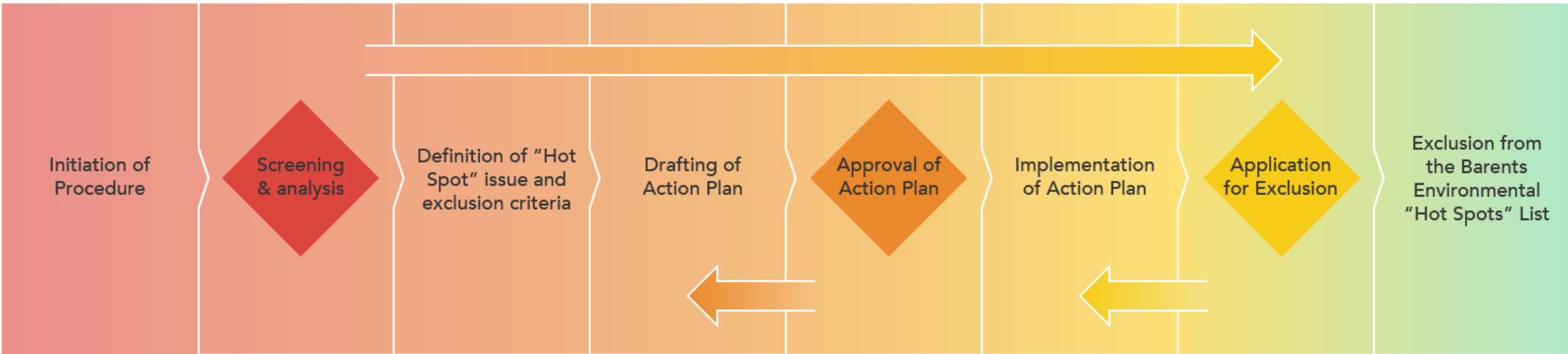
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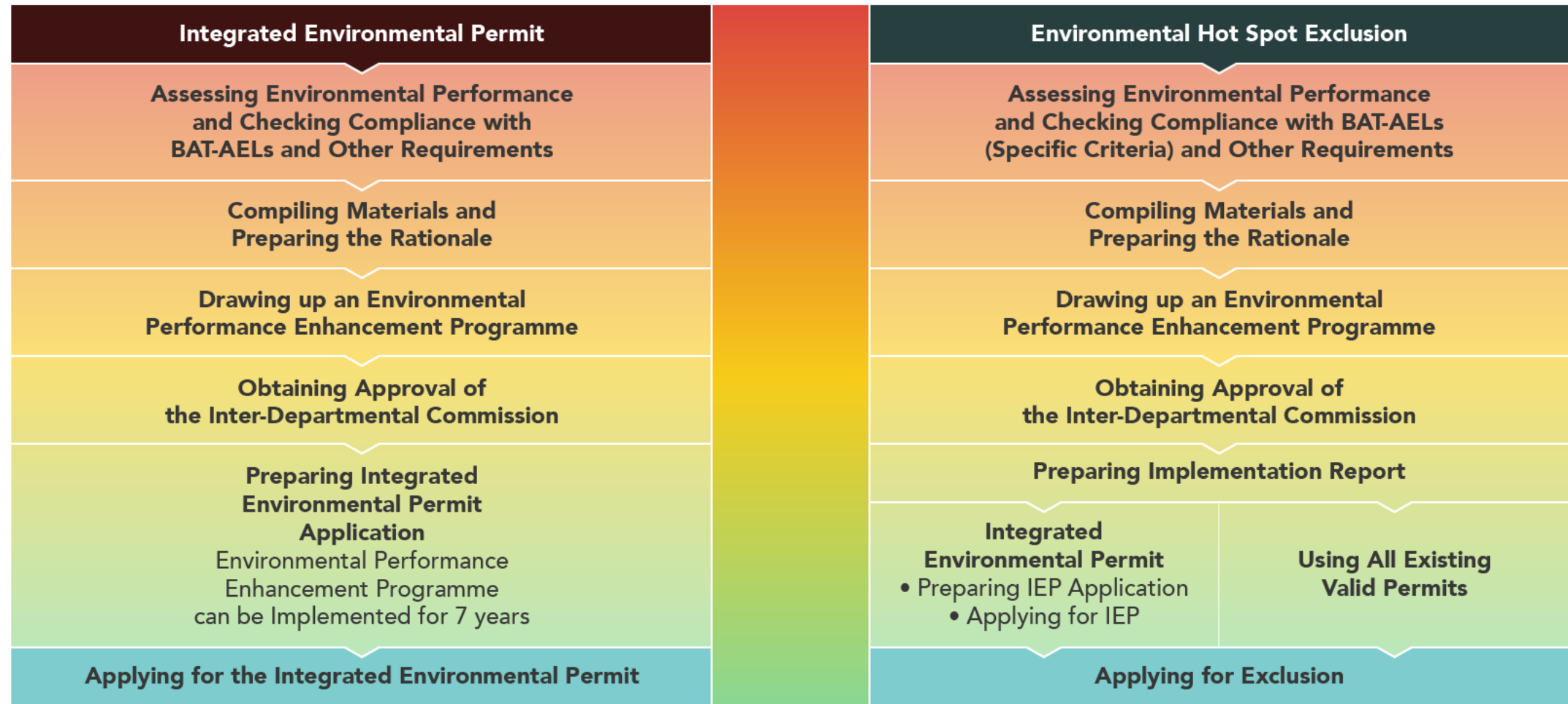
Responsible organisation



Flow



Comparison of Integrated Environmental Permit Procedure and Environmental Hot Spots Exclusion Procedure



"Double pilots" excluded in 2020

Ko3-2 Mondi Syktyvkar Pulp and Paper Mill (wastewater discharge), Republic of Komi, and

K5 Sewage treatment in Petrozavodsk, Republic of Karelia

Followed both the Full Track Exclusion Procedure and the Russian BAT-based permit granting process

ONGOING PROJECT:

M5 Kovdorskiy Mining and Concentration Combined Enterprise, Murmansk Region

In cooperation with the Russian BAT-Bureau



Photo: Petrozavodsk
Communal Systems

**How can
we help?**

Hot Spots Supporting Activities



SHE Task Forces

As well the elaboration as the implementation of a specific SHE Support Activity is supervised by a dedicated group of independent technical experts – “Task Force” – appointed from the four Barents countries Finland, Norway, Russia and Sweden. The Task Forces are arranged branch-wise in order to bring together the national expertise in the hotspot related branches:



The Barents Hot Spots Facility

The Barents Hot Spots Facility (BHSF), managed by the Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO), was set up by the Nordic countries for providing support and financing technical assistance to address environmental hot spots and other issues of similar dignity in the Russian Barents regions.

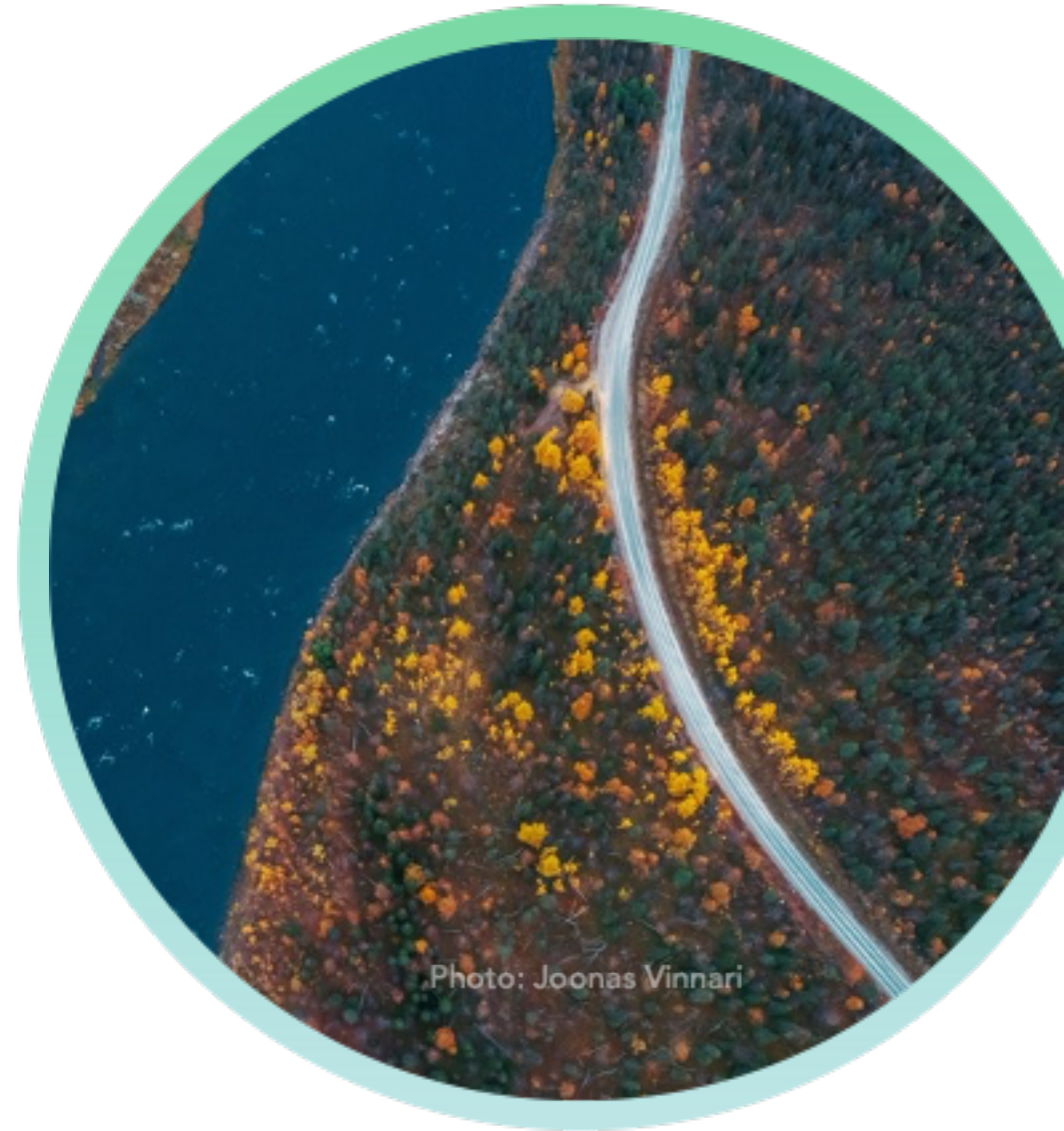


Photo: Joonas Vinnari

A few of our Success Stories

**12 full Hot Spots
and 3 partial
ones excluded
out of initial 42**

Recently excluded Hot Spots

2020 MINISTERIAL MEETING IN LULEÅ, SWEDEN

A5 Koryazhma Pulp and Paper Mill in Arkhangelsk Region

A9-1 Enterprises of Pulp and Paper as sources of dioxin pollution in Arkhangelsk Region

K5 Sewage treatment in Petrozavodsk, Republic of Karelia

Ko3-2 Mondi Pulp and Paper Mill in Syktyvkar (discharge to water), Komi Republic

2017 MINISTERIAL MEETING IN VADSØ, NORWAY:

A4 Arkhangelsk Pulp and Paper Mill

Ko2-1 Vorkuta Cement Plant, Komi Republic

Ko7 Wood Waste in the nine forest districts of the Komi Republic





PECC - Nordic-Russian Programme for Environment and Climate Co-operation

Together with the Nordic Council of Ministers (NCM), NEFCO has established the Programme for Environment and Climate Co-operation (PECC), which is managed by NEFCO. PECC provides grant financing to encourage and promote Nordic-Russian non-commercial co-operation projects addressing environment and climate at regional and local levels in Northwest Russia. Funding is provided to projects selected by means of calls for proposals, the first one was launched in 2017 and the second one in 2020.

Nine projects were supported in the first round (PECC-1) and a similar number is expected for the second one (PECC-2).

BHSF contribution: EUR 300,000 in 2017 (PECC-1)
+ EUR 300,000 in 2020 (PECC-2)

Total funding: ca EUR 2 million (for PECC-1 and PECC-2: all grants)

Main partner: Nordic Council of Ministers

**Let's move
forward
together for
better Barents**

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