

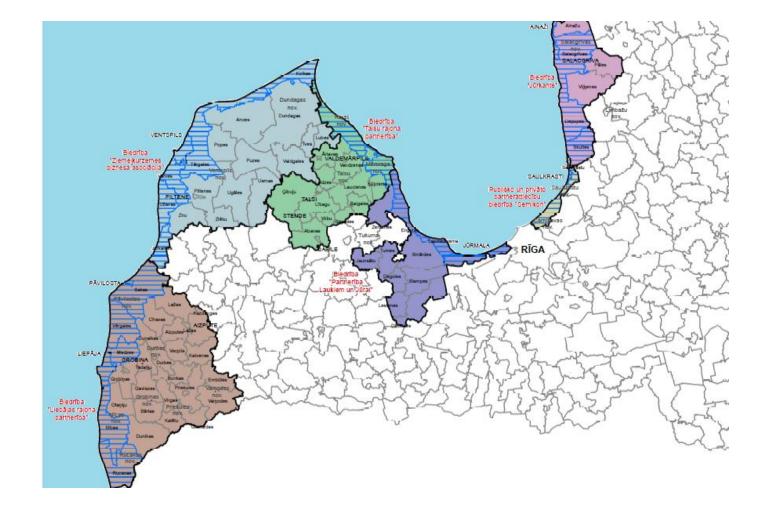
## LV EMFF UP4 cooperation project «Development of a plan for assessment and management of seaweed deposits on the sea coast of Latvia»



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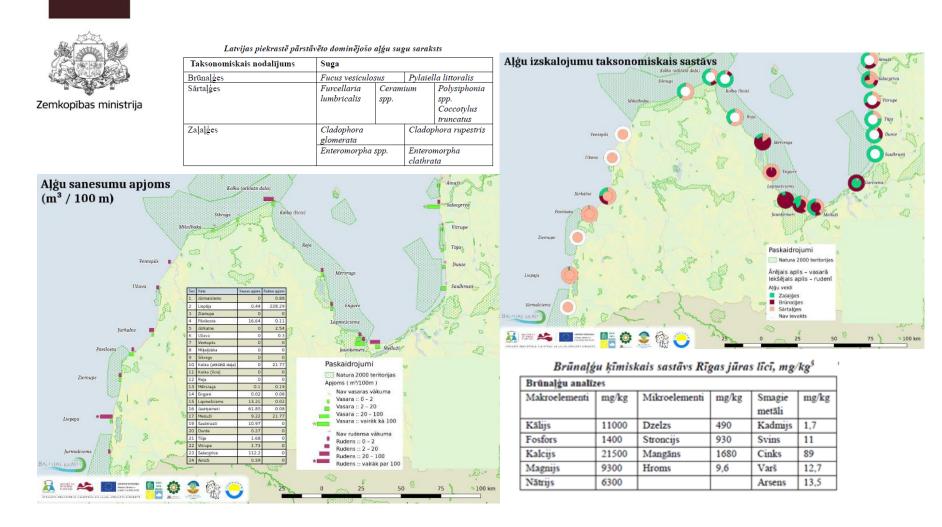


6 FLAGs from Latvia involved in the implementation of the cooperation project
Public financing - 50 thous. EUR





- $\checkmark$ There is currently no seaweed industry in Latvia, even though shore seaweed is abundant in many coastal areas.
- $\checkmark$ Moreover, when large quantities wash up on beaches, it can become a burden for locals and the tourism industry.
- Project involves collaboration with a group of scientific experts to assess the viability of establishing a Latvian seaweed industry and developing a management plan for shore seaweed.  $\checkmark$



- ✓ The project included: data gathering; analysis and laboratory testing; and the development of tools, maps and guidance for end users.
- ✓ It has led to the development of a national data base, including the different types of seaweed present in Latvia; their location; potential uses; guidance for business development; and environmental advice and monitoring, including the identification of the nesting and feeding places of coastal birds.



✓ It aims to help institutions, municipalities and entrepreneurs seize opportunities presented by the presence of seaweed, and to provide thorough scientific information for a legal framework guidelines to sustainably harvest the resource.

## **Results:**

- Creation of a public data collection on Latvia's seaweed resources
- Scientific guidelines and system for potential use of shore seaweed



## Thank you!