

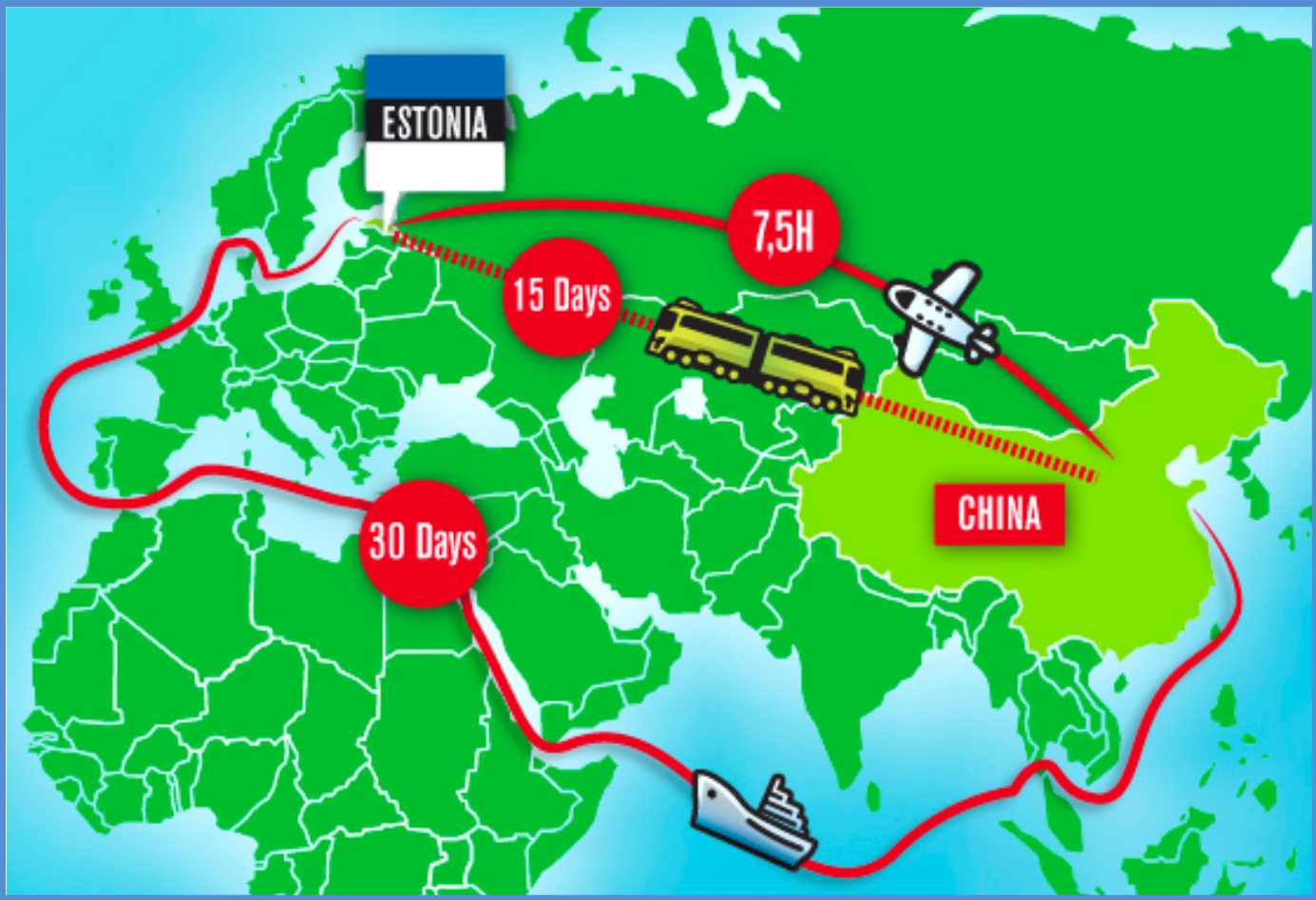
Estonian Maritime policy

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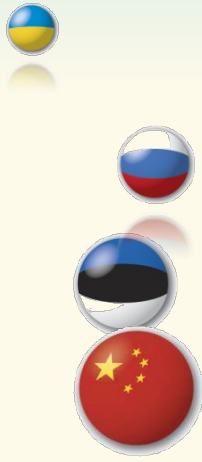
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Why maritime policy

- We are not keen on more development documents
- Use the advantages that you have - long coastline, location on transport corridor, history, competence
- Reduce conflict of interests



Maritime policy

Main Pillars

- Maritime entrepreneurship
- Environmental protection and safety
- Public sectors efficiency
- Maritime education and R&D
- Coastal living environment and maritime heritage



Entrepreneurship

- Cargoshipping
- Ports and logistics
- Shipbuilding
- Passenger shipping and tourism



Shipping

- Hardly any cargoships under Estonian flag
- Use of state aid has not been successful compared to other EU countries
- Increase the fleet under national flag to 50 vessels



Ports and logistics

- Currently the main pillar of success. Value added is 8 times the national average (164 000 EUR per capita vs 20 000 EUR per capita)
- Continue to build on that
- Establishment of the logistics cluster
- Establishment of SSPC.



Shipbuilding and repair

- BLRT is a major player not only in the maritime sector but in industry in general
- Rapidly growing small vessels industry. Has formed a cluster in Saaremaa



Tourism

- Tallink can be compared to the biggest ferry businesses in world
- Tourists coming from the sea make up by far the biggest share of tourism
- How to copy Tallinks success in other sectors?



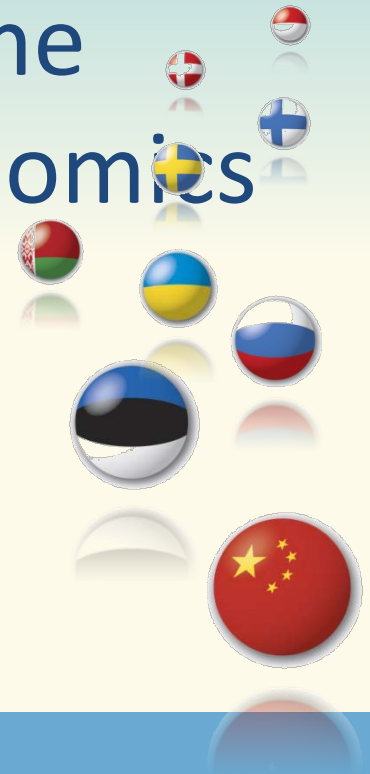
Navigation, safety, environmental protection

- New ice breaker
- New pollution control vessel
- Both another icebreaker and pollution control vessel needed
- EstPortNet in works
- How to balance environmental and economic interests?



Public sector, education and R&D

- What is the role of public sector in maritime cluster?
- Integration of TTU and Maritime Academy – integration of economics and maritime sector
- Maritime spacial planning



Coastal living and cultural heritage

- Small harbour network – improve access to sea, supplement the scandinavian small harbour network
- Cultural heritage as basis for promoting peoples interest in sea especially youths interest
- Image and branding

