

ICEBREAKING MANAGEMENT ON FINNISH COAST

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Icebreaking management means:

- **to know ice-circumstances at open sea, in fairways and harbours**
- **to be responsible for safe and fluent traffic**
- **to have icebreakers available**
- **to know the traffic density and the ice performance of visiting ships and possibilities to cooperation**
- **to have a good information system**
- **to have a good weather/ice forecast service**

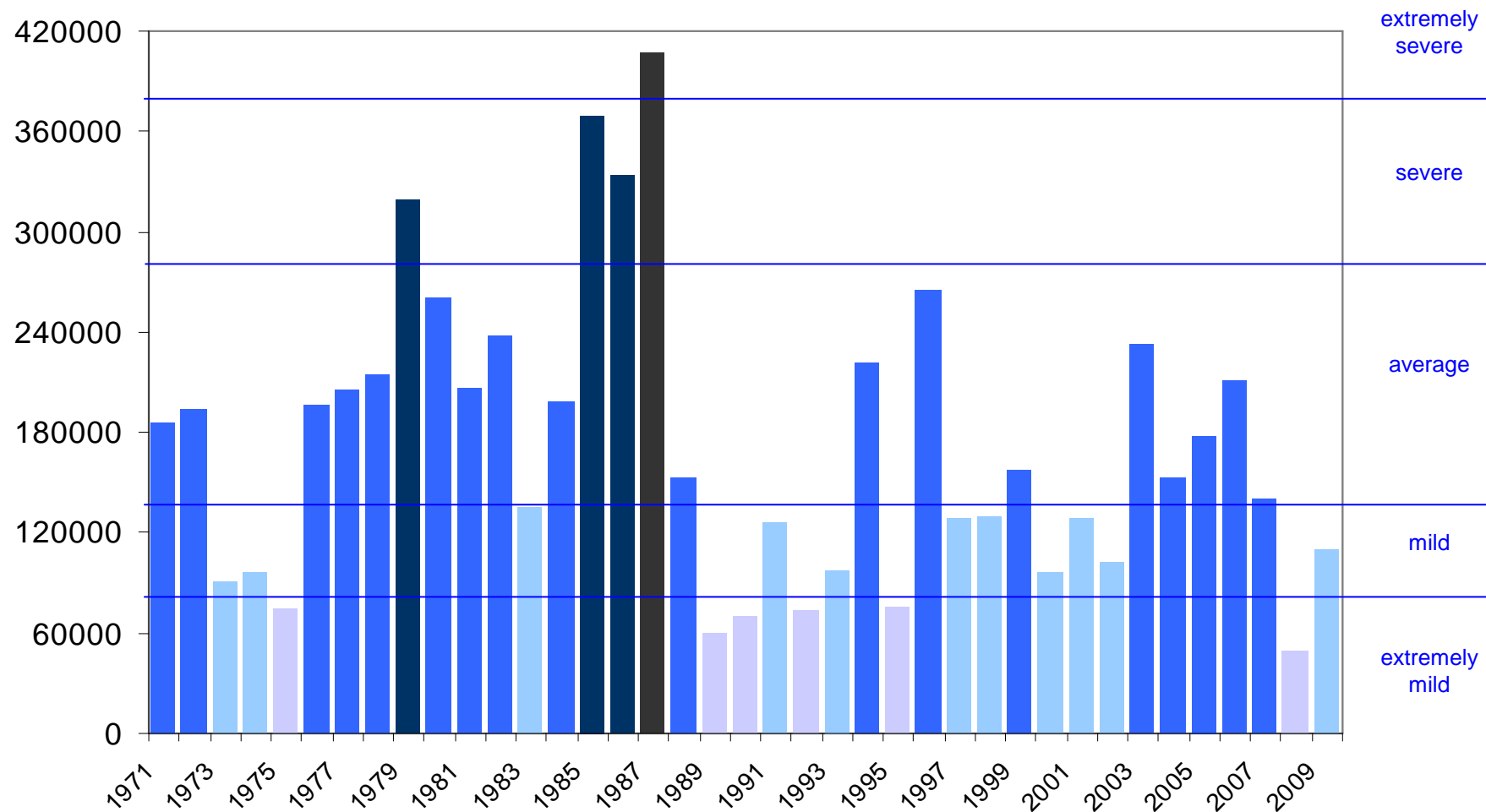
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- **Responsible authority of the winter navigation**
- **Orderer of icebreaking services**
 - **8 icebreakers time-chartered annually**
 - **Decision maker in traffic restrictions**
 - **Customer satisfaction**
 - **Quality control**



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THE MAXIMUM ICE EXTENT IN THE BALTIC SEA 1971-2009



Main Traffic Restriction Ports: avg. 11

Tornio

Kemi

Oulu

Raahe

Kokkola

Pietarsaari

Vaasa

Kaskinen

Loviisa

Kotka

Hamina



● Port with
Traffic
Restriction

● Port
without
Traffic
Restriction

Mild season: All Finnish harbours are icebound

Main Traffic Restriction Ports: avg. 19

Tornio

Kemi

Oulu

Raahe

Kokkola

Pietarsaari

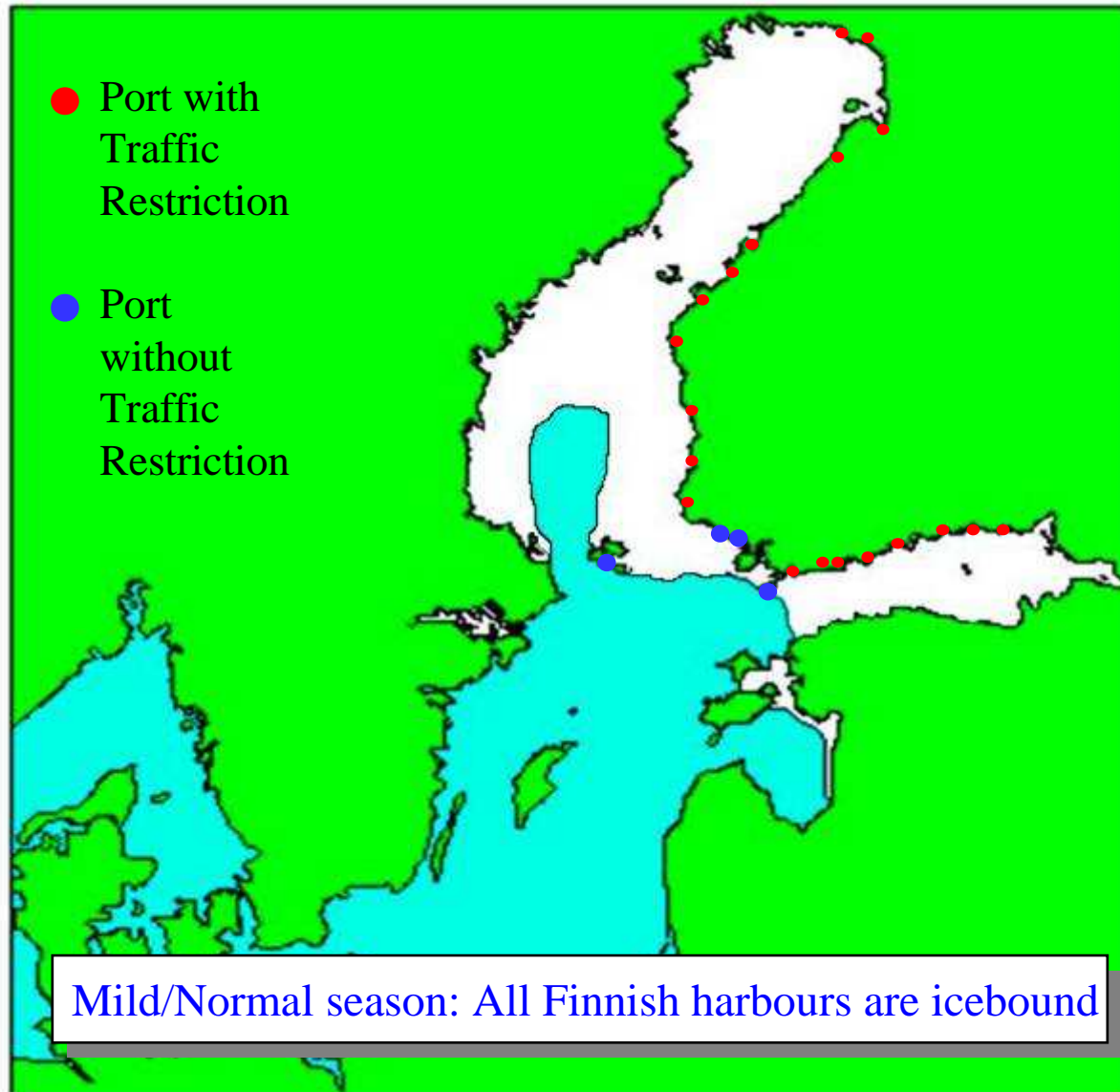
Vaasa

Kaskinen

Pori

Rauma

Uusikaupunki



Koverhar

Inkoo

Kantvik

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Porvoo

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Main Traffic Restriction Ports: 23

Tornio

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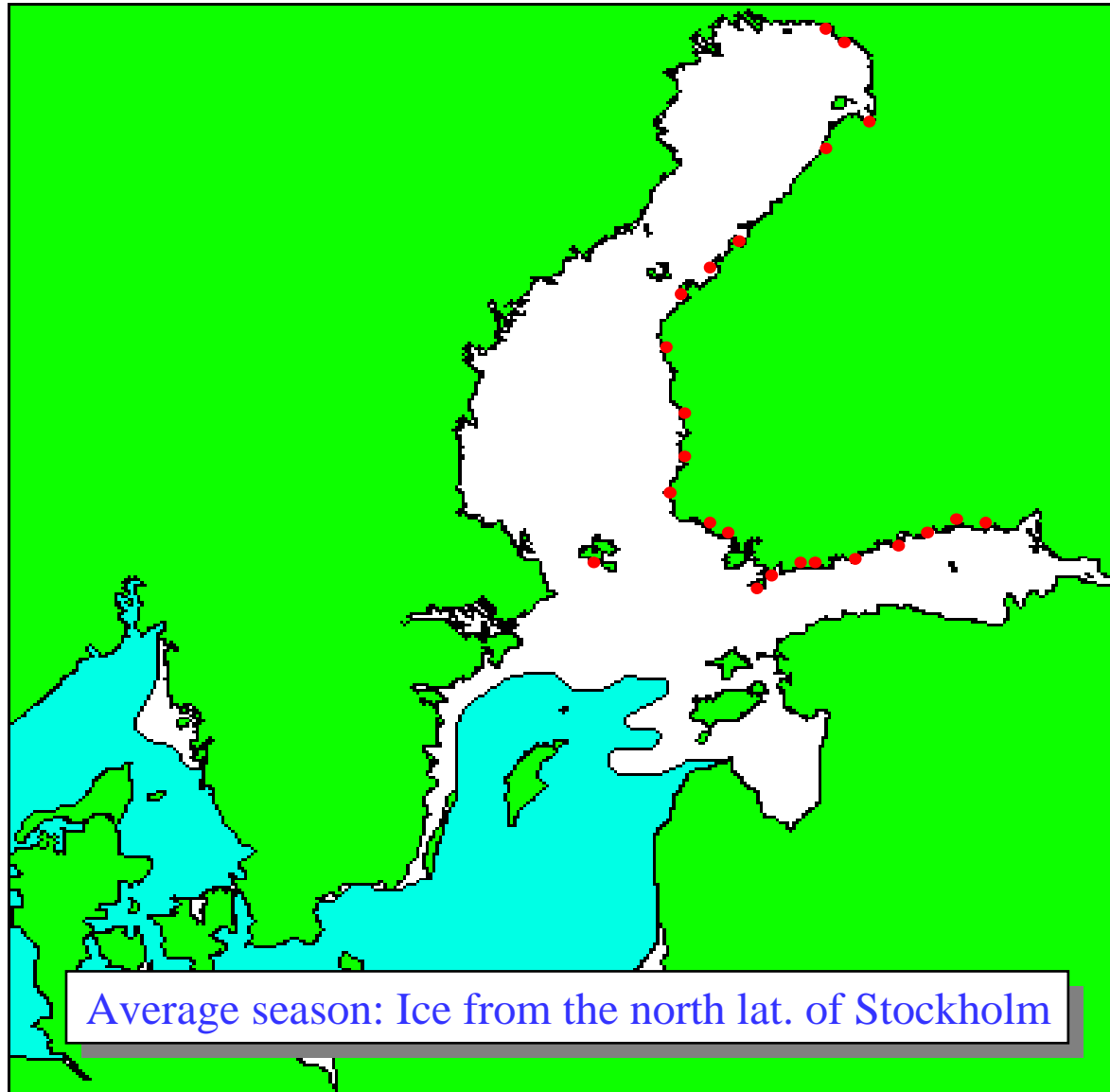
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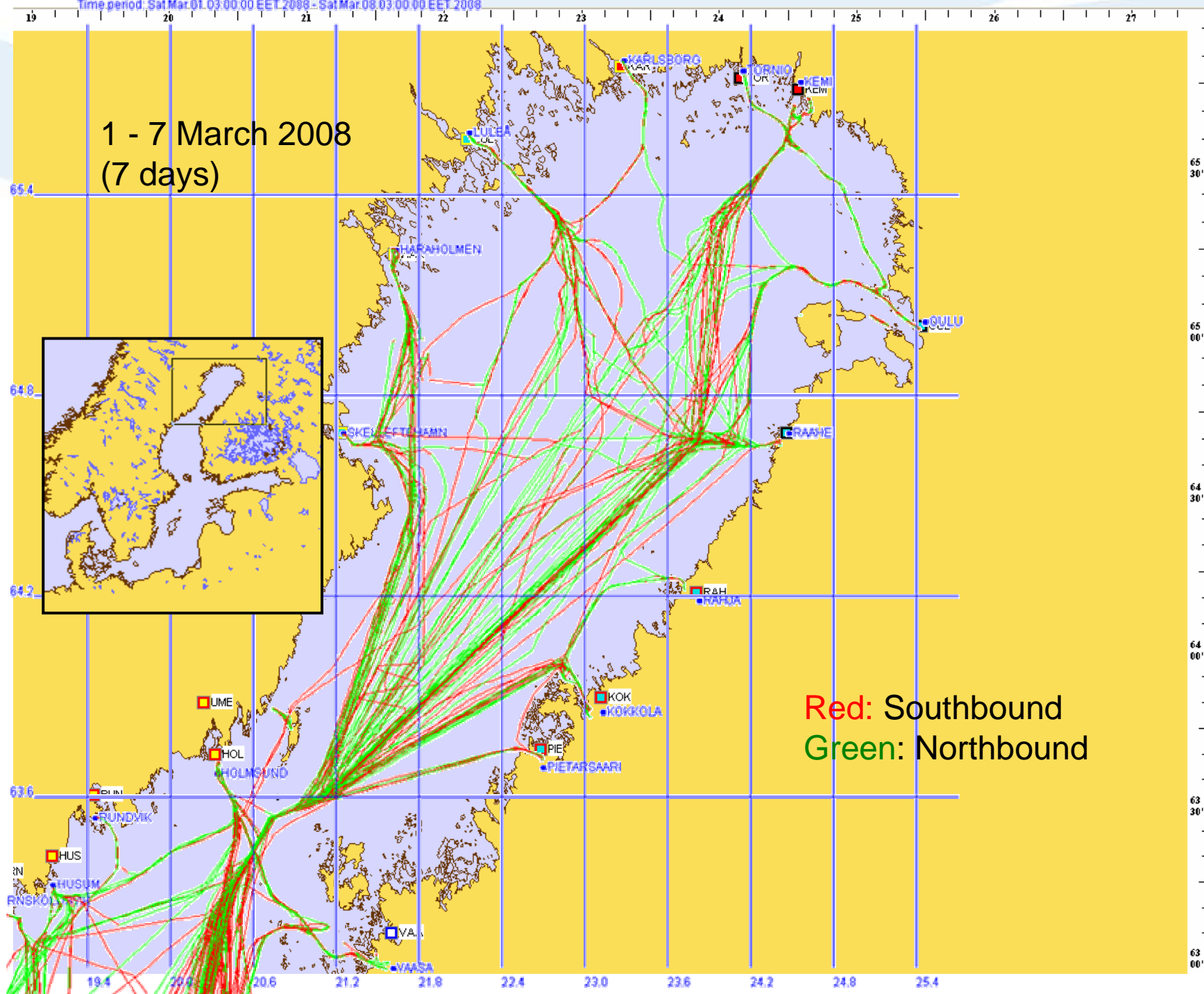
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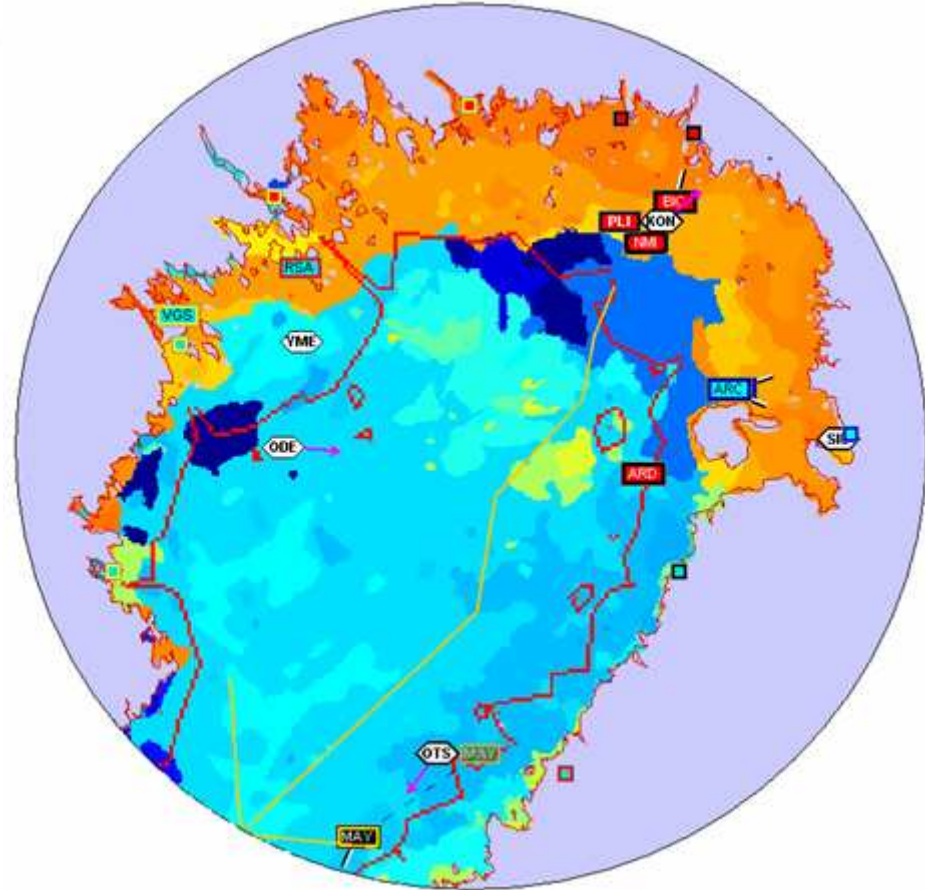
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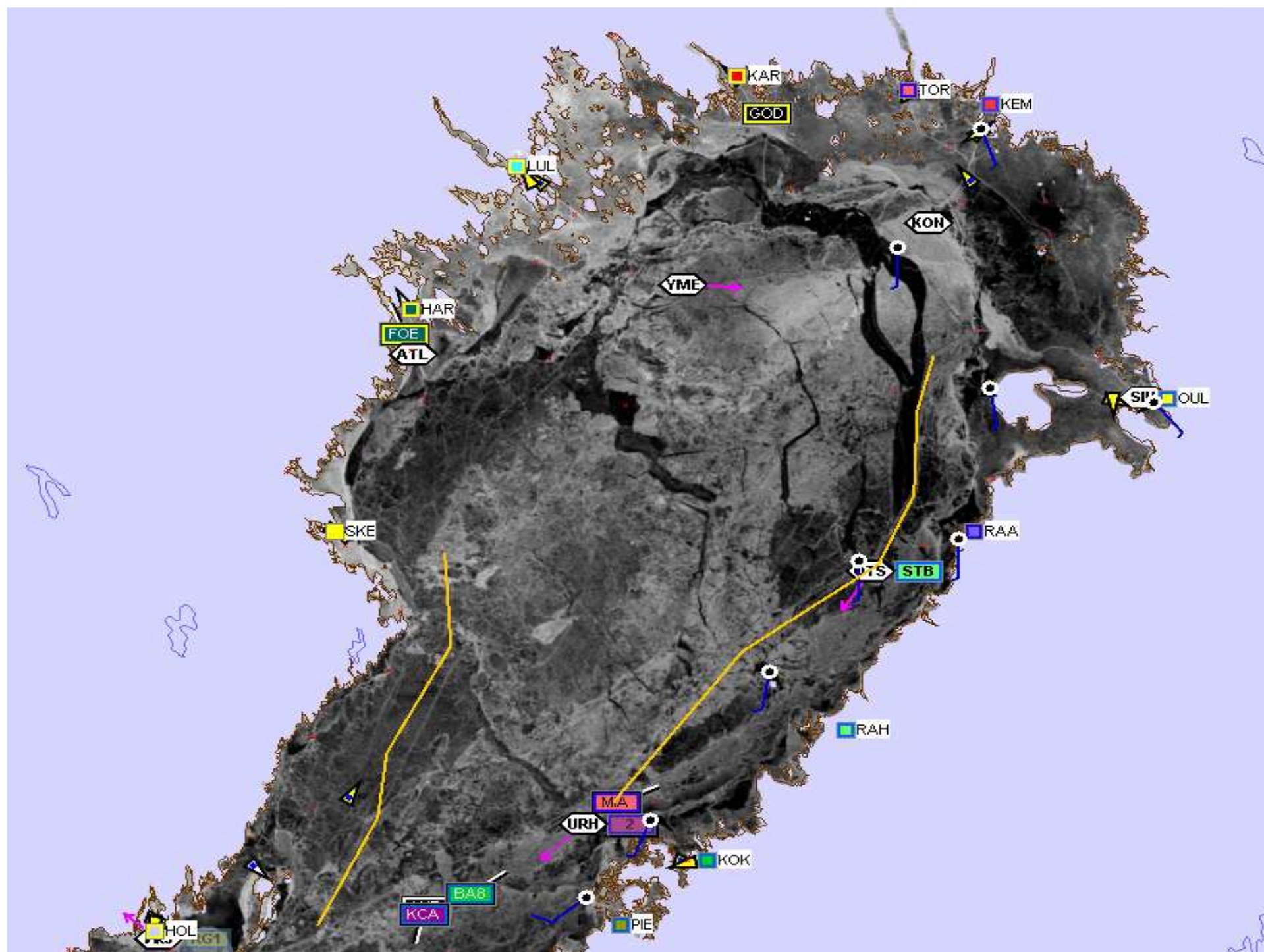


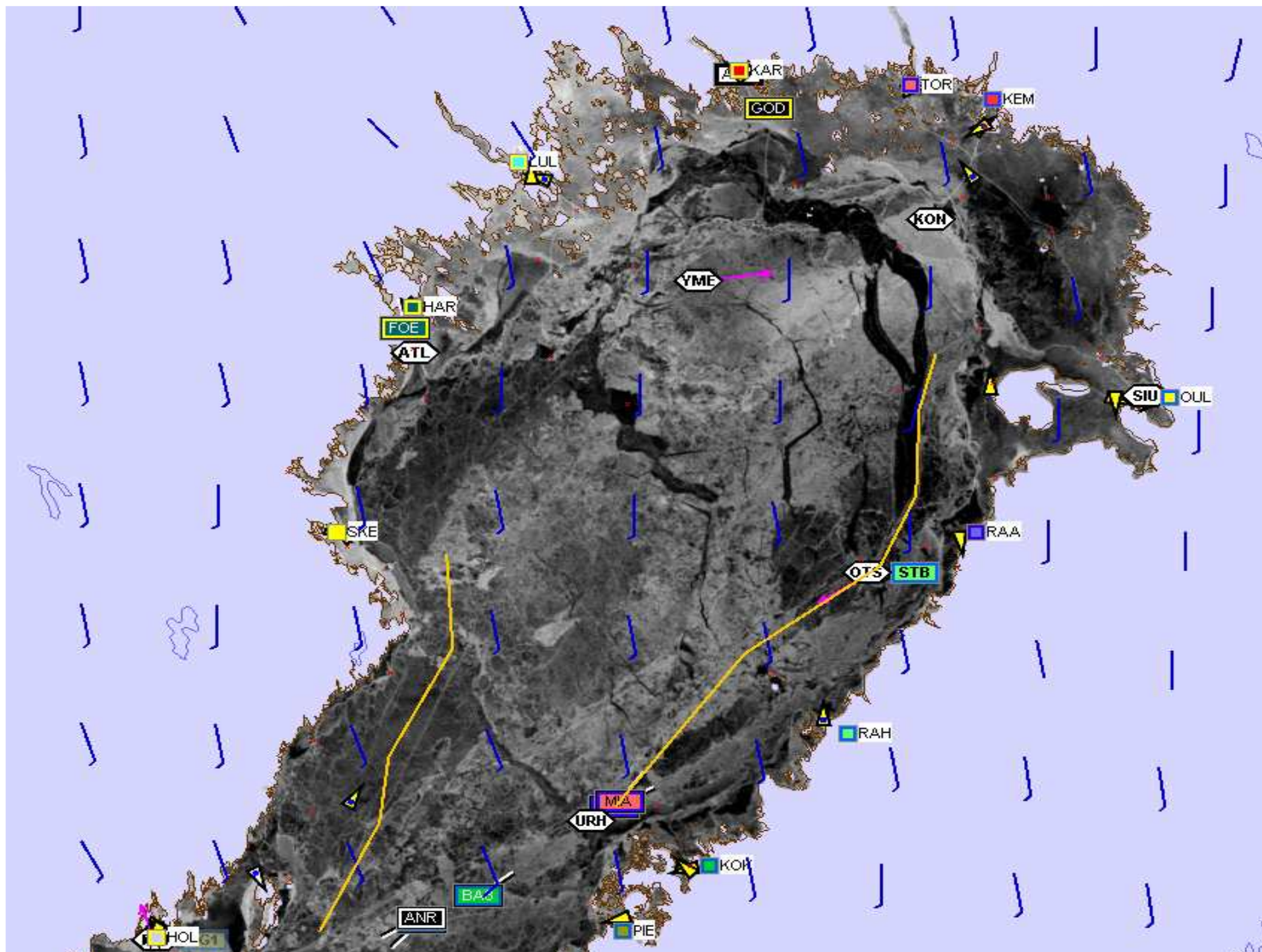
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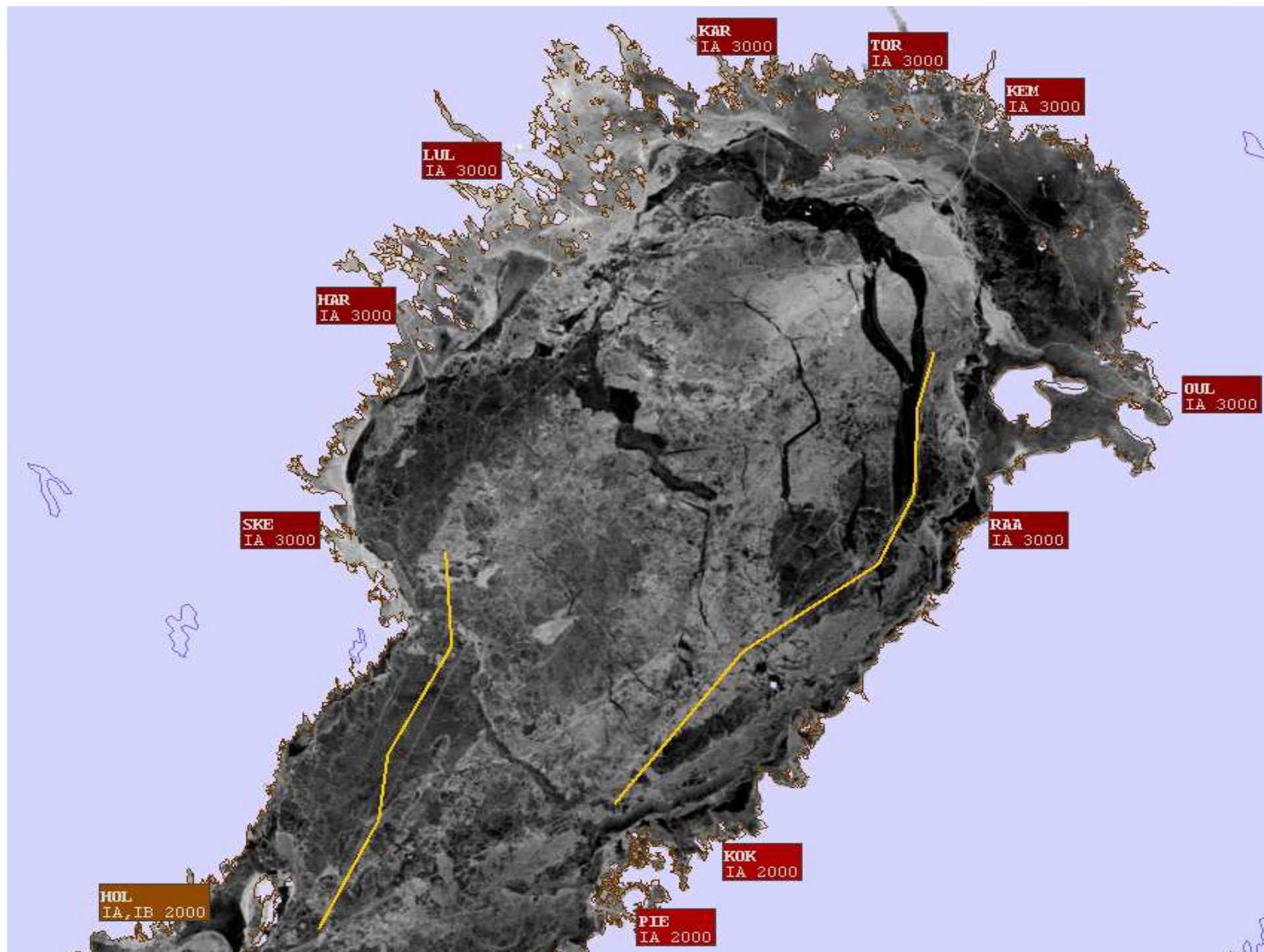
Good monitoring and coordination system in real time for icebreakers, ships, ice, weather, waypoints and cooperation



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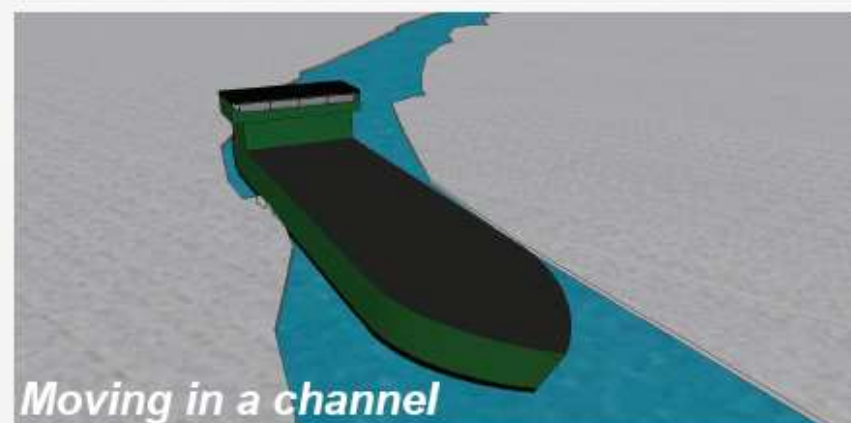
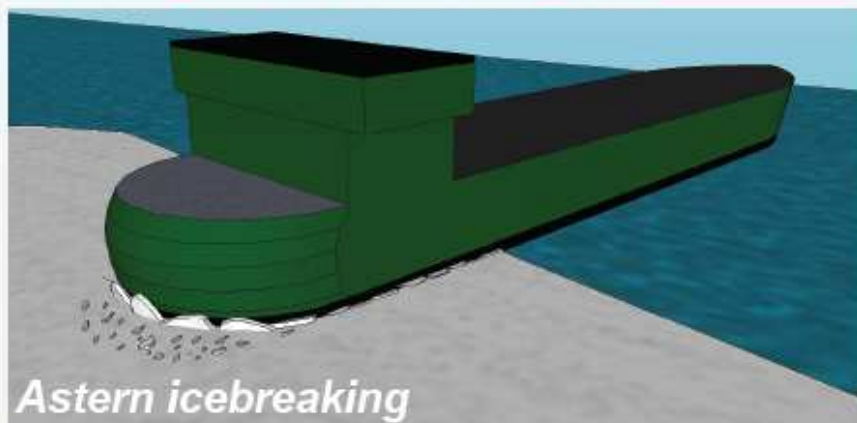
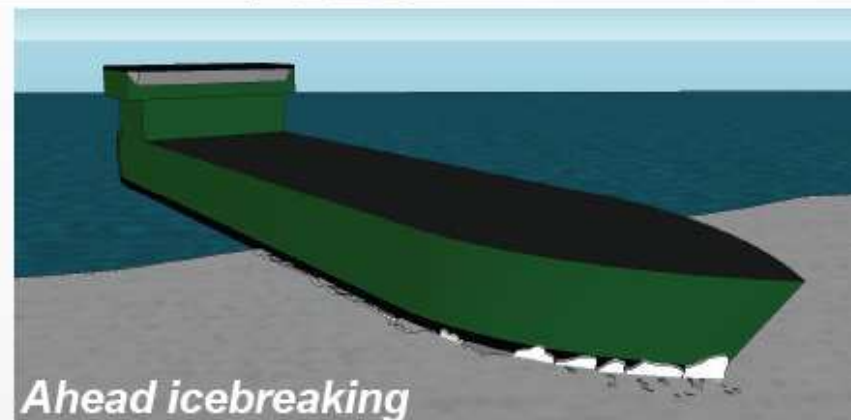
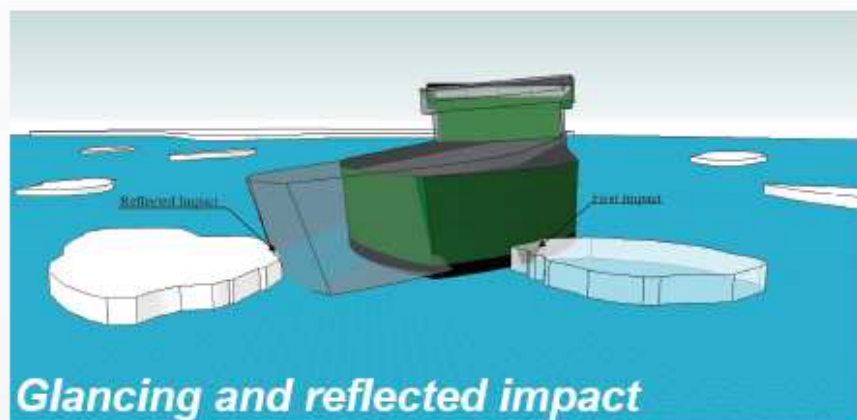
The icebreaking management has three tools:

- 1. Icebreakers**
- 2. Traffic restrictions**
- 3. Good ice-going vessels
information and cooperation**



ICE LOAD SCENARIOS – SHIP STRUCTURE

Scenario	Contact region	Description
Glancing impact	Bow, shoulder	Moving in broken ice
Glancing impact	Midbody	Moving in channel, manoeuvring
Reflected impact	Bow, shoulder	Moving in broken ice
Icebreaking	Stem, bow, stern	Moving in ice field



ICEBREAKER ASSISTANCE

- Icebreaker assistance is granted only for ships with an ice class fulfilling daily criteria.
- The fairway dues depend on the ice class of the vessel. A vessel with a high ice class pays less than a vessel with a low ice class.
- Typical traffic restrictions for ships bound to Finnish ports are:
 - Eastern Gulf of Finland: Ice Class IA and minimum deadweight 2000 tdw
 - Northern Bothnian Bay: Ice Class IA and minimum deadweight 4000 tdw
 - South-western coast of Finland: Ice Class IC and minimum deadweight 3000 tdw

Basis in traffic restrictions

HELCOM recommendation 25/7

Developing of ice on fairways and setting restrictions:

- **Thickness of ice 10-15 cm -> restriction II**
Forecast predicts continuing low temperature ->
- **Thickness of ice 15-30 cm -> restriction IC**
Forecast predicts continuing low temperature ->
- **Thickness of ice 30-50 cm -> restriction IB**
Forecast predicts continuing low temperature ->
- **Thickness of ice >50 cm -> restriction IA**

Fairway Due Variations

M/S Linda

Deadweight: 11300 t

Machine Power: 8385 kW

Ice Class: **IAS**

Type: General Cargo

Fairway due: **4 903,0 €** (Nrt: 4205)

M/S Formosa Container No. 6

Deadweight: 11200 t

Machine Power: 6480 kW

Ice Class: **IB**

Type: Container

Fairway due: **21 794,85 €** (Nrt: 4950)

M/S Ara Atlantis

Deadweight: 11435 t

Machine Power: 8400 kW

Ice Class: **II**

Type: Container

Fairway due: **37 945,9 €** (Nrt: 6006)

M/S Aurora

Deadweight: 11386 t

Machine Power: 8400 kW

Ice Class: **IA**

Type: Container

Fairway due: **13 105,1 €** (Nrt:6006)

M/S Furth

Deadweight: 12500 t

Machine Power: 8508 kW

Ice Class: **IC**

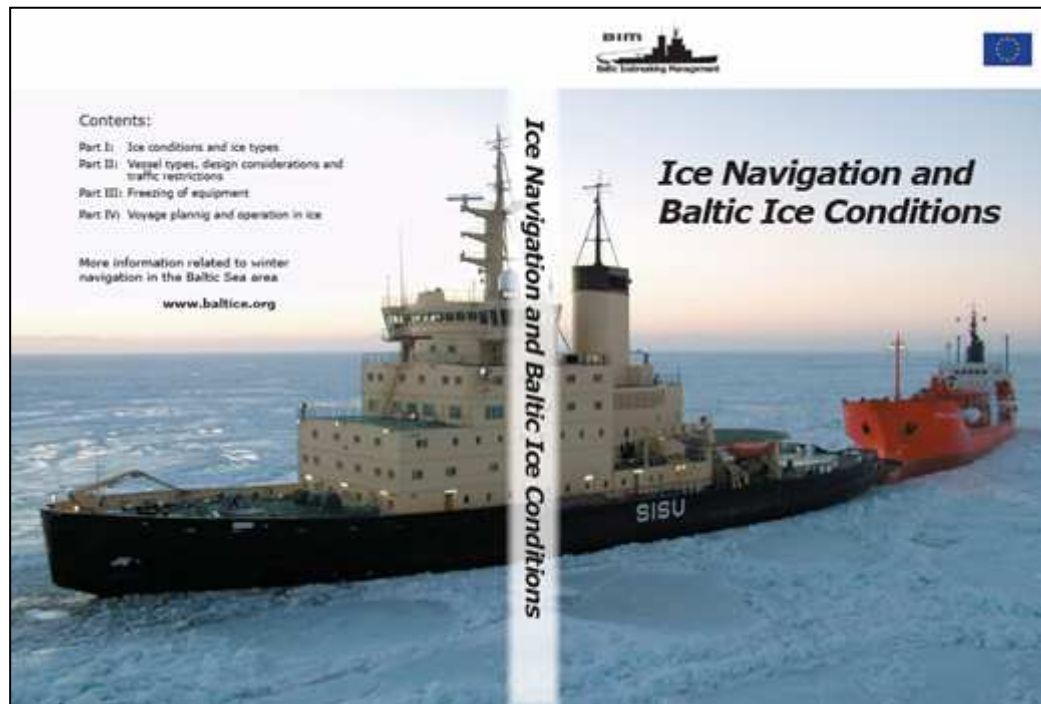
Type: Container

Fairway due: **22 323,21 €** (Nrt: 5070)

Why we need ice experience?

- **Internal safety onboard**
- **The owner will keep his vessel undamaged**
- **The charterer will get the ship on schedule**
- **The industry is aiming 0 -storages and short delivering time is competitive advantage**
- **Lack of long term forecast**
- **Lack of Search and Rescue (SAR)**
- **Environmental impact of shipping**
- **Lack of icebreakers in stringent winters**

Information available in the Baltic Sea



Freezing sea water sprays



Icing has an effect on stability





Improper ballasting

Cooling water problems

Screw and rudder breakdowns

www.baltice.org

Part I

Ice conditions and Types



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Open channel

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Part III

Freezing of equipment



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the best route by eye.

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Part IV

Voyage planning
and operation in ice

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risks damage to propeller or rudder.

Customers satisfaction

- The price of the icebreaking services is low
- Normal waiting hours in average (4 hours)
- The average speed in assisting (10-12 knots)



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Icebreaking costs €€€

Estimation

Readiness for 8 JM	~19 700 000 €
Operation	~ 7 600 000 €
Fuel	~ <u>5 400 000 €</u>
Totally	32 700 000 €

Calculation is made after 650 operating days



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Kiitos!



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Thank you!

