Baltic Environmental Forum
1995 - 2018

1995

The Baltic Environmental Forum was founded in 1995 as a technical assistances project to the Baltic States with offices in the three Baltic States (Tallinn, Riga, Vilnius). Initially, five members of staff realised the first environmental cooperation project with a volume of 500.000€.

5 staff

500.000 €

2003

In 2003, short before the EU accssion of the Baltic States in 2004, the Baltic BEF offices were registered as non-profit organisation - turning the project into a network of independent organisations. The offices in Germany, founded 2003, and Russia, founded 2005, joined the BEF network. By now, the team had grown to 25 members of staff.

25 staff

5 mio €

2018

In 2018, the independent BEF organisations celebrated their 15th anniversary. The staff count has grown to 48. By now, all BEF offices have acquired project funds for the region amounting to roughly 50 million €. Since 2003, nearly 220 projects have been implement (including ongoing projects).

48 staff

50 mio €

217 projects

- Eco tourism 3
- Capacity building 15
- Climate change adaptation 12
- Energy efficiency in buildings 18
- Chemicals and hazardous substance management 30
- Sustainable agreeculture and rural development 6
- Strategic env. planning and impact assessment 6
- NGO operation grants and support programmes 8
- Socio economics and environment 3
- Consumer information, stakeholder awareness 27
- Nature conservation 15
- General urban issues 3
- Marine environment 20
- Water management 25
- Waste management 12
- Sustainable mobility 6
- Air and odour 8

Hamburg

Vilnius

Riga

Tallinn

Sankt Petersburg