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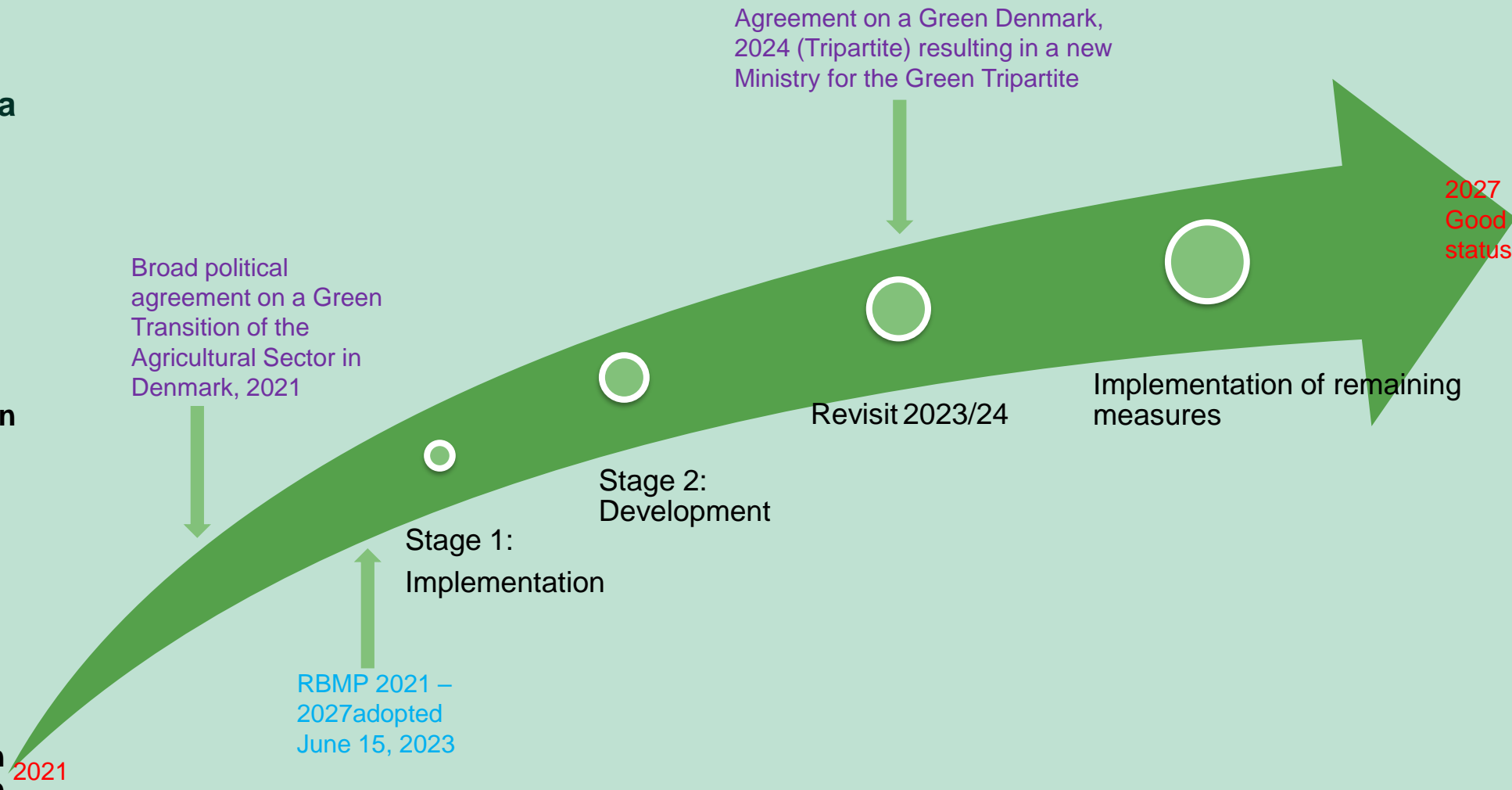
River Basin Management Plan 2021 – 2027

- (Almost) all Parliament behind the Agreement on a Green Transition of the Agricultural Sector in Denmark, 2021

- International legal and scientific experts ‘Second Opinion’ (nitrogen)
- Re-visit of the agreement in 2023/24

- Tripartite Agreement on a Green Denmark, 2024

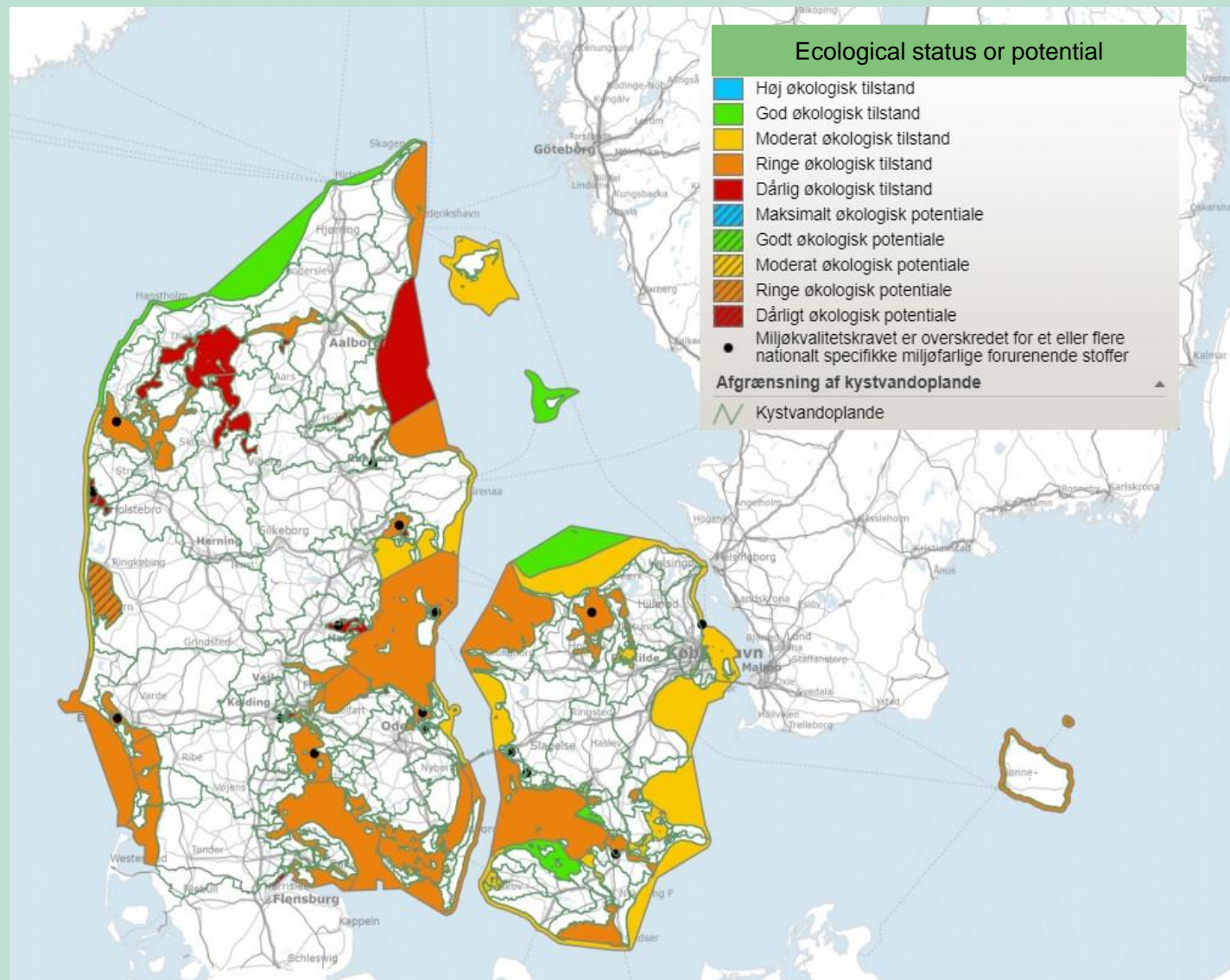
- Reduction of the nutrient loss from agriculture 2027/2030
- New Ministry for the Green Tripartite to strengthen the implementation of the WFD



726 million euros assigned to 3rd. RBMP

565 mio. euro: reduction of nitrogen leaching from agriculture to the costal waters

- Reduction of 10.400 tons nitrogen
 - ✓ Arable land taken out of production
 - ✓ Establishment of wetlands
 - ✓ Afforestation on former arable land
 - ✓ Catch crops after harvest
 - ✓ Strong local stakeholder involvement by Water Council at municipality level



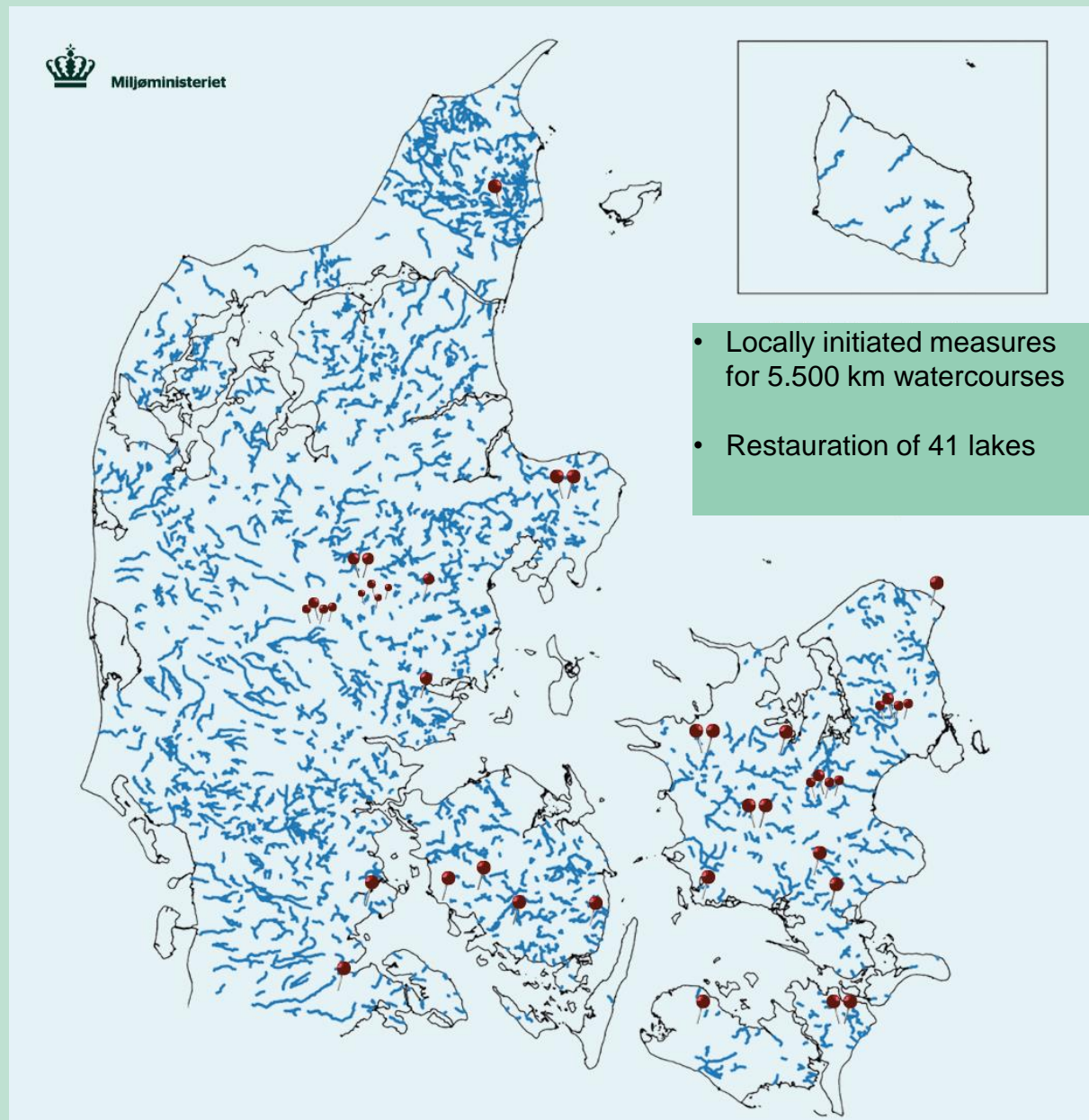
River Basin Management Plan 2021 - 2027:

115 mio. euro assigned to restore watercourses

- Betterment of the physical conditions for 5.500 km watercourses
 - ✓ Restauration and removal of 750 barriers
 - ✓ Measures re. wastewater in 100 km watercourses
 - ✓ Development-initiatives gathering more knowledge and securing measures are cost-effective

25 mio. euro assigned to lakes

- ✓ Wastewater (approx. 49 rain related point sources to a total of 8 lakes)
- ✓ Construction of approx. 800 ha phosphorus retention wetlands
- ✓ Restauration of approx. 41 lakes
- ✓ Purchase of approx. 30 fish farms (low-technological facilities)
- ✓ Further initiatives will be considered re. phosphorus



➤ **2050 bodies of groundwater included in the 3rd RBMP**

- 2041 are in good quantitative status,
- 1764 are in good chemical status

Measures:

- ✓ Co-operation between involved parties aiming at achieving more sustainable level of abstraction
- ✓ Target regulation

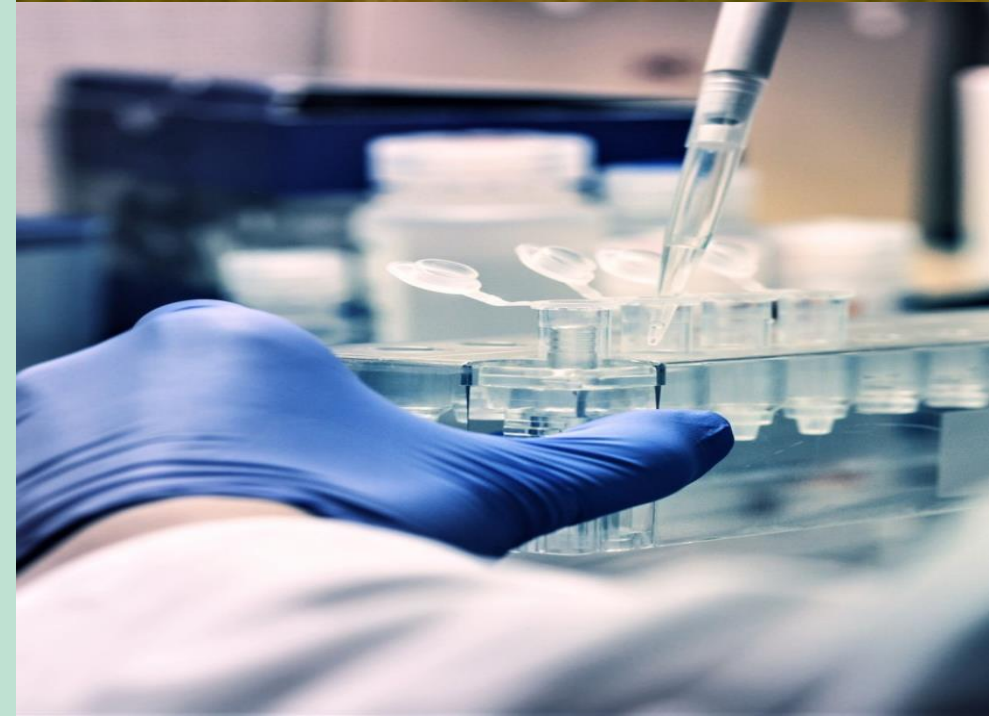
➤ **Environmentally Hazardous Substances**

The chemical status of many waterbodies is unknown (particular the watercourses)

- Monitoring of all waterbodies is very costly
- Environmentally Hazardous Substances originates from a number of different sources

Measures:

- ✓ Gathering new knowledge in order to establish concrete measures
- ✓ Formal '*Partnership for Environmentally Hazardous Substances*' has been formed



What happens next ?

The revist process is on-going

- Decision on the 2024-revist of the 2021 – 2027 RBMP II is pending inter-ministerial clearance
- 6 months public consultation on the draft revisited RBMP II
- Updating of data and the legal basis for the draft RBMP II
- Passing and publication of the revised 2021-2027 RBMP II
- The new Ministry of the Green Tripartite is created to strengthen the implementation of the WFD



Any questions?

