

Delta networks



Netherlands Global Water Program

“Exchanging knowledge and expertise”

The Netherlands Global Water Program (2010-2015) has a vision of the Netherlands cooperating actively with countries facing similar challenges. We focus particularly on cooperation in low-lying delta areas, in order to reduce vulnerability against floods, adapt to the effects of climate change, ensure supply of sufficient and clean water, maintain the food and ecosystem base and stimulate the development of integrated urban and rural planning.

Keywords: Water supply and sanitation; Water for food and ecosystems; Water & safety; Water & climate change; Water governance

Method: bilateral cooperation

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World Estuary Alliance

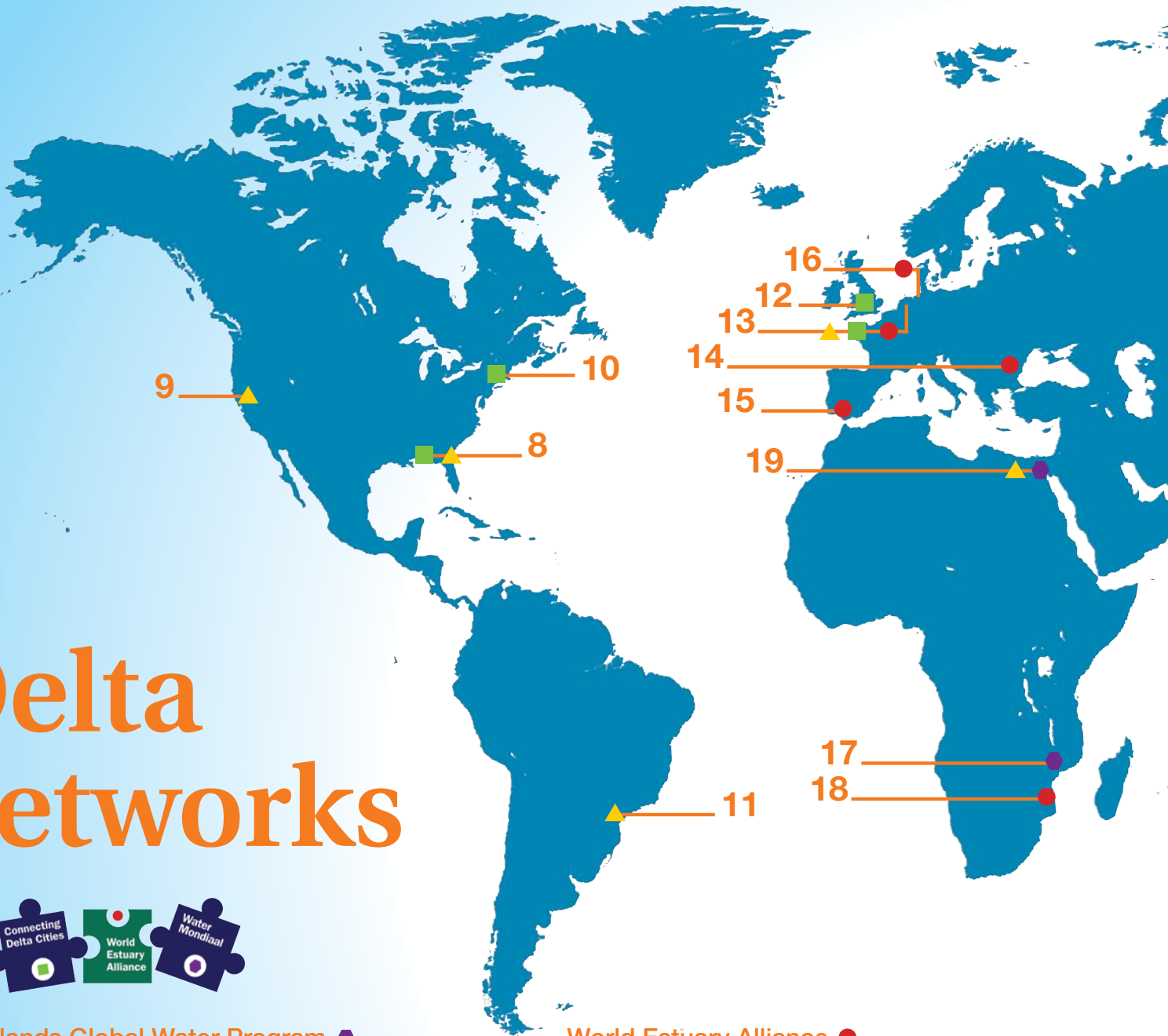
“Increasing awareness about ecological and economic value of healthy estuaries”

The WEA aims to raise awareness of the economic and ecological value of healthy estuaries and to stimulate exchange of knowledge and implementation of best practices. Where the rivers meet the sea has always been one of the most important habitats for humanity, but in the past centuries enormous damage has been done to the vibrant estuarine life. There is a need to work together to advance the best thinking in sustainable estuary development and protection. The WEA is a living network, with a shared belief that economic development and nature can go hand in hand. The growing network includes representatives from NGOs, business, science and policy makers. The WEA is currently based in Shanghai.

Keywords: practice (mainly ecology), rural delta areas, regional authorities

Method: creating awareness and stimulating action

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Help build the Delta Zones platform

The Delta Zones site provides a free platform for sharing and linking to information to support the symbiosis of the many activities ongoing in delta regions.

You can find information on experts, projects, themes, events worldwide. The Delta Zones site is free to use and you are invited to list your activities.

www.delta-zones.com

- 1 **Jakarta / Ciliwung River Delta** *Indonesia*
- 2 **Mahakam Delta** *Indonesia*
- 3 **Mekong River Delta** *Vietnam*
- 4 **Ganges-Brahmaputra Delta** *India/Bangladesh*
- 5 **Yangtze River Delta** *China*
- 6 **Hong Kong / Pearl River Delta** *China*
- 7 **Indus Delta** *Pakistan*
- 8 **New Orleans / Mississippi River Delta** *USA*
- 9 **San Francisco Bay area** *USA*
- 10 **New York / Hudson Delta** *USA*
- 11 **Pantanal River Delta** *Brazil*
- 12 **London / Thames Estuary** *England*
- 13 **Rotterdam / Rhine / Meuse River Delta** *the Netherlands*
- 14 **Danube Delta** *Romania*
- 15 **Guadalquivir Delta** *Spain*
- 16 **Elbe Estuary** *Germany*
- 17 **Incomati Delta** *Mozambique*
- 18 **Zambezi Delta** *Mozambique*
- 19 **Nile River Delta** *Egypt*
- 20 **Tokyo Bay Area** *Japan*

Delta Alliance ▲

“Understanding and improving resilience across river deltas”

Delta alliance is an alliance of people and organizations committed to improving the resilience of the deltas in which they live and work. Members take part in activities that span the spectrum of researching, monitoring, reporting, advising, and implementing projects on resilience-building in deltas. Delta Alliance integrates knowledge and visions on a river delta as a whole, linking information and people from across sectors and countries for the common goal of improving resilience. Regional wings of Delta Alliance are self-organized and include individuals and organizations from across all sectors. An international secretariat coordinates international events and communications between the regional wings.

Keywords: science, delta regions, integration

Method: developing and integrating knowledge

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Connecting Delta Cities ■

“Uniting delta cities that strive to make their cities climate proof”

CDC aims to exchange knowledge, share best practices and operate as a showcase regarding opportunities for sustainable integrated water management and climate adaptation that delta cities and their ports can offer. It is an existing and virtual network which connects deltas and coastal cities that are frontrunners in the field of climate change adaptation. It avoids creating additional workload by bringing together partner cities at events they are already attending and linking experts via primary contacts in each city. The CDC network develops in phases: first linking frontrunners (members), then including other interested delta cities (affiliate cities). CDC serves under the umbrella of C40. Its secretariat is located in Rotterdam.

Keywords: practice (mainly economy, water management and urban quality), delta cities, local authorities, climate adaptation

Method: exchanging best practices and knowledge

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