



Delta Alliance

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Context

Deltas are among the most wealthy places in the World. Yet vulnerability and dense populations present great problems for many deltas. Climate change increases the severity of all these problems. Impacts on river deltas will be felt throughout the international community. Experiences and research from across deltas must be shared and collaborative research must be undertaken to support delta regions in responding quickly and effectively to their mounting challenges.

Goal

To create a network that supports the development and dissemination of new knowledge on how river delta regions can respond to their unique challenges, in particular those that come with a changing climate.

Strategy

Delta Alliance will support international research collaboration, multi-stakeholder dialogue, and information dissemination. Activities will include:

- Maintaining an online information base and interactive forum
- Multi-stakeholder events to identify priority issues in need of further research in specific delta regions
- Initiating and spurring research collaboration between delta regions
- International events for information exchange and dissemination
- Presenting the situation in delta regions at international forums

An international Delta Alliance can:

- Provide a vehicle for the exchange of knowledge across deltas
- Provide fast and easy connection to people in other deltas, and access to information on planned, ongoing, and past projects
- Reduce overlap in fundamental research
- Increase impact of research relevant for deltas
- Provide a multi-sector platform where information can travel rapidly from researchers to implementers
- Provide increased visibility of projects and organizations so they can attract greater attention and funding.



Participating countries

The initiative for Delta Alliance came out of The **Netherlands**, and is now being built with partners in **Indonesia, Vietnam, and California**. Delta Alliance will expand to include additional chambers within the network to benefit from the wealth of information available in other river delta locations.

Events

- Copenhagen 7-18 December 2009 – UNFCCC COP 15 Delta Alliance Side Event
- Rotterdam 29 September to 2 October 2010 – Conference “Deltas in Times of Climate Change”
- Additional events will be organized in 2009-2010 to launch Delta Alliance Chambers