Session 2: Marker Wadden as example for other areas (upscaling and financing)

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...but large-scale implementation is lacking.

so HOW to do it?





Nature-Based Solutions are

... dynamic

- ... multi-functional
- ... innovative for dealing with water issues
- ... local and context-specific

You need to think, act and interact differently!



Upscaling: not the project...







...but the concepts







Strategically placing fine sediment

Constructing nature islands

Integrating vegetated

foreshores

Restoring connections



Developing wetland areas





Creating sedimentation basins



Example: Trintelzand

- Part of the reinforcement of the Houtribdijk
- Constructed with residual material from sand extraction activities
- Provides benefits for nature (bird habitat), water quality and water safety (although not considered in the safety design)







Example: Waterdunen

- Combination of different functions:
 - Nature development
 - Recreation
 - Water safety
 - Salty aquaculture
- Blended finance structure



https://www.zeeland.nl/waterdunen/

https://geoinfra.nl



Example: Cliff Pools, UK

- Restoration of former deep gravel pits
- Filled with locally (Thames basin) dredged and tunnelled material
- Controlled water levels
- Joint planning application by Boskalis and RSPB









Example: Cat Island Chain Restoration, US

- Multi purpose development:
 - Ecosystem restoration
 - Barriers island for safety and wetland protection
 - Reuse of dredged material from shipping channel
- Takes 40 years to complete







Example: Chongming Island, Shanghai, China

- Transformation from the reclamation-oriented utilization to wetland ecosystem protection
- Coastal communities to remain in place
- Planners, scientists, and policy makers collectively devised solutions, based on historical experiences





Creating an enabling environment



Technology and system knowledge



Multi-stakeholder approach



Management, monitoring and maintenance



Institutional embedding



Business Case



Capacity building



Discussion

- Explore together which concepts and enablers from the Marker Wadden development are ready for upscaling and replication
- We have selected 7 outcomes which you can rate 1 5 on upscaling potential
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Outcome 1: Ecology – creation of bird habitat

Marker Wadden has shown you can achieve bird habitat objectives in terms of landscaping, dry/wet, substrate, vegetation and trigger species. This concept is extendable to other lakes, estuaries and embayed areas



Outcome 2: Ecology – water quality

Marker Wadden have shown that you can improve water quality (lowering SSC) by filtering water movement, capturing sediment through vegetation development. Through this principle we have reached system-based impact. This outcome has potential for upscaling.



Outcome 3: Improvement of living environment

Marker Wadden has boosted the quality of living environment for surrounding provinces. This outcome has potential for upscaling.



Outcome 4: Circular economy

Marker Wadden has shown that reuse of typically unsuitable dredged material can offer great value to enable development that where otherwise not realised. This outcome has potential for upscaling.



Outcome 5: Technology

Driven by large scale storm induced circulation flows, sandy coastal protections in shallow and enclosed bay environments show fundamentally different morphological behaviour compared to open coast lines. This technology has major upscaling potential



Outcome 6: Governance - Learning by doing

Marker Wadden & KIMA have shown that full scale NbS projects combined with an in-depth research programs are of key importance for learning for the next project, hence to enable broad uptake mainstreaming of NbS.



Outcome 7: Finance

Blended financing (Public and private) is the only way projects like Marker Wadden get funded.





Lowland Lakes: Ecological benefits



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Lowland Lakes: Places to live, work, and visit



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Lowland Lakes: Integrated approach



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Building with Nature concepts



Optimizing flow patterns

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