

PROGRAMMA **NAAR EEN
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Trilateral Governmental Conference

Together for One Wadden Sea World Heritage

Programme roles



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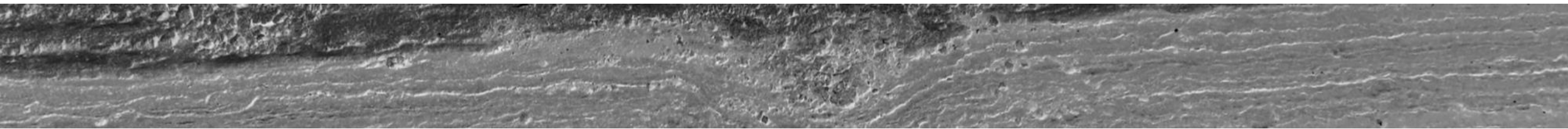
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Why are we here?



The Community of Understanding Sediment Solutions

With all of us - and even more -
towards a trilateral understanding
of the Wadden Sea



The aims of the community

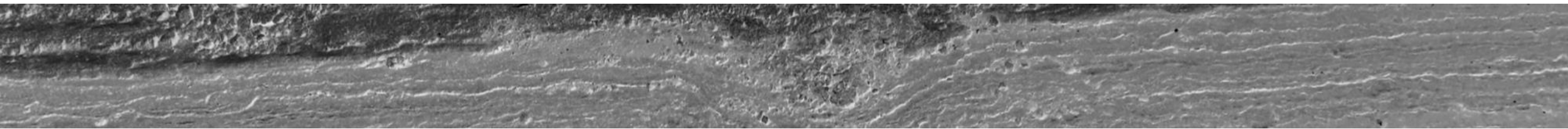
The Community of Understanding (CoU) is related to sediment dynamics of the trilateral Wadden Sea.

The CoU aims at:

1. exchanging knowledge, identify/fill knowledge gaps;
2. strengthening the network of scientists, managers and users and facilitate the communication among different stakeholders;
3. collecting best management practices or indicate management options.



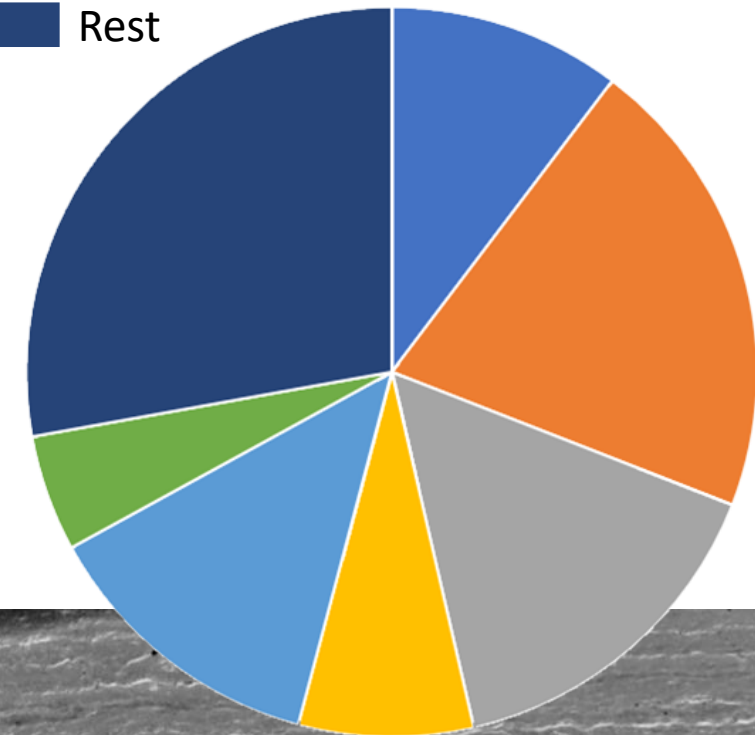
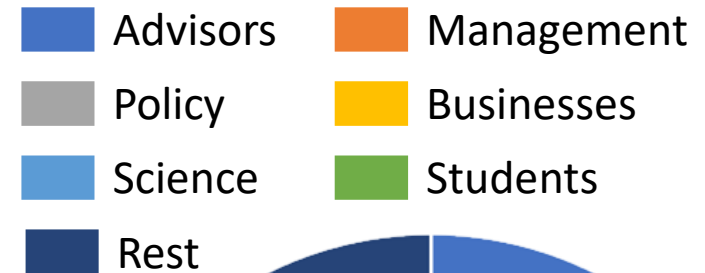
Indication area of interest CoU SedSol
'muddy world' and 'sandy world'



Characteristics of the community

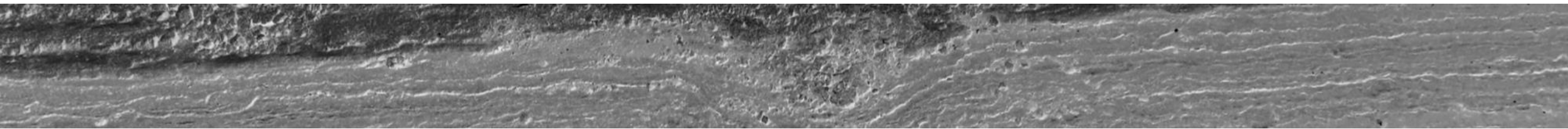
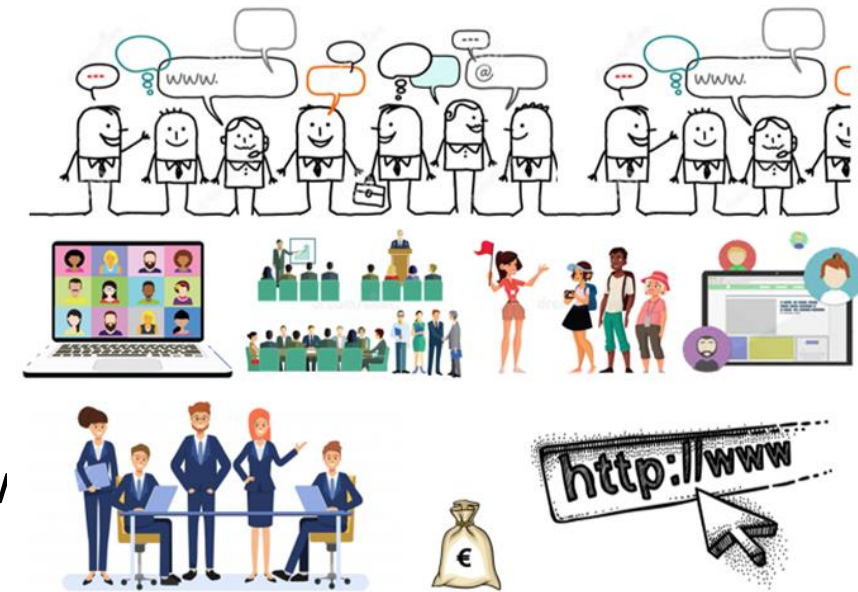
- On personal level
- More insight
- More understanding
- Exchange between different backgrounds
- Strengthen network, easy contacts
- No advocacy, no decisionmaking
- Governmental interest but no 'control'
- Every organization benefits via 'their' participants
- A coalition of the willing
- A 'soft space approach'.

Background 200 participants (2022)



Necessary for success of the CoU

- Ongoing interest of the participants it self, 'time available'
- Practical and actual topics
 - proposed by the members themselves
- Focus on sediment in relationship to:
 - Human demands and ecosystem services
 - Outstanding Universal Value of the Wadden Sea UNESCO World Heritage site
- Ongoing exchange of knowledge and practical knowhow
- Ownership by the participants itself
 - High level of selforganisation
- Some kind of operational support



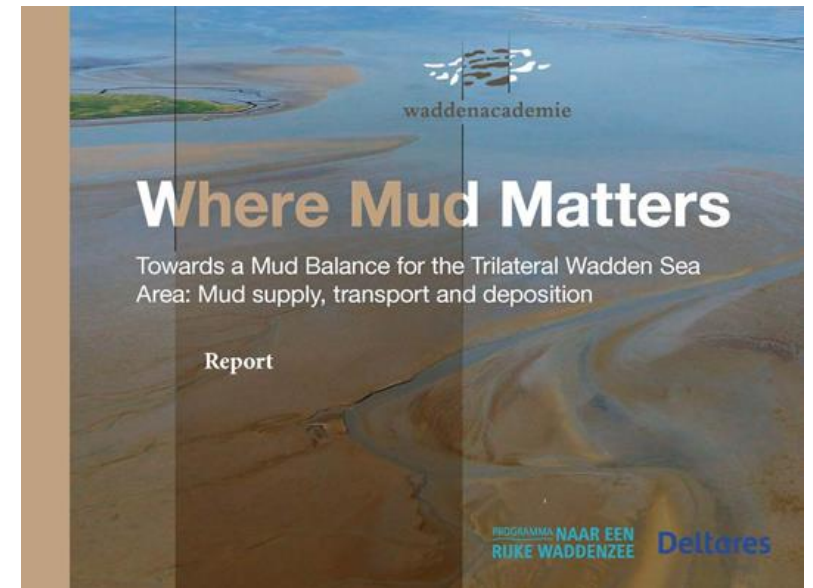
CoU next steps: a checklist

Checked:

- ✓ Added value
- ✓ Worth to continue
- ✓ Trilateral focus on sediment
- ✓ Not doubling with existing (governmental) structures

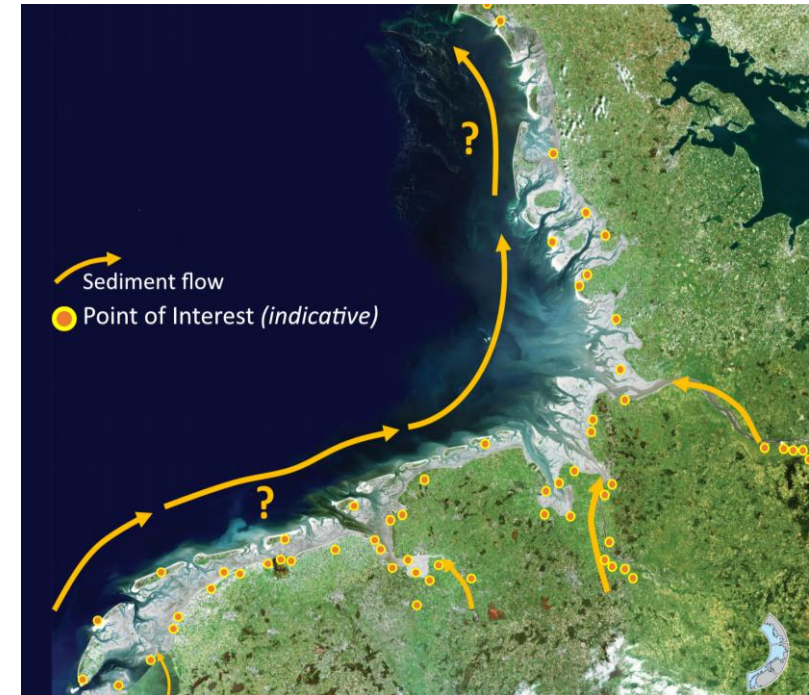
To be realised:

- Agenda committee
- Some kind of support



Agenda committee

- Small: 3 persons (to max 6)
- Optimal from Denmark, Germany and The Netherlands
- For short period (1 à 2 years?),
- Getting ideas for activities from the CoU (e.g. webinar, excursion, sharing information)
- Programming CoU-activities (at least two years ahead)
- Empowering CoU-participants to organize those activities



Supporting role

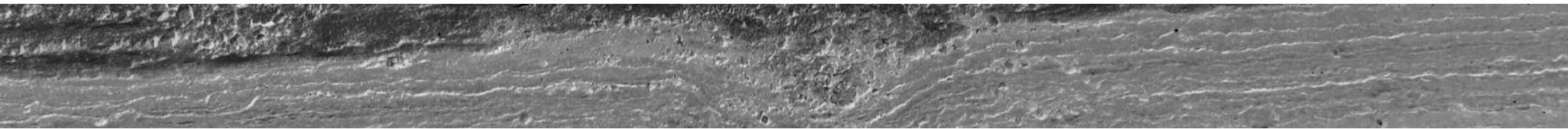
Professional focal point for:

- Practical support for the agenda committee
- Management of CoU information (e.g. website)
- Some capacity (100 hrs/yr) and budget (€ 5000/yr)

By the CoU itself

Trilateral

Otherwise



Call for action



WADDEN SEA
WORLD HERITAGE

Community of Understanding Sediment Solutions

Natural dynamics constitute a corner stone of the Wadden Sea as UNESCO World Heritage. The community is a person-driven trilateral network for management, science and policy.

Sediment flow
● Point of Interest (indicative)
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Sediment binds us together
Hence, share knowledge and practice, on:


- Enhancement of natural dynamics
- Adaptation to sea level rise
- Sediment management

I want to participate in the Community of Understanding Sediment Solutions trilateral Wadden Sea

Co-organise (e.g. agenda committee)
 Participate (symposium, webinar, etc.)
 Host point of interest, propose topics
 Otherwise, namely ...

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Are you interested and do you want to participate?

Let us know after the workshop
or
fill in the postcard