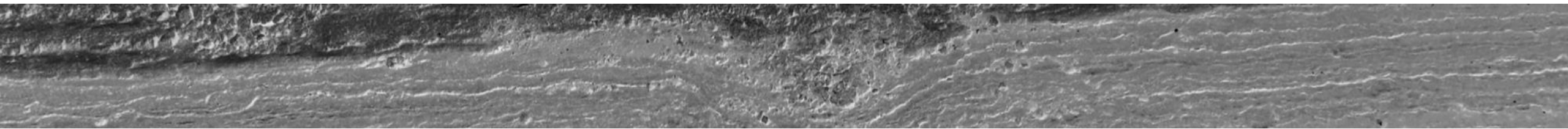


# **Future of the Community of Understanding**

# **Sediment Solutions**

## **A trilateral Wadden Sea understanding**

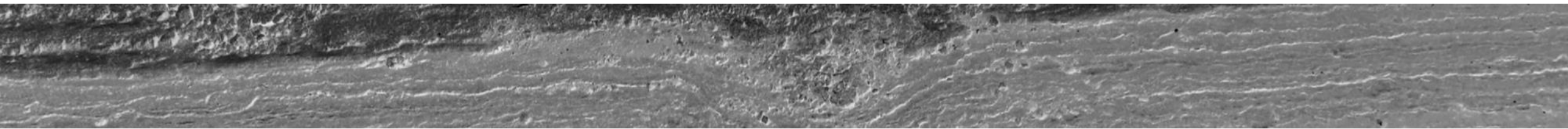


# The added value of the community

- Focus on the trilateral Wadden Sea sediment topics
  - ‘Muddy world’ and
  - ‘Sandy world’
- An opportunity for participants to
  - Meet on personal base, meet different backgrounds
  - Exchange insight, knowhow and knowledge
  - Added value in the so called ‘soft space’
- Participants backgrounds in
  - science, management, policy and business
- Covering the whole trilateral Wadden Sea region



Indication area of interest CoU SedSol  
‘muddy world’ and ‘sandy world’





# Elements of CoU Sediment Solutions

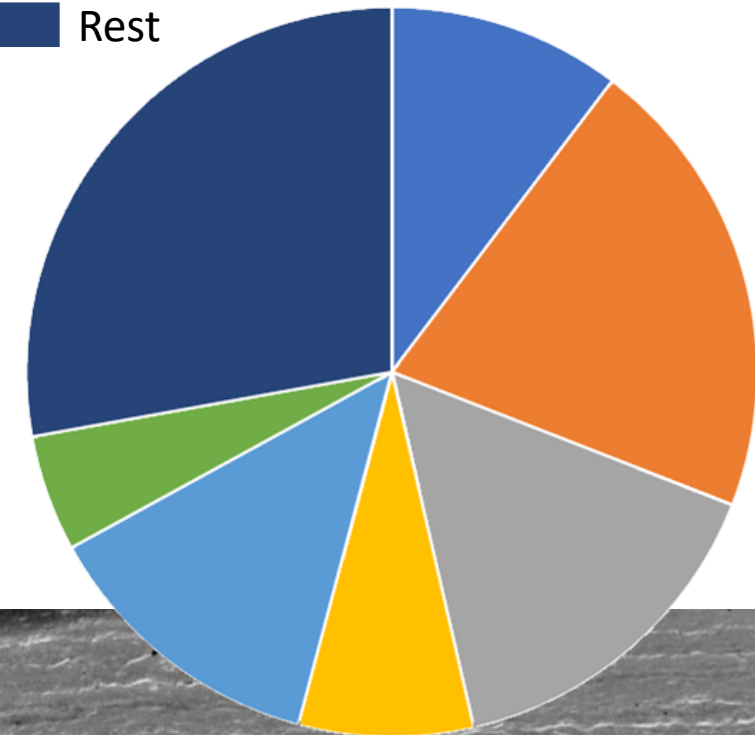
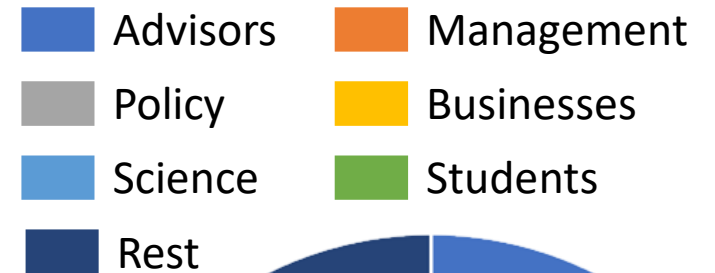
- On personal level
- More insight
- More understanding
- Exchange between different backgrounds
- Strengthen network, easy contacts
- No advocacy, no decisionmaking
- Governmental interest but no 'control'

Governmental cooperation benefits via 'their' participants.

“Coalition of the willing”

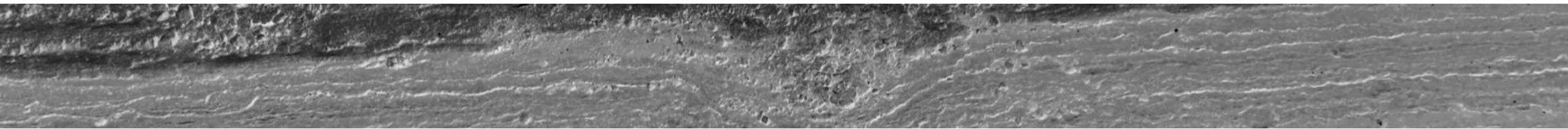
“A soft space approach”

Background 200 participants (2022)



# Necessary for success of the CoU

- Ongoing interest of the participants it self
- 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
- Trilateral governmental support would be good





# CoU next steps: a checklist

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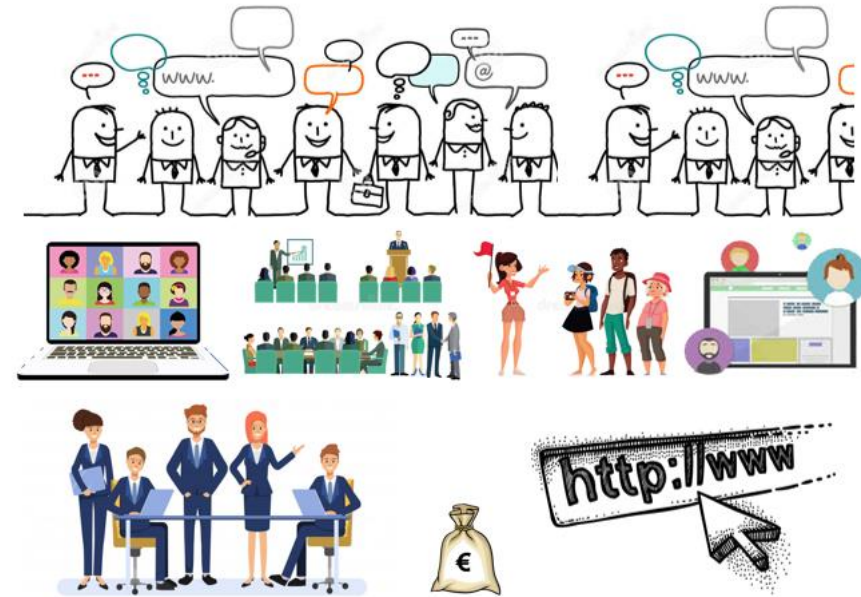
- ✓ Added value
- ✓ Worth to continue
- ✓ Trilateral focus on sediment
- ✓ Not doubling with existing (governmental) structures

## To be solved

- Agenda committee
- Light organisational support
  - With some capacity and budget
- Some kind of support of the trilateral cooperation (e.g. WSB)

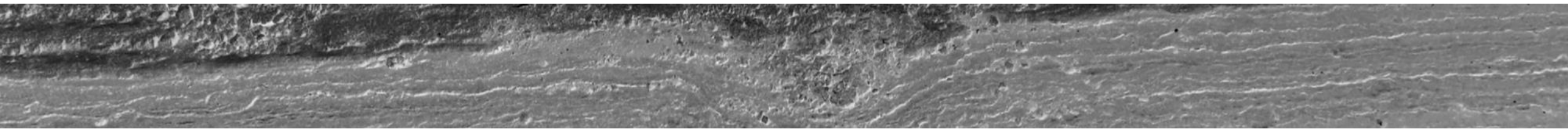


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## Core of the community:

- Connection(s)
- Activities
- Programming and support

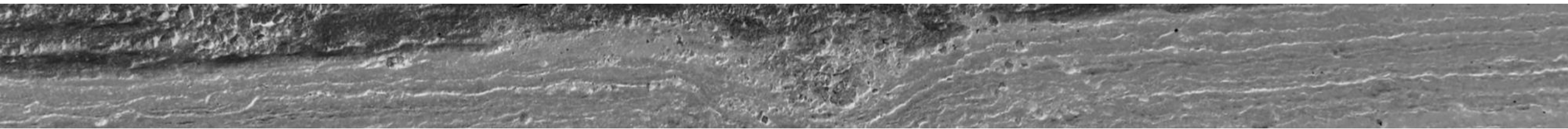
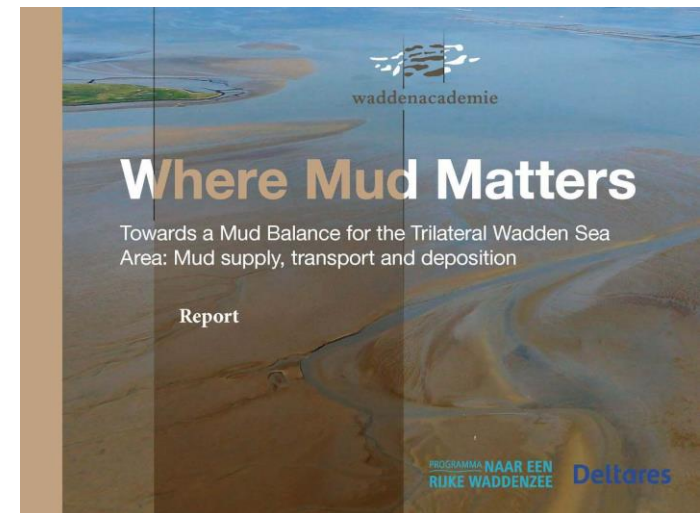
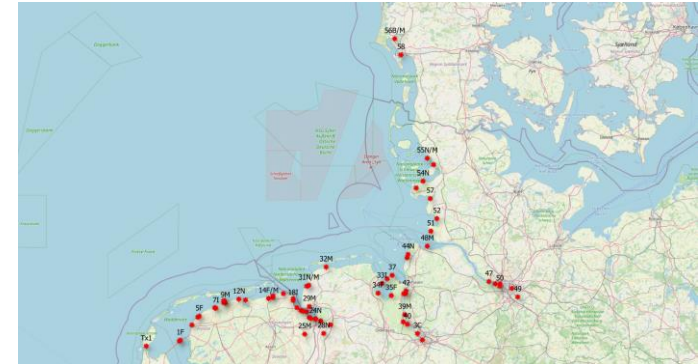


# Agenda committee

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

## Precondition for support:

- Agenda committee
- Multi-year programming



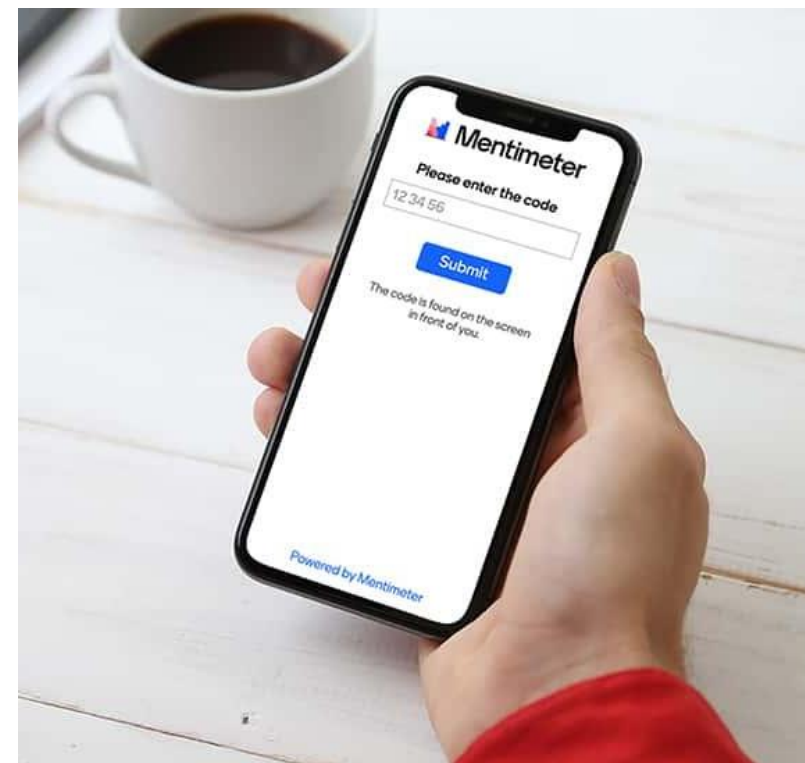
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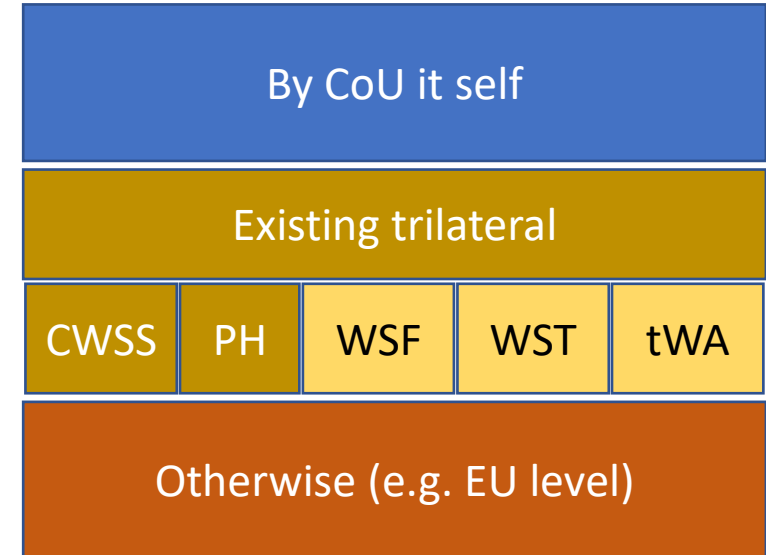
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# Supporting role

- Professional focal point
    - Practical support for the agenda committee
    - Management of CoU information (e.g. website)
    - Some capacity (100 hrs/yr) and budget (€ 5000/yr)
  - Shared ‘memory’ of organizational lessons learned
  - Connection with the ‘trilateral agenda’
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- By itself demands ‘seeking funding’ for small amount €’s
  - Existing trilateral - is preferred – CWSS/PH best papers
  - Otherwise – connection with other netwerk – e.g. Sednet.org WG Wadden Sea?
- Only an option if the focus on the trilateral Wadden Sea can be secured.**





# Additional remarks

- Supporting role PRW ends end 2022 (already extended)
- Clarity about the support of the CoU and the staffing of the agenda committee before Summer 2022
- The opportunity for professionals to meet trilateral covering several backgrounds should not be a problem.
- Strive for the highest independency of the Agenda Committee, but still connected to the existing, relevant trilateral units.
- If political support to the WSB decision making process is needed please do it coordinated
- Assumption that costs for activities (e.g. excursion) can be covered by participants themselves, supplemented with 'sponsoring'.

## Activities 2022

- 4th webinar (11/3/2022)
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- 2022 excursion ('Sandy world' ?)
- Conference side-event (poster, workshop, manifest)

Suggestions for 2022 and 2023 excursions? **Use the chat.**