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Invitation for Cooperation

NWC invites the world to join forces and tackle the global water issues in a sustainable way. Cooperate with the best water partners and create better solutions for a better world. Join and visit the Rotterdam National Water Centre during the national event Dutch Delta Design 2012.

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NWC National Water Centre

the Dutch knowledge and expo centre
on delta & water technology and integrated water solutions



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Rotterdam, in the heart of the Dutch Delta, is developing more and more into an innovative centre for water management and climate change, combining best practices, education and research. The leading role of this international showcase for water management and climate change was underlined by the Dutch water sector by choosing Rotterdam as the place to establish the NWC National Water Centre. The launch of this centre, one of the Dutch Delta Design 2012 events, is an important milestone for the Netherlands as a global leader in water management.

Where brains and business meet and mingle

The NWC National Water Centre serves as the focal point of Dutch water expertise, based on a wide range of experience built up during centuries. It provides a reliable gateway for international partners seeking a joint platform for co-creation of new business and new knowledge. It also aims at providing a showroom for Dutch delta & water solutions, a cross-sectoral meeting point, facilities for event hosting and office accommodation for project organisations, companies and professional education.

NWC in perspective



A sustainable response to the water challenges of the 21st century

Climate change confronts deltas and coastal cities of the 21st century with major challenges. The effects on water quality, flooding, sanitation and urban storm water have to be addressed in both the technical and the non-technical fields. This requires holistic strategies and visionary leadership to get them implemented. We will have to act now, thinking globally while acting locally. International knowledge exchange is crucial. The NWC National Water Centre will help to put this into practice.

Connecting Global Initiatives

The NWC will gain further momentum through extension and intensification of international collaboration. Cooperative networks such as Connecting Delta Cities, the Delta Alliance and the Estuary Alliance play a key role in this process. Collaboration between Global Water Centers such as the Singapore Water PUB and the Rotterdam NWC will create a world wide web of water expertise.

Know-how and show-how

The NWC provides a hub function for the interconnected Dutch regional expertise centres on water and delta technology. These comprise such outstanding showcases as Wetsus Leeuwarden, Alterra and WUR Wageningen, Water & Lifestyle Eindhoven, Delft Blue Technology and Building with Nature Zeeland. The Rotterdam region itself provides access to an extended showcase for adaptation to climate change in the Netherlands, setting an inspiring example for delta cities around the globe. In Rotterdam you can see how a pro-active and smart approach to climate change also creates opportunities for an attractive and economically strong delta city of the future!

Facilities

The NWC offers a high tech campus, office facilities, a showroom, events and conferences such as "Deltas in Times of Climate Change". Initiatives like the Dutch Delta Academy, the Water Governance Centre and the European Water Stewardship are likely to be connected to and hosted by the NWC.

