

ESPA Deltas Final UK event, 22-23rd Nov 2016

Sustainable Development Goals in Deltas

Dining Room, The Royal Society, 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, St. James's, London, SW1Y 5AG

22nd November 2016

09:30	Registration and Refreshments
10:00	Session 1. Introduction: SDGs and deltas (setting the scene) (Chair: Robert Nicholls, University of Southampton)
10:00	- Welcome, introduction and workshop aims and objectives – Robert Nicholls, University of Southampton
10:10	- What are the SDG's? – Irakli Khodeli, UNESCO
10:30	- Deltas in a changing world – James Syvitski, University of Colorado
10:50	- Why are deltas a development hotspot? - Ken De Souza, DFID
11:00	- Discussion
11:10	Refreshments and Networking
11:30	Session 2. Deltas and approaches to sustainability (Chair: Mashfiqus Salehin, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology)
11:30	- A megadelta; the GBM delta - Munsur Rahman, BUET
11:45	- A medium delta; the Mahanadi delta - Tuhin Ghosh, Jadavpur University
12:00	- A small delta; the Volta delta - Kwasi Appeaning Addo, University of Ghana
12:15	- Imperatives for sustainable delta futures - Zita Sebesvari, UN University
12:30	- Future states of deltas - Robert Nicholls, University of Southampton
12:45	- Discussion
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Session 3. Linkages between SDGs and Deltas (Chair: Ken de Souza, Department for International Development)
	1) What are the key challenges in deltas that could threaten the achievement of the SDGs?
	2) How might we measure the progress towards the SDGs?
14:00	- Socio-economic perspectives – Craig Hutton, University of Southampton
14:15	- Environmental perspectives – Rezaur Rahman, BUET
14:30	- Justice perspectives – Kristine Nilsen, University of Southampton
14:45	- Discussant – Helen Adams, Kings College, London
14:55	- Discussant – Fabrice Renaud, United Nations University, Bonn
15:05	- Group Discussions followed by Plenary Feedback
16:00	Session 4. Poster session – Poster slots for non-speakers Including papers linked to Session 3 and facilitated discussions Refreshments, including wine and bites will be provided
17:00	Close
19:00	Informal Dinner; No formal dinner is organised, however participants are welcome to join the ESPA Deltas team at Cucina Restaurant (Italian), Belvedere Rd, Lambeth, London SE1 7GP from 7pm.

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09:30	Session 5. An integrated approach to deltaic analysis in Bangladesh (Chair: Munsur Rahman, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology)
09:30	- The ESPA Deltas Project – Robert Nicholls, University of Southampton
09:40	- Understanding the policy context – Andrew Allan, Dundee University
09:50	- Changing water quality and quantity to the delta – Paul Whitehead, Oxford University/University of Southampton
10:00	- What are the key biophysical trends in GBM deltas? – Judith Wolf, National Oceanography Centre, Liverpool.
10:10	- Are Bangladesh’s fisheries sustainable? – Manuel Barange, FAO
10:20	- The future of the Sundarbans, Sugata Hazra, Jadavpur University
10:30	- Ecosystem services and rural livelihoods - Helen Adams, Kings College
10:40	- How can agriculture prosper in coastal Bangladesh? -- Derek Clarke, University of Southampton
10:50	- A scenario framework for delta futures – Emily Barbour, University of Oxford
11:00	- An integrated framework for analysing deltas – Attila Lazar, University of Southampton
11:10	- Linking science to policy to further the SDGs - Mashfiqus Salehin, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology
11:20	- Discussion
11:30	Refreshments and Networking
12:00	Session 6. Panel on “The value of integrated assessment of the GBM delta to support sustainable development” (Chair: Steve Darby, University of Southampton)
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13:00	Lunch
14:00	Session 7. Generalising the lessons for deltas (Chair: Paul Whitehead, University of Oxford)
14:00	- Ranking the vulnerability of global deltas - Zach Tessler, CUNY
14:15	- Restoring a delta: the Mississippi - Denise Reed, The Water Institute of the Gulf
14:30	- Managing a developed delta: the Netherlands - Renske Peters, Delta Alliance
14:45	- Ecosystem services, deltas and human well-being - Neil Adger, University of Exeter
15:00	- Migration in deltas: a key research agenda - Tasneem Siddiqui, RMMRU
15:15	- Discussion
15:30	Refreshments and Networking
16:00	Session 8. Panel on “The future of delta assessment and the SDGs” (Chair: Neil Adger, University of Exeter)
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