

Towards a new reality

The abundance of water in and around the Netherlands has brought us a great deal: trade, food, beautiful cities, rich aquatic nature. In the past, we have reclaimed our country from the marshes but it remains a vulnerable delta. New challenges are emerging all the time, especially now the climate is changing.

The Delta Programme Commissioner has three recommendations:

1

Raise awareness in the Dutch population about the vulnerabilities of our delta



Tell the history of this unique small country so that people realise that living with water is not a free ride.

2

Invest in a knowledge agenda



Commit to a knowledge ecosystem that focuses in the long term on the challenges we face. Anchor the monitoring of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) at the EU level.

3

Think carefully about the future of our delta nature



Engage with Brussels about the agenda for Natura 2100.