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WATER AND HERITAGE:

Connecting Past, Present and Future

SESSION 2

Connecting Water and Heritage: Conceptual, Methodological and Case study-based perspectives to Living history

10:00 – 12:00

ROUND TABLE 2

Carola Hein
MODERATOR

UNESCO Chair Water, Ports and Historic Cities

Sylvia Amann
Inforelais

The role of cultural quality for water futures

Matthias Wantzen

UNESCO Chair River Culture
Resetting values for mitigate the crisis of riverscapes

Nanco Dolman
Deltares

Opportunities for Blue-Green Infrastructure to enhance natural heritage in urban area

Maud van den Beuken
Artist, Rotterdam

Artistic practices for cultural transformation

Iris Bijlsma
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The Valuing Water Concept



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High Level Panel for Water (HLPW)

The UN and the World Bank convened the HLPW in 2016 to accelerate Sustainable Development Agenda progress, particularly SDG 6: Water and Sanitation

**“ We need to better
understand, value, and
manage water. ”**

HLPW,

2018

The 5 Valuing Water Principles (VWP)



Recognize and embrace water's multiple values to different groups and interests in all decisions affecting water.



Reconcile values and build trust – conduct all processes to reconcile values in ways that are equitable, transparent and inclusive.



Protect the sources, including watersheds, rivers, aquifers, associated ecosystems, and used water flows for current and future generations.



Educate to empower – promote education and awareness among all stakeholders about the intrinsic value of water and its essential role in all aspects of life.



Invest and innovate – ensure adequate investment in institutions, infrastructure, information and innovation to realize the many benefits derived from water and reduce risks.



The goal of VWI is to
implement the VWP:

Inclusion of cultural values and
heritage in decision-making
impacting water is key





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Thank you!

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