



Educational programme

Measure by	Local authorities, Municipality of Tiel
Coverage	Local; Tiel East
Measure type(s)	Inform / Co-produce
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Description and Aim

Educating children and raising their awareness about climate change is important and can help to make future generations more knowledgeable and thus more adapted to climate change. In 2011, the municipality of Tiel, in the Netherlands, created the educational program 'Wie, Wat, Water' (or: 'Who, What, Water') on climate change and water for the city's primary schools. The programme gradually narrows its scope from global to local effects in the eastern part of Tiel and it highlights the green- and water measures that are being taken there. While raising awareness to climate change in a fun way, the programme also creates understanding for the water measures that will be taken in Tiel.

One of the difficulties in raising awareness to climate change is that it's a global problem, with large scale impacts, but huge uncertainties in exact local effects. However adaptation measures have to be taken locally, and for people to understand and accept these measures, climate change has to be made local and tangible. In Tiel school children are educated about climate change, which builds a bridge between understanding the need for adaptation to climate change and accepting local adaptation measures.

Target group(s), Message, Instruments

Target group(s):

Population: Inhabitants of Tiel, Schoolchildren

Message:

Climate change is a global problem, adaptation by taking local by taking local measures is necessary.

Used instruments:

Educational programme 'who, what, water' with 3d map with teacher explanation and assignments.

Experiences

Combination with other measure:

Structural fact sheets: Water Square "Vogelbuurt", Green Roofs "Latenstein", Climate dike, Cool Nature

Follow up:

The educational programme is continuously available for primary schools and is distributed by a local foundation for sustainability that lends out educational materials by order of the Municipality of Tiel.

Obstacles:

None

Costs:

€ 3.700 in total including € 500 for the 3D maquette