“Competing claims on natural resources become increasingly acute in many parts of the world. A major challenge is to facilitate stakeholders in identifying options to balance and reduce these conflicting uses. The seminar will reflect on the drivers for and the potential responses to these competing claims both from the perspectives of social and environmental sustainable livelihoods as well from different policy sectors. Cases will be drawn both from the urban-rural interaction as well as the agriculture-ecosystems interaction. “

Chair: Alan Nicol, World Water Council

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09:00 Welcome and Introduction. Mathieu Pinkers, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, The Netherlands

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09:05 The Wise Use Perspective on Land and Water Resources Management. Nickolas Davidson, Ramsar Secretariat.

09:20 Assessment of Landuse – Wetland Interactions. Gerardo Van Halsema, WUR

09:35 Balancing Agriculture and Wetland Ecosystem Services-Mahandi Delta, India. Ritesh Kumar, WI

09:50 Nutrient Management in an Urban Environment. Arno Rosemarin, SEI

10:05 Towards a sustainable multiple-response strategy. Jean Marc Faures, FAO

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Session 2: Beyond Competition

10:45 Safe Harvest, Safe Water, Safe Life. Jochen Froebrich, Alterra

11:00 Resilient Natural Resource Management. Line Gordon, SRC


Session 3: Discussion and Conclusions

11:30 Moderated Discussion. Moderator, Mathieu Pinkers.

12:15 Conclusions

12:30 Close of Seminar