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Deltas in Practice, policy-practice sessions	
Deltas in Practice Theme 8. Early warning early action	
DP 8.2 How to mobilize humanitarian funding based on flood risk	
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Session topic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to allocate humanitarian funding based on climate risk information
Objective of the session	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Through a hands-on experiment in the game “Paying for Predictions”, scientists, policy makers and practitioners can experience decision-making based on probabilistic information and changing risks
Highlights of the game	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ An interactive game “Paying for Predictions” brought, the very delicate, debate on spending humanitarian funding to everyone’s mind without actually having a discussion➤ Different strategies on spending funds can have either (very) good or (very) bad results➤ Funding strategies and tactics were explored and explained through a game, bringing immediate intuitive understanding to a wide range of players➤ The game is used in practice from small villages in Africa to senior global policy fora➤ For more information, see www.climatecentre.org/games	
Main result or conclusion of the session	
Games can help advance decision-making under uncertainty, and illustrate trade-offs between various options for climate risk management. Early action based on climate information pays off, but rising risks bring additional challenges.	

