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Delta regions worldwide are experiencing growing exposure to flood risks. Since flood disasters could become more frequent and more devastating in the decades to come, water management is evolving from a purely technical domain to a wider territorial, economic, and cultural issue. In Pamphlet 16, designers, researchers and policy-makers present their views and methods in terms of new design-based strategies, calling for more interdisciplinary and voluntarist approaches, as they shape new landscape perspectives for flood defense in times of climate change.

