**Table # 10**

**Panel 2, Political, Psychological, Public Health and Ethical Response to SLR**

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**Moderator**

***Question 1****: Politically, how can the U.S. and the EU move beyond gridlock in addressing sea level rise?*

***Answer/Notes:***

Maura Hametz: We should move beyond political gridlock to economic incentives. What is the role of military?

Shannon Hulst: Responds to Hametz: “Branches of the military have to be involved (e.g. NAVY).”

Eelco van Beek: Supports Englander point about business participation. Question: “Will the military move out of this region, if the situation worsens?”

John Englander: domestic gridlock. We need to incorporate business community.

Marry Ann Freeman: We should find common ground. Answers to Beek: “greater competition may arise.”

Tom McNeilan: on the local level, informed investors (DOD) recognize the problem and want to find the communities that move forward. Answers to Hametz: “Military was somewhat absent to the local governance.” Make SLR part of the national security. Answers to Beek: “Probably not”

***Question 2:*** *In what ways can the discussion move beyond politics* *in order to address environmental, social, spatial, and economic risks?*

***Answer/Notes***

Maura Hametz

Shannon Hulst

Eelco van Beek

John Englander

Marry Ann Freeman

Tom McNeilan

***Question 3:*** *What role should citizens’ perceptions of risk play in the conversation about sea level rise, its impacts and in adapting to it and how can we broaden their understanding of the issues?*

***Answer/Notes***

Maura Hametz -We made a survey in this area and many people said “no”; later we asked how often to avoid highways, change different routes and many realized that they are affected. So it’s about citizens about the phenomenon. We found in a survey that people thought they don’t have a stake in this issue.

Shannon Hulst: Flood insurance change will make people aware of the risk.

Eelco van Beek:

John Englander – In Miami, people adapt to these trends such as extreme high tides and flooding.

Marry Ann Freeman: How can we raise risk awareness?

Tom McNeilan – Public dealing with risk are beyond the expectations.

***General Question:*** *Given what you've learned during this panel, what types of collaborative research and action might be most useful in affecting adaptive policy?*

***Answer/Notes***

Maura Hametz: Helping people find the doorway to these issues.

Shannon Hulst

Eelco van Beek: Can it be a political issue on the elections?

John Englander

Marry Ann Freeman: We should broaden the public outreach.

Tom McNeilan: In the analogy with “breast cancer awareness,” SLR discussion is falling out of discussion due to abundance of scientific information.

*Consensus Points:*

*Takeaways/Action Items:*

*Points of dissent:*

*Miscellaneous/Interesting:*