SPEAKER PROFILE

Richard van Liere

Partner
Nestra

Richard van Liere is a specialist in port development, port–hinterland connectivity, and inland waterway transport (IWT), bringing 15 years of international experience across Europe, Africa, Asia, and South America. He has worked extensively with international financing institutions, national and regional governments, industry associations, and private sector organizations to advance sustainable and efficient multimodal transport systems. Supporting the global development of inland waterway transport has become a central focus of his career.

Richard's expertise spans a broad range of strategic and technical domains, including multimodal transport planning in the context of economic corridor development, freight market assessments aimed at modal shift, and the integrated development of sustainable waterway infrastructure. His work also covers River Information Services (RIS), digitalization in ports and shipping, green port concepts, smart shipping solutions, and the modernization and greening of IWT fleets to contribute to zero-emission transport pathways. In parallel, he has contributed to capacity-building initiatives, actively engaging in education and training projects to share international best practices and sector knowledge.