

# COMMITMENT FORM

This document comprises my commitment as a designer of the River Biodiversity Union.

## I. Research led me to reasoning that:

- 1) Previous attempts to re-naturalize the Isar had always been human-centric, which means they have only followed human understanding of what is natural.
- 2) This human-centric designing is unjustified because the city is inhabited by numerous non-human animals as well. Although there is an attempt to design for non-human animals, all methods still exclude non-human designers, which means design remains man-made.
- 3) Human-centric designing becomes even more problematic in our current crisis, which is a significant disbalance in nature caused by human actions that is troubling the planet and leading to alarming processes such as global warming and nature cathastrophies.
- 4) This is why future planning needs to include non-human designers.

## II. Keystone species work best as non-human partners due to their ability to improve biodiversity.

- 1) Beavers are not only keystone animals, they also very effectively build enviroment.

## III. I concluded that learning from beavers in order to re-naturalize the Isar would not be enough to escape the human-centric way of designing.

- 1) I completed several sensorial explorations, hosted by the River Biodiversity Union and confirm the experiences helped me expand my senses and imagine other animal's "Umwelt".
- 2) I commit to a co-working relation between human and beaver designers.

If signed by the participant and verified by the RBU, this document authorizes to design concepts and strategies for co-designing with non-human animals. It does **not** authorize to create designs for the Isar.



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By signing, I confirm my agreement to all mentionend issues above. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Federal I.D. Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_