

# A Global Context and Shared Implications

Change

Social

Uncertainty

Ambiguity

Technical Challenge

Expansion

• Constraint

Knowledge

Rapid Pace

Technical





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'All the instances of scientific development and practice . . . are as much embedded in politics and cultures as they are creations of the researchers, practitioners, and industries.'



(Paraphrased from Heymann, 2010; Dulay, unpublished image)

## Common Pool Resources Come into Conflict



## **Integrated Water Resources Management**



Collaborative processes meld the use of scientific information with citizen participation and technical decision support systems

Finding rigorous and effective approaches to sciencebased resource management and dialogue.

# IWRM Case Study – Northern Chile





# Global demand for Copper drives localized use of energy and water resources



# **Energy and Water**





Salar de Ascotán

### **Primary Resource Candidates**

**Geothermal**: Estimated 3,300 and 16,000 MW potential estimated by the Energy Ministry. Key sites throughout country with highest potential sites currently at Puchuldiza, Tatio, and Tolhuaca.

**Playa lake**: an arid zone feature that is transitional between a playa, which is completely dry most of the year, and a lake (Briere, 2000).

In this study, a **salar** is an internally drained evaporative basin with surface water occurring mostly from spring discharge.





Source: PROGEA (2009)

# **Energy Context**





Per Ministerio de Energía, Perez-Arce, May 2011

# Renewables

**Recurso Solar** 



Recurso Hidrológico (En desarrollo)







## Geothermal Energy Resource Development



Tatio Geothermal Field, II Region, Chile A) Forward Looking Infrared, B) digital images

- Chile has about 3000 volcanoes along the Andes, and ~150 are active.
- Chile's geothermal
  potential is estimated
  at 16,000 MW, 1.2
  times the energy
  capacity currently
  installed in the country.

CEGA, 2013

# **E<sup>N</sup>COMPASS** Pilot Case



- Geothermal Resource in Chile
- Precipitating Event Natural laboratory
- Important economic resource
- A center point for regional heritage



## **El Tatio Natural Laboratory**



# El Tatio Geothermal Event

Sept - Oct 2009

Pressure testing for geothermal energy exploration resulted in a well blow-out.



Jackson School of Geosciences – Center for International Energy and Environmental Policy 2010 UT-Austin Tatio Geothermal Rapid Response Project

# **Reaction was Intense**



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(Salvemos Tatio, 2009)

## Information to Knowledge



### Socio-technical Systems are the People and Technology Dyad

### Common Pool Resources Understanding Stakeholders First

**Require spanning information and knowledge needs** 



High Performance Computing Subject Matter Experts

Formal Education Communities

Informal Education

### Broad Spectrum of Users/Contributors

# **Mixed Methods Approach**



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### **Biophysical**

- Field observations of geyser basin temp, geochemical/microbial sampling
- Satellite data
- Social Science
  - Phenomenographic interviews
  - Science-ethnic workshop

# Early Results - Phenomenography



- Indigenous population is enacting resistance and rejecting hierarchy
- Government operating in a planned change model
- Industry
  - Energy concern regarding resistance, inevitable
  - Tourism sees other sectors as an identity threat
  - Mineral Mining sees the issues for Tatio, but don't connect relationship to their sector

# **Sustained Dialogue**



Social Equilibrium Shift Opportunity for Science-Dialogue Intervention

(Stewart and Saunders, 2009)

Education and Engagement Group learning is one of the most powerful mechanisms humans use to make sense of complexity around us.



## **Dialog & Deliberation**



### Seminario Etnico Cientifico, 28 de Enero 2012

# Social Learning to Increase Relevance

- Sustained Dialogue workshops
- Capacity building for citizen science
- Vision and Priority identification





<u>Creating Tools</u> <u>to deliver</u> <u>scientific</u> <u>information</u> <u>to people</u>

# What is the most important thing you can do with a stakeholder group?

# **Context & Communication**

A newspaper is better than a magazine. A seashore is a better place than the street. At first it is better to run than to walk. You may have to try several times.

It takes some skill, but it is easy to learn. Even young children can enjoy it. Once successful, complications are minimal. Birds seldom get too close. Rain, however, soaks in very fast.

Too many people doing the same thing can also cause problems. One needs lots of room. A rock will serve as an anchor. If things break loose from it, however, you will not get a second chance."

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# How can we deliver integrated models and science to stakeholders in context?

## Data and Models are Core for Science Context

### Define the decision relevance of scientific uncertainty



(EarthCube, National Science Foundation, 2012)



Hartley et al., 2000

Modified from Risacher et al., 2003

# **Field Sites**







# Field Observations with Satellite Data



# **Isotopic Field Observations**





# Technology Enables participation and dialogue

what starts here changes the world...

# The University of Texas at Austin team heatseekers

### Interactive Interfaces and Visual Analytics



# Serious Gaming



# Thoughts on current state ...

### **Complexity – accessibility and generalizable patterns**

 Platforms that enable data access provide accessibility and interactivity to data sets and algorithms to seek patterns and complete analyses for increased insight

### **Relevance – framing to overcome science illiteracy and uncertainty**

 New modalities for addressing data needs of subject matter experts and educational tools to support social learning processes

### **Common Pool – Consensus Yield - information delivery modalities**

 Technology is enabling improved forms of engagement paired with a relationship lens transformative social process can be achieved









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