Managing Energy-Water Linkages: Work Program Update

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ESCC Decisions for SOM (May 2013)

Element 3: Energy-Water Linkages

- Objective: Help decision-makers better understand energywater linkages
- Discussion: A set of activities were proposed to strengthen the key elements of a knowledge platform and decision support system (capacity; data; modeling; governance)
- Decision: The proposed set of activities were supported, with the addition of topics on hydropower development.

Activities in Progress

✓ Knowledge Portal
✓ User-developed system of models

Climate change assessments for Central Asia

Communities of Practice

✓ World Bank Institute

Hydropower development and operations



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Updates

- Knowledge network
- Data Portal
- Model capacity strengthening



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Knowledge Network Value Added Activities

The Central Asia Knowledge Network is aimed to "glue" up different sources of knowledge, serve as a convening and umbrella facility to enable better flow of knowledge across countries and sectors. Knowledge Network will build on and benefit from the linkages with concurrent activities of the CAEWDP Program. It will add value via:

- Facilitation of Cross-Country Knowledge Flow
- Coordination of various activities in the region
- Local Adaptation of Global and Regional Knowledge
- Leveraging technical assistance and research – a "snowball effect"



Central Asia Water & Energy Data Portal Improving Public Access to Data in Central Asia

Context:

- Poor public domain access to data on Central Asia
- Significant advances in availability of datasets (including from earth observation) relevant for Central Asia
- Modern tools to access such information collated from global and local datasets on the go

Objective: Improved collation, documentation, visualization and access to publically-available datasets relevant for water resources and energy planning and management

Activities:

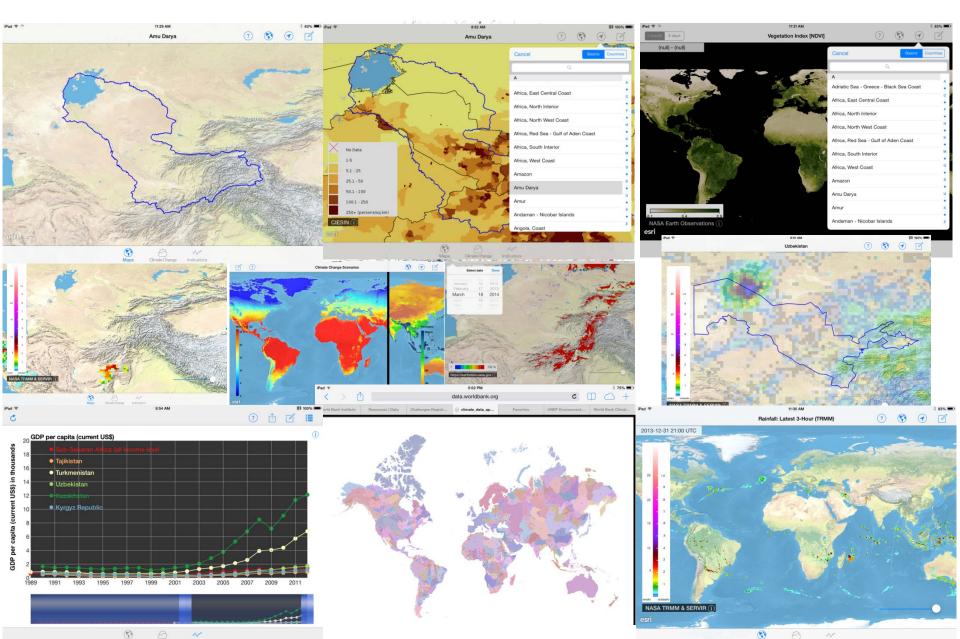
- Identifying sources of public-domain spatial and temporal data for Central Asia (Nov- 2013 May 2014)
- Prototyping mobile App to access and visualize public-domain datasets (demonstration May 2014)



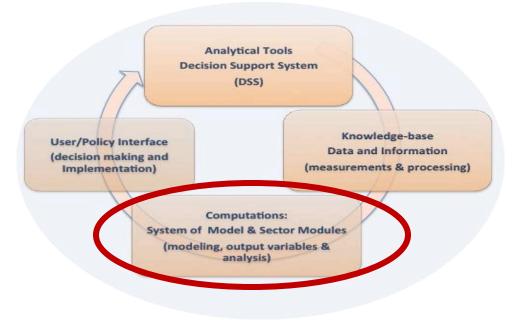
- Developing draft Primer to document sources, (dis)advantages, limitations, and potential uses of each type of available global and local dataset
- Building partnerships with public-domain knowledge providers and users (hope you can help!)

 Initiating stakeholder capacity-strengthening and discussion activities (May Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Program – Nov 214)

Central Asia Water & Energy Portal Illustrations from Mobile App under Development



Model Capacity Strengthening



Context:

- Interesting in understanding existing models
- Lack of national-level model results
- Need to basin versus (and?) operational models

Objective: To strengthen knowledge and modeling skills leading to a more effective and consensus identification basin modeling architecture options and priorities.



Activities:

- National consultations
- Capacity strengthening exploring existing models (BEAM, ASBMM, Aral DIF) (Fall 2014)
- World Bank Institute Training Modules e.g., Basin IT
- Knowledge Forums: Climate Resilience (May 2014); Integrated Water Resources Knowledge Forum)November 2014)
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