Mainstreaming 'paraecology'



Civic Science and the transition to sustainability

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Dr Mika Peck, July 2021: Evidence for Action: Aligning the Climate and SDG Agendas

International Policy



National Governments

Ministry of Education



Ministry of Health



Ministry of Energy



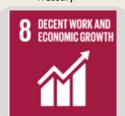
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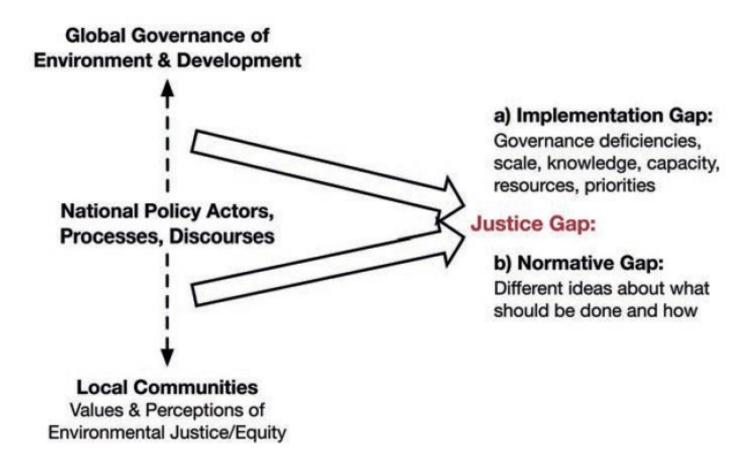
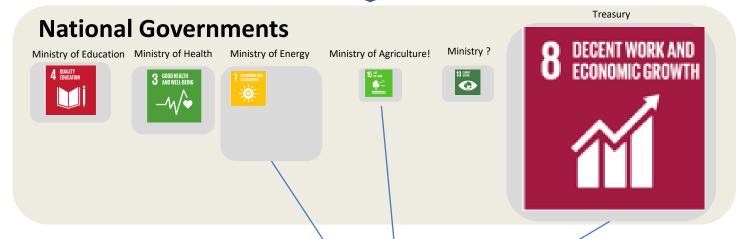


FIGURE 2.2 The justice gap between global and national ecosystem service governance and local communities comprises normative differences and implementation deficiencies.

International Policy





Siloed Policies

Unequal Power

Conflicting policies

Bottom up solutions ignored



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▲ Michelle Campos, whose father, grandfather and teacher were killed in September 2015 for opposing mining in Mindanao, the Philippines. Photograph: Tulda Productions

WICKED PROBLEM.

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a problem that is difficult or impossible to solve because of incomplete, contradictory, and changing requirements that are often difficult to recognize.

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What should we do at this level?

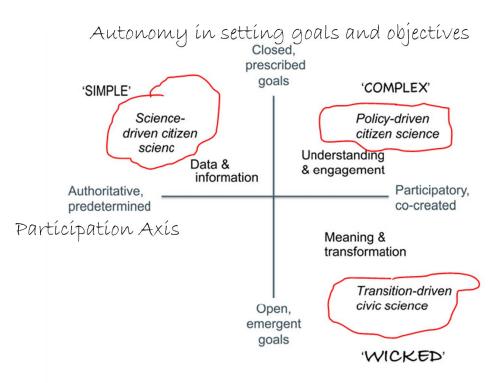


Figure 2. A heuristic of citizen science based on Wals and Jickling (2008).

Civic Science: the 'Paraecologist Model'

- 'parabiologist / paraecologist model' built around research process identifies and engages with local 'champions' who play crucial roles in change processes.
- Generates significant social and economic benefits to the local community.









Tesoro Escondido, Ecuador (Choco Biodiversity Hotspot)











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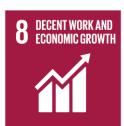
























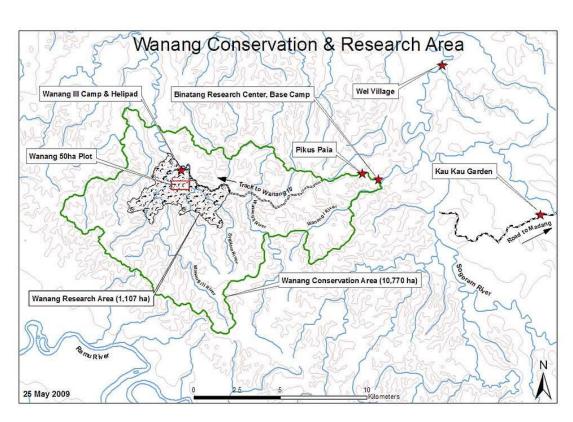
















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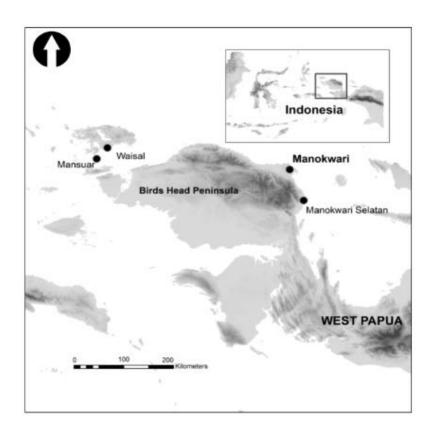




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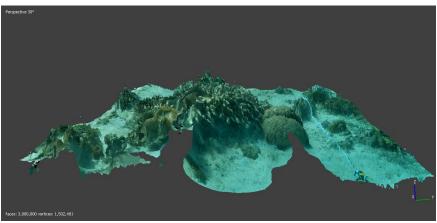








Sustainability Hub West Papua



Paraecologists: science and social change

- Help researchers access geographical areas, research topics or gain access to marginalised groups
- Incorporate local knowledges and scientific approaches
- Coproduction of solutions
- Empower Transition









Key Points



- Paraecologist model (Conservation) Multiple SDG goals attained through co-development of solutions
- 2. Empowerment of marginalised communities
- 3. Effective SDG synergies for rainforest communities and conservation organisations through **health**
- 4. Long term financial and training support of 'Sustainability hubs'/ 'Observatories'/'Ecological Health Centres' needed to prove and disseminate alternative development approaches and hold governments to account

