# Worldwide Grid System Dynamics -Why do we need it?

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> Palermo and Oxford SDS Conferences papers continuation

# 1. System Dynamics for humankind survival

#### **1.1.** World Summit on the Information Society - WSIS follow-up:

**D. & D. Meadowss: information is the key** to (sustainability) transformation. (...) When (...) information flows are changed, any system will behave differently".

**Yoshio Utsumi (ITU)**: in the new world of infinite information resources, one country's creation of wealth based on information can be shared by all. The value of information increases, the more it is shared.

Kofi Annan: This Summit (WSIS) must (...) push forward the outcome of the World Summit (New York 2005) (...) The hurdle here is more political than financial.

#### Main UN Goals:



- Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

- Inclusive Globalization - fair globalization;

- full and productive employment and decent work for all;

- "digital divide" elimination;

- sustained economic growth;

\- "three pillars" sustainable development of the world society.

environmental protection

economic development

social development

For these ends:

internalizing externalities (social and environmental);
 decoupling (the range of economic growth from the range of deficit natural resources depletion growth and degradation of environment), and
 coupling (the economic growth with social development - for general improvement in the quality of life), as well as

 world early warning system (of systems) building, are essential

To achieve above goals 1.3 **Worldwide GRID System Dynamics** is essential **WSIS follow-up proposal:** to build - in multi stage way, continuously under development, commonly accessible worldwide (net and GRID) sustainable development information system for: - dynamic monitoring, - long range forecasting, and - measurable evaluation policy, economy, work and other **changes** in the life conditions (of human-beings and nature in general) effects

#### **Dynamic monitoring**

(set: society–environment life-process):

collecting dates, that reflect this process, and **System Dynamics** transforming them into information about its quality, dynamics, and future.

**Dynamic monitoring** predicts future of monitored process under condition, that

any intervention into it will be undertaken.

#### **Dynamic monitoring**

delivers

warning forecasting, i.e. long-term early warning information about up to date

socio-economy activity negative consequences.

Dynamic monitoring is a basic component of feedforward control subsystem.

GLOBAL INFORMATION GOVERNANCE 1.5. (subsidiarity principle)

#### World Sustainable Development Strategy Center (WSDSC, by UN Secretary General), including UN Information Center for Sustainable Development Strategy (ICSDS)

The main tasks

#### **ICSDS**:

- stimulation and coordination of

worldwide sustainable development information system building; - world dynamic monitoring and warning forecasting creating and disseminating.

#### WSDSC:

# - predicted dangers overcome methods designing and disseminating,

- other sustainable development world tendency fostering methods designing **and** disseminating.

#### International research proposal

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# 1. How to get policy-makers - and societies - access to knowledge about complex (and FUTURE) effects of policy? 2. How to combine existing forecasting methods in Worldwide Sustainable Development Information System? 3. How to get access to necessary dates and knowledge?

4. How to transform statistical offices into

offices for statistic, dynamic monitoring and warning forecasting? 5, How to build information bases of sustainable development-economy? 6. How to make possible dividing (sharing) effects of work social process proportionally to work ecosocial usefulness?

<u>Conference I</u>: Information efficiency, DYNAMIC MONITORING and warning forecasting as sustainable development-policy preconditions

Conference II: Long range forecasting as transcending limits to growth means

**Conference III:** Sustained economic growth stimulation information bases

To include SDS into above international research program.

#### WHY DO WE NEED WORLDWIDE GRID SYSTEM DYNAMICS?

# Nowadays we are living in qualitatively new life-state - STATE OF CHANGE AND RISK (SCR) -

a result of science-technology-organizational progress (high and continuously accelerated rate of environmental changes, big inertia, and not fully determined future – chaos, catastrophes)

#### MAIN CAUSE of GLOBAL CRISIS: INADAPTATION to SCR – LACK of

FEEDFORWARD (control subsystem) and WISDOM CREATIVITY.

## WISDOM CREATIVITY (POTENTIAL):

- **WISDOM** (including education and ethic) potential;
- **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** (including simulation methods, **System Dynamics**) potential;

- **FLEXIBILITY** potential.

#### Flexibility:

 - subsidiarity (organic) social infrastructure (responsible liberty);

- flexible automation.

**Wisdom** is ability to:

- **observe** events in global ecosystem and space environment;

get knowledge about processes combined with these events;

- **predict** future of these processes;

- adequate **assess** these processes;
- support life-support processes, or
- eliminate processes dangerous for life.

#### Agents of wisdom (in SCR): - intellect;

- knowledge (also about future), and
- life-support activity power.

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## In the State of Change and Risk (SCR) **OBSOLETE (MORAL) DESTRUCTION** (life-forms not adapted to new life-conditions) ĪS MAIN LIFE DESTRUCTION FACTOR To eliminate, in SCR, negative obsolete (moral) destruction effects -**FEEDFORWARD** and more and more **WISDOM** creative activity is essential.

Sustainable development conditions Creation over destruction sustained surplus



Denotations

- ls life system
- mc multiplication construction
- rc regenerative construction
- ic innovative construction

phd – physical destruction md – moral destruction (outdatedness, obsolescence)

> Development (Is quality growth) mc + rc + ic > phd + md Regression mc + rc + ic < phd + md Steady state rc + ic = phd + md

Life-system – complex system: organization, society, ecosystem, Earth (global ecosystem) and its active elements and oversystems.

Life-system development effects:

- life-system longevity (life expectancy. durability) increasing;
- life-system elements life quality increasing, and
- life-costs decreasing.

Use of developmental surplus for:

- life-system efficiency increasing;
- environment friendly forming;

- UNKNOWN FUTURE RESERVES CREATION.

#### No Limits to WISDOM Based GROWTH



B - the beginnig of the transformation T - the limit to growth

#### Sustainable development

**Dynamic monitoring:** about **quality and dynamics** of life-process such information delivers :

- is it **development or crisis** (regression)?
- what is **the rate** of development or regression?

Life-expectancy SD measure: period from now to limit to growth (LtG, point T) reaching.

Development: when the moment of LtG achieving (point T) go away.

System Dynamics (SD) dynamic monitoring precondition

# 2. WSIS follow-up conclusions systemic justification

### The System of Life conceptual model basic axiom i = B(n,q)1/s

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i - the level of information (Wiener, 1971) – life-system development (and organization, as well as quality) level conceptual measure;

- s life-system (ECOSOCIAL) entropy (as well as development-reserves) level;
  - n the number of life-system elements;
- q life-system elements quality, and B(n,q) - some function connected with quantity and quality of life-system elements.

### **Ecosocial entropy**

#### Isomorphic similarity to thermodynamic entropy s = k ln w

 k – some constant, life-system kind conditioned;
 w – number of different time-space configurations of set:
 life-system – environment elements, that allow to reach this same life-system quality state.

# Life as information creation and entropy growth opposing process

#### Life-system as Bertalanffy general and open system (with homeostatic ability)

$$\frac{dQ_1}{dt} = f_1 (Q_1, Q_2, ..., Q_n)$$
$$\frac{dQ_2}{dt} = f_2 (Q_1, Q_2, ..., Q_n)$$
$$\frac{dQ_n}{dt} = f_n (Q_1, Q_2, ..., Q_n)$$

Life-process (past and future) reflection as moving point in multi dimensional grid-computer time-space

How many - in SCR - dates and knowledge (including new ones) we need for dynamic monitoring?

Egoaltruizm as necessary dates and knowledge access tool



#### Some properties of life-systems (1)

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Is = < E, Ri, **Re**, **∂**, i, t >

E – life-system (ls) elements,

Ri – internal relations

**Re – external relations,** 

- **Ə Is life expectancy,**
- i level of Is development

t – time.

Life of life-system depends on life, high quality and adequate form of environment (as source of proper – negentropy - form input energy).

Input energy for support life-system life transformed, can be degraded only relatively.

When this energy, as output energy, is formed adequate to environment life-needs, it is environment life support agent.

To support - **in SCR** - life-system life, **we need knowledge** about environment **future** life-needs and methods of life-system structure transforming in the way convenient for set: life-system – environment (SMTEnv)

#### Some properties of life-systems (2)

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Constructiveness – "to give more than to take" Synergy as main means of constructiveness

#### **Developmental life states:**

 internally constructive and externally destructive (1th stage - immature life-systems;

- internally and externally constructive (2nd stage - mature, wisdom creativity conditioned)

#### **Regressive life states**:

internally destructive, externally constructive (1th stage);
internally and externally destructive (2nd stage).

#### System: man–technology–environment (SMTEnv) as well as system: man–technology (SMT), and environment are life-systems

Life-system has homeostasis **ability to defend its life**, as well as **to cooperate** with other life-systems for their common good.

When **environment** is - at least internally - **destructive**, system: man–technology (SMT) is in **crisis**.

Crisis of environment is (more probably) a result of SMT limit to growth pathological crossing.



system: man - technology (SMT)

Limits to growth 2.8. developmental crossing/transcending conditions General condition: radical information efficiency, including: - far-sightedness, - flexibility, and - reserves creation possibility, increasing.

Limits to growth transcending is also conditioned on **environment** taken under **egoaltruistic care enlargement** .

#### Fundamental limits to growth transcending conditions:

- **INERTIAL**: create **feedforward** control subsystem,
- **DEFENSE-AXIOLOGICAL**: strengthen **defense** potential and shift egoism for **egoaltruizm**,

- **CATASTROPHIC**: create **symbiotical** relations in SMTEnv.

# **3. End conclusions**

3.1.

The lack of ability to eliminate **OBSOLETE (MORAL) DESTRUCTION** (life-forms not adapted to new lifeconditions) effects İS **THE MAIN CAUSE** of the GLOBAL CRISIS.

3.2.

## In the State of Change and Risk early warning about current negative consequences of socio-economic activity İS essential.

3.3.

## **UNEMPLOYMENT ELIMINATION** and SUSTAINED ECONOMIC GROWTH without access to knowledge about complex (and FUTURE) work effects are **IMPOSSIBLE**

# To build sustainable development policy and sustainable development economy information bases we need WORLDWIDE **GRID SYSTEM DYNAMICS**

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