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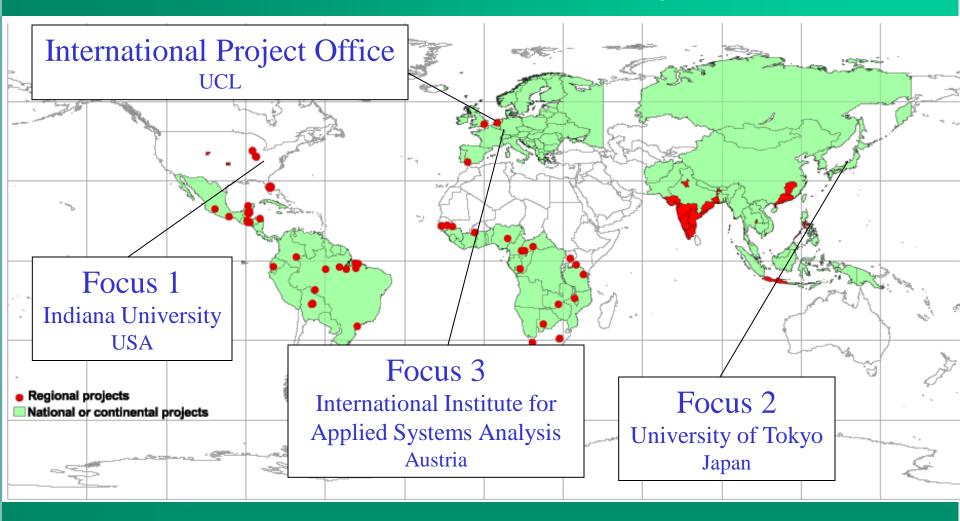


#### Land Use and Land Cover Change



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### Structure of the LUCC Project



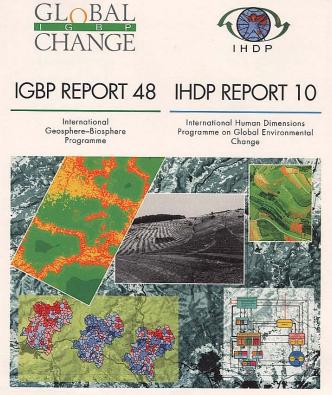
- More than 30 Endorsed Projects
- A Dozen Regional Networks

### LUCC

### **Implementation Strategy**



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Land-Use and Land-Cover Change Implementation Strategy Focus 1 Land Use Dynamics Comparative Case Studies

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Focus 3 Regional and Global Integrated Models









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#### Focus 1 - Land Use Dynamics

A core project of the **International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme** and the International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change

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#### Focus 2 - Land Cover Dynamics

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International Symposium on LUCC Contribution to Asian Environmental Problems

Dec.13-14, 2001

Venue: Science Council of Japan

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## LUCC's Challenges

- Reconstructing past land cover changes
- Understanding land use dynamics
- Projecting land use/cover changes
- Identifying vulnerable and critical regions



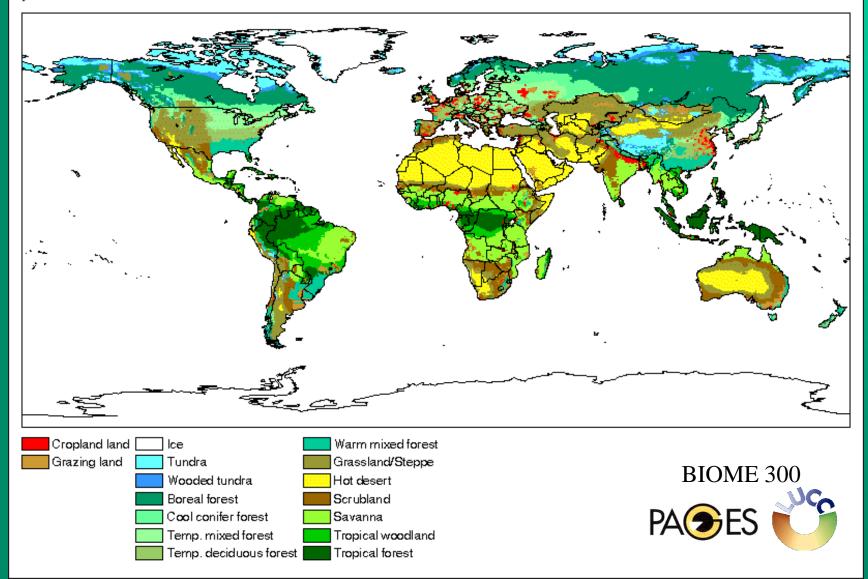


## Need for Historical Research

- Need stronger inferences on the history of land use and land cover change
- Historic and prehistoric analyses are key
- Connection to PAGES and the paleoecological community in reconstructing C fluxes over millenia and century time scales
- Take advantage of existing long-term research sites, like LTERs, to construct coupled human/biophysical systems that address the underlying interactions behind measurable sinks, sources and fluxes

#### Global Land Cover Types 1700 to 1992

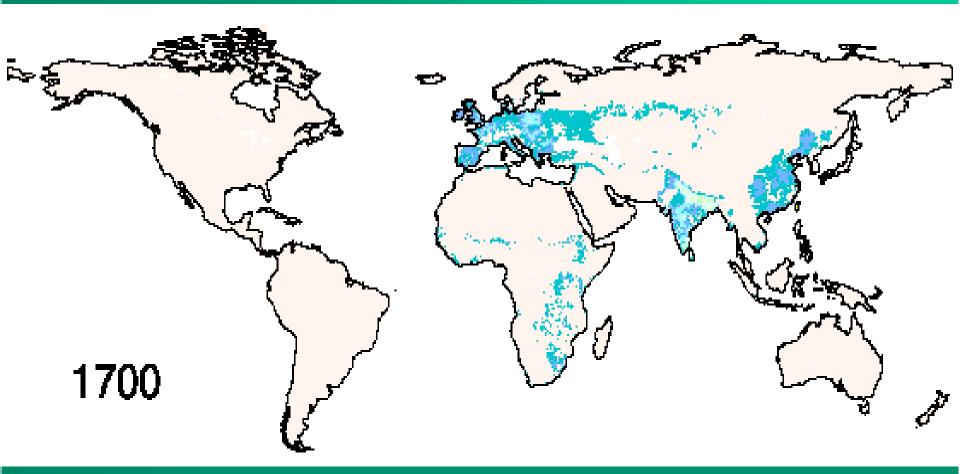
year 1700



#### Global Crop Cover Change 1700 to 1992



Center for Sustainability and the Global Environment Institute for Environmental Studies University of Wisconsin-Madison





Fraction of Grid Cell in Croplands





## To order the Biome 300 CD

- To order the Biome 300 fast-track land use data CD-ROM please contact Kees Klein Goldewijk at kees.klein.goldewijk@rivm.nl
- Or Navin Ramankutty at <u>nramanku@facstaff.wisc.edu</u>
- Data on the CD Rom includes human population densities, land use (croplands, pastures, other natural vegetation types), historical croplands and potential vegetation



IGBP-PAGES Focus 5 Past Ecosystem Processes and Human-Environment Interactions



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# Human Impacts on Terrestrial Ecosystems (HITE)

#### INTRODUCTION

The broad objective of the new HITE programme is to inform about the status, dynamics and sustainable management of terrestrial ecosystems now and in the future from the study of human-environment interactions in the past.

#### Key questions include: ·

What have been the major human impacts that have influenced the ecosystems that we see at the present day? -

To what extent and in which ways are the changes brought about by the combination of human and natural influences threatening the future functioning of terrestrial ecosystems?

How may information about past conditions help inform about suitable land use or management strategies in the present and future ecosystem? -

Is it possible to use records of past ecosystems to develop generalizations regarding the nature of nonlinear ecosystem dynamics, such as thresholds, response time-lags and recovery timescales?

What insights do palaeo-data give on frequencies and magnitudes of ecological change, especially those perceived as extreme events? -

How can paleo-records interact with ecosystem modelling?

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## Land Use Policy

Special Issue Using and Shaping the Land *Guest Editors* Helmut Haberl, Simon Batterbury and Emilio Moran



Environmental Histories and Key Driving Forces



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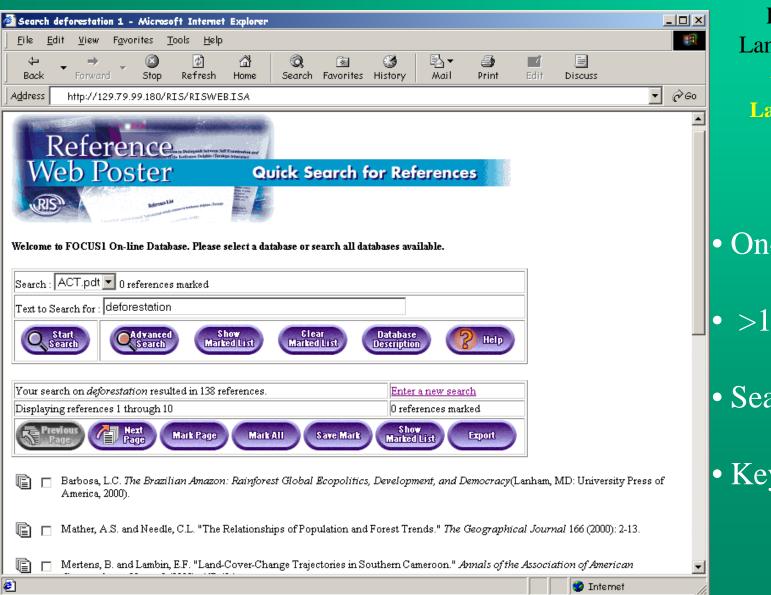
> Reconstructing Past Land Use

"Nature, Society and History: Long-Term Dynamics of Social Metabolism" Conference

Symposium: "Using and Shaping the Land: A long-term perspective"

Haberl, Batterbury and Moran (eds.)

### **Case Study Database**





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Understanding Land Use Dynamics

• On-line (www)

- >1,000 records
- Searchable
- Keyword index

### What Drives Tropical Deforestation?

A meta-analysis of proximate and underlying causes of deforestation based on subnational case study evidence

Helmut J. Geist & Eric F. Lambin



#### Comparative Examination of Case Studies



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Understanding Land Use Dynamics

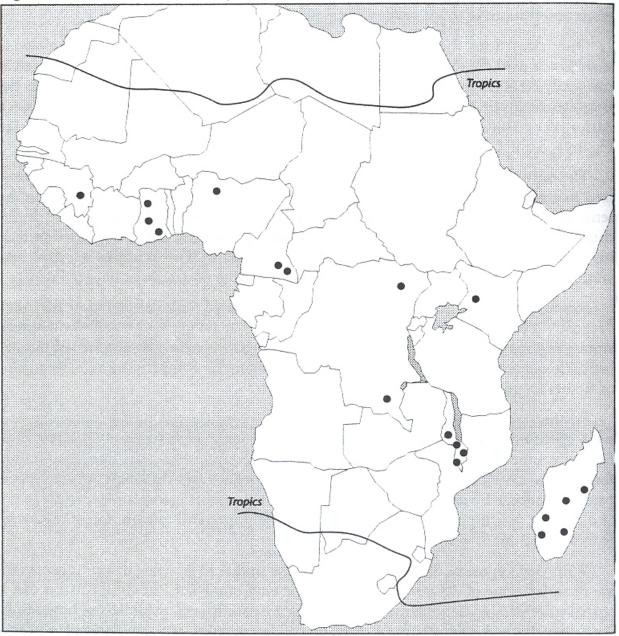
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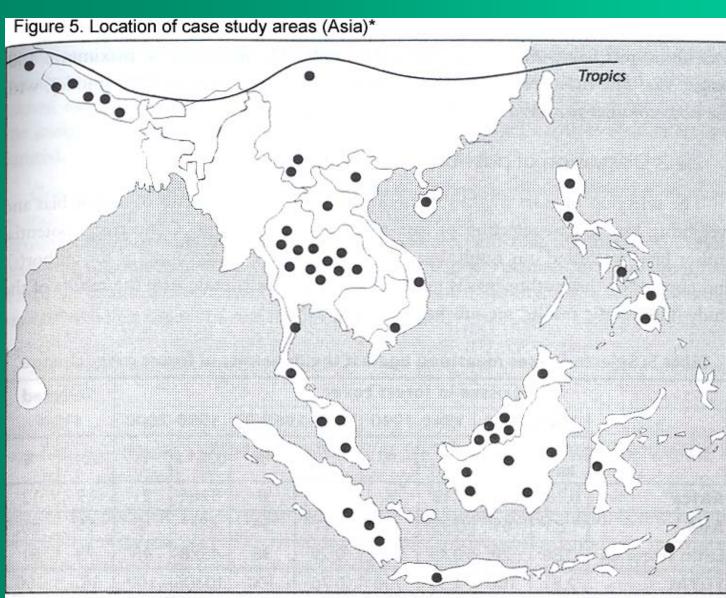
Potsdam Institute of Climate Impacts Research Desertification

IHDP Industrial Transformations Project Urbanization

Figure 4: Location of case study areas (Africa) – I









\* With two Asian cases not depicted here, i.e., Western Samoa Islands and Irian Jaya.

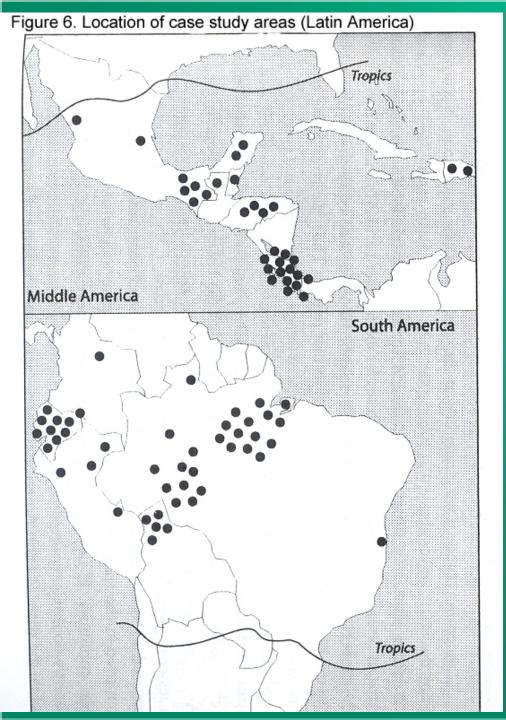
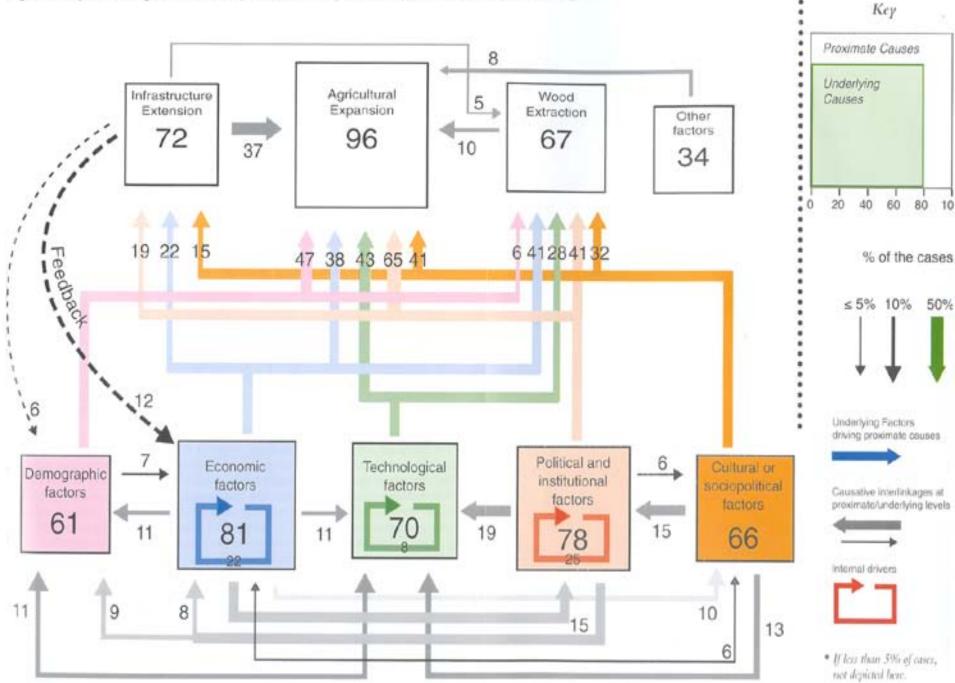
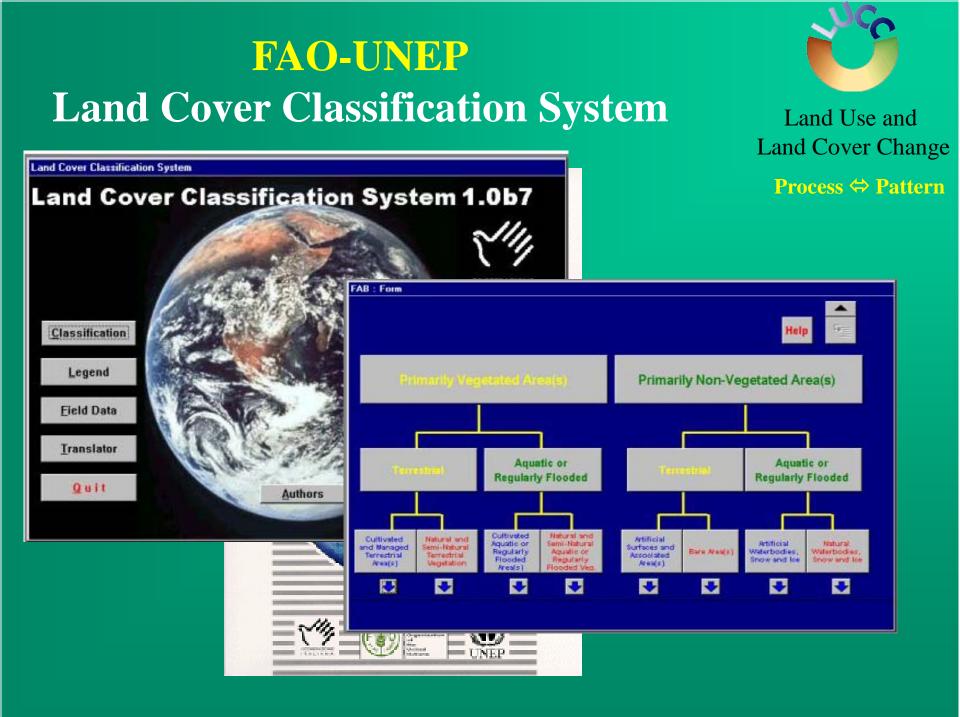




Figure 9. A systemic and generalized view upon the causative pattern of tropical deforestation (N=152 cases)\*







### Meeting in the Middle Workshop



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**Process ⇔ Pattern** 

#### Meeting in the Middle. The Challenge of Meso-Level Integration

An International Workshop on the Harmonization of Land Use and Land Cover Classification Ispra. Italy 7 - 20 October, 2000



### **Conclusions Recommendations**

- LCCS useful for harmonizing land cover Should be widely tested by LUCC
- Preference for parallel land use system Mutually exclusive categories Classification criteria operations function/purpose drivers/contexts/triggers



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To download the Meeting in the Middle report Go to www.indiana.edu/~act/focus1

### Special Issue: Predicting Land-Use Change

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Projecting Land Use and Cover

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## Advances in Integrated Modeling

- Major progress in spatially-explicit modeling of land changes
- No longer relies on rates projected from time series analysis and non-spatial models of land use
- Models are more cross-disciplinary and increasingly regional
- There is still a gap between land use change reconstructions and the simulations used to force the models
- Promising tool: agent-based modeling of land use changes

### Agent Based Modeling





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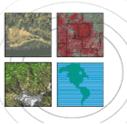
Arthur M. Sackler Colloquium Adaptive Agents, Intelligence and Emergent Human Organization: Capturing Complexity Through Agent-Based Modeling October 4-6, 2001; Irvine, CA

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Biocomplexity in the Environment ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH AT NSF



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Companion Workshop

Multi-Agent Systems for the Simulation of Land Use and Cover Change



## Advances in Integrated Modeling

- Agent-based modeling of LUCC simulates decisions by and competition between multiple actors including land users.
- Models integrate spatial heterogeneity, allow actors to seek different goals, and allow actors to learn over time from previous experiences (adaptive learning)
- Focus on emergent properties and non-linearities





Critical and Vulnerable Regions



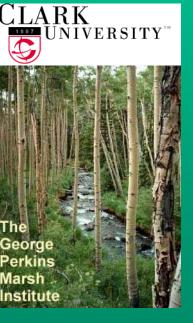
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HARVARD UNIVERSITY Research and Assessment Systems for Sustainability

### Vulnerability and Global Environmental Change An International Workshop



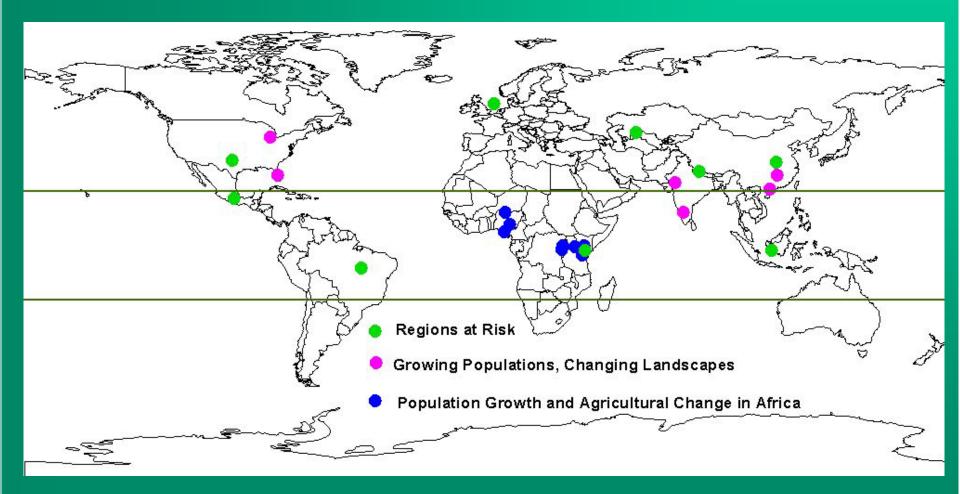
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Critical and Vulnerable Regions

- Various **definitions** of vulnerability coalesce, but fail to achieve needed specificity
- Rigorous comparative studies not yet undertaken
- Scant attention paid to date to **"endogenous" perturbations** (i.e., arising within a coupled human-environment system)
- The disconnect between **conceptual models** and the **metrics** and **indicators** has constrained greater progress in the latter
- Vulnerability needs to be assessed within the context of multiple and cumulative stresses and perturbations
- The tendency of existing models to be **linear** limits their capability to deal with **uncertainty, discontinuities** and **dynamic feedbacks**



## Land Use Trajectories in the Tropics



Address 🕘 http://shiba.iis.u-tokyo.ac.jp/LUCC/symp/index.htm



## LUCC Symposium 2001

<u>Scope | Abstract/Full-Paper | Program | Registration | Logistics | Committee | Secretariat</u>

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# PEOPLE-ATMOSPHERE-LAND (PAL)

Designing an integrated research agenda for the next decade

M.O. Andreae | Emilio Moran | Dennis Ojima Co-chairs







## **Objectives**

To better understand how people (P) i.e. human activities, land use, population growth, industrial metabolism, urbanization, and institutions are altering natural processes in the atmosphere (A) and the land (L), including hydrological systems







# Research Approach

### • Process Studies

 Sectoral and inter-sectoral studies to better define mechanisms of interactions or responses to multiple stressors

### Integrated Regional Studies

 Vertically-integrated study of coupled human and biophysical systems at a limited number of locations

• Networks

 Flux-networks, land-cover/land use change comparisons, comparative case-studies to complement process and integrated regional studies



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# IGBP Phase 2: PEOPLE-ATMOSPHERE-LAND (PAL)

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