



International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change (IHDP)

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*„Human Dimensions Research and NEESPI – possible avenues
for future collaboration“*



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IHDP CORE PROJECTS

- Human Security (GECHS)
- Institutions (IDGEC)
- Industrial Transformation (IT)
- Global Land Project (GLP)
- Coastal Zone (LOICZ)
- Urbanization (UGEC)

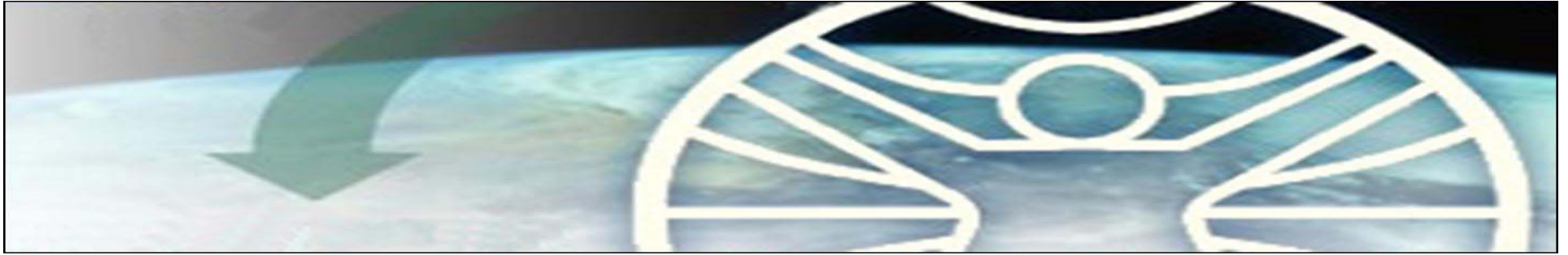
ESSP JOINT PROJECTS

- Carbon (GCP)
- Food (GECAFS)
- Water (GWSP)
- [Human Health]

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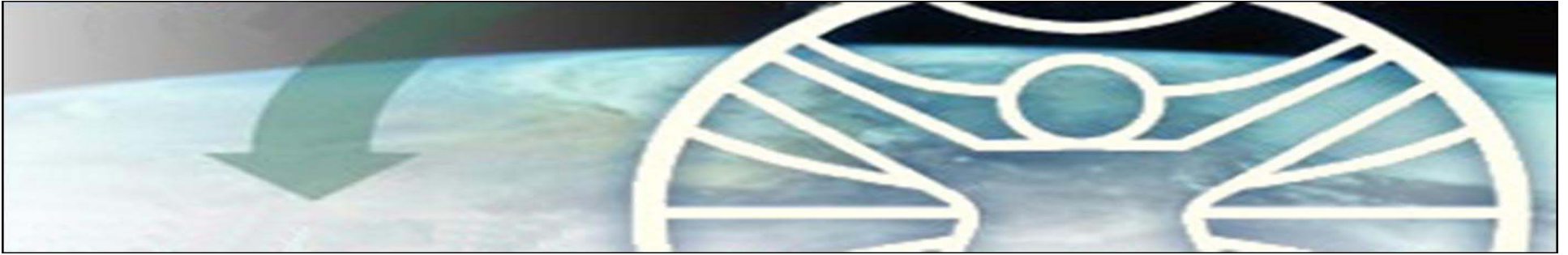
- NETWORKING
- CAPACITY BUILDING
- SCIENCE POLICY INTERACTION





The IHDP Strategic Plan 2007-2015

- **IHDP's vision:** *„to provide international leadership in framing, developing, and integrating social science research on global environmental change and to promote the application of the key findings of this research to help address environmental challenges.“*
- **Three pillars for implementation:**
 - Cutting-edge Research (core and joint projects, cross-cutting themes, affiliated networks)
 - Capacity Development
 - Science Policy Interaction



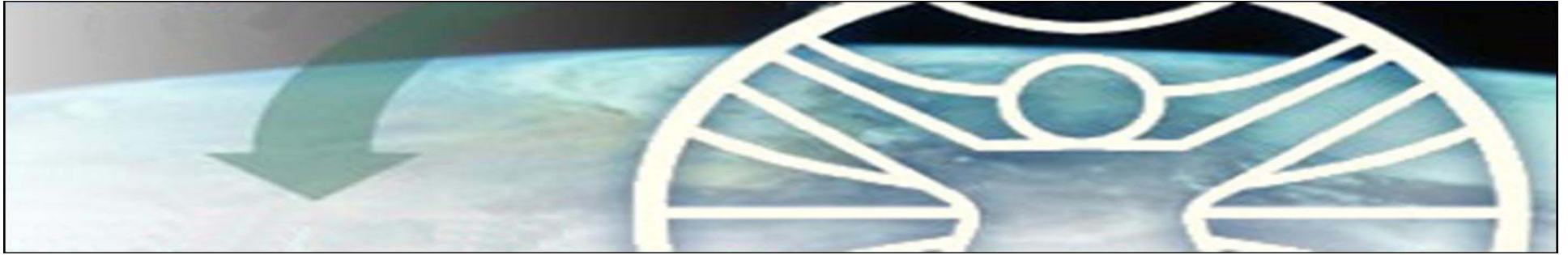
The IHDP research agenda – the IDGEC example

- Causality, Performance, Design
- Fit, Interplay, Scale
- Regional Focus on the „Circumpolar North“
- Follow on project: „Earth System Governace“, including a strong cross-cutting component



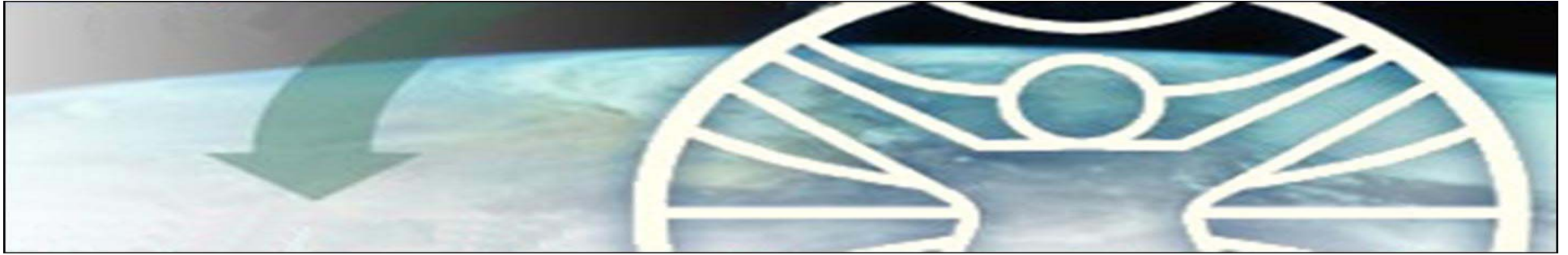
The IHDP research agenda – cont.

- IHDP Open Meeting, New Delhi, 16-19 October 2008 (First International Scientific Planning Committee Meeting, 22-24 June 2007, Bonn)
- GECHS workshop „Climate Change Adaptation in Nordic Countries“, Oslo, 18-19 December 2006
- The *Amsterdam Conference* on „Earth System Governance: Theories and Strategies for Sustainability“, 24-26 May 2007
- LOICZ-IASC-AMAP-IHDP Workshop: „Arctic Coastal Zones at Risk“, Tromsø, 1-3 October 2007, focus on climate change




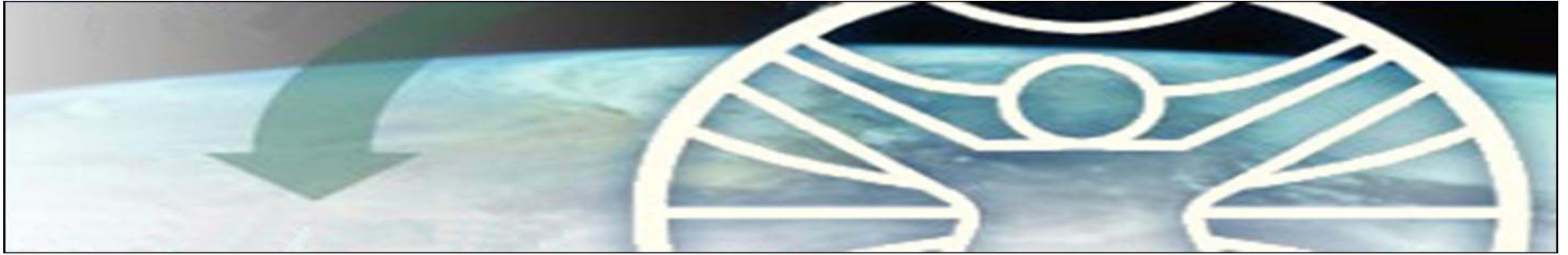
IHDP's Capacity Development Strategy

- The International Human Dimensions Workshop (IHDW)
- IHDP Seed Grant Initiatives
- Regional and sub-regional networks and activities
- IHDP Scholarship Programme



Science Policy Interaction

- An exciting field of research itself!
- Participation in Global Assessments (IPCC, MEA)
- Series of *IHDP Science Policy Workshops* (next in Santa Barbara, California, on Energy, tbc)
- „Bonn Dialogues“  (next on „melting ice“, autumn 2007)
- Communication and Outreach



Thank you for your attention!

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