# Resource and economics modeling:

# Merging several approaches using the Threshold 21 (T21) mode



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INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT MODEL

# **Characteristics of MI projects**



- Fully customized models (to local context) and analysis, focused on elaborated national vision and implementation policy <u>(open source models)</u>.
- Flexible, easy to learn and use software for the simulation of different investment scenarios
- Integration of different stakeholders from across government (our clients) and interested parties in the modeling and policy dialogue process
- Local capacity development for ST and SD modeling, qualitative and quantitative scenarios.

# Approach – Methodology: A knowledge integrator





# **T21 Structure**



# Approach – Methodology (2) Merging economic and biophysical models



# Approach – Methodology (3) A systemic representation







## Applications Worldwide National models, plus several more regional country projects and reports



# **Role of scenarios**



- At the global level, how could scenarios support the progress of REDD+?
- An integrated approach can support the evaluation of several sectoral and cross-sectoral potential medium and longer-term impacts of investments(including synergies and bottlenecks).
- REDD+, in the context of government accounts, can provide a valid alternative/complement to existing economic development and forestry management strategies.

# **T21 Fits into Planning Toolkits**



- Macro models
  - Provide Macro Balances, MTEF, IFI discussions
  - Short term -- need longer-term, x-sector validation
- CGE Models
  - SAM, Detailed relations, Optimum effects
  - Comparative static -- need more transparent paths
- Optimization Models
  - Detailed relations, mostly linear, optimum effects
- Threshold 21
  - Long term, Cross sector links, Transparent results
  - Not as detailed, builds on local data and input from other tools

# Planning goals: Kalimantan



- REDD+ finance used to incentivize the transition to a Green Economy in Kalimantan, to support:
  - Indonesia's targets of 7% GDP growth,
  - food security,
  - wise use of natural resources,
  - poverty alleviation, and
  - 41% carbon emission reduction by 2020 (of which 15% with international support),
- Also valuable to maintain Kalimantan's valuable biodiversity, ecosystem services and contribution to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

# Role of scenarios (2)



- How can scenarios help stakeholders plan a REDD programme?
- Cross-sectoral, descriptive models can support both policy formulation and evaluation.
- Scenario definition is essential to highlight future possible paths and evaluate adequate frameworks for action.
- Mental models (understanding of the system analyzed) has to be share to maximize the usefulness and effectiveness of scenario exercises.



#### **Causal diagrams: Kalimantan** grants and donors <u>leakage</u> rural poverty capacity gdr tfp government human access to market and revenues capital finance investment palm oil price capital underemployment education of local labor rural infrastructure natural income health capital palm oil palm oil profitability population production cost labor cost ecological infrastructure land cost palm oil productivity benefits of/to climate variability<sup>+</sup> <infrastructure> investment in traditional farming land tenure community ecological infrastructure MIGRATION **R/D** investment value chain soil quality law enforcement development unplanned deforestation non timber forest products forest cover coherent spatial planning planned total deforestation eco tourism deforestation emissions land tenu forest fires/peat land private forest restoration degraded low carbon land energy energy <rural income> demand degraded land mining restoration <gdp> energy efficiency

# Simplified, sectoral model snapshot: Kenya, Africa Adaptation Program (AAP)







capital industry

initial capital industry

industry employment

initial industry employment effect of R&D on TFP \

effect of airline freight capacity on TFP

effect of broadband connectivity on TFP effect of education on productivity industry

effect of energy price on productivity

effect of port capacity on TFP

effect of rail freight on TFP

effect of health on productivity industry

effect of road density on productivity industry

industry capital elasticity

initial industry production

relative capital industry

industry production

relative industry employment

total factor productivity industry

# **Role of scenarios (3)**



- How can scenarios help stakeholders analyze/visualize the benefits and impacts of a REDD program in a country?
- Uniquely customized models able to represent the social, economic and environmental context in a transparent manner can provide information needed to design and evaluate policies.
- Key info include: population, employment, production/income, natural resources, land use and deforestation, carbon emissions and update, and and economic evaluation of ecosystem services.

#### **Results: GDP Growth** (CC-related costs are not included in this chart) 0.05 0.04 0.03 0.02 0.01 0 1975 1990 2005 2020 2035 2050 ■G2 ■ historical (WDI) BAU BAU2

# Results: Natural Resource Stocks and the Economy





# "Green" or "inclusive" ... GDP

		2010	2030					2050				
	Unit		BAU1	BAU2	BAU	G1	G2	BAU1	BAU2	BAU	G1	G2
Real GDP	Bn \$/Yr	69,334	116,100	119,307	110,642	117,739	122,582	164,484	172,049	151,322	174,890	199,141
Change in fossil fuel stocks	Bn \$/Yr	-1,212	-2,616	-2,787	-2,373	-1,629	-1,127	-4,705	-4,972	-4,312	-2,306	-979
	ratio to GDP	-1.8%	-2.3%	-2.3%	-2.1%	-1.4%	-0.9%	-2.9%	-2.9%	-2.8%	-1.3%	-0.5%
Change in forest stocks												
Lower bound Upper bound	Bn \$/Yr	-3.9	-6.1	-7.7	-3.5	0.4	0.4	-7.5	-9.4	-3.9	1.2	1.2
		-3,609	-5,698	-7,269	-3,279	448	447	-6,987	-8,884	-3,658	1,303	1,294
Lower bound Upper bound	ratio to GDP	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.01%	<0.01%	<0.01%	<0.01%	<0.01%	-0.01%	<0.01%	<0.01%	<0.01%
		-5.2%	-4.9%	-6.1%	-3.0%	0.4%	0.4%	-4.2%	-5.2%	-2.4%	0.7%	0.7%
Change in fish stocks	Bn \$/Yr	-160	-122	-122	-116	-9	52	-91	-91	-88	40	142
	ratio to GDP	-0.24%	-0.11%	-0.10%	-0.10%	-0.01%	0.04%	-0.06%	-0.05%	-0.06%	0.02%	0.07%

### **Results: Ecological Footprint** (2050 values, footprint components relative to 2010



# **Results: Forestry**



← forest area in M Ha (right axis)

# **Main Objectives**

Model development, a joint effort to:

- Identify key issues;
- Define model boundaries;
- Identify key variables and structural drivers;
- Evaluate data availability;
- Model building and validation;
- Identify key policy levers and interventions;
- Elaborate scenarios and carry out the analysis.

# Benefits from using this approach

- 1. Consistency check of data and assumptions (structural and numerical)
- 2. Identification of future potential issues (within and across sectors)
- 3. Identification of alternative strategies to create synergies, avoid bottlenecks
- 4. Basis for monitoring and evaluation, especially of medium to long term impacts

All key factors to support a REDD+ analysis within the context of national development planning

# Thank you for your attention



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