### SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF ISLANDS' LIFE AND ENVIRONMENT



To live is to choose. But to choose well, you must know who you are and what you stand for, where you want to go and why you want to get there. (Kofi Annan)

## This is about...

#### **EXPLORATION**

#### **MOBILIZATION**

#### **COMMITMENT/VOLUNTEERISM**

#### Assumptions

 No one is as smart as all of us Knowledge and skills are available; need to put them together People are willing to work for common good Search for significance in our profession Desire to make lasting contribution • To find answers, ask questions

"Our biggest challenge in this new century is to take an idea that seems abstract - sustainable development and turn it into a reality for all the world's people."

(Kofi Annan, Secretary General of the United Nations, March 14, 2001, Bangladesh)



THE CHALLENGE OF SUSTAINABILITY AN ACTION AGENDA FOR THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT

Kofi Annan U.N. Secretary General September 2002 Economic and social needs are balanced with the capacity of the resources and ecosystemS



Impoverished by environmental degradation, where poverty and hunger still afflict a billion or more people. Properly values water and manages it effectively



Making the transition to renewable energy sources



Still dependent on fossil fuels, and where climate change is destabilizing many nations

#### Responsible consumption and production patterns



Still inundated by waste and poisoned by hazardous materials

#### Preventable diseases have been largely eliminated



One in which millions of children continue to die annually Rich-country markets are fully open to laborintensive products from poor countries



Remains deeply divided between rich and poor



"We are now beginning to see the consequences of failing to safeguard our investment." "Climate change and the depleted ozone layer are among the starkest examples. Biological diversity -- the incredible variety of life on Earth that sustains us -- is in rapid decline. Freshwater and marine resources are increasingly polluted; soils and once-prolific fisheries are growing barren."

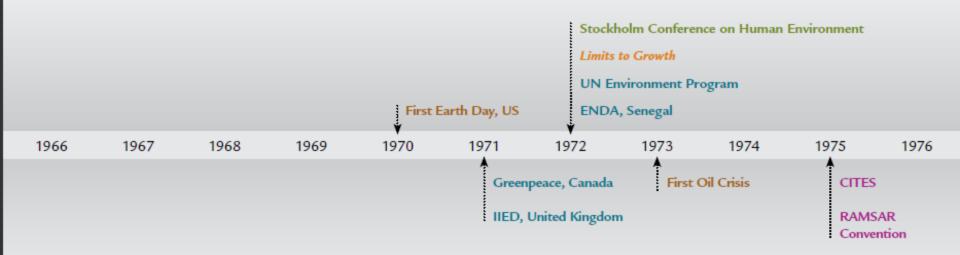
"The impact of our neglectful stewardship is being felt most by the world's most vulnerable people: those who live on the desert margins; indigenous communities; the rural poor; the inhabitants of the squalid slums of the world's expanding megacities.

If they are to break out of the poverty trap and prosper, they need -- at the very minimum -- fertile land, clean water and adequate sanitation...

I call on all Governments, businesses and citizens of the world to give our Mother Earth the respect and care she deserves."

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's message for International Mother Earth Day on 22 April 2010

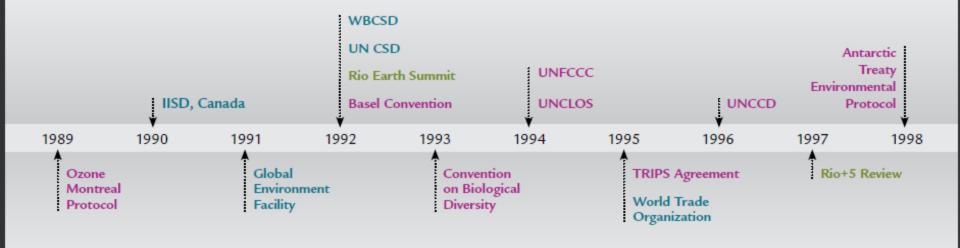
# RIO + 20: Celebration? Or...?



Sustainable Development Global Governance timeline

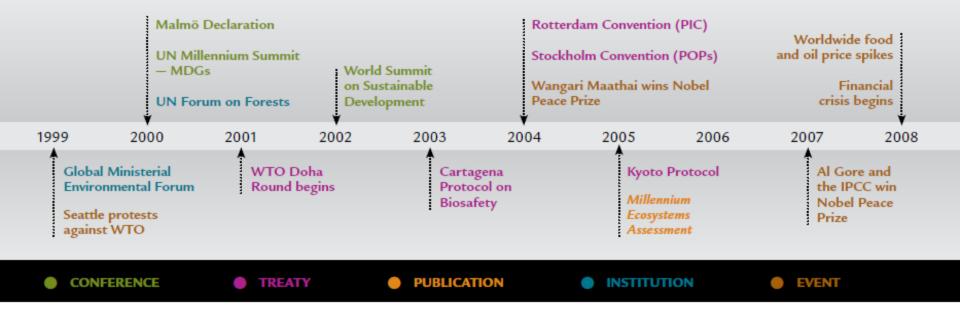






#### Sustainable Development Global Governance timeline





#### **GREEN ECONOMY**

#### **GLOBAL GREEN NEW DEAL**

UNEP, March 2009

> Energy efficiency in old and new buildings; Renewable energy technologies, such as wind, solar, geothermal and biomass technologies; > Sustainable transport technologies, such as hybrid vehicles, high speed rail and bus rapidtransit systems;

The planet's ecological infrastructure, including freshwaters, forests, soils and coral reefs; and

Sustainable agriculture, including organic production.

# SMILE

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## RESPONSE

#### GOVERNANCE, LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT (GLAD)

LEADERSHIP FOR ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (LEAD) GOVERNANCE FOR ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (GOVERN) GOVERNANCE FOR DEVELOPMENT (GoDev)

Community Efforts for Life and Leadership (CELL) Resourcebased
Basin
Island
SMILE Village-based

Kabalikat sa Barangay (Kabarangay)

## The **PROBLEM**

How do we promote the sustainable management of islands' life and environment in the context of globalization and the threats of climate change?

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE**

#### **GLOBALIZATION**



## **Biologically diverse but** fragile; culturally rich; politically challenging; economically stagnant; socially complex

#### Why islands?

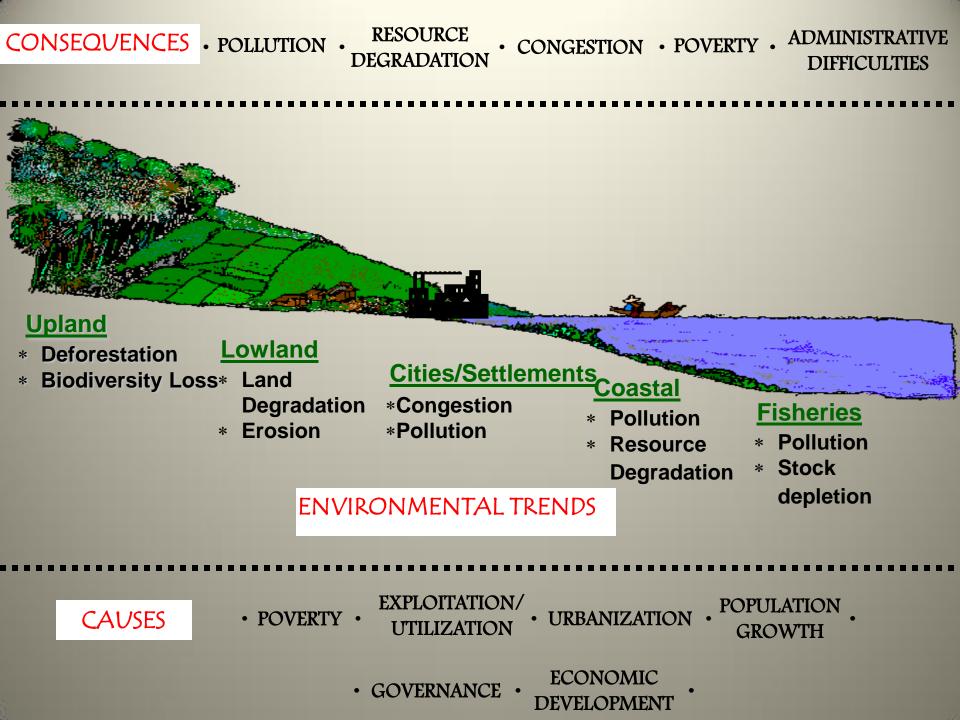
There are things to know about islands (treasure chest of information; windows of opportunities

Offer opportunities for collaboration and integration (testing our models and tools)



# There are threats to islands (internal and external threats)

## Issue of scale and manageability



#### Why SMILE?

It is about managing for sustainability; a comprehensive and integrative approach

It is about understanding global forces but listening to local voices and if possible mobilizing local energies and potentials

We need models; success experiences that can be copied and multiplied (Success without successors is failure)

#### **OUTCOMES/VISION**

"A Progressive Green Island"

 Protected/rehabilitated ecosystems and biodiversity; Reduced energy, materials, and water consumption through highefficiency strategies; De-carbonized island society; Minimized or altogether avoided generation of all forms of waste and pollution;

 Developed and utilizes renewable energy sources; Vibrant local enterprises and economy; Sound local governance and leadership; Healthy and productive population; and, Mobilized human and social capital





Area: 952.6 km<sup>2</sup> (367.8 sq mi) Population: 229,636 Municipalities: 6 Barangays: 218

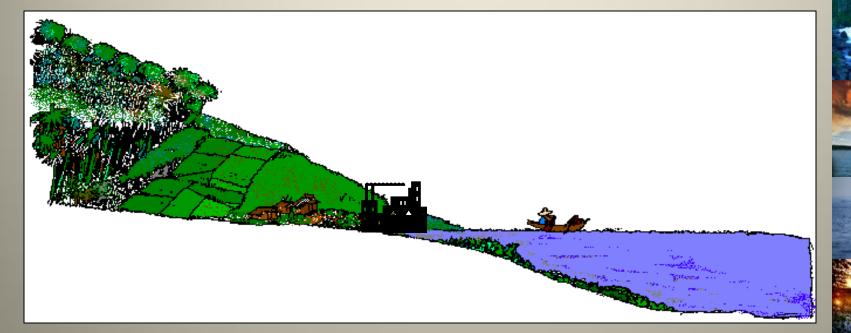
# Why Marinduque?

 Accessible, peaceful, environmental challenges, potentials for development (similar islands) Some initiatives need to be continued and sustained Rich social capital to be explored

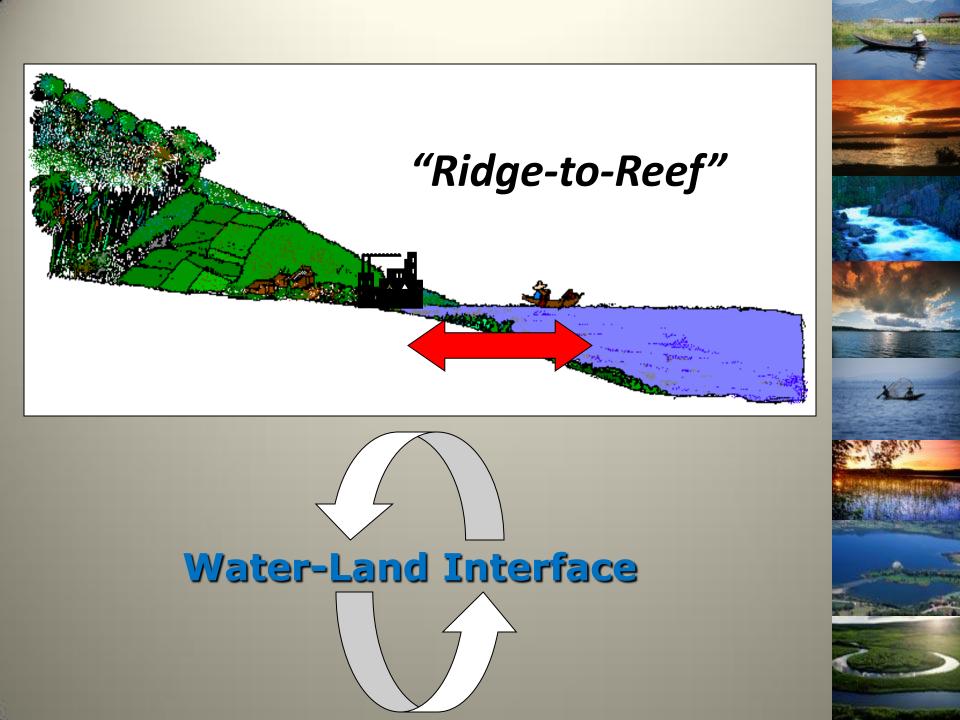
#### **SMILE Framework and Approaches**

Village-Based Development
Basin/Ridge to Reef Approach
Ecosystems approach
Landscape approach
Basin approach

#### **Development is about Interactions**



#### **Iowland-upland-ocean continuum**

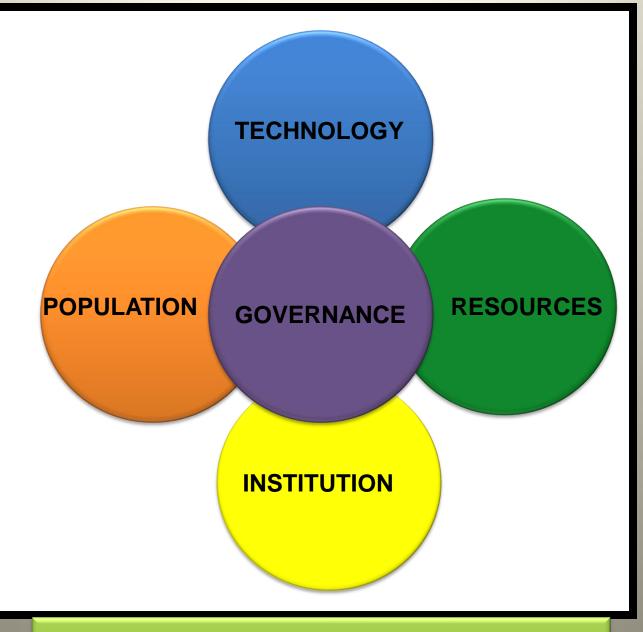






# Supply and Demand Management Loop



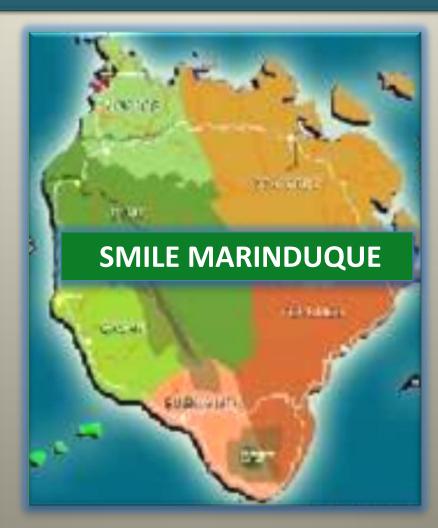


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# We can do it!!!

"Our destination is further than you can see, but not so far off that you cannot reach it."