

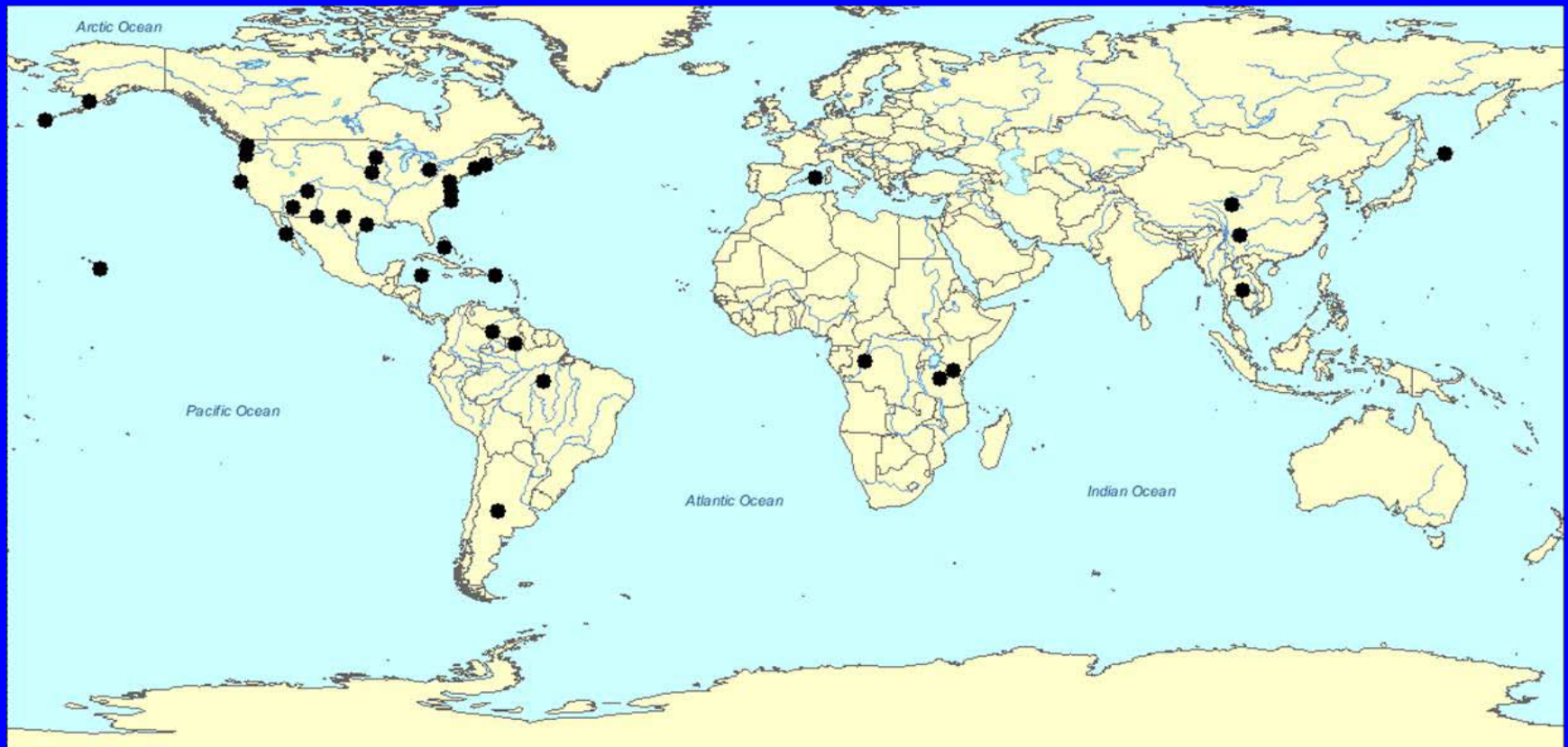
International Network of Research on Coupled Human and Natural Systems (CHANS-Net)

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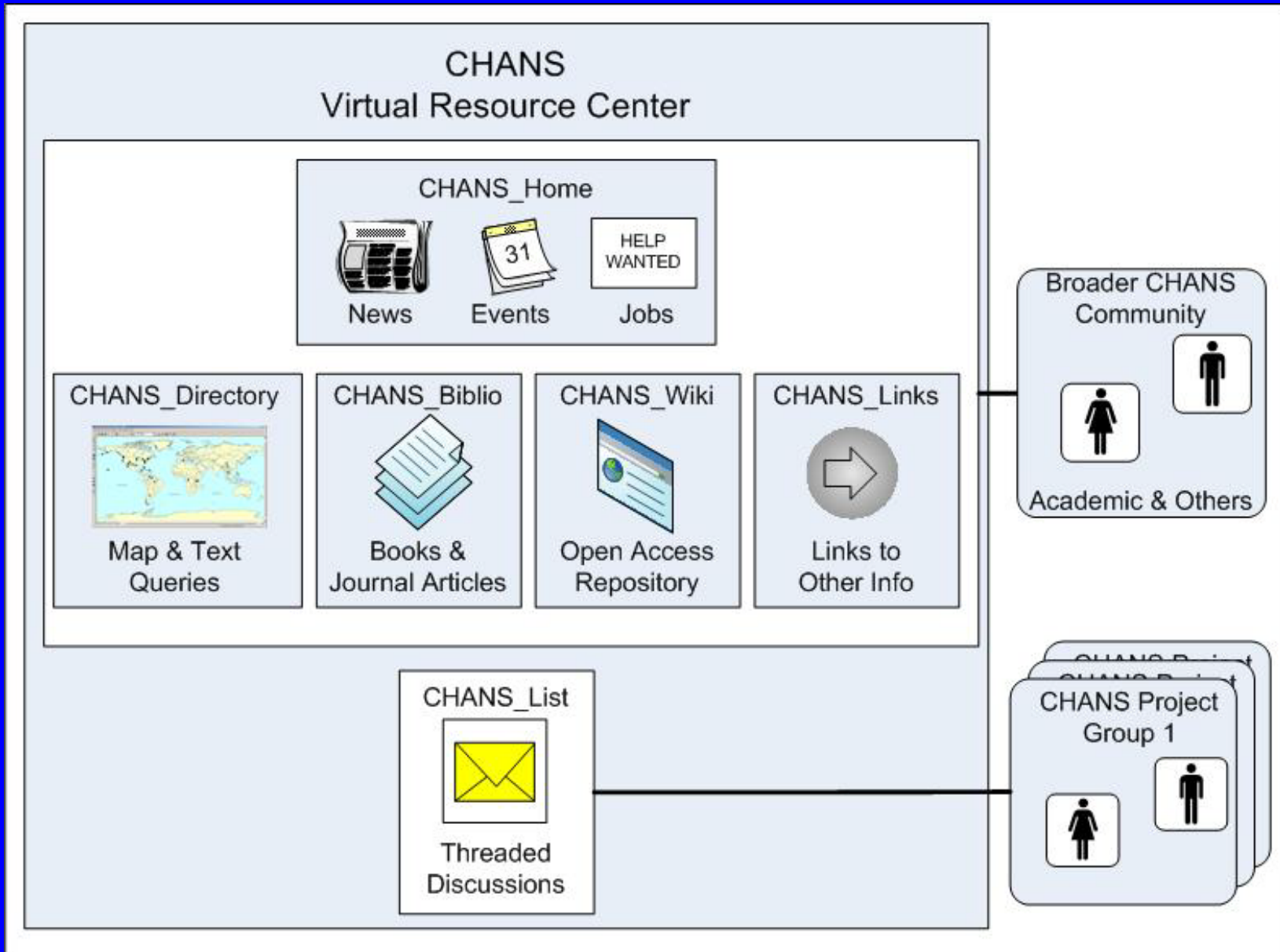
Objectives of CHANS-Net

- **Promote communication and collaboration across the CHANS community through virtual interaction.**
- **Facilitate collaboration across the CHANS community through face-to-face interaction.**
- **Generate and disseminate comparative and synthesis scholarship on CHANS complexity.**
- **Diversify the CHANS community.**

Example Activities of CHANS-Net

- **Symposia and Workshops**
- **Special Journal Issues and Book Series on CHANS**
- **CHANS Fellows Program**
- **Web-based Resource Center**

Web-based Resource Center



Sample Questions to Address

- How do different aspects of complexity vary across space, over time, and at different organizational levels?
- How do different aspects of complexity interact? For instance, how much does one aspect of complexity enhance or offset other aspects of complexity?
- How does complexity within CHANS change in response to cross-boundary processes (e.g., migration, tourism)?
- In what circumstances do CHANS co-evolve, such that interactions among human and natural components lead to sustainability?

Welcome to Join CHANS-Net

- Everyone from around the world is welcome.
- www.chans-net.org
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The First Proposed CHANS-Net Symposium

Complexity in Human-Nature Interactions
across Landscapes

2009 Annual Conference of US-IALE (U.S. Regional Association of the International Association for Landscape Ecology)

- **Theme:** Coupling Humans with Complex Ecological Landscapes
- **Dates:** April 12-16, 2009
- **Location:** Snowbird, Utah, USA
- **Abstract Deadline:** December 15, 2008
- **Financial Support:**
 - Foreign Travel Scholar Awards
 - NASA-MSU Awards Program
 - Sponsored Student Travel Awards
 - CHANS Fellows Program