

Drops of Diplomacy

Questioning the Scalar Possibilities of Hydro-Diplomacy through a Moroccan Fog-Harvesting Project

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Hydro-Diplomacy

 "the water problems of our world need not be only a cause of tension; they can also be a catalyst for cooperation"

(Kofi Annan, World Water Day 2002)

 foreign policy cooperation over shared waters can help resolve other conflicts and encourage integration (adelphi 2014)

Hydro-Diplomacy has been...

• State-centric

• Formal international relations

• Transboundary river basins

Pushing against those assumptions...

• Diplomacy Tracks

• Local versus/and Global

• Multiple forms of 'conflict'

Diplomacy Theory: Tracks

• Considering unofficial forms of diplomacy

Montville 1981

- Tracks of Diplomacy:
 - 1 (official negotiations)
 - 2 (unofficial dialogue between civil society leaders)
 - 3 (people-to-people relationship-building)

Using Track Diplomacy to Question Scale

Example Diplomacy Track Timeline of Hydro-Diplomacy

	Conflict Begins	Official Negotiations	Ceasefire	
1		Representatives meet	Treaty signed	
2 [Academics explore options for peace			
3 [Public pressure for peace		Cross-border projects	

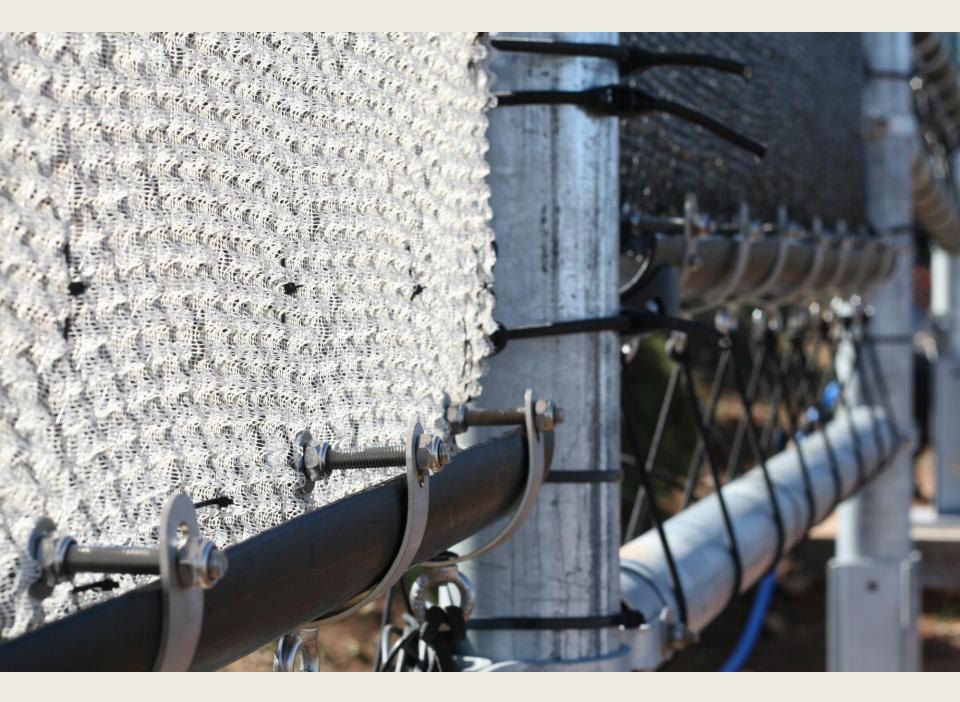














Track 2



Track 3

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community engagement



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women's empowerment

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children's education









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Hydro-Diplomacy

• Potential beyond rivers and states

• Various forms of water

• Many scales and multiple actors





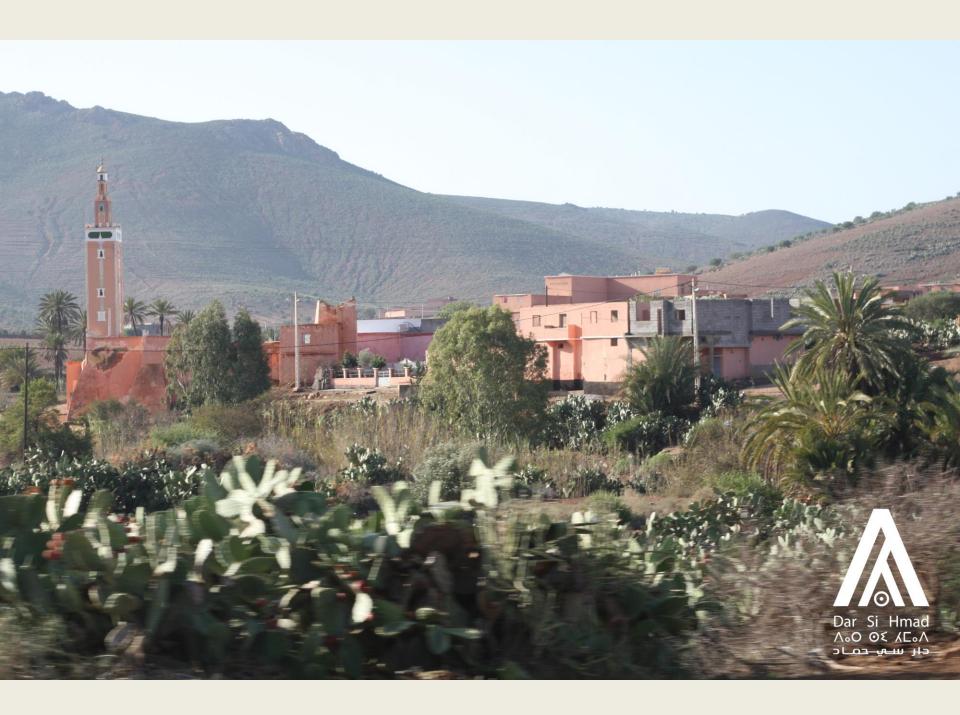


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