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## □ Collaboration on Governance:

- Collaboration via an upcoming workshop
- Kind offer of Monash U. from Paul McShane

## □ Collaboration on Water quality:

- Tony Jakeman
- Collaborative document

## □ Young researcher support

- Exchange and connection for students, early career researchers, postdocs
  - Trains a local person who can then continue the work
  - Leverage off existing University structures – role of the Universities seen as central to this effort
  - Lee Godden and Fu Sun
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- Do we have an identified unique niche that gives us a competitive advantage?
    - Started as climate change, water resources, and cities
    - Overlap with other groups reduced our uniqueness?
    - Targeted lobbying towards key identified issues
      - Eg, elevator pages
    - Universitas 21?
  - CMAS role as networking
    - Can we go beyond to operational collaborations?
  - Identify existing programs that can use CMAS networking
    - Perhaps through students/postdocs (cf. new researchers program)
    - Flip side of what we've been exploring here
    - Again, emphasis on what University structures provide
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- Downside of networking for collaborations:
    - Travel costs prohibitive for some less-developed countries
      - Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam
  - Collaborations if funding were not a consideration:
    - Dynamic downscaling
    - Issues of scale; spanning from large scale climate to local governance
    - Emphasis on multi-disciplinary approach (our niche?)
    - Azizan: "must emphasize the *doable*"
  - Emissions and water cycle:
    - Bob W. and Graham
    - Fu Sun? Chinese issues
  - AIT: Secretariat of CMAS a possibility
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