# Robots, Democracy, & Climate Change



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# IS Water Diplomacy Only About Conflict?

# "Democratic Professionalism"

A. W. Dzur, Democratic professionalism: citizen participation and the reconstruction of professional ethics, identity, and practice.

University Park, Pa: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2008.

# Technology compatible with inclusive, democratic, discursive resource management





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semi-autonomous infrastructure

#### DELIBERATION

#### coming to the table

through demonstrable opportunities to achieve a broad class of desirable outcomes.

(Robots must communicate their performance in quantitative and qualitative terms.)

#### **COOPERATION**

#### coming to agreement

through the accommodation of divergent interests and speculations about the future. (Robots must accommodate multiple objectives simultaneously and have demonstrable flexibility and adaptive capacity to perform well under alternative futures.)

#### COLLABORATION

#### coming to partnership

through demonstrable opportunities to create value at scale

(Robots must on the same hydraulic network must coordinate with one another in order to realize opportunities for creating value at scale.)

### THE COMMUNICATION PROBLEM

ROBOTS HAVE A LIMITED INTRINSIC ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE IN BOTH A QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE **CAPACITY** 

### THE FLEXIBILITY PROBLEM

THE CONFIGURATION OF A HYDRAULIC NETWORK AND ITS USE CASES PUT HARD LIMITS ON THE PRACTICAL ADAPTIVE CAPACITY OF AN AUTONOMOUS SYSTEM

## THE COORDINATION PROBLEM

TO CREATE VALUE AT SCALE IT IS **NECESSARY TO HARMONIZE THE ACTIONS** OF MANY INDEPENDENT AGENTS PURSUING DIFFERENT OBJECTIVES ON THE SAME HYDRAULIC NETWORK

## don't wait for conflict to put the lessons you have learned from water diplomacy theory into practice





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