Analyzing Social Benefit from GEMS (MP-GEO)

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Cost/Benefit Analysis

- Why do we need to conduct B/C analysis for this project?
 - -Korean government mandated to conduct economic analysis for the public projects, of which costs exceed the certain amount.
- Present Value of Benefit-Cost Ratio

Benefit-Cost Ratio (B/C) =
$$\sum_{t=0}^{n} \frac{B_t}{(1+r)^t} / \sum_{t=0}^{n} \frac{C_t}{(1+r)^t}$$

- 1) Measuring Social benefits and social costs-externalities and public good
 - Social discount rate; 5.5%
 - OECD PPP rate with exchange rate considered: 753.98 won/\$1 in 2008
 - Period for analysis
 - Project period: started in 2009 and launch at 2016
 - The life span of GEMS: 10 years after launching



Social Benefits from GEMS

- what is being valued: Main services provided by GEMS
 - Provide a reliable and accurate AQ monitoring and forecasting information
 - provide information on atmospheric composition that supports policies on air quality and climate changes, induces individuals to change their behavior to alleviate adverse health effects from air pollution.
 - not valuing air quality improvements but valuing the system which provide the data and information necessary to monitor and forecast air quality.
 - Information has economic value only to the extent that it can improve the quality of decision made.

With/without GES scenario

- In-situ and ground measurement station + satellite data from foreign countries given regulatory policy changes
- Complementary to the existing measuring system—added value
 How much changes might be obtained in the SO2 levels?



Literature Review

- Economic and Social Value of Selected NOAA Data and Products for GOES: Funded by NOAA, 2007.
- Social benefits categories provided by the GOES system
 - 1. Enhanced human health (both mortality and morbidity)
- V 2. Reduced disaster losses—Tropical Cyclones
 - 3. Improved weather forecasts-avoiding aviation delays
- V 4. Better management of energy resources
- V 5. Enhanced protection and utilization of water resources
 - 6. Improved understanding of climate variability and changes
- V 7. Support for sustainable uses of ag. forest and natural resources
 - 8. Development of capability to make ecological assessments
 - 9. Protecting and monitoring ocean resources
- Used costs of saving approach or cost avoidance approach



Literature Review

- Socio-Economic Benefits Analysis of GMES, by EU and ESA, 2006
- Social benefits categories provided by GMES
 - 1) efficiency benefits
 - --improved cost effectiveness of implementing, enforcing or assessing polices that are currently in place
 - 2) policy formulation benefits:
 - --relate to improved definition, and Implementation of new policies for which GES information would be used from the early formulation stages.
 - 3) Global Action Benefits:
 - --relate to the use of GES information in formulating, improving and implementing global policy agreements (for climate changes, desertification, deforestation).
- Focused on benefits from weather forecasting: loss reduction in tropical clone, aviation industry, energy demand, irrigation of crops, recreational boating



Literature Review

- GMES Service Element PROMOTE: C2 Cost Benefit Analysis for Service Portfolio, 2006
- PROMOTE provide information on atmospheric composition that supports policies on Ozone, UV, air quality and climate changes.
- Added Value of PROMOTE
 - 1) Ozone/UV: skin cancer, provide input to weather forecast model for middle range forecasting (5-10 days),
- 2) Climate change: increase accuracy of weather forecast.
- 3) Air quality monitoring: complements ground measurement provides the global picture and long term air pollution trends i
- 4) Air quality forecasting: improve accuracy of air quality forecasting
- ◆ No doubts that social benefits from the GEMS or GOES are huge but most of benefits are intangible, externalities and public goods
 - -- possibility of market failure and non-marketed goods



Categories of Benefits from GEMS

Added Value of GEMS comp. to ground measurement stations

GEMS services		Added Value of GEMS		
AQ Monitoring	Domestic	 Complements ground measurement by adding information Provide daily map and long-term air pollution trends Provide information to validates and improve air quality modeling Provide input to weather forecast models (Ozone) 		
	Trans- boundary, Climate changes	 Provide global picture and long-term homogeneous AQ monitoring thruout the Asia Provide tracks and map of long-range trans-boundary air pollution and ocean pollution –relied on foreign satellite data Improved understanding of climate variability and changes 		
AQ Forecasting		 Improve accuracy of air quality forecasting Provide AQ forecasting services to wide range of regions provide input to weather forecast model for middle range forecasting (5-10 days),time for averting behavior 		



Total Values: Use & Non-use value

Types of Benefits			Examples of Benefits	Valuation
Use Value	Direct Benefits	Tangible	 Cost saving of grounded measurement stations Cost avoidance of high-tech industry or leisure activities 	RCM* COS ABM
		Intangible	Systematic approach for potential international conflicts and climate changes negotiations	CVM
	Indirect Benefits	Tangible	morbidity and mortality reductionreduction in agricultural crops damage	ABM COS
		Intangible	Improved life quality of individualsprovide information for good policy formulation	CVM
Non Use Value	Intangible		 Synergy effect by simultaneous loading of weather, ocean and environmental satellites PR/ national image improvement Active approach for environmental conflict among nations 	CVM



Non-Market Valuation Methods

Linkages v	vith Preferences	Valuation Methods
Physi	cal Linkage	Damage Function Approach Replacement Cost Approach Cost of Savings Approach Cost of Avoidance Approach
Behavioral Linkage	Revealed Preference Approach	Travel Cost Approach Hedonic Price Approach Averting Behavior Approach
	Stated Preference Approach	Contingent Valuation Method Contingent Ranking Method Contingent Behavior Method
	Benefit Transfer	Value Transfer, Meta analysis



Cost of Saving Approach

- Followed Added Value Approach by GMES and PROMOTE case
- Conservative scenario to avoid double counting
- (1) Enhancement of investment in AQ ground measurement infrastructure Efficiency gains Ozone Monitoring
 - Assumption: By complementing with satellite data, the value of ground measurement may be improved by 10-30%
 - 10% cost of saving in replacement costs
- (1) Improved weather forecast resulting in cost avoidance to society
 - Assumption
 - GMES Improved weather forecast(5-10 days) reduces overall damages by 5%
 - Using PROMOTE, improve accuracy of weather forecast by 2%
 - Korean case
 - Annual ('98-'07) property damages due to extreme weather events: \$2,6 bil



Cost of Saving Approach

(3) Reducing Mortality Risks By increasing the accuracy of PM and O3 air pollution level

- Assumptions
 - High quality measurement using GMES will account for 5% of mortality reduction
 - Enhancement and complementarities of PROMOTE accounts for 5%

Korean Data

- Annually 11,127 premature death in Seoul metropolitan area due to PM and deterioration of AQ (2004)
- About 20,000 premature death when extrapolated to the nation
- Value of statistical life: on the average \$0.71 mil (2008)



Costs of Saving Approach

(4) Reducing Health Costs due to Morbidity Reduction

- Respiratory patients'averting behavior in response to increase in AQ FC may reduce health costs
- Assumption
 - The accuracy of AQ FC can be improved by 25% by applying GMES
 - The improvement of AG FC may save health costs by 1%
- · Korean data
 - Annual respiratory patients visiting hospitals; 7.14 million in 2007
 - Medical expense per asthma outpatient: \$53.3

- (5) Other intangible public goods—not evaluated
 - In the process of conducting a Contingent Valuation survey



Research Issues on the Table

- In designing CVM questionnaire, what is being valued?
 - what is the main services or goods from GEMS?
 - what kinds of atmospheric composition may be included?—Ozone, UV?
- What may be the benefit categories from GEMS?
- How much change might be expected in AP levels by launching GEMS compared with ground measurement stations?
- What is the difference between services provided by GMES and those provided by PROMOTE?
- How much can I rely on the assumptions made by PROMOTE?
 Can we use those assumptions for EU to Korea?
- Are you conducting any type of non-market valuation research other than applying cost of saving approach or cost avoidance approach?
 - we are preparing a CVM study as well as averting behavior study?



Research Issues on the Table

- How responsive may be individuals after receiving information?
- How much overlap benefits between weather and environmental satellites'?
- Can you introduce economists involved in this area of research as contacting points?



Thank You

