

Appendix 1

Note on mental models versus cultural models:

Group-level models are sometimes referred to as 'cultural models' (Kronenfeld 2008). However, for the purposes of this paper, we prefer the term 'aggregate' mental model, in that we mean our term to refer more specifically to a collection of individual mental models that may or may not feature a high degree of agreement amongst them, but nonetheless collectively represent the cumulative system of beliefs of a given group of individuals that have been identified or selected *a priori* to constitute a single unit. Such groups may emerge by institutional arrangement (e.g., political circumstance creating 'strange bedfellows' or alliances of dissimilar individuals that nonetheless go on to work together as a single actor, guided by their cumulative set of beliefs), by research logic (as in the case of this paper), or otherwise.