

Topology of Valuing

Dynamics of Collective Engagement with Polyhedral Value Configurations

Anthony Judge

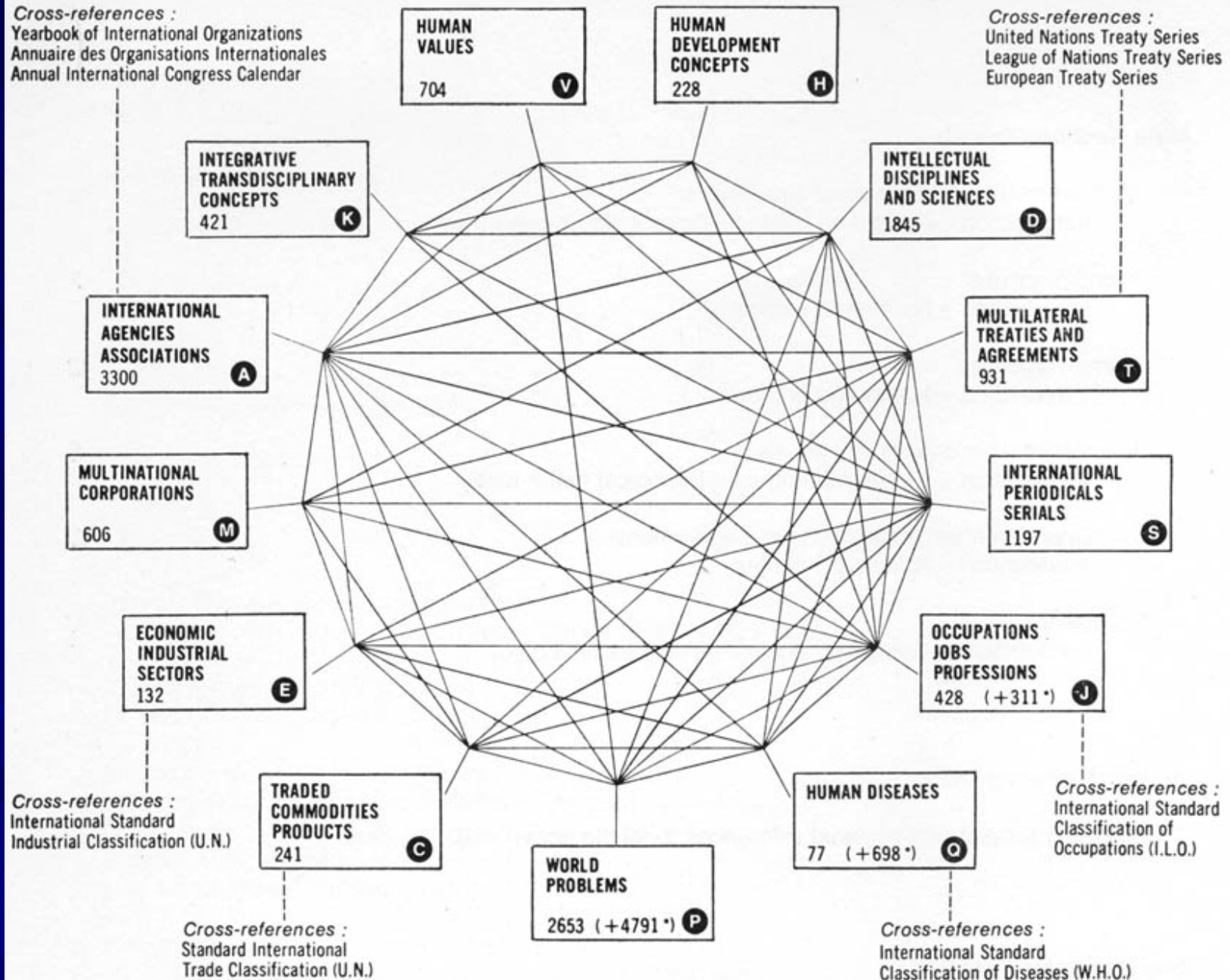
(former director of *Encyclopedia of World Problems and
Human Potential*, Brussels, Belgium)

Panel on Ethics and Policies for Sustainable Futures
(Aalankrita Hotel, Hyderabad; October 2008)

Encyclopedia of World Problems and Human Potential

Cross-references :
 Yearbook of International Organizations
 Annuaire des Organisations Internationales
 Annual International Congress Calendar

Cross-references :
 United Nations Treaty Series
 League of Nations Treaty Series
 European Treaty Series



Poster / Handout

- Summarizes argument and animations
- Commentary (handout)
- Web versions:
 - Animations
 - Poster and commentary
 - 4 Papers
 - Human Values Project
 - Pillar-ization, polarization and polyhedra
 - Psychodynamics of collective engagement
 - Embodying values

Values / Ethics

- Fuzziness / Confusion ???????
- Bullet points
- Pillars
- Poles
- Stakes
- Sides
- Polyhedra
- Variable geometry

EU “Pillars”

- **3 pillars** of the EU Treaty
- enlargement policy built on **4 pillars**
- Common Fisheries Policy has **4 pillars**
- Common Agricult. Policy rests on **4 pillars**
- **6 pillars** of development policies
- partnership agreement between the EU and the ACP countries based on **five pillars**

Challenges to governance

- Challenge to imagination
- New thinking
- Using new technology
- Beyond binary thinking
- Engage the apathetic and alienated

Pattern language

- “Medium is the message”
- Bridging: values / policies / initiatives
- Left and Right brain
- Playing – engaging kids
- 3D mind map?
- Learn from *radiolaria*?

Radiolaria: *Lychnaspis miranda*



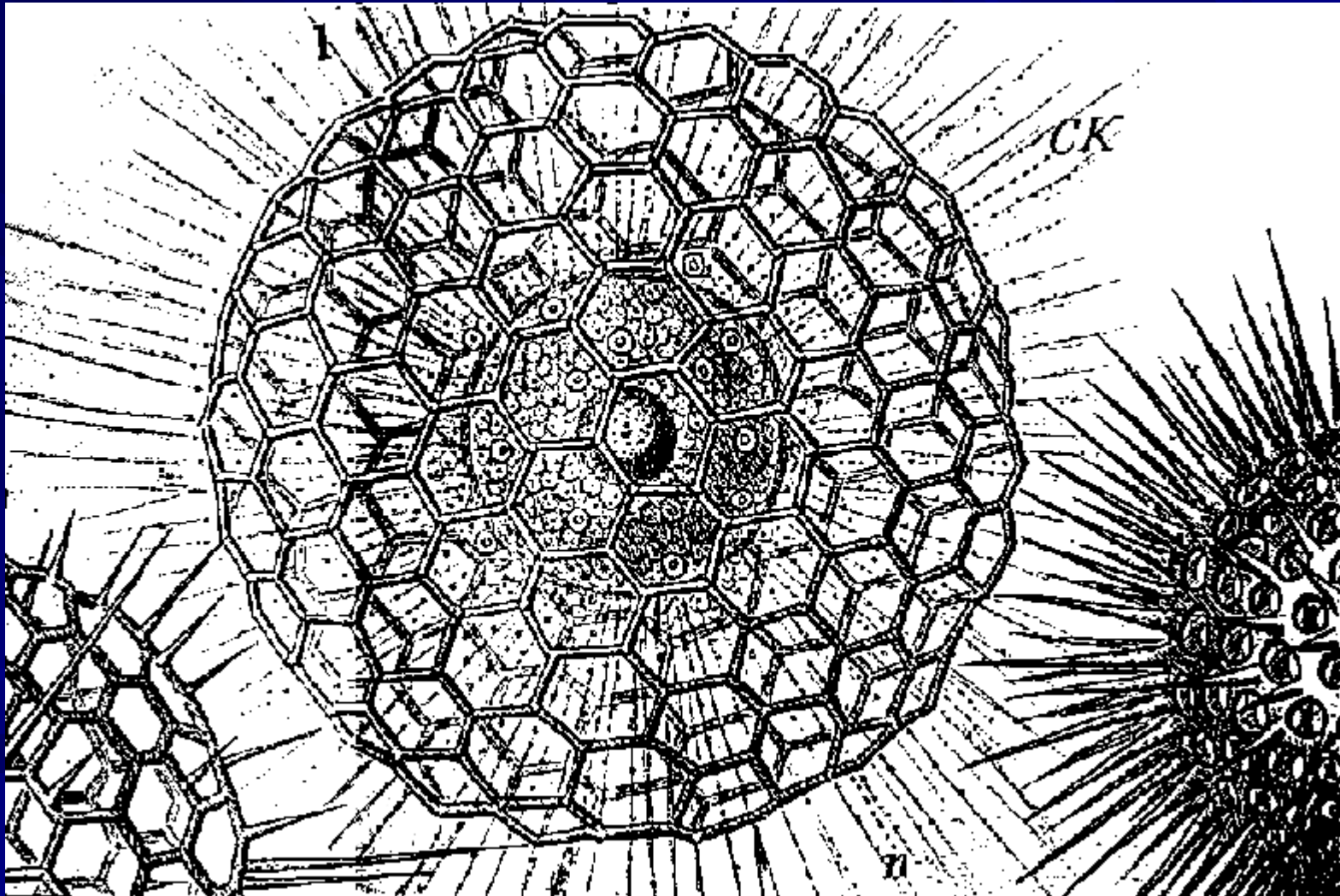
Pillars of Ashoka

(300 BCE)





Radiolaria: Helizoan



If truth is multi-sided should
governance be polyhedral ?

Software Generated Animations

Dynamic Exploration of Value Configurations: |

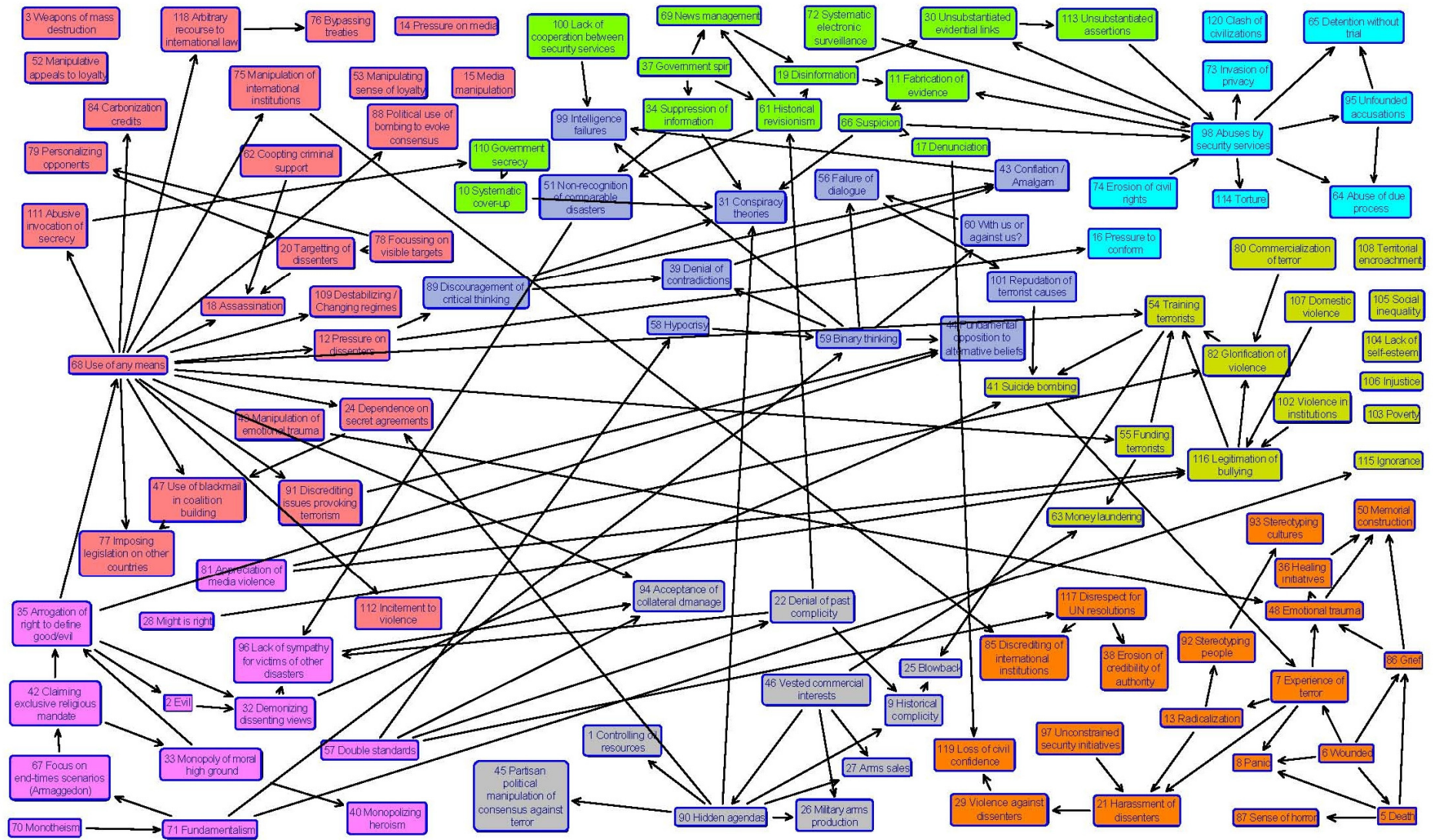
- polyhedral animation of **conventional value frameworks** [*Stella Navigator*]

(<http://www.laetusinpraesens.org/docs00s/stellav.php>)

- interrelating **traditional cultural symbols** through animation [SVG/SWF]

(<http://www.laetusinpraesens.org/docs00s/starchi.php>)

Mind maps



Song and Music

Representing, Comprehending and Remembering Relationships

- Earth Charter song?
- Global Ethical song?
- Contribution of African understanding?
- Climate change song?
- Biochemists' Songbook

Poster / Handout

- Summarizes argument and animations
- Commentary (handout)
- Web versions:
 - Animations
 - Poster and commentary
 - 4 Papers
 - Human Values Project
 - Pillar-ization, polarization and polyhedra
 - Psychodynamics of collective engagement
 - Embodying values