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**1st Workshop Summary**

Additional ideas by Group 2

Group 2 provided suggestions in addition to those summarized in paragraph 1 above in this section.

* To increase research collaboration, case study areas in different countries should be considered.
* Expanding research topics should consider the following
	+ Rename “Socioeconomic Impacts” as “Socioeconomic Dimensions”
	+ Rename “Energy Policy” as “Energy Governance”
	+ Emphasize “participation” in its widest meaning
	+ Social programs as subtopics
* To increase network participation, look to scientists from NGOs and industry, involve more graduate students, include more Pan American countries, and more representation from agriculture
	+ A better balance of scientific backgrounds from each country is needed
	+ Connect to other existing networks in participant countries to build in overlap in disciplines
	+ Develop some mechanisms for interacting (course, joint papers, workshops/conference
	+ Develop a short list of key organizations and their representatives

Identify key government people to connect within countries