

# DOMAIN MAP

HOW TO USE THIS CHART

1. Place all the DOMAINS that affect and condition the problem at hand in the DOMAIN SPACE.
2. Place all the FACTS, BIASES, and ASSUMPTIONS in the boundary spaces around the DOMAIN SPACE. Thereare THRESHOLD areas in-between them for data that may not be a clear-cut FACT, BIAS, or ASSUMPTION.
3. Edit down the DOMAINS, FACTS, BIASES, and ASSUMPTIONS: 9 DOMAINS, 3 FACTS, 3 BIASES and 3 ASSUMPTIONS. Keep the DFBS that you discard next to the chart, for future reference.
4. Find specific relationships between DOMAINS and FACTS, BIASES, and ASSUMPTIONS; move all the data in the map to make those patterns and relationships visible to others.

## FACTS

FACTS are data points and information generally accepted as reliable and proven, to the best of the participant's abilities. They may come from previous research, specialized knowledge, publications, etc.

## BIASES

BIASES are pre-assumed individual or collective positions that are not proven or generally accepted and stay closer to personal or group beliefs. In this context, they are not considered negative by default.

## ASSUMPTIONS

ASSUMPTIONS are situated between FACTS and BIASES and may be closer to one or the other. They are neither objective facts nor subjective biases.

