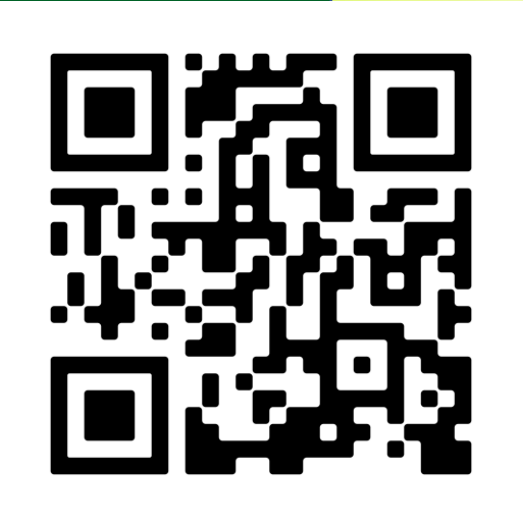




GEF Expanded Constituency Workshop for Southern Africa



 **gef** GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY
INVESTING IN OUR PLANET

March 2023

QUIZ

How many GEF
implementing agencies do
we have?

- (1) 8
- (2) 12
- (3) 18
- (4) 23



QUIZ

Who signs the project endorsement letter?

- (1) GEF CEO
- (2) Minister
- (3) GEF Agencies
- (4) GEF Operational Focal Points

QUIZ

A Full-sized Project concept was Council approved in June 2022. When is the deadline for CEO Endorsement (full project approval)?

- (1) December 2022
- (2) June 2023
- (3) December 2023
- (4) June 2024



QUIZ

All recipient countries are eligible to access Small Grants Program (SGP) Core Funding as long as the country STAR resources are allocated in the SGP.

TRUE or FALSE



INTRODUCING THE GEF TEAM



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Coordinator



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Cyril Blet
Results



Remy Ruat
Climate Change



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Climate Change



Olusola Ikuforiji
Climate Change



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for Asia & Pacific



Ted Schreiber
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Country Support



Alexandre Rego
Communication

GEF ECW
Southern Africa

EXPANDED CONSTITUENCY WORKSHOP

- | | |
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| MARCH 20 (Mon) | Delivering High Quality Projects in GEF-8 |
| MARCH 21 (Tues) | Ensuring an Inclusive Participation of GEF Partners |
| MARCH 22 (Wed) | Knowledge & Learning Day
Visit to Maputo National Park |
| MARCH 23 (Thurs)
Morning | Empowering Focal Points |

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION WORKSHOP

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|-------------------------------|---|
| MARCH 23 (Thurs)
Afternoon | Adaptation Strategy
LDCF/SCCF Portfolio Overview |
| MARCH 24 (Fri) | LDCF/SCCF Project Concept Development |



AGENDA

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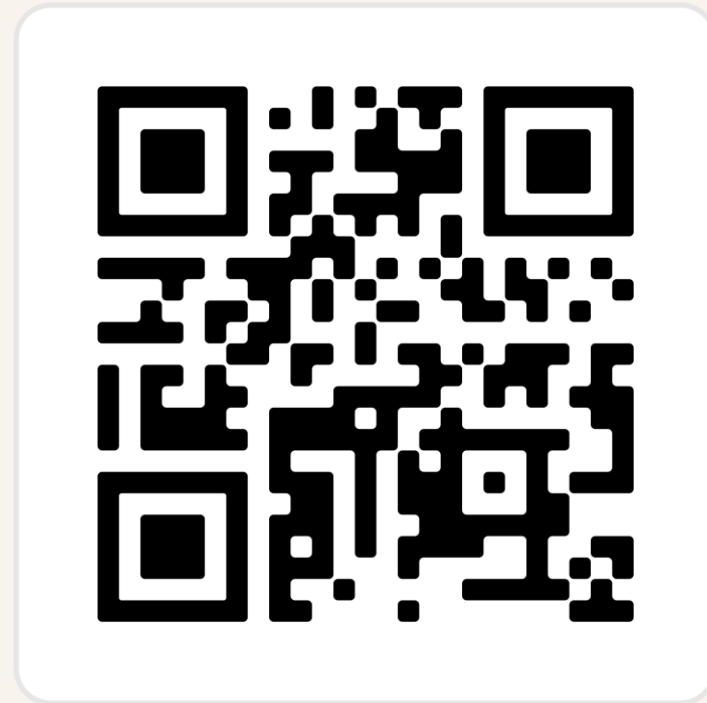
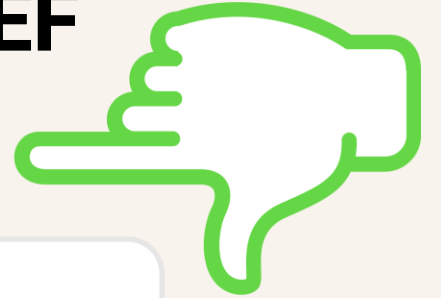
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SCAN ME

DAY 1 (MONDAY)

AGENDA

- GEF OVERVIEW
- GEF-8 FUNDING STRUCTURE
- OPERATIONS & PROJECT CYCLE
- RESULTS & MONITORING
- POLICY FRAMEWORK
- BREAK
- GEF-8 PROGRAMMING
- LUNCH
- PROJECT CYCLE CARD GAME
 - Developing a GEF project interactively*
- RECEPTION



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GEF-8 INTERACTIVE GUIDE (Download the file)

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY



GEF PARTNERSHIP

The GEF connects 185 governments with civil society, Indigenous Peoples, the private sector, and other environmental financiers.

[Explore](#)

GEF FUNDING

The GEF is the world's largest funder of biodiversity protection, nature restoration, pollution reduction, and climate change response.

[Explore](#)

STAR COUNTRY ALLOCATION

GEF 144 recipient countries have a STAR country allocation for Biodiversity, Climate Change, and Land Degradation in GEF-8 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2026).

[Explore](#)

GEF PROJECT CYCLE

GEF projects follow a time-bound cycle for technical and policy review before Council or CEO approval.

[Explore](#)

GEF POLICY FRAMEWORK

GEF projects must comply with a set of mandatory policy requirements.

[Explore](#)

GEF FOCAL AREAS

The GEF Focal Areas consist of Biodiversity, Climate Change Mitigation, Land Degradation, Chemicals & Waste, and International Waters.

[Explore](#)

GEF INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

GEF-8 11 Integrated Programs will deliver global environmental benefits across multiple focal areas.

[Explore](#)

GEF GOOD PRACTICE BRIEFS

The GEF Good Practice Briefs showcase successful project examples.

[Explore](#)

GEF FACTSHEETS

The GEF provides Country and Agency Factsheets as the portfolio management tools.

[Explore](#)

RESULTS & MONITORING

GEF projects use Core Indicators and a M&E system that underpin the GEF-8 Results Measurement Framework.

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A GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP

Largest environmental multi-donor trust fund in the world

Financial mechanism of five international environmental conventions



18 IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES

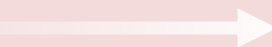


GOVERNANCE

GUIDANCE

CONVENTIONS

CBD
UNFCCC
UNCCD
Stockholm (POPs)
Minamata



COUNCIL

32 Constituencies



SECRETARIAT

INDEPENDENT
EVALUATION OFFICE

STAP

TRUSTEE

ACTION

185 member governments

COUNTRIES

Operational & Political Focal Points
Convention Focal Points
Civil Society
Indigenous peoples
Private Sector

18 AGENCIES

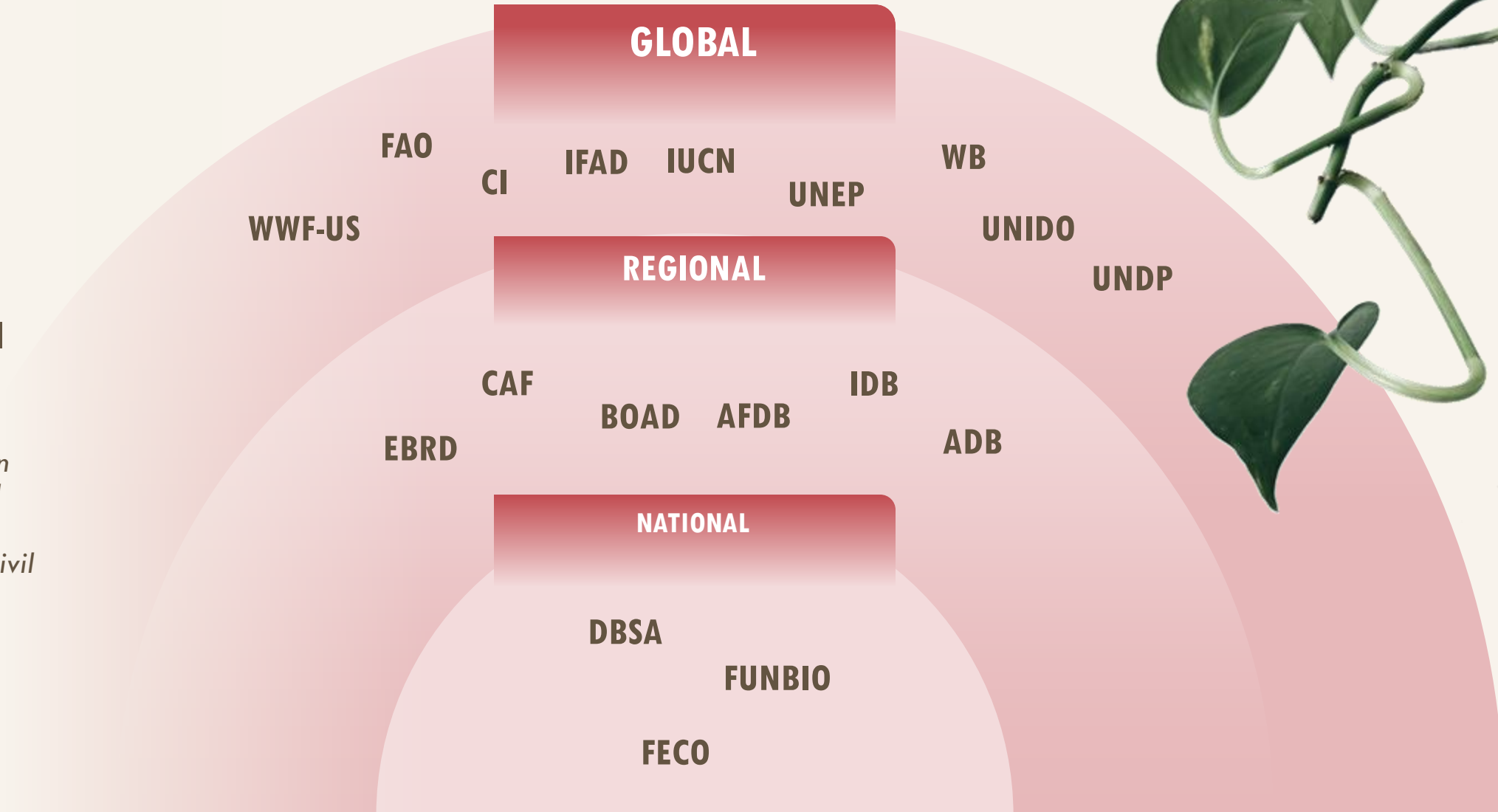
EXECUTING ENTITIES



18 GEF AGENCIES

The GEF Agencies are the operational arm of the GEF.

They work closely with project proponents - often government agencies and other national organizations, including civil society organizations - to design, develop and implement GEF-funded projects and programs.



GEF-8 Resources

4-year

replenishment cycle
from July 1, 2022
to June 30, 2026

\$5.33 billion

pledged by
39 donor nations

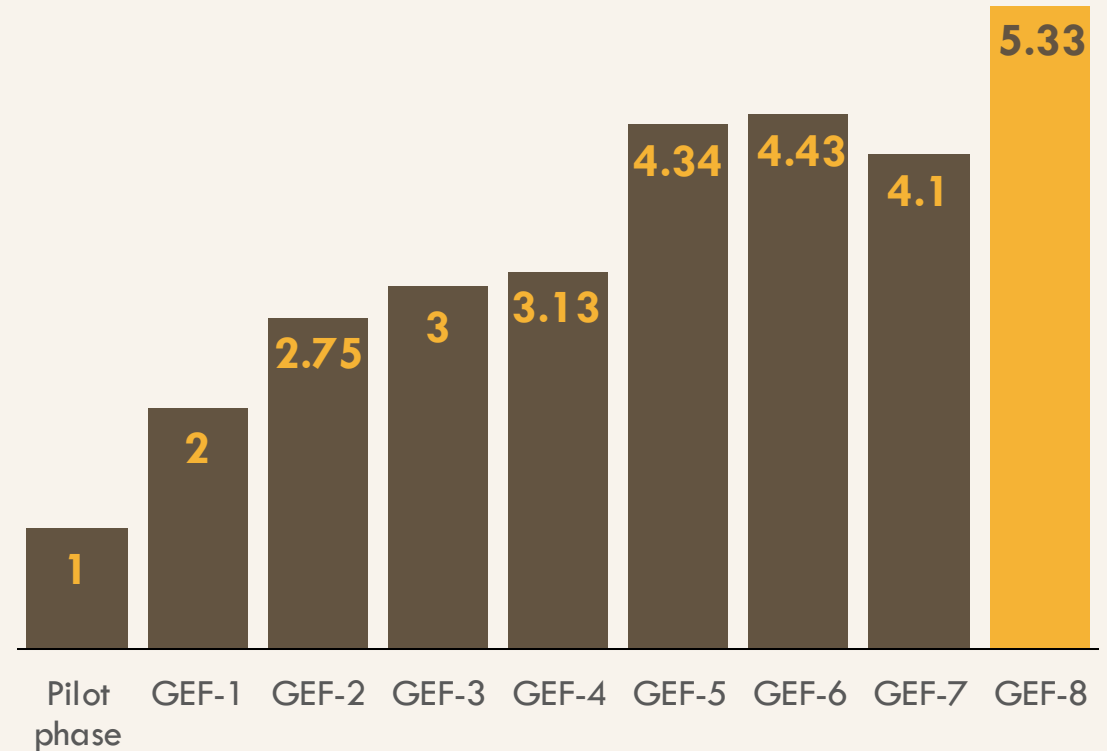
Country 'STAR'

allocation

GEF-8 strategy responds to conventions and takes **an integrated approach to systems transformation**

GEF Replenishment Cycles

(billion USD)



GEF Family of Funds

Trust Fund that serves CBD, CCD, Minamata Convention, Stockholm Convention, UNFCCC

GEF Trust Fund



Trust Funds that serve UNFCCC

LDCF

SCCF

CBIT Trust Fund



Trust Fund that serves CBD

NPIF Fund



to be discussed at June 2023 GEF Council

GBF Fund

GEF Trust Fund as a *Financial Intermediary Fund (FIF)*

The World Bank can play many different roles in FIFs

Trustee Only

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Examples include:
CGIAR
Pneumococcal Advanced Market Commitment
Int. Fin. Fac. For Immunization
Global Fund for Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria
AgResults

Trustee and an Implementing Entity

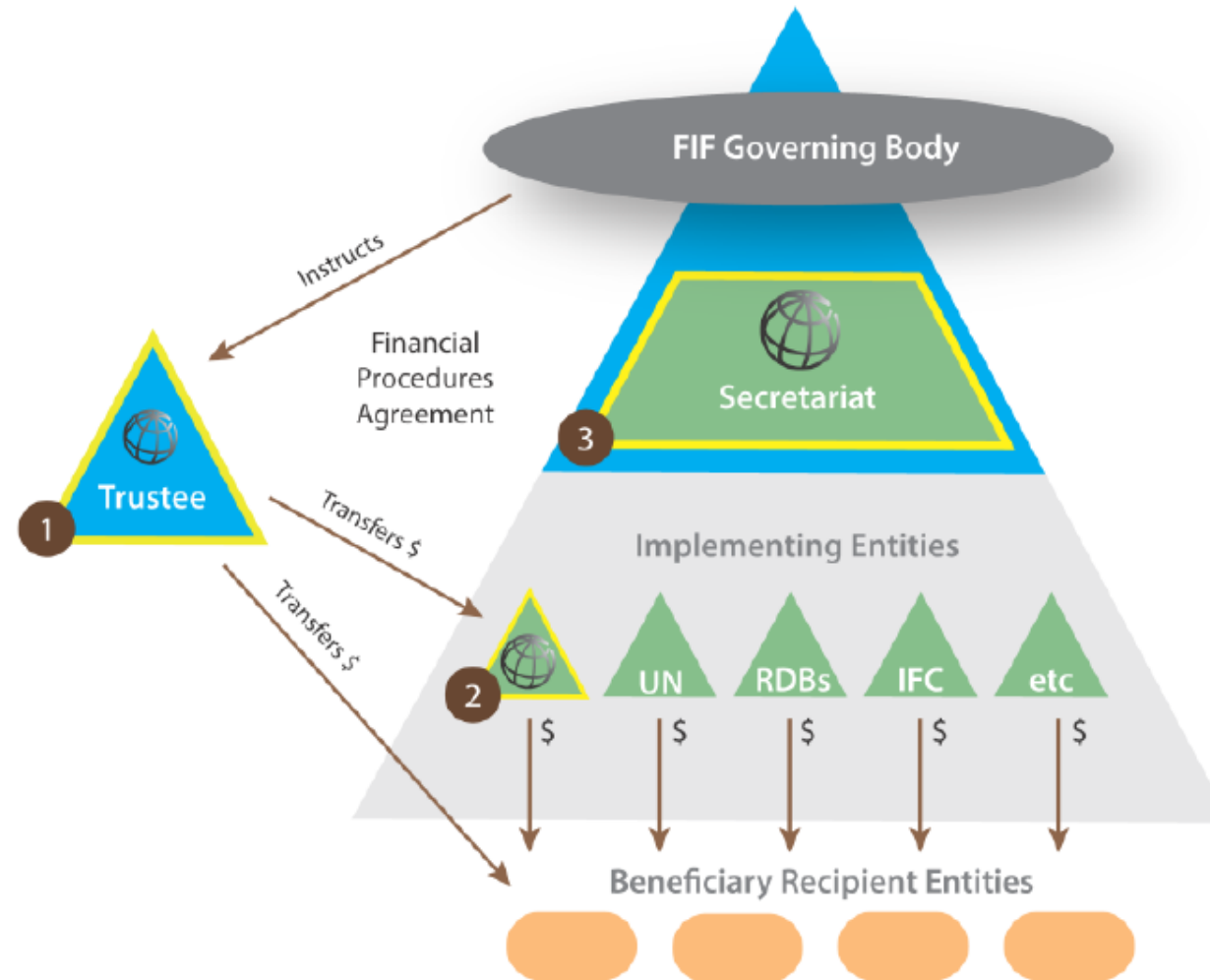
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Examples include:
Green Climate Fund

Trustee, Host to Secretariat and an Implementing Entity

1 2 3

Examples include:
Global Environment Facility
Global Partnership for Education
Climate Investment Funds
Global Agriculture and Food Security Program
Global Concessional Finance Facility
Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative



GEF-8 SYSTEM OF TRANSPARENT ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES (STAR)

GEF TRUST FUND (\$5.33B)

BIODIVERSITY



CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION



LAND DEGRADATION



CHEMICALS & WASTE



INTERNATIONAL WATERS



GEF-8 STAR allocation (\$2.43B)

Integrated Programs Incentive & Contributions

Enabling Activities, CBIT

Global & Regional Set-aside

Non-Grant Instrument (NGI)

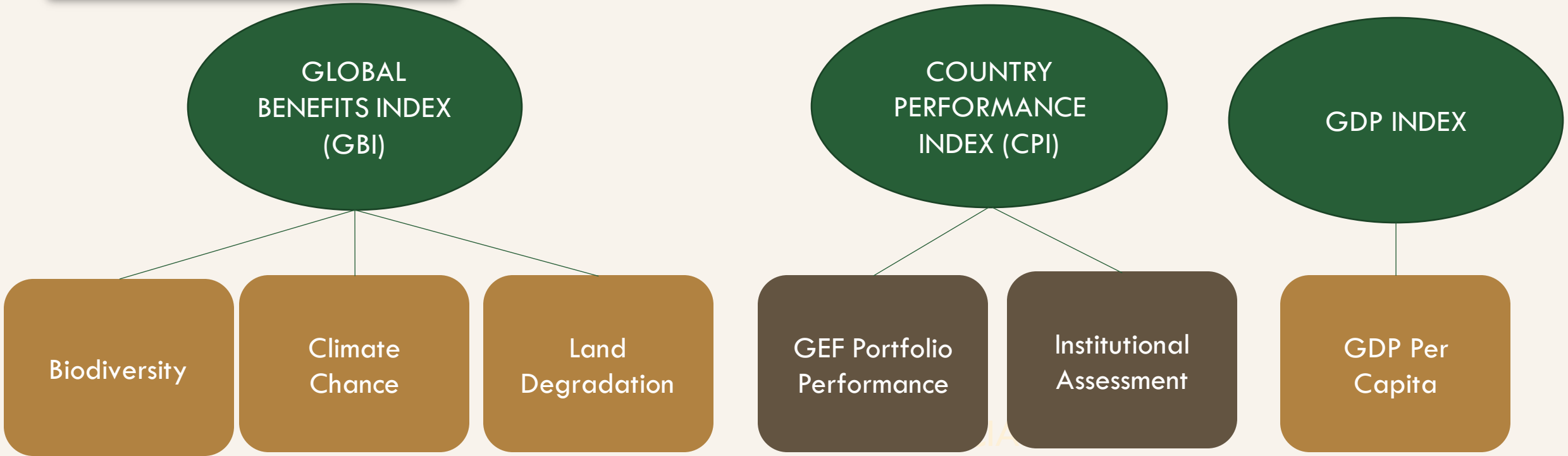
Small Grants Program (SGP)

Innovations Window

COUNTRY	BIODIVERSITY	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION	LAND DEGRADATION	TOTAL
Bangladesh	4.00	4.58	2.00	10.58
Bhutan	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Cambodia	4.65	2.00	3.14	9.80
China	43.64	47.02	3.03	93.68
Cook Islands	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Fiji	7.96	2.00	2.00	11.96
India	43.78	41.65	3.89	89.32
Indonesia	82.15	20.05	1.45	103.65
Kiribati	4.58	2.00	2.00	8.58
Lao People's Democratic Republic	6.75	2.00	2.15	10.90
Malaysia	19.90	5.01	1.41	26.32
Maldives	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Marshall Islands	4.41	2.00	2.00	8.41
Micronesia (Federated States of)	5.15	2.00	2.00	9.15
Mongolia	4.72	1.60	3.77	10.08
Nauru	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Nepal	5.19	2.00	2.13	9.33
Nive	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Pakistan	5.74	7.35	4.68	17.77
Palau	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Papua New Guinea	25.04	2.00	2.00	29.04
Philippines	45.51	5.45	1.80	52.76
Samoa	4.00	2.00	2.00	8.00
Solomon Islands	9.33	2.00	2.00	13.33
Sri Lanka	13.91	2.04	3.05	19.00

GEF-8 STAR FORMULA

$$\text{GBI}^{0.8*} \text{CPI}^{1.0*} \text{GDP}^{-0.16}$$



Funding envelope

Floors

Index weight

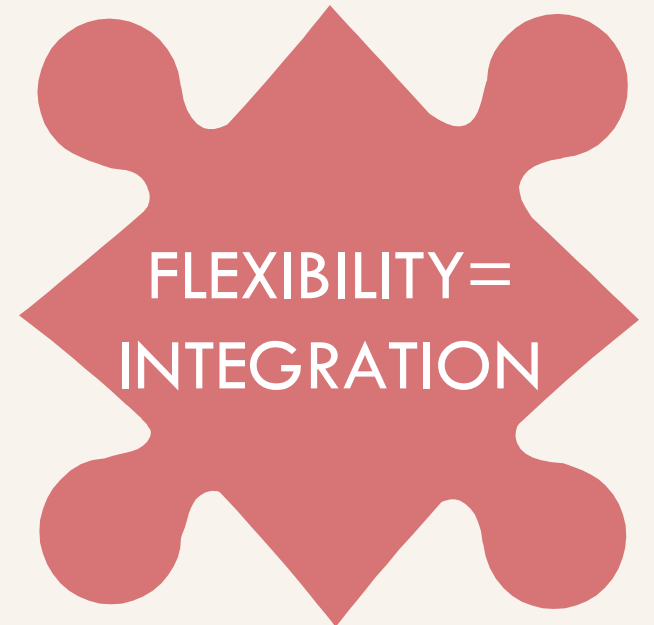
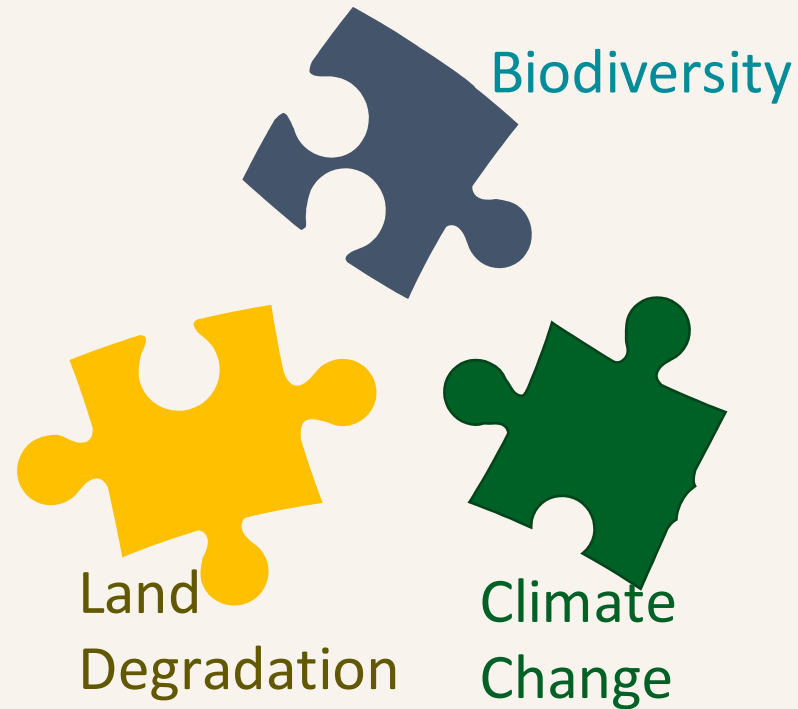
Ceilings

STAR COUNTRY ALLOCATION SYSTEM

Countries can move STAR allocated resources across the 3 focal area lines



**FULL
FLEXIBILITY**



STAR COUNTRY ALLOCATION SYSTEM


GEF-8 STAR Competition Window



Cohort
Top-5 STAR recipients:
Indonesia, China, India, Brazil and Mexico




Targeted Amount
US \$38 million



Ceiling
a single country can receive maximum **US\$9 million** from this competitive window



Theme
encourage country-driven investments that enhance **domestic policy coherence**



Procedures of Access
Annex IC: Procedures of access and operational guidelines for the competitive funds

The GEF-8 STAR Policy and STAR Guidelines, including the operational details of the competitive window, is available [here](#).

FIDUCIARY STANDARDS

OBJECTIVE

To Strengthen financial and programmatic accountability of the GEF by requiring that all GEF Partner Agencies meet the agreed minimum fiduciary standards

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

I. Project/Activity Processes and Oversight Criteria

- *Project Appraisal Standards*
- *Procurement Processes*
- *Monitoring and Project-at-Risk Systems*
- *Project Completion and Financial*
- *Evaluation Function*

II. Governance Framework Criteria

- *External Financial Audit*
- *Financial Management and Control Frameworks*
- *Oversight of Executing Entities*
- *Code of Ethics/Conduct for GEF Partner Agency staff*
- *Internal Audit*
- *Investigation Function*
- *Hotline & Whistleblower*
- *Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism*

REPORTING REQUIREMENT ON MISUSE OF FUNDS

- Accountable to GEF Agency
- Addresses any issue in accordance with Executing Entity Policies and Procedures

Executing Entity

GEF Agency

- Accountable to GEF Council
- Addresses any issue in accordance with Agency Policies and Procedures

GEF Council

- May request additional information (directly or through Trustee) or special audit
- May instruct Trustee to suspend cash transfers



CONFLICT RESOLUTION SYSTEM

CONFLICT RESOLUTION SYSTEM

Agencies have independent accountability and grievance systems to receive complaints

Report to Council on cases and new developments in real time

Purposes:

- Voice and right of recourse for affected people
- Enlist their expertise for accountability and better results
- Identify potential issues of fraud and corruption

Prompt reporting to Council – transparency and confidentiality



CONFLICT RESOLUTION SYSTEM

CONFLICT RESOLUTION SYSTEM

Two main GEF Policies set out the minimum requirements

- Policy on Environmental and Social Safeguards (independent accountability and problem-solving systems)
- Policy on Minimum Fiduciary Standards: independent investigative unit

Currently around 40 cases

- Safeguards-related cases: safeguards, consultations, land disputes; FPIC; human rights
- Fiduciary-related cases: misuse of funds, procurement, whistleblower protection

Important to hear the concerns, be proactive, build awareness

Full-Sized Project (FSP): over US\$2M

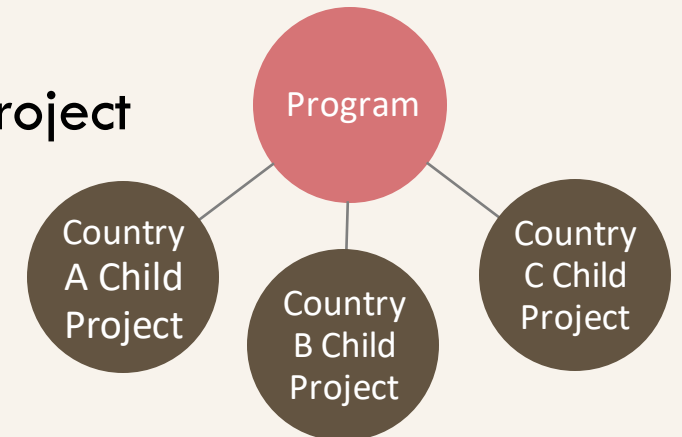
Approval by **Council** (twice a year & intersessional by mail)

Medium-Sized Project (MSP): US\$2M or less

Approval by **GEF CEO** (on a rolling basis)

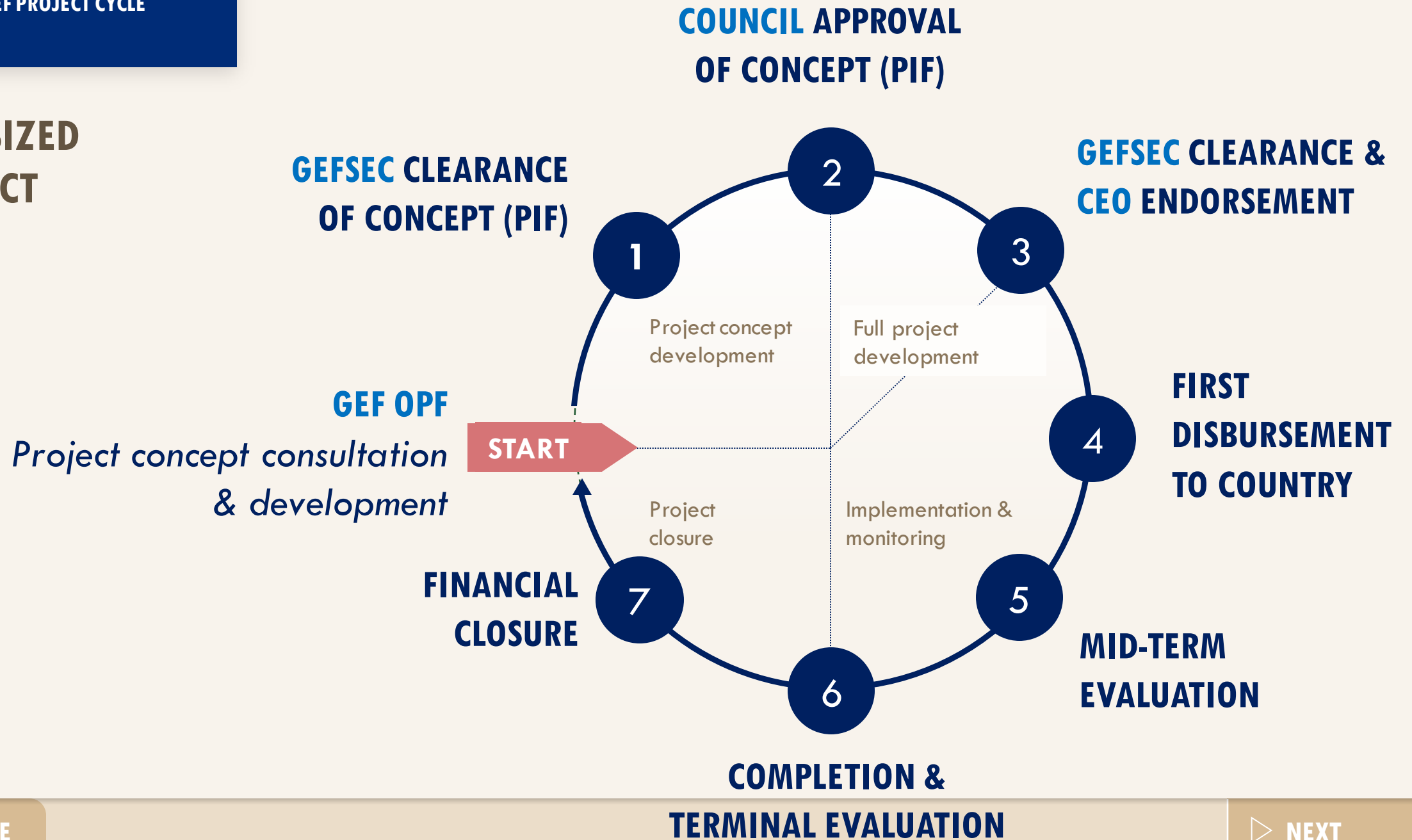
Program: longer term and strategic arrangement of individual interlinked projects that aim at achieving large-scale impact

Child Project: an individual project under Program



**PROJECT
MODALITY**

FULL-SIZED PROJECT CYCLE



PROJECT CANCELLATION

FULL-SIZED PROJECT

COUNCIL APPROVAL OF PROJECT CONCEPT (PIF)

*Project cancellation if CEO Endorsement Request (full project) not **submitted in 12 months***

*Project cancellation if CEO Endorsement (final approval step) not **obtained in 18 months***

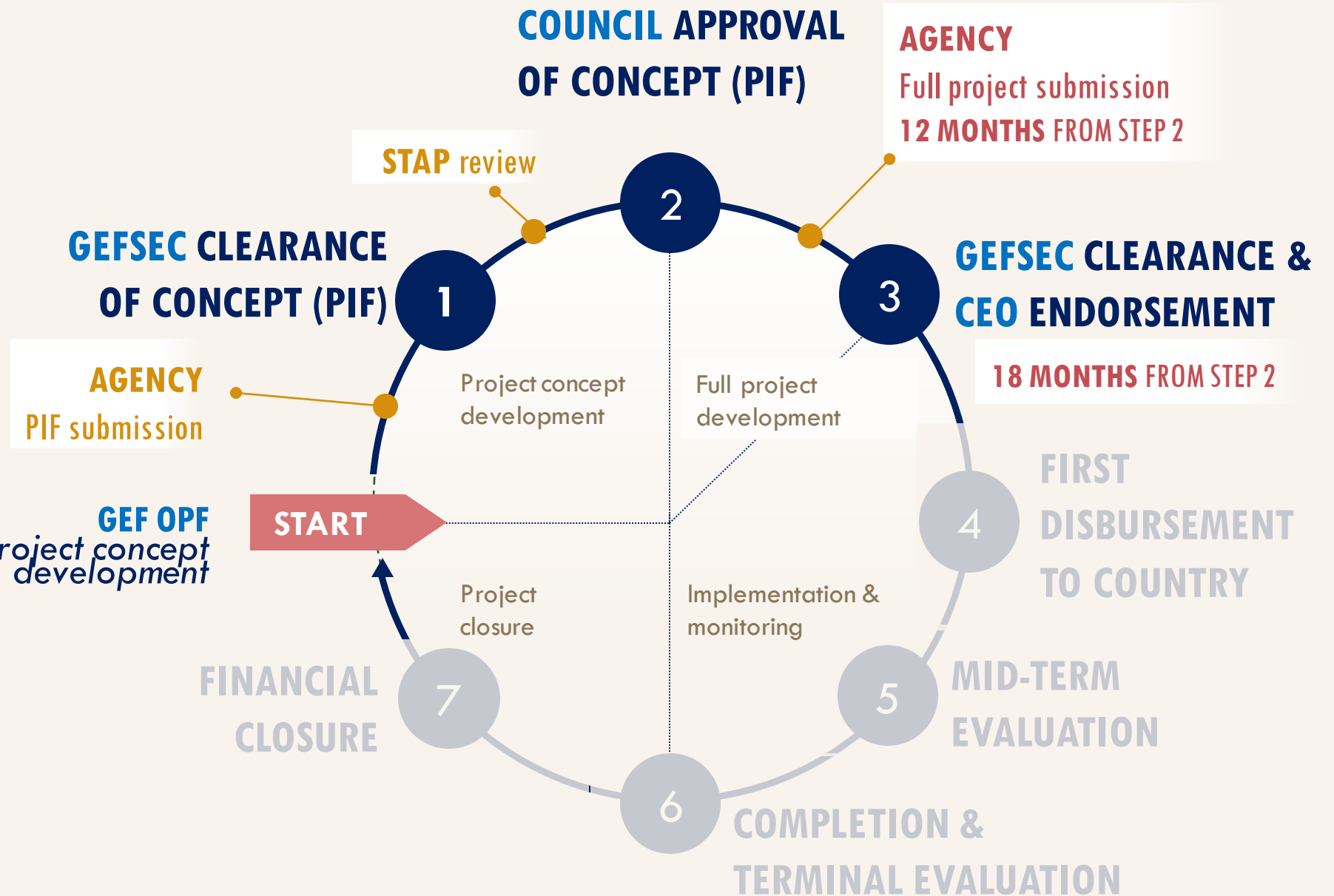
SOFT DEADLINE

HARD DEADLINE

REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS

FULL-SIZED PROJECT CYCLE

GEF OPF
Project concept consultation & development



PROJECT CANCELLATION POLICY

- *FULL-SIZED PROJECT*

COUNCIL APPROVAL OF CONCEPT (PIF)

12 months
CEO Endorsement Request Submission

18 months
CEO Endorsement

Unable to **SUBMIT CEO Endorsement Request** in time?

OFP or **Agency** (for Global/Regional projects) notifies the GEF CEO *prior to* the submission deadline.

Unable to **OBTAIN CEO Endorsement** in time?

OFP or **Agency** (for Global/Regional projects) submits Extension Request to the GEF CEO *prior to* the deadline.
 GEF CEO approves **only in an extraordinary event**, (e.g., war, pandemic) one-time extension up to 12 months.

AGENCY FEE POLICY

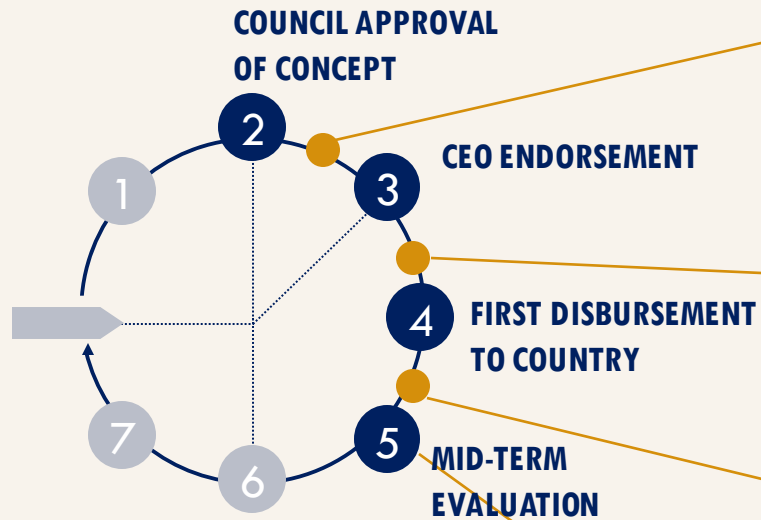
OBJECTIVE: To define the fee structure that will be used to pay for the services provided by GEF Agencies that implement GEF projects

Child project under a Program: Fee is based on the Program Financing amount irrespective of Child project financing amount

	Fee Structure for projects	
	\$10M or less	Over \$10M
10 Agencies ADB, AFDB, EBRD, FAO, IDB, IFAD, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO, WB	9.5%	9.0%
8 Accredited Agencies BOAD, CAF, CI, DBSA, FECO, FUNBIO, IUCN, WWF-US	9.0%	
Small Grants Program (SGP)	9.0%	
Project Preparation Grant (PPG)	Same rate as the baseline project	

PROJECT FUNDING & AGENCY FEE DISBURSEMENT

FULL-SIZED PROJECT CYCLE



TRUSTEE

sets aside *GEF project funding* & disburses *20% of the Agency fee*

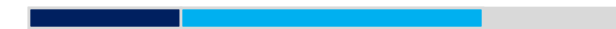


TRUSTEE

disburses *GEF project funding*

TRUSTEE

disburses *50% of the Agency fee*



TRUSTEE

disburses *the last 30% of the Agency fee*



Separation of Project Implementation & Execution

Implementation entails the **oversight** of project execution to ensure that the project is being carried out in accordance with agreed standards & requirements.



Execution refers to the **management & administration** of the day-to-day activities of projects in accordance with specific project requirements in an agreement with the GEF Agency.



Fiduciary Standards & Agency Fee Policy mandate **separation** of implementation & execution functions to:

- avoid conflict of interest
- promote country ownership
- build capacity of national executing entities

THE GEF-8 RESULTS MEASUREMENT FRAMEWORK

And how to monitor projects

Mozambique ECW

March 20, 2023



Outline

- 1 | The GEF-8 Results Measurement Framework
- 2 | Project M&E Framework

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We are looking to boost GEF-8 shared impact

Assisting the GEF in delivering on its priorities



Increasing **impact** on the environment



Enhance **speed and quality**



Better measuring our **shared impact** over time



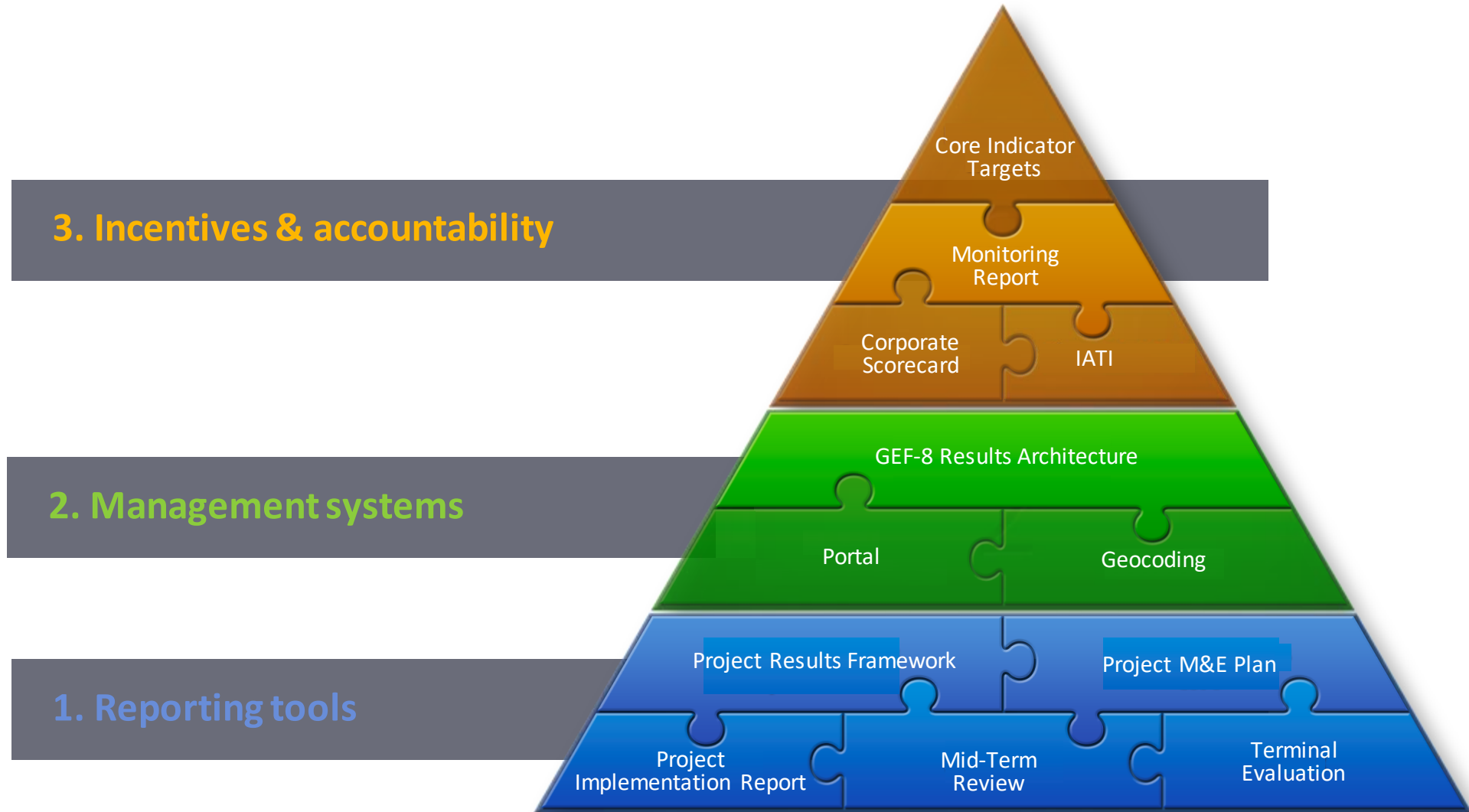
Communicate **institutional priorities**



Identify **lessons** from the past to guide the future

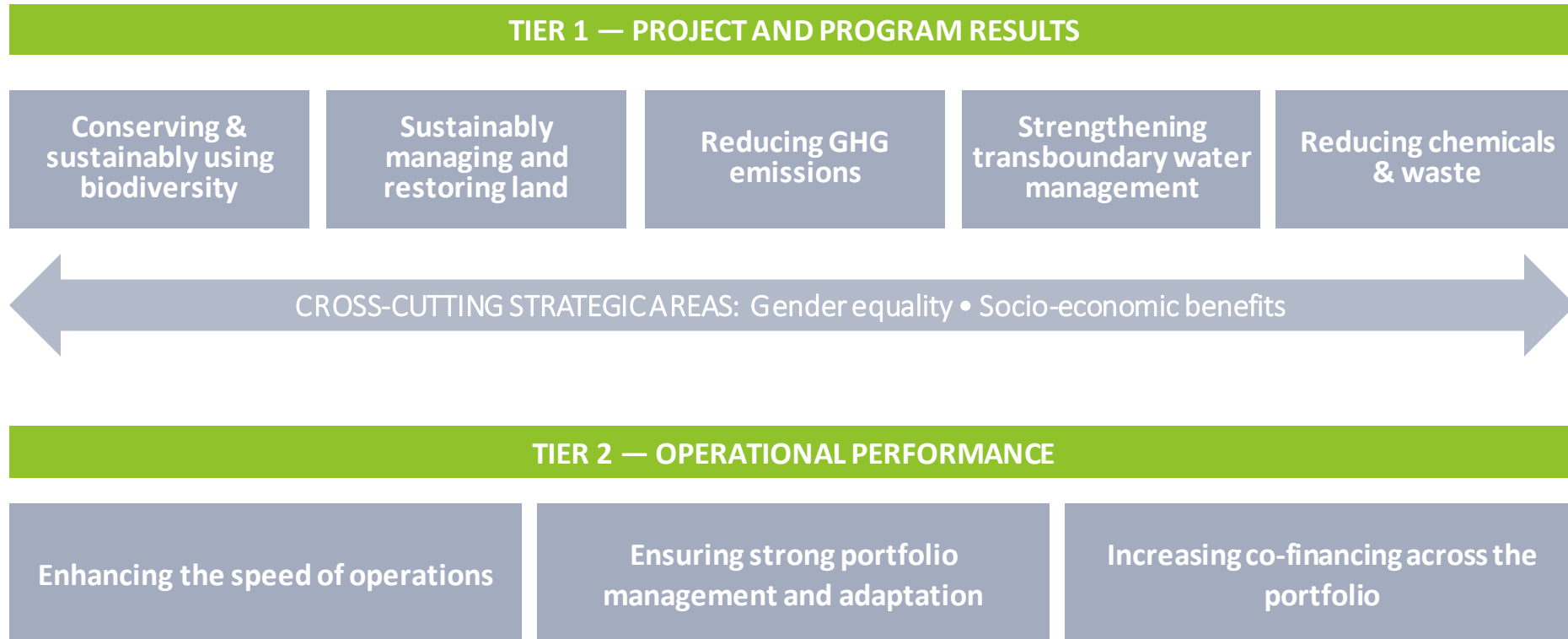
Expanding from GEF-7 achievements

A suite of systems, processes and practices to manage for results



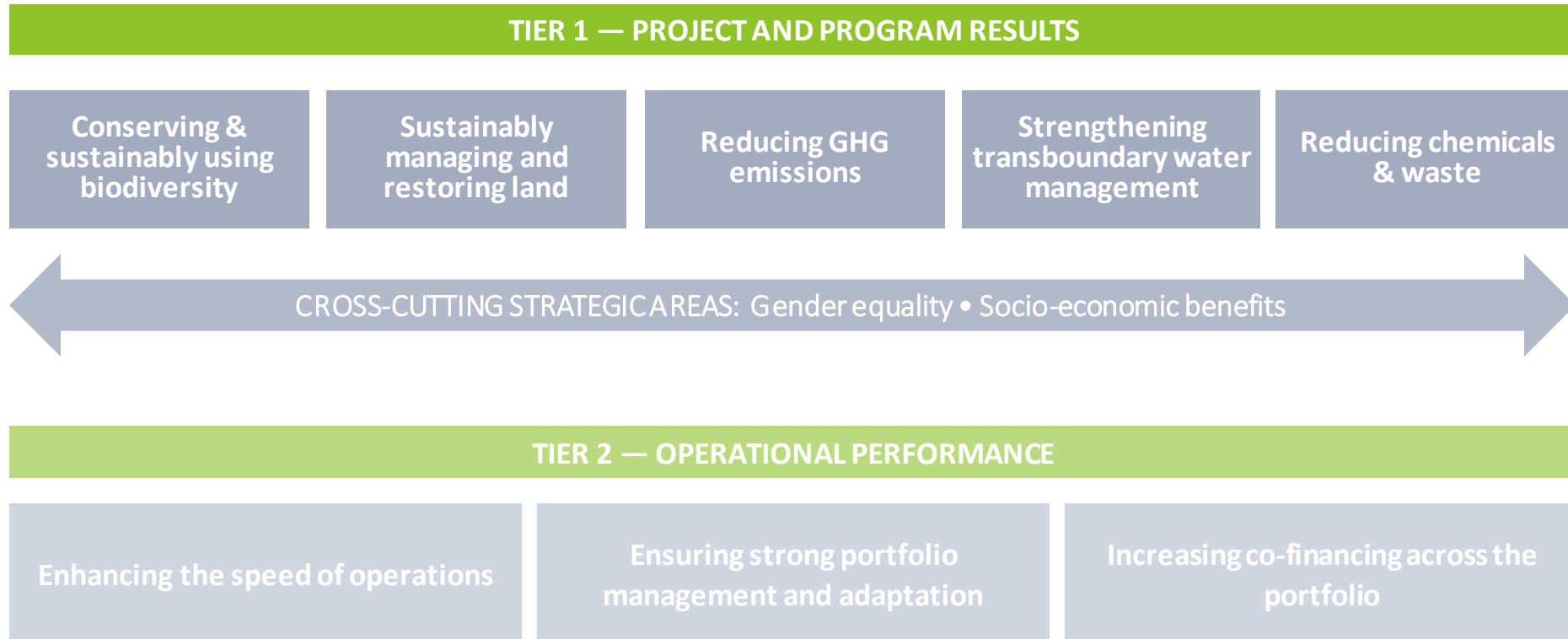
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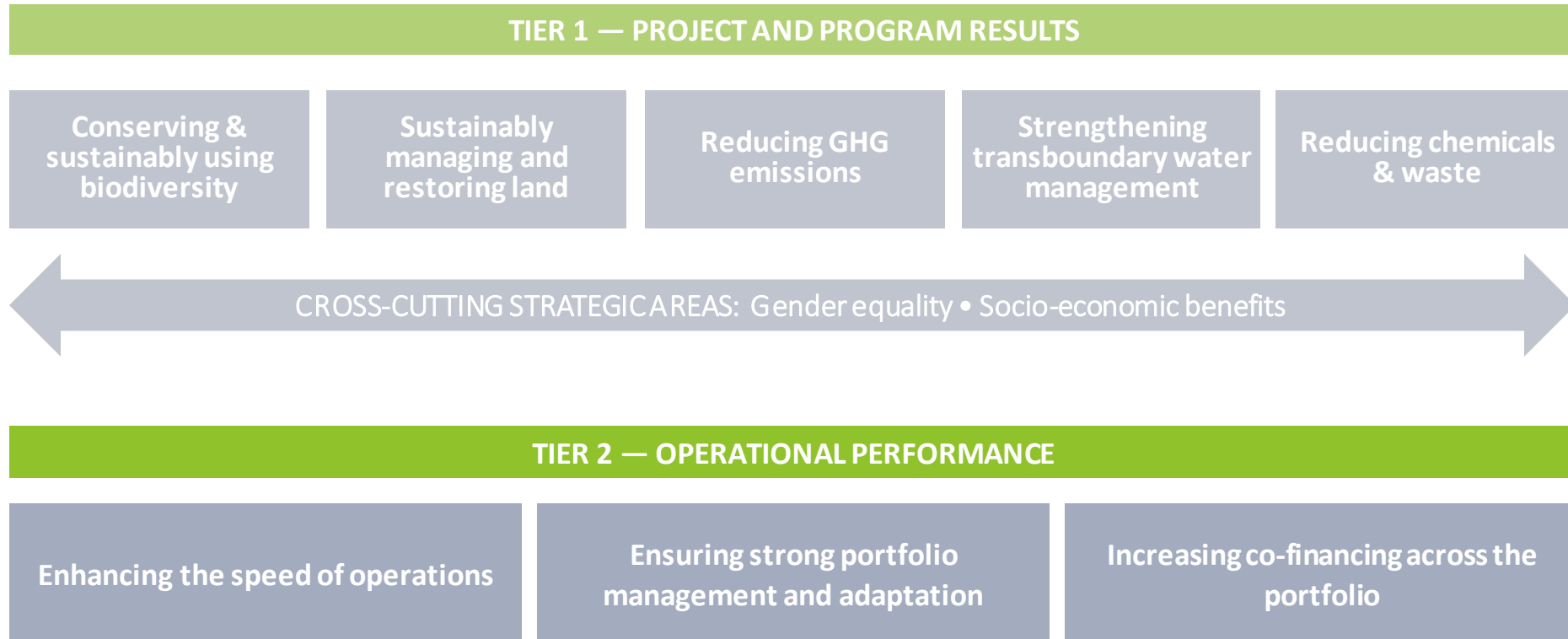
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Focusing on metrics that boost the partnership's impact

Continuing the Portfolio Scorecard implementation



Core indicators increase the focus on strategic priorities

Aligned to environmental challenges



Terrestrial protected areas for **conservation**



Area of **landscapes** restored



Area of **marine habitat** under improved practices



Number of **shared water ecosystems** under cooperative management



Reduction, destruction, elimination and **avoidance of chemicals**



Marine protected areas for **conservation**



Area of **landscapes** under improved practices



Greenhouse Gas Emissions Mitigated



Over-exploited **marine fisheries** moved to more sustainable levels



Reduction, **avoidance of emissions of POPS** to air

SOCIO-ECONOMIC CO-BENEFIT



Number of **direct beneficiaries** disaggregated by **gender**



30+ Sub-indicators support and inform core indicators

They include disaggregated and contextual indicators

- ▶ *Core indicator*—Reduction, elimination and avoidance of **chemicals of global concern and their waste** (metric tons of toxic chemicals reduced)

AGGREGATE UP TO CORE INDICATOR

- Solid and liquid Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) and POPs containing materials and products removed or disposed (POPs type)
- Quantity of mercury reduced
- Hydrochlorofluorocarbons reduced or phased out

BRING CONTEXT TO CORE INDICATOR

- Number of countries with legislation and policy implemented to control chemicals and waste
- Number of low-chemical/non-chemical systems implemented, particularly in food production, manufacturing, and cities



Results on gender

Gender policy

- ▶ Enhance accountability and compliance
- ▶ Take gender into account during project preparation
- ▶ Action, results and lessons during implementation
- ▶ Conduct gender analysis and action plan

Reporting on gender

- ▶ Access and control of natural resources
- ▶ Improve of women participation in decision making
- ▶ Socio economic benefits and services for women

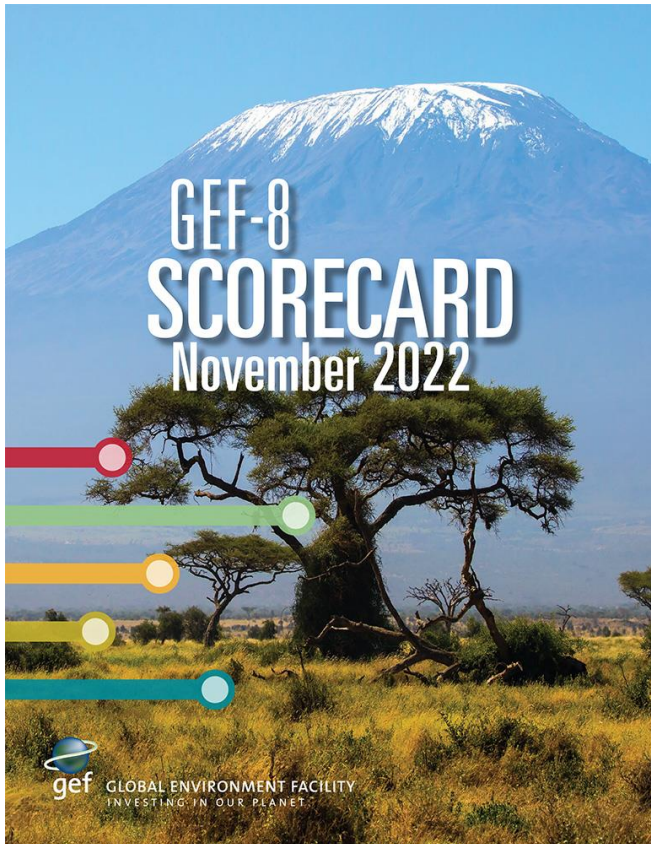
GEF-8 TARGETS & EXPECTED CONTRIBUTION FROM INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

CORE INDICATOR	GEF-8 TARGETS	EXPECTED IP CONTRIBUTION (%)
CONSERVING & SUSTAINABLY USING BIODIVERSITY		
1 Terrestrial protected areas created or under improved management	150 million ha	49
2 Marine protected areas created or under improved management	100 million ha	48
4 Area of landscapes under improved practices	195 million ha*	51
5 Area of marine habitat under improved practices to benefit biodiversity	70 million ha	69
SUSTAINABLY MANAGING AND RESTORING LAND		
3 Area of land and ecosystems under restoration	10 million ha	64
REDUCING GHG EMISSIONS		
6 Greenhouse Gas emissions mitigated	1850 million metric tons of CO ₂ e	51
STRENGTHENING TRANSBOUNDARY WATER MANAGEMENT		
7 Shared water ecosystems under new or improved cooperative management	40	18
8 Globally over-exploited marine fisheries moved to more sustainable levels	2.1 million metric tons	1
REDUCING CHEMICALS AND WASTE		
9 Chemicals of global concern and their waste reduced	300 thousand metric tons	17
10 Persistent organic pollutants to air reduced	5900 grams of toxic equivalent	33

GEF-8 RMF – Key Documents

Ensuring a consistent use of Core Indicators and approach to reporting

GEF-8 PROGRESS



ANNUAL UPDATE

2022
Monitoring Report

GUIDELINES

Implementation of
the GEF-8
Results Measurement
Framework

The GEF Partnership has achieved significant impact

Tangible results across environmental areas in fiscal 2022



BIODIVERSITY

18 million

hectares of protected areas created or managed sustainably

That's **equal** to the size of Cambodia



RESTORE LAND

1.3 million

hectares of land under sustainable land management

That's **over 900,000** football fields



MITIGATE CLIMATE CHANGE

147 million

tons of CO₂e in greenhouse gas emissions expected to be reduced

That's the emissions of nearly **30 million** gas passenger vehicles driven for one year



MANAGE INTERNTL. WATERS

4 shared water ecosystems under cooperative management

That's **more** countries working together in Large Marine Areas



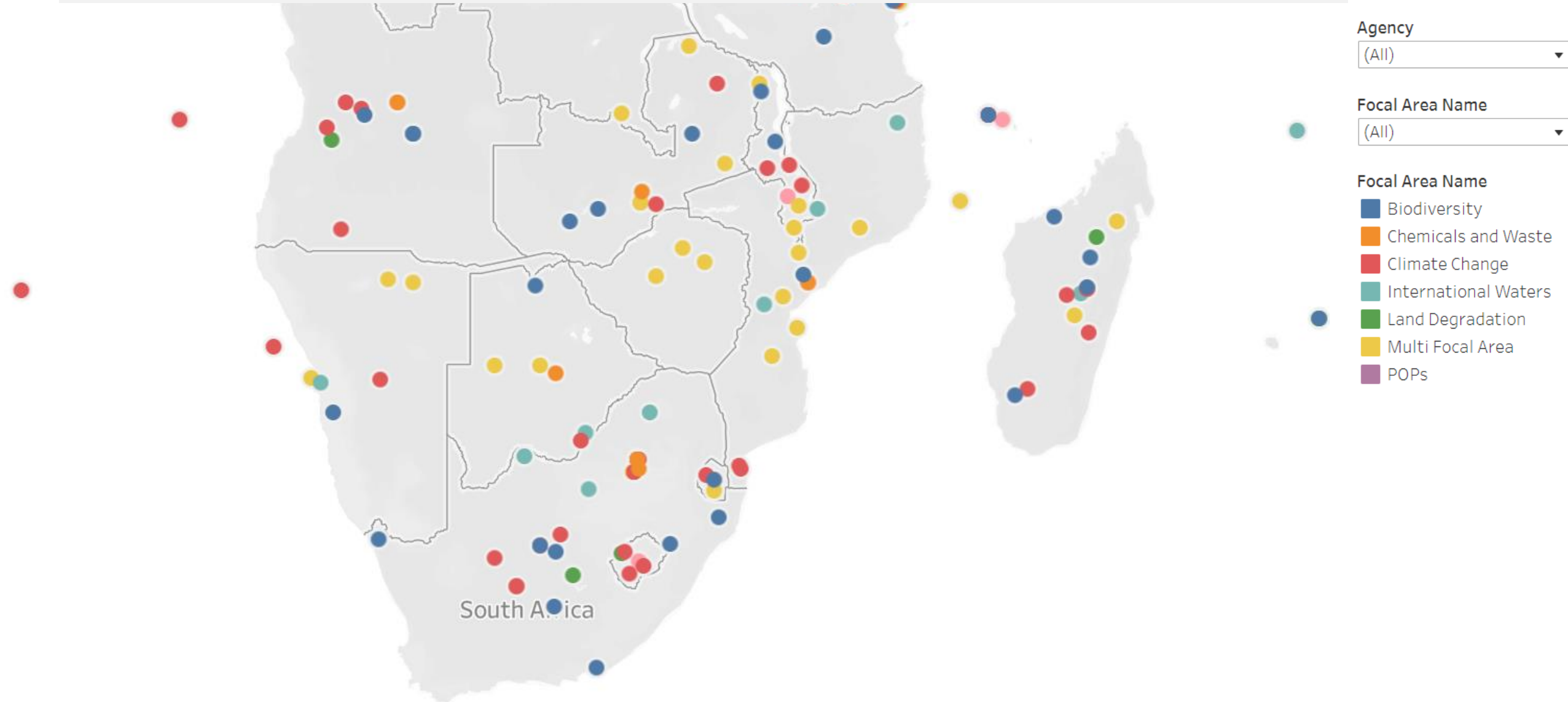
REDUCE CHEMICALS & WASTE

4.5 thousand tons of chemicals of global concern and their waste reduced

That's the equivalent of **20** statues of liberty

We have located the activities of 1000+ projects

And are developing an interactive platform



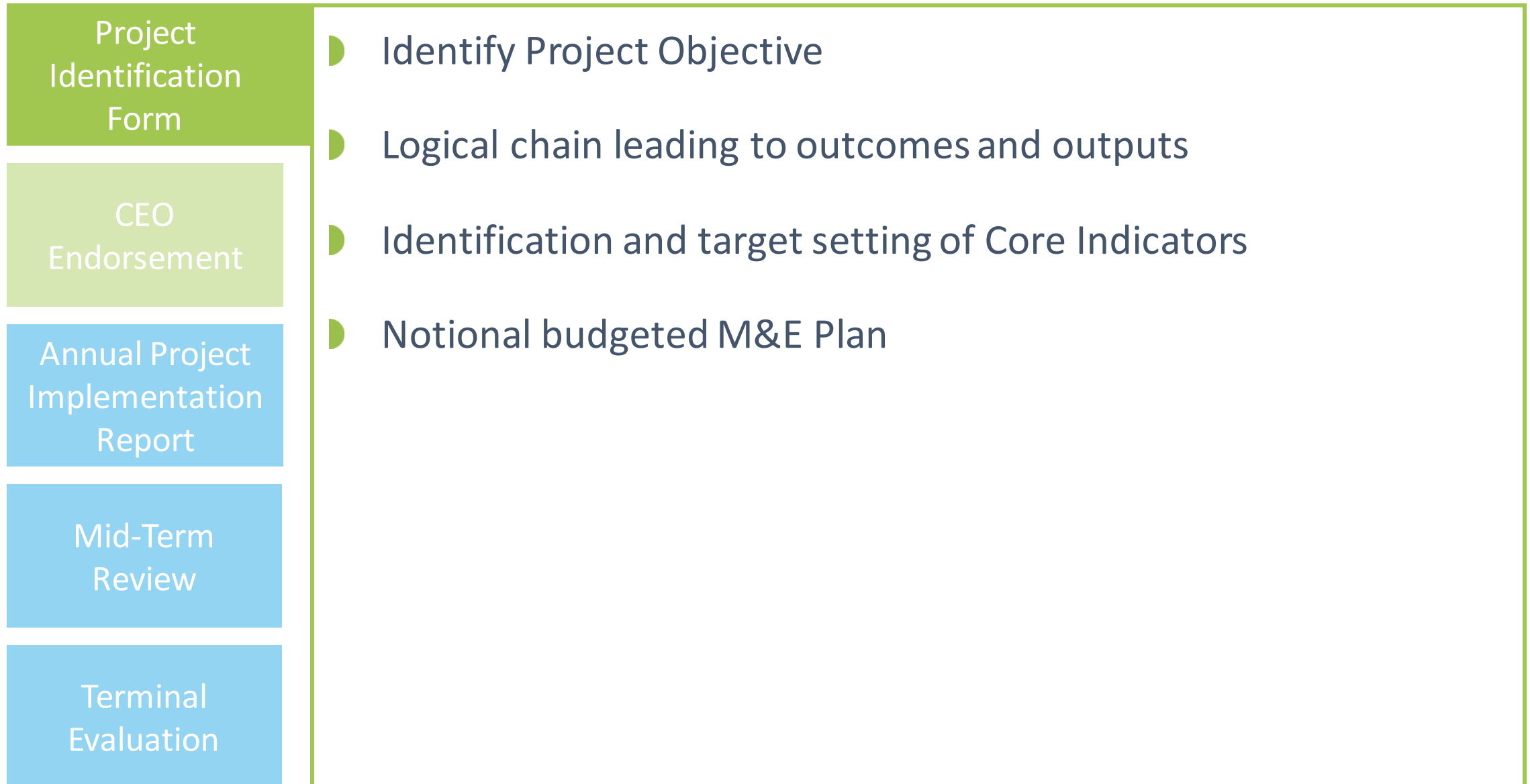
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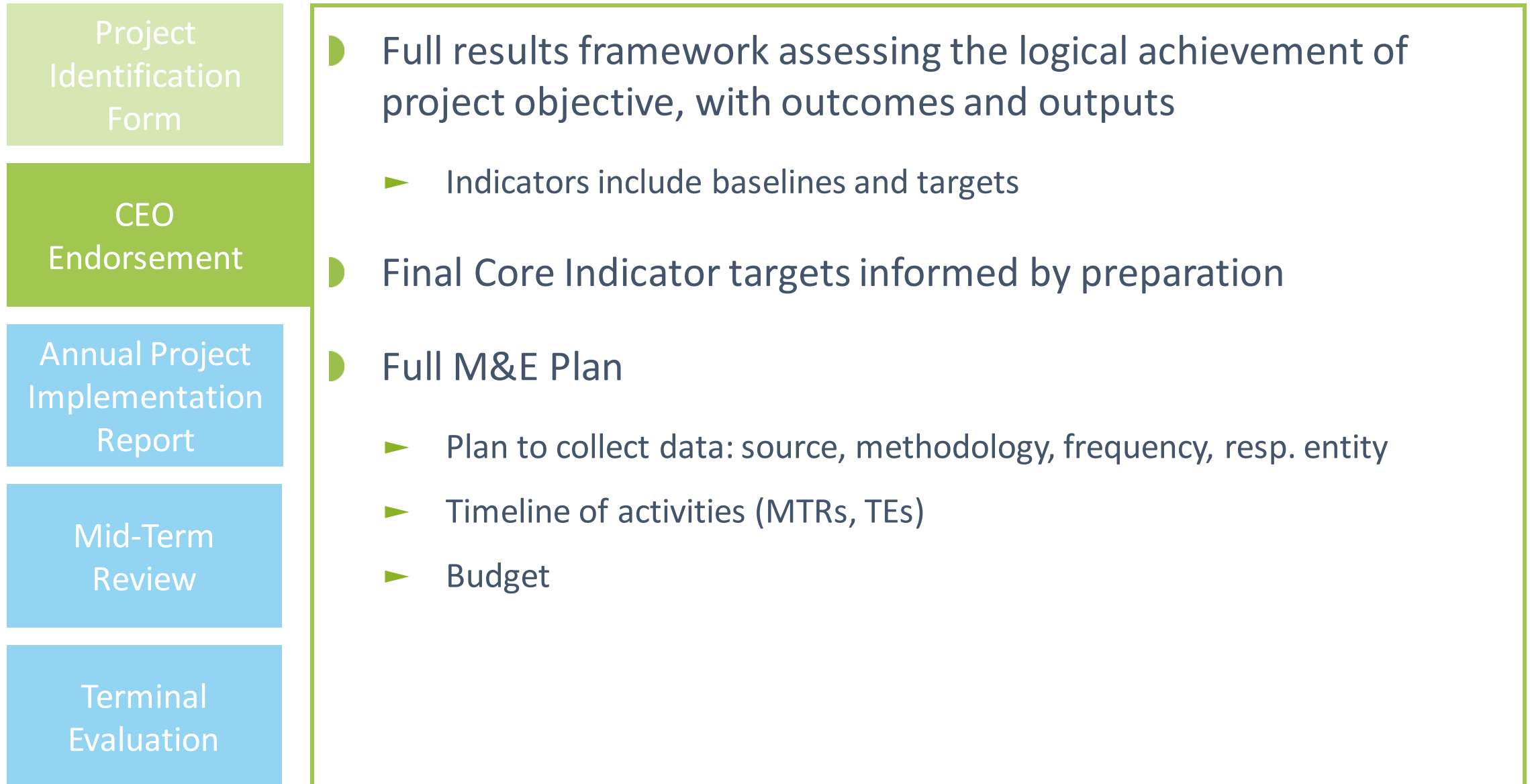
What is monitoring?

- ▶ Starts at the project design stage
- ▶ Standardized data collection and analysis on specific indicators
- ▶ Continuous and systematic in-house function
- ▶ Provides information on progress in the achievement of agreed objectives and the use of allocated resources
- ▶ System, structure and processes

The monitoring policy tracks implementation progress



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Project
Identification
Form

CEO
Endorsement

Annual Project
Implementation
Report

Mid-Term
Review

Terminal
Evaluation

Update on key progress indicators:

- ▶ Project status
- ▶ Disbursement
- ▶ Ratings—Implementation Progress, Development Outcome and Risk
- ▶ Expected MTR and Terminal Evaluation dates
- ▶ Indicators include baselines and targets

Qualitative update

- ▶ Project implementation progress and challenges
- ▶ Gender plan, Stakeholders engagement and Knowledge activities

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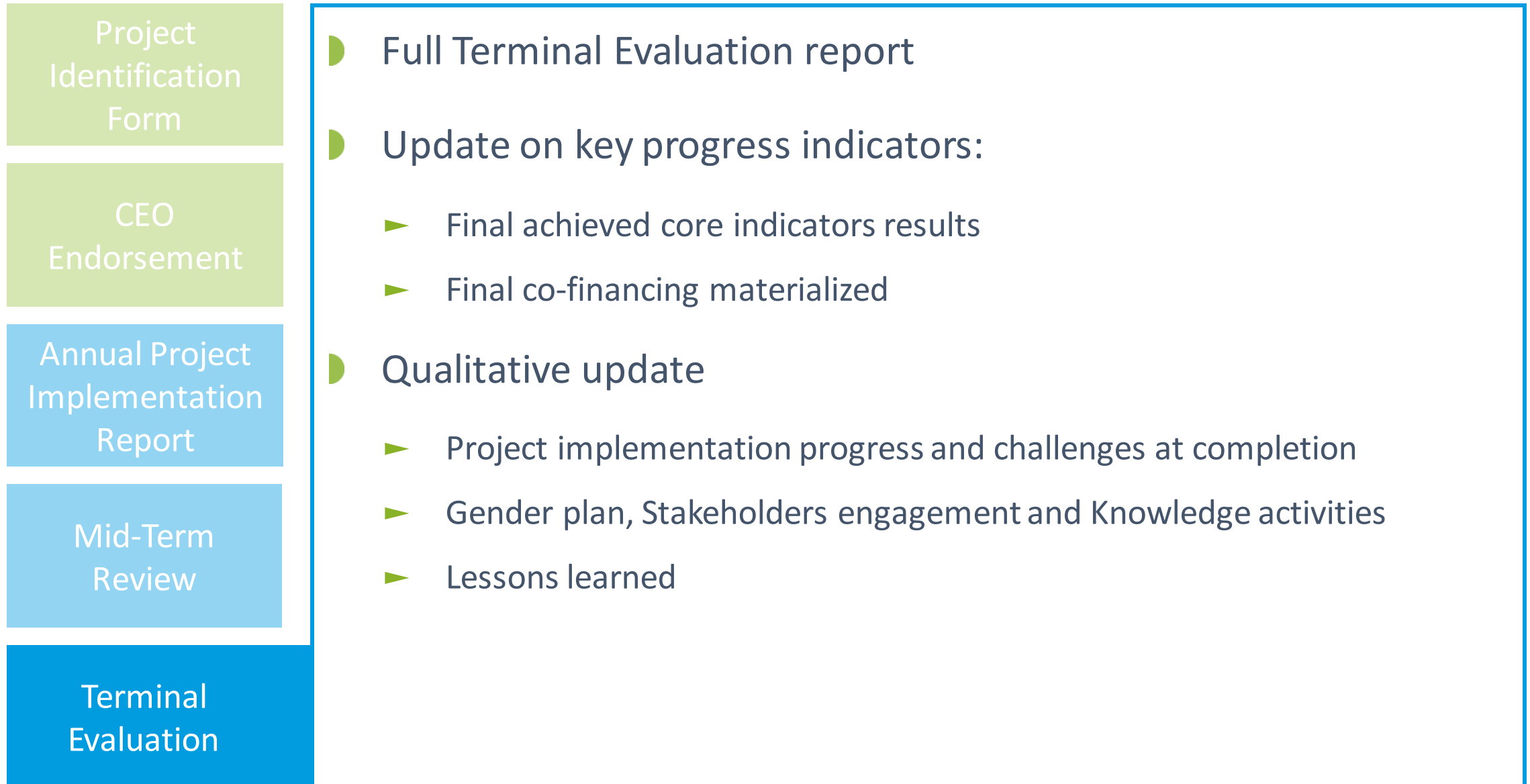
Annual Project
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Report

Mid-Term
Review

Terminal
Evaluation

- ▶ Full MTR report
- ▶ Update on key progress indicators:
 - ▶ Actual core indicators results achieved
 - ▶ Progress in materializing co-financing
- ▶ Qualitative update
 - ▶ Project implementation progress and challenges
 - ▶ Gender plan, Stakeholders engagement and Knowledge activities
 - ▶ Lessons learned

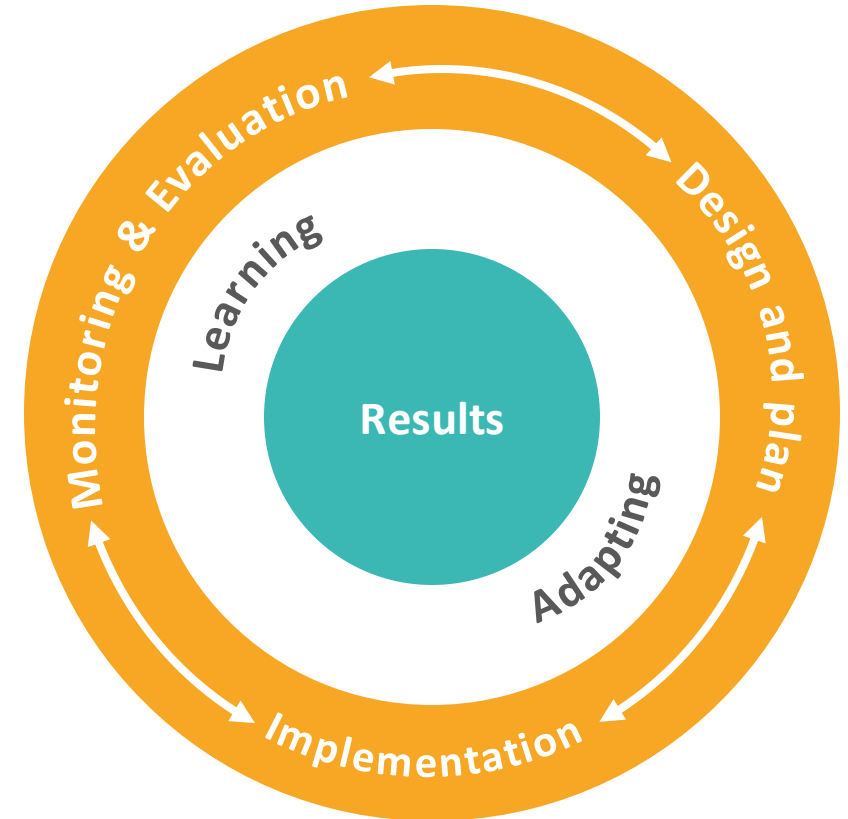
The monitoring policy tracks implementation progress



Strengthening M&E quality, Promoting adaptation

Designing sound M&E frameworks and promoting adaptation

- ▶ Continue promote the use of theories of change to enhance learning and evaluability
- ▶ Design Impact Program M&E plan to facilitate aggregation across projects
- ▶ Better track adaptation during implementation
- ▶ Encourage the use of Mid-Terms Reviews for learning and solving implementation problems





THANK YOU

GEF Policy Framework



GEF Policies & Guidelines:

<https://www.thegef.org/projects-operations/policies-guidelines>

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

OBJECTIVE

To enhance the environmental and social outcomes of GEF-financed projects

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

to identify and address environmental and social risks and potential impacts in GEF projects and programs



Anticipate social and environmental risks and impacts



Plan to avoid or mitigate risks and impacts



Manage and monitor implementation



Respond to issues as they arise

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS



- Climate Change/ Disaster Risks
- Disability Inclusion

- Disadvantaged or Vulnerable Individuals or Groups
- Adverse Gender related Impacts (gender-Based Violence)

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

SAFEGUARDS BY STEP

PROJECT CONCEPT (PIF)

- Screen project to identify environmental and social risks
- Disclose relevant documents and inform/consult stakeholders
- Define preliminary project risk rating
- Describe information on the types of risks
- Provide any early screening reports and plans to address identified risks

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT (CEO ENDORSEMENT)

- Assess environmental and social risks and potential impacts
- Disclose relevant documents and inform/consult Stakeholders
- Provide overall project or program risk rating
- Describe types of risks and risk ratings
- Provide any assessment reports

PROJECT MONITORING & REPORTING

- Supervise the implementation of environmental and social management measures
- Monitor environmental and social risks and any revisions to identified risks
- Report on implementation of management measures



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

OBJECTIVE

To promote the inclusive and meaningful participation of stakeholders in gef's governance and operations

REQUIREMENTS *GEF's Operational Policies "shall provide for full disclosure of all non-confidential information, and consultation with, and participation as appropriate of, major groups and local communities, throughout the project cycle."*

(Paragraph 5 of GEF Instrument)

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

ENGAGEMENT PRINCIPLES

- Constructive, responsive, accountable and transparent
- Fair, balanced, and inclusive participation
- Sustained commitment and action
- Supported by appropriate documentation and information

ENGAGEMENT BY STEP

PROJECT CONCEPT (PIF)

- Provide a description of any consultations conducted during project development
- Provide information on how Stakeholders will be engaged and means of engagement throughout the project cycle

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT (CEO ENDORSEMENT/APPROVAL)

- Provide Stakeholder Engagement Plans (SEP) or equivalent documentation
 - *Stakeholders who have been and will be engaged*
 - *Means of engagement*
 - *Dissemination of information*
 - *Roles and responsibilities*
 - *Resource requirements*
 - *Timing of engagement*

PROJECT MONITORING & REPORTING

- Report progress, challenges and outcomes of the implementation of stakeholder engagement

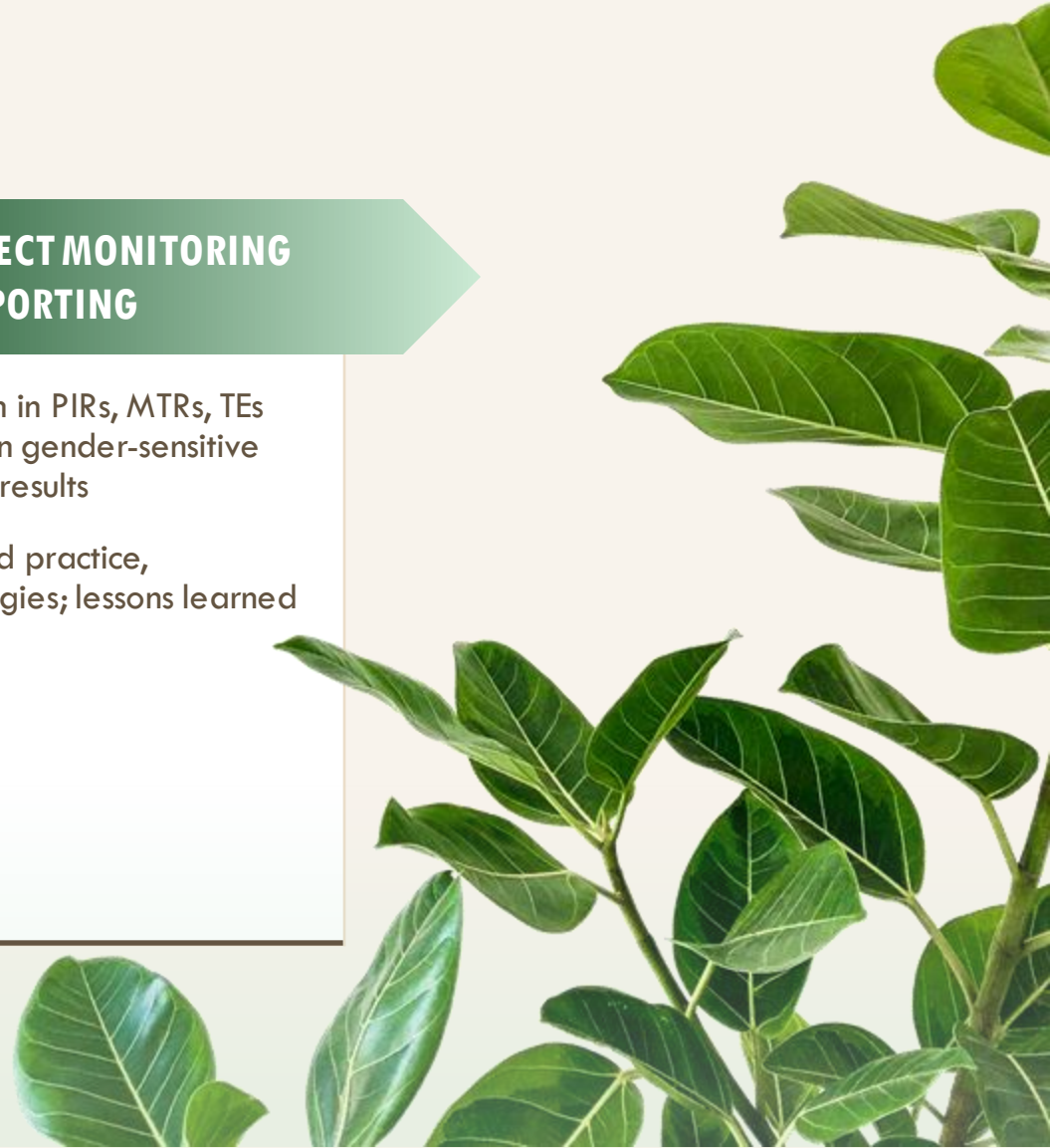
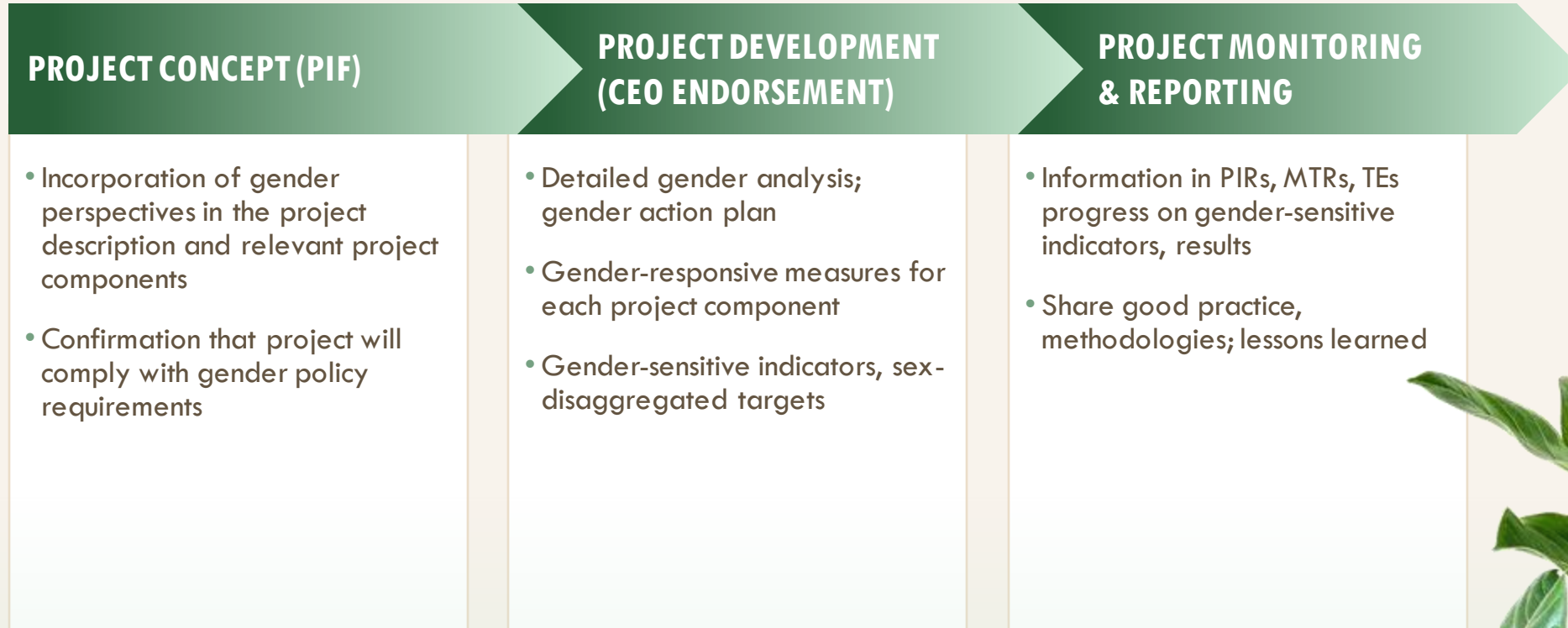
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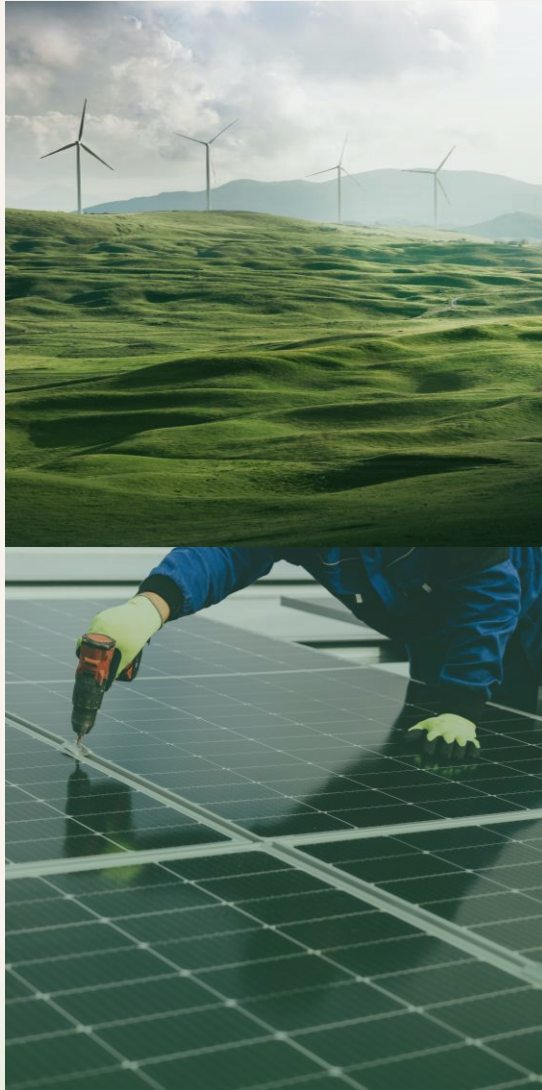
To ensure equal opportunities for women and men to participate in, contribute to and benefit from GEF-financed interventions

Catalyzing for gender-responsive approaches in environmental projects
Ensuring that gender inequalities are addressed
Promoting women as partners and beneficiaries
Codifying minimum requirements in project design and implementation

GENDER EQUALITY



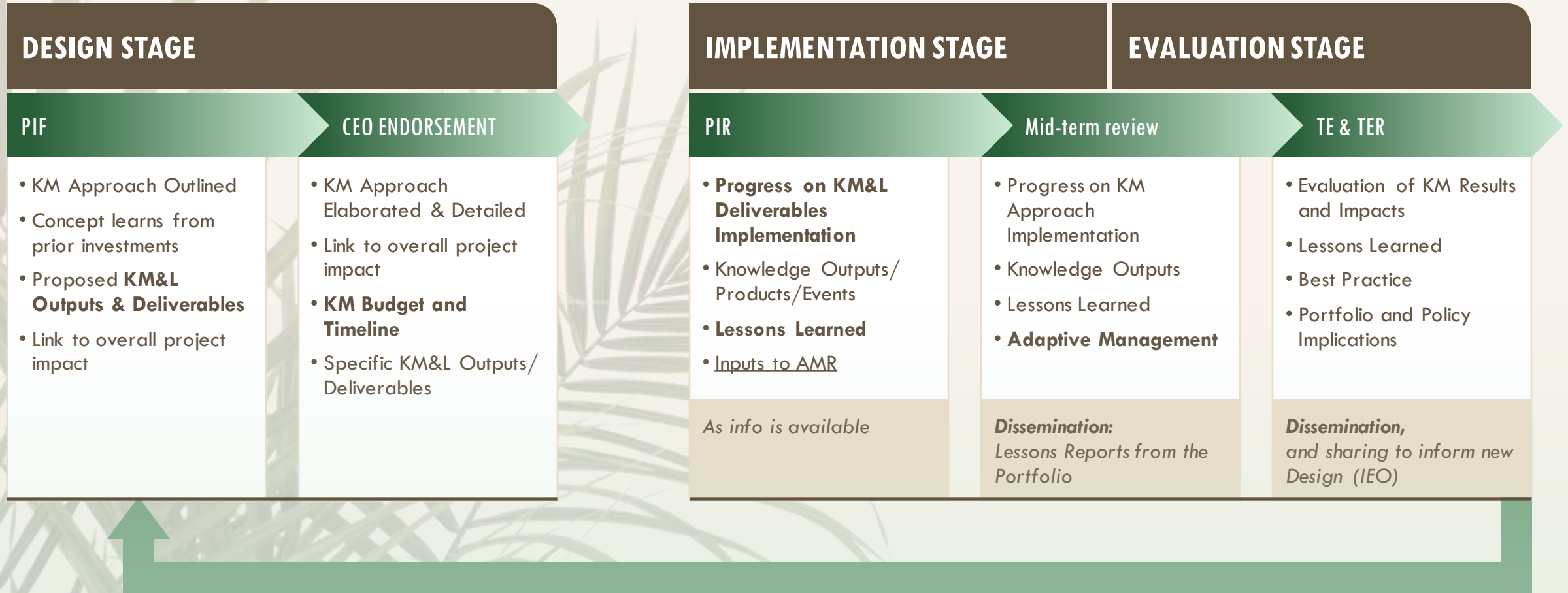
ENHANCING KNOWLEDGE AND LEARNING IN GEF PROJECTS/PROGRAM



- 1** An overview of existing lessons and best practice that inform the project/program concept
- 2** Plans to learn from relevant projects, programs, initiatives & evaluations
- 3** Processes to capture, assess and document info, lessons, best practice & expertise generated during implementation
- 4** Tools and methods for knowledge exchange, learning & collaboration (at both program & project levels), including knowledge platforms and websites
- 5** Knowledge outputs to be produced and shared with stakeholders (at both program & project levels)
- 6** A discussion on how knowledge and learning will contribute to overall project/program impact and sustainability
- 7** Plans for strategic communications
- 8** Budget and timelines for KM Approach implementation/delivery (required at CEO endorsement stage)

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT & LEARNING

Using, Generating, Capturing and Sharing Knowledge



KNOWLEDGE AND LEARNING



Process of capturing and sharing results and lessons from projects to

- **Inform** global, regional and national policy dialogues
- **Improve** the impact of GEF projects

PRODUCTS



RESULTS

Good Practice Briefs

PUBLICATIONS AND LEARNING

The Art of Knowledge Exchange
GEF Academy
GEF Kaleo “Ask the Expert”

KNOWLEDGE PLATFORMS

GEF OFP Knowledge & Collaboration Platform (KCP)



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GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY
INVESTING IN OUR PLANET



PRESENTATION AGENDA

Context for GEF-8

**GEF-8 strategy and
programming directions**

Integrated Programs

Focal Areas

Q and A

GLOBAL RESPONSES AND COMMITMENTS to seek bold results by 2030 and beyond

Commitments by countries representing ~45% of the world's emissions to achieve **carbon neutrality** by 2050

Sustainably manage 100% of the **ocean** area under national jurisdiction by 2025

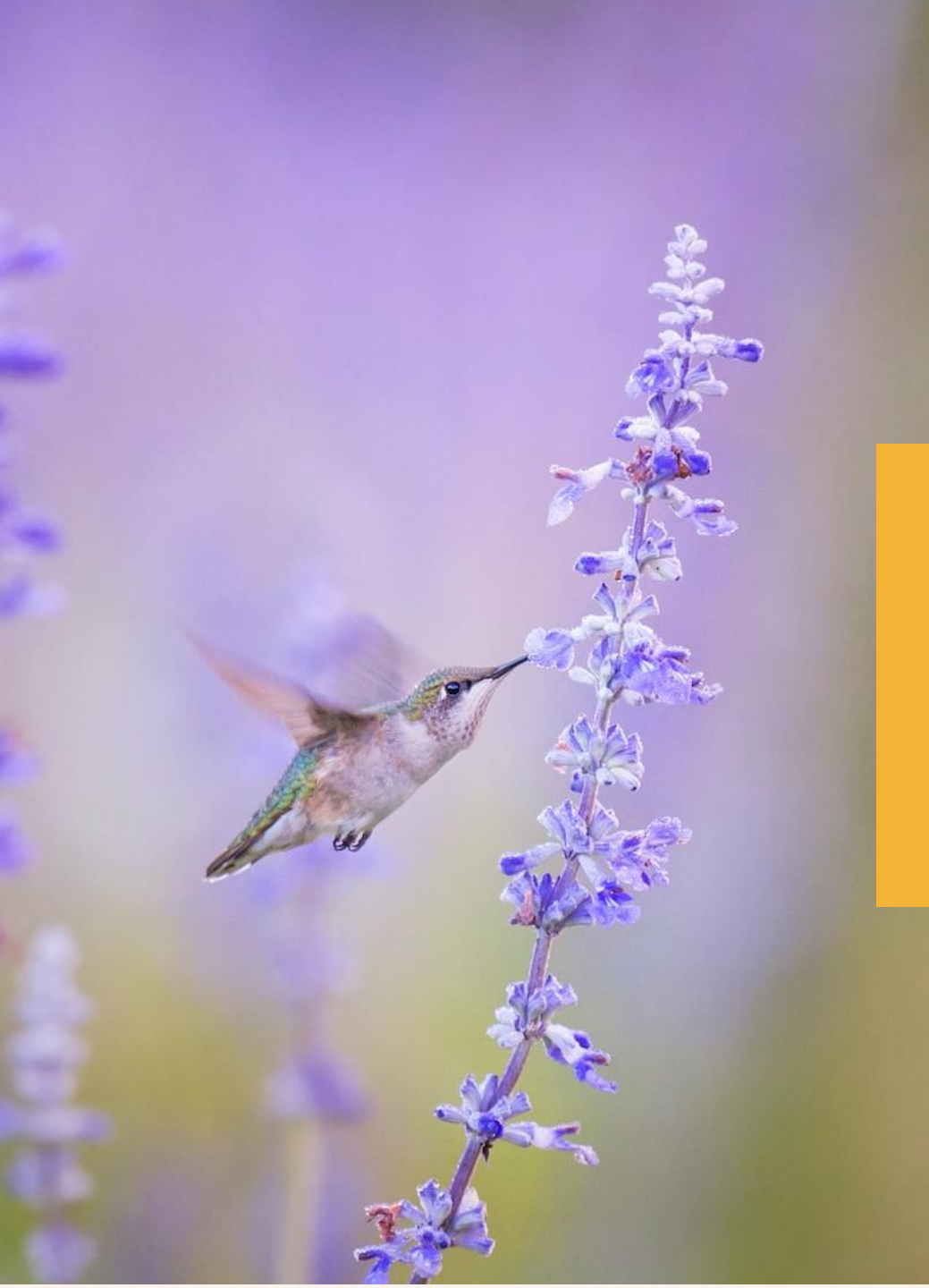
Commitment to prevent, halt and reverse the **degradation of ecosystems** - 350 million hectares of degraded landscapes into restoration

High ambition coalition commitment to bring 30% of **land and oceans** under protection

Phase out **POPs** controlled by the Stockholm Convention with time bound phase out dates during the period 2025 – 2036

Develop the Task Force on Nature-related **Financial Disclosures**

Phase out of **mercury** in products and industrial process by 2025



Calls for a GEF-8 Strategy that is

*systemic and
transformational and
responds to urgency
of raising ambition*

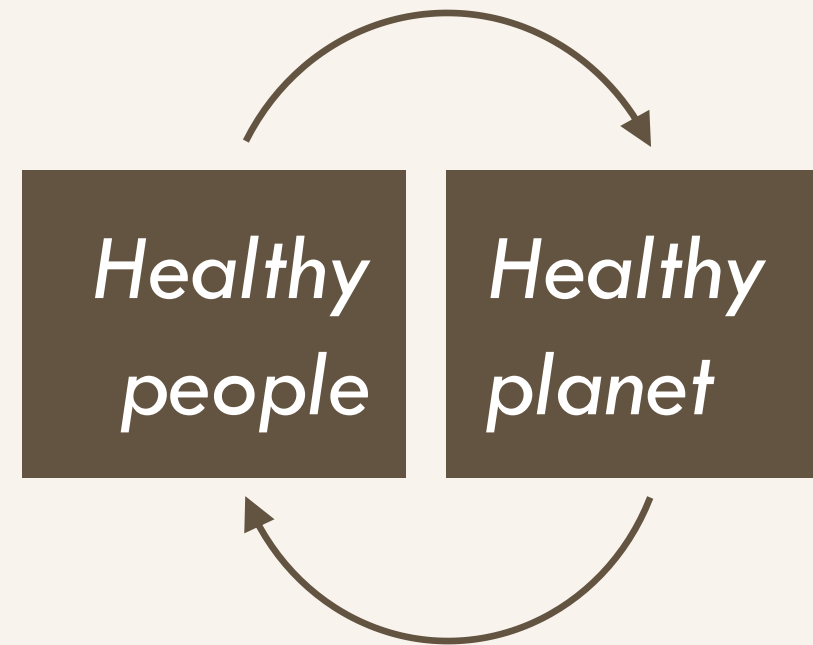


A longer-term vision for the GEF

To halt nature loss and ensure that the world is nature-positive by 2030 and carbon neutral and pollution-free by 2050



GEF-8 embracing a post-COVID-19 framework



...protecting nature and restoring health of the environment that can and needs to underpin the health and well-being of human societies.

GEF-8 FOCUS ON INTEGRATION FOR IMPACT AND SCALE

Pathway to Transformative Change for Blue and Green Recovery

Country projects and portfolios should focus on maximizing these characteristics:

Integration of actions across sectors, focal areas, or drivers

Address drivers of environmental degradation at global or regional scales;

Avoid leakage and promote policy coherence

Work across scales and sectors

Transformative Investments

Promote greater private sector engagement;

Innovate and take measured risk for higher return

Ensure Durable Outcomes

Design for resilience in the face of uncertainty

Build Institutional and financing to sustain impact

GEF-8: HEALTHY PLANET, HEALTHY PEOPLE

Unified action towards 2030 Goals and Commitments

FOCAL AREAS

Biodiversity

Climate change mitigation

Land degradation

International waters

Chemicals and waste

INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

Food Systems

Ecosystem Restoration

Sustainable Cities

Amazon, Congo, and Critical Forest Biomes

Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution

Blue and Green Islands

Clean and Healthy Ocean

Greening Transportation Infrastructure Development

Net-Zero Nature-Positive Accelerator

Wildlife Conservation for Development

Elimination of Harmful Chemicals from Supply Chains

GLOBAL PROGRAMS

Mobilizing the Financial Sector for Environmental Goals through Blended Finance

Community Action for Global Transformation - Small Grants Program and Beyond

CROSS-CUTTING

Circular economy • Nature-based solutions • Gender responsiveness • Resilience • Private sector engagement



INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

GEF-8



GEF-8 INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

Pathway to Transformative Change for Blue and Green Recovery

Integrated programs are defined by sharing several of the following characteristics:

1

Integration of focal areas and approaches

2

Deliver **multiple** global environmental benefits

3

Complement country-level investments with **transboundary** action and impact at regional or global scales

4

Promote a global **platform** for coordination and technical support to country projects

5

Provides incentives for **country** participation

6

Delivers more **outcomes** than individual projects on same topic

SUSTAINABLE CITIES

GOAL

Advance integrated and systems-based approaches towards building net zero carbon, nature positive, inclusive and climate resilient cities.

Major objectives

Accelerate adoption of **integrated urban planning approach** to include nature and circularity principles

Catalyze **increased flow of investments** to cities for implementation of sustainable solutions.

Promote a **people-centric approach** to integrate gender, health, and inclusion.

City-city learning and global knowledge creation and exchange.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Climate change mitigation.

Management of biodiversity, land degradation reduced.

Hazardous chemical waste and plastic pollution reduced.

Climate resilience.

CIRCULAR SOLUTIONS TO PLASTIC POLLUTION



GOAL

Catalyze circular economy approaches to reduce plastic production, consumption and disposal.



Major objectives

- **Reduce:** Eliminate unnecessary plastic products
- **Reuse:** Innovate reusable products & reuse systems for refill, repair, resell, rent, repurpose, repair
- **Recycle:** Circulate products through efficient collection and recycling systems
- **Create** cross-cutting enabling conditions

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

- Protect marine, coastal and terrestrial ecosystems and threatened species.
- Reduce GHG emissions.
- Reduce POP emissions.

ELIMINATING HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS FROM SUPPLY CHAINS

GOAL

Reduce or eliminate the environmental degradation of globally significant supply chains.

Major objectives

Green by Design

Policy Coherence for the Management of Sustainable Supply Chains

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Eliminate harmful chemicals from the environment.

Support countries in their commitment to MEAs.



CLEAN AND HEALTHY OCEAN



GOAL

To curb nutrient influx from untreated wastewater and runoff from Agriculture, Industry and Cities into coastal waters

Major objectives

Global attention to the impacts of nutrient loads in the ocean.

National coordinated/coherent policy formulation.

Mobilization of financing.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Nutrient loads from land-based sources of pollutants reduced.

Integrity of the highly biodiverse coastal zone.

Key marine and coastal biodiversity protected.

Climate change resilience in coastal ecosystems.

Sustainable and innovative policies and investments in nutrient reduction, incl. NBS.

AMAZON, CONGO, and CRITICAL FOREST BIOMES

GOAL

Protect and maintain the integrity of globally important tropical primary forests

Major objectives

Protection and governance of intact forest landscapes.

Protection and forest management outside protected areas.

Financial and other incentives for forest protection.

Empowering Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Globally important biodiversity and ecosystem services.

Commitments under CBD, UNFCCC, UNFF, and UNCCD.

Integrity of transboundary freshwater ecosystems.



WILDLIFE CONSERVATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

GOAL

Secure wildlife populations and landscapes for people and planet.

Major objectives

Increase wildlife populations and the ecological connectivity and integrity of wildlife landscapes

Reduce the risk of zoonotic spillover

Increase sustainable benefits from wildlife and landscapes

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Contribute to wildlife conservation and landscape integrity and connectivity.

Reduce zoonotic spillover risks.

Increase diversified sustainable livelihoods.



FOOD SYSTEMS

GOAL

Catalyze the transformation to sustainable and regenerative food systems that are nature positive, climate resilient and nutrient pollution-free

Major objectives

Sustainable and regenerative food production.

Livestock's impact on the environment & contribution to zoonotic spillover reduced, production of alternative protein sources.

Investment in sustainable aquaculture management.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

3 Rio Conventions

International waters focal area global environment benefits

Degenerative agriculture

Reduce harm

Sustainable agriculture

Enhance

Regenerative agriculture

ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

GOAL

Restore healthy and resilient ecosystems to foster green recovery and secure livelihoods

Economic and
Financial Leverage

Multi-Stakeholder
Coalitions

**A Global Movement for
Transformational Impact**

Institutions and
Governance

Private Sector
Engagement

Major objectives

Multiple environmental and socio-economic benefits by restoring degraded ecosystems.

Restoration related policies, governance, institutional, and socio-economic structures for transformational impact.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Reach LDN targets.
Meet countries NBSAP goals.

Mitigation action via NDCs.

Multi-objective and multi-criteria selection of landscapes for major contributions to all 3 Rio Conventions

NET ZERO NATURE-POSITIVE ACCELERATOR

GOAL

To accelerate the implementation of nature-positive, net-zero pathways by investing in nature and new technologies.

Major objectives

Cross ministerial platforms

Socio-economic analysis and scenario modeling

Net-zero strategies/LTSs and/or policies

Investments in NZNP pipelines

Robust data systems

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Integrate climate and nature agendas, advancing implementation of Paris Agreement and Kunming-Montreal GBF.

Reduce GHG emissions, enhance carbon sinks.

Conserve biodiversity and reduce land degradation.

Reduce chemical pollution and waste.

BLUE AND GREEN ISLANDS

GOAL

To ensure the maintenance and health of ecosystems at the center of socio-economic development in SIDS countries.

Major objectives

Nature integrated in key economic sectors.

Landscape and seascape level nature-based solutions implemented in key ecosystems.

Collaboration, partnerships and learning that generate scale and impact for GEBs and well-being.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Mainstreaming biodiversity, improved management of protected areas (UNCBD).

Land sustainably managed and restored (UNCCD).

Avoided emissions from the AFOLU sectors (UNFCCC); Reduced POPs emissions; Fisheries, freshwater, and ocean resources sustainably managed.

GREENING INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

GOAL

Enable countries to meet infrastructure needs while securing nature and nature's services.

Major objectives

Improve infrastructure-related planning, regulatory, financial, and institutional and management frameworks.

Strengthen integrated, multisectoral, and participatory upstream planning and design

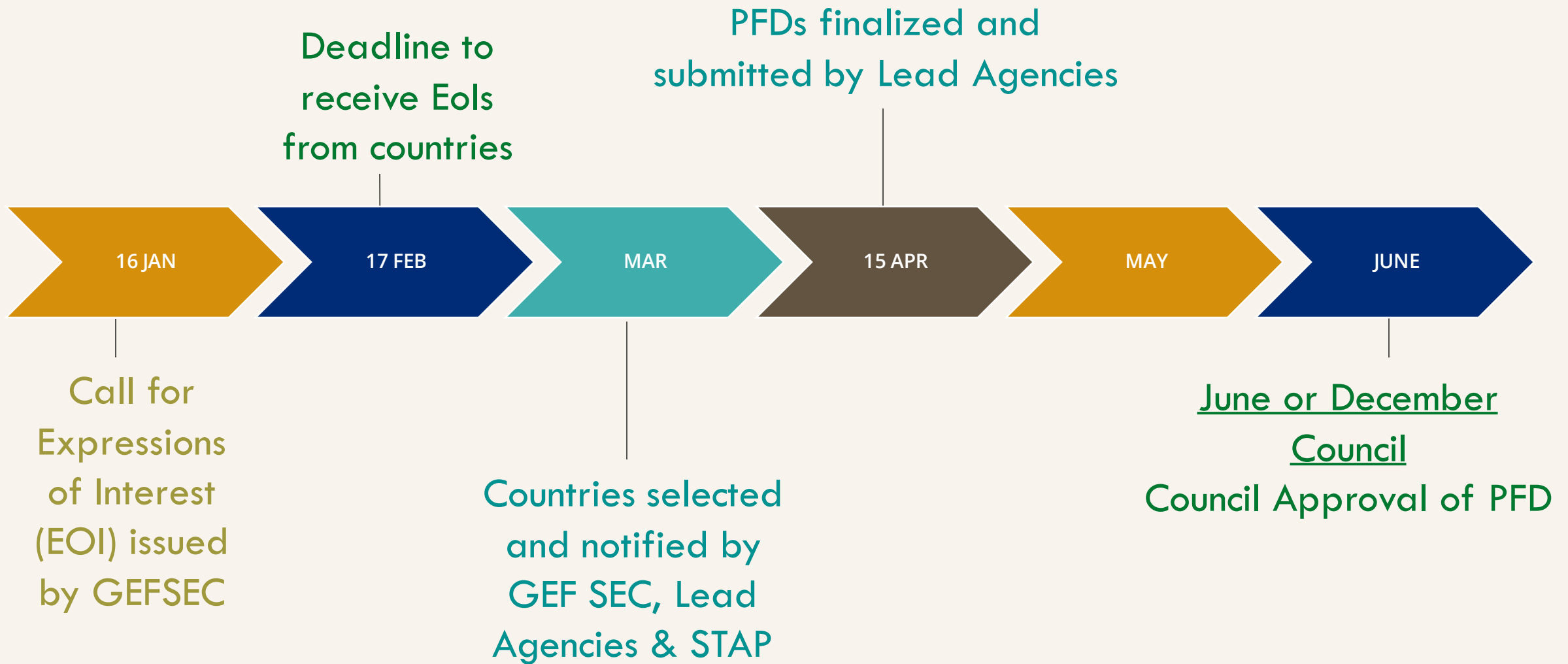
Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Biodiversity conserved in protected areas.

Mitigation and sequestration of carbon.



INTEGRATED PROGRAM PROCESS





FOCAL AREAS

Sri Lanka

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BIODIVERSITY

GOAL

Globally significant biodiversity conserved, sustainably used, and restored.

Major objectives

To improve conservation, sustainable use and restoration of natural ecosystems.

To effectively implement the Cartagena and Nagoya protocols.

To increase mobilization of domestic resources for biodiversity.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Comprehensive implementation support for the Global Biodiversity Framework

Integrated landscape/seascape management.

Domestic resource mobilization.



LAND DEGRADATION

GOAL

To avoid, reduce, and reverse land degradation, desertification and mitigate the effects of drought.

Major objectives

Sustainable land management.
Landscape restoration.
Address Desertification, Land Degradation and Drought (DLDD), particularly in drylands.
Improve the enabling policy and institutional framework for LDN.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Specific objective on addressing DLDD issues.
Increased emphasis on land-based interventions for drought mitigation.



CLIMATE CHANGE

GOAL

Support developing countries to make transformational shifts towards net-zero GHG emissions and climate-resilient development pathways.

Major objectives

1. Innovation, technology transfer, and enabling policies for mitigation options with systemic impacts.

- 1.1. Accelerate the efficient use of energy and materials.*
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- 2.2. Support relevant Convention obligations and enabling activities.*

INTERNATIONAL WATERS



GOAL

Supporting nations in transboundary cooperation in shared marine and freshwater ecosystems through 3 step process:

- *Assess ecological & socioeconomic conditions*
- *Agree on a regional strategic action program (SAP)*
- *Implement the SAP*

Major objectives

Support **Large Marine Ecosystems** to accelerate Blue Economic Development.

Advance management in the Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (**ABNJ**).

Enhance water security in **freshwater** ecosystems.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

GEBs:

New or improved marine protected areas (**MPAs**)

More sustainable **fisheries** and aquaculture

Reduced **pollution**, including from wastewater, agricultural run-off and plastics

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CHEMICALS AND WASTE

GOAL

Prevent pollution from harmful chemicals and waste particularly POPs and Mercury.

Major objectives

Policy reform to cleaner chemistry and eliminate existing waste.

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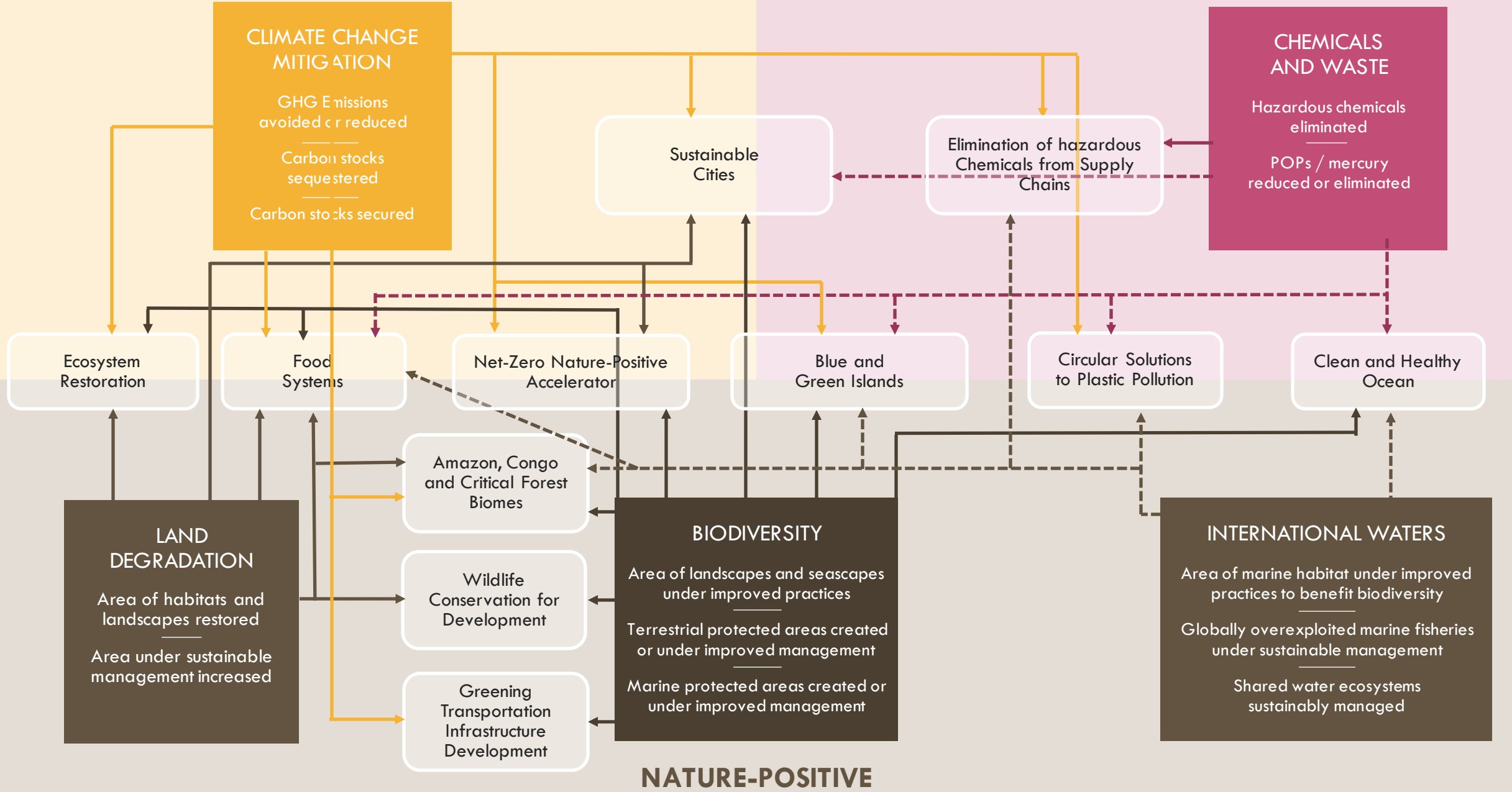
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Harmonized approaches across jurisdictions to allow transparency in supply chains



CARBON-NEUTRAL

POLLUTION-FREE



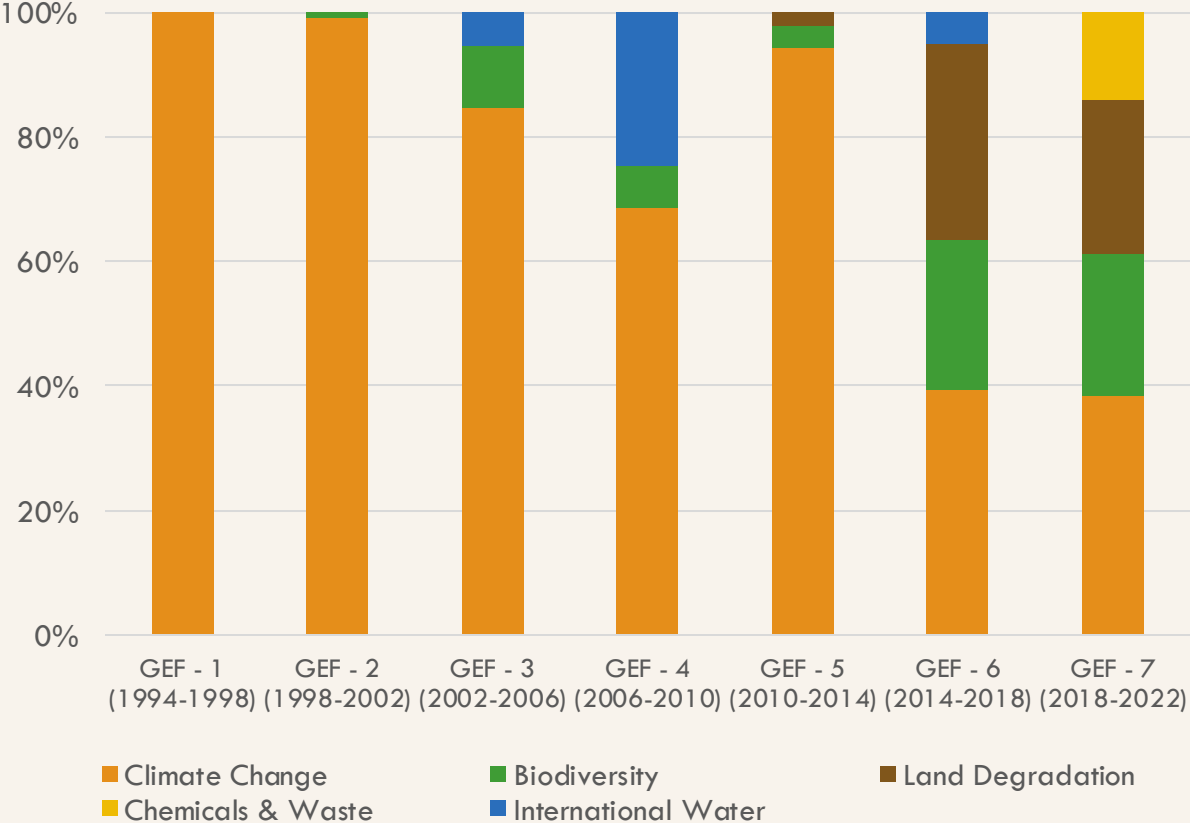
Blended Finance Global Program (Non-Grant Instrument)

Goal

Mobilize private sector investment in projects with high potential to generate GEBs

Definition

Investment has potential for generating reflows



- **GEF has been a leader in Blended finance since its inception.** Initially focusing on renewable energy and energy efficiency but lately moving to “frontier” areas such as land degradation, biodiversity, and international waters **where private sector investment is more scarce.**
- In GEF-7, the blended finance initiative became the **Non-Grant Instrument Program (NGI Program)** with USD 136 million allocated and **USD 122.6 million awarded** for 10 projects with co-financing ratio of 20:1
- In GEF-8, the allocation is **USD 196 million.**
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GOAL

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Major objectives

Accelerate joint action to support Blue Economic Development.

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Enhance water security in freshwater ecosystems.

Major contributions to GEBs and MEAs

Increased focus on Implementation of Strategic Action Programs.

Enhanced support to joint action on sustainable Blue Economic Development.

Advanced attention to food, water and ecosystem security through a nexus approach.

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Beyond Biodiversity National Jurisdiction Treaty

Plastic Pollution Reducing Treaty

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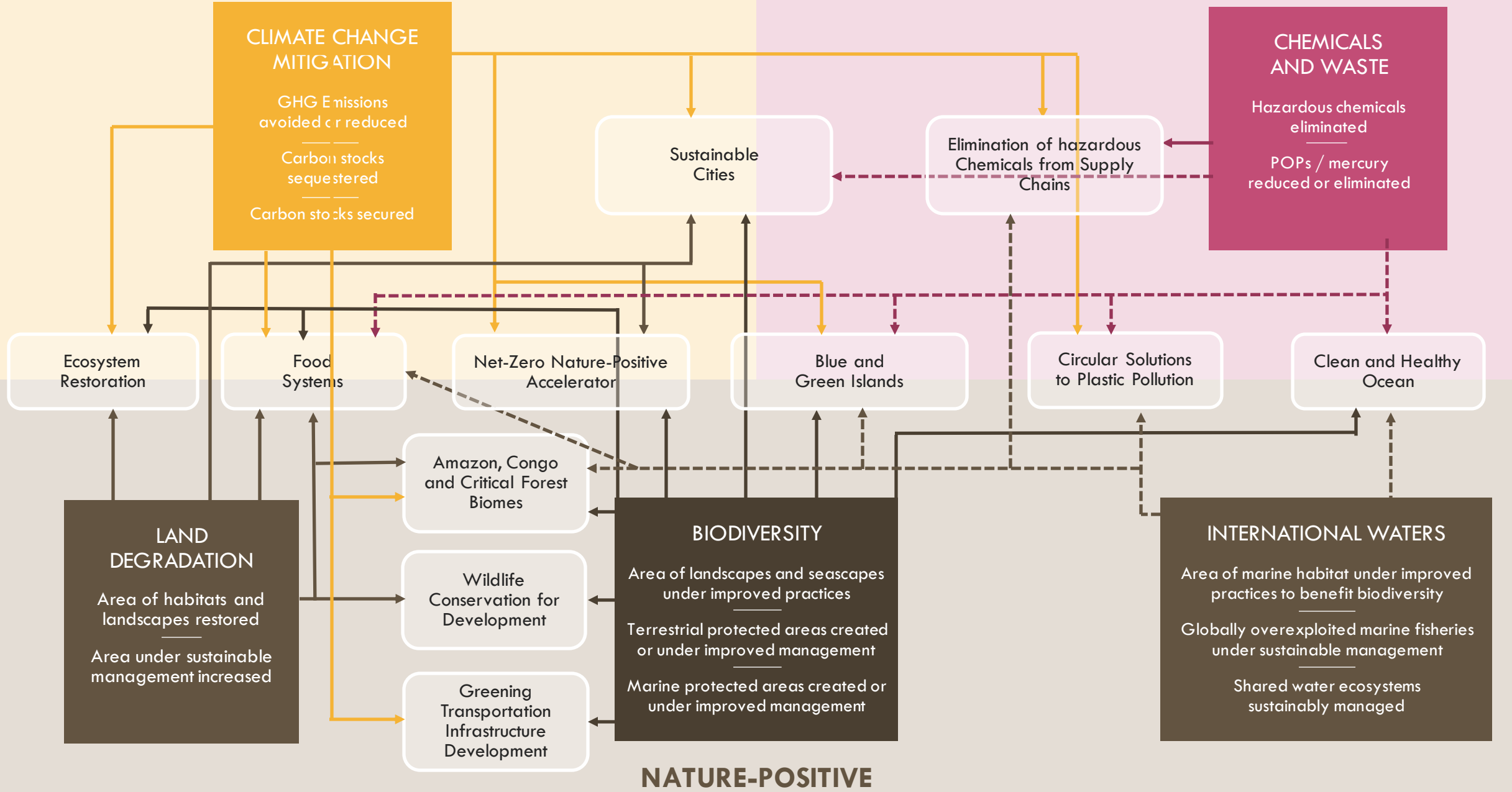
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