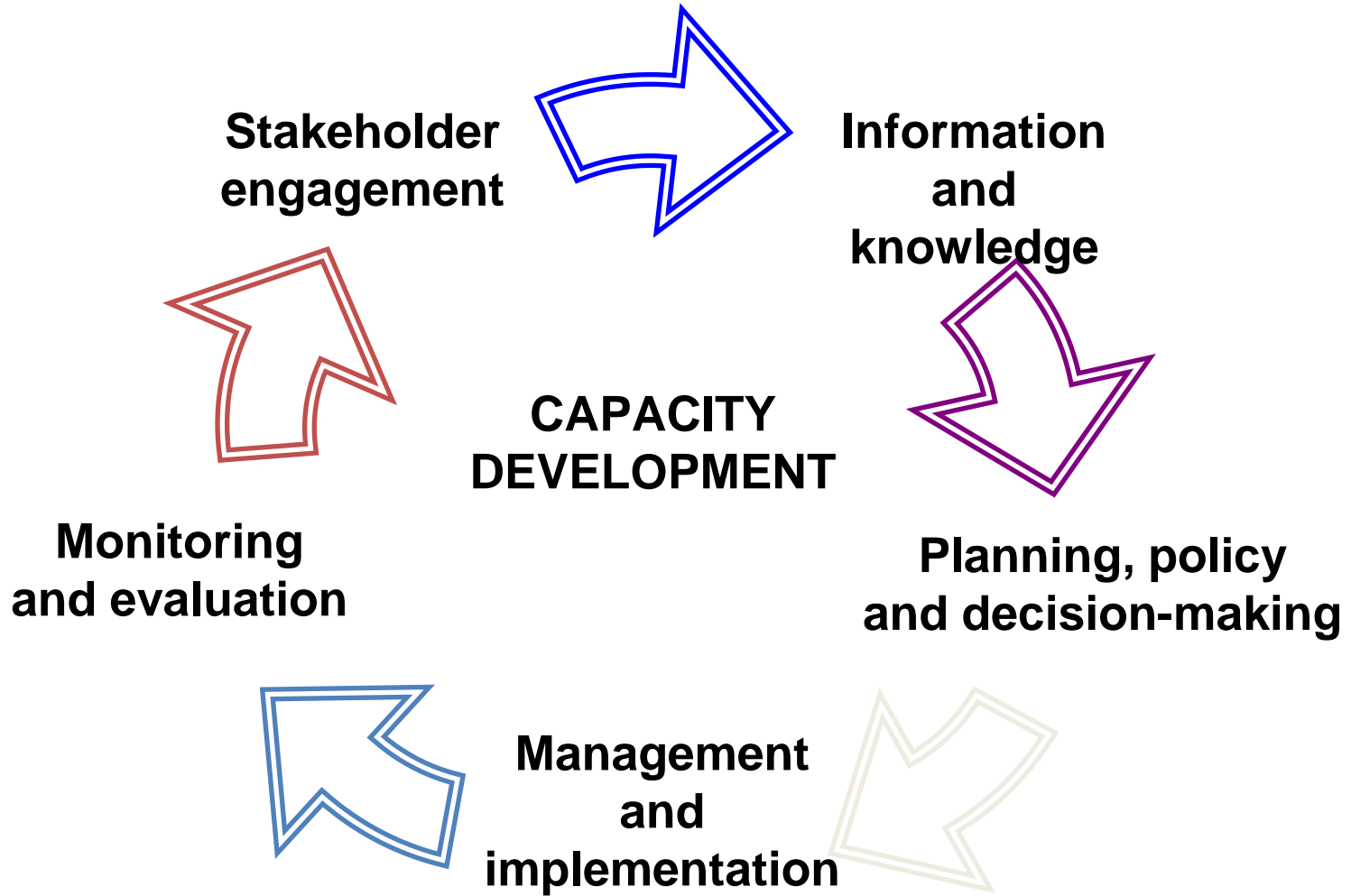




# Capacity Development: GEF's approach

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# What is Capacity Development?

- **CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT:**

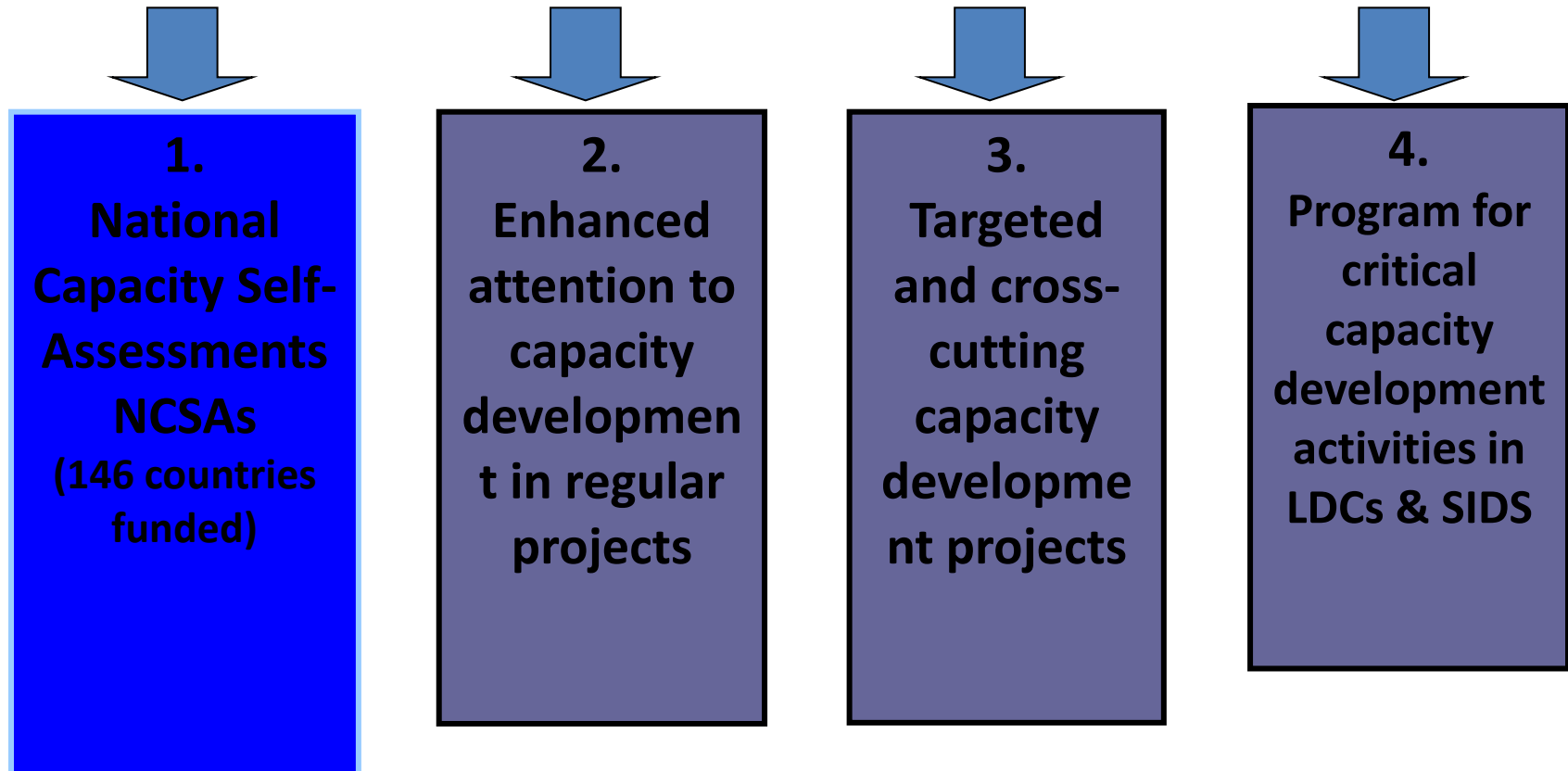
the process through which individuals, organizations, and societies obtain, strengthen, and maintain the capabilities to set and achieve their own development objectives over time



## GEF STRATEGIC APPROACH TO CAPACITY BUILDING

Four Pathways defined to develop capacity of countries to implement Rio Conventions (Council in 2003 C/22.8)

### Capacity Development Pathways through



## Operational Principles

- (a) Ensure national ownership and leadership
- (b) Ensure multi-stakeholder consultations and decision-making
- (c) Base capacity development efforts in self-needs assessment
- (d) Adopt a holistic approach to capacity building
- (e) Integrate capacity development in wider sustainable development efforts
- (f) Promote partnerships
- (g) Accommodate the dynamic nature of capacity development
- (h) Adopt a learning-by-doing approach
- (i) Combine programmatic and project-based approaches
- (j) Combine process as well as product-based approaches
- (k) Promote regional approaches Adopt a learning-by-doing approach

## Development Indicators to be applied for:

- (a) Awareness and knowledge;
- (b) national policy, legal and regulatory frameworks;
- (c) institutional mandates, coordination, and processes for interaction and cooperation between all stakeholders;
- (d) information management, monitoring and observation;
- (e) mobilization of science in support of decision making;
- (f) financial resources and technology transfer;
- (g) incentive systems and market instruments;
- (h) negotiation skills;
- (i) cooperation and networking within regions;
- (j) institutional management and performance; and
- (k) individual skills and motivation in key institutions.



## Strategic objectives for cross-cutting capacity development in GEF-5 (available 44 mln USD for CD2-4)

- **CD 1:** Enhance capacities of stakeholders for engagement through consultative process (NDI, CSP, SGP and focal area projects)
- **CD 2:** Generate, access and use of information and knowledge
- **CD 3:** Strengthened capacities for policy and legislation development for achieving global benefits
- **CD 4:** Strengthened capacities for management and implementation of convention guidelines
- **CD 5:** Capacities enhanced to monitor and evaluate environmental impacts and trends



## Generic requirements for CD projects:

- Be consistent with strategic objectives for cross-cutting capacity development of the GEF  
([http://www.thegef.org/gef/GEF5\\_Capacity\\_Development\\_Strategy](http://www.thegef.org/gef/GEF5_Capacity_Development_Strategy))
- Have to be multifocal (to benefit at least three focal areas);
- Priorities have been identified through NCSA process;
- include indicators to measure progress and achievement agreed with the recipient country;
- Provide measures to retain capacity developed;
- Provide co-financing at least with ratio 1:1;
- Normally should be medium or full size projects





# Examples of funded projects

- Armenia - Developing Institutional and Legal Capacity to Optimize Information and Monitoring System for Global Environmental Management
- Bhutan - Enhancing Global Environmental Management in Bhutan's Local Governance
- Egypt - Mainstreaming Global Environmental in National Plans and Policies by strengthening the Monitoring and reporting system for Multilateral Agreements in Egypt
- Tajikistan - Environmental Learning and Stakeholder involvement as tools for Global Environmental Benefits and Poverty Reduction
- Philippines - Strengthening Coordination for Effective Environmental Management (STREEM)
- Nicaragua - Mainstreaming the Multilateral Environmental Agreements into the Country's Environmental Legislation
- Kyrgyzstan - Capacity Building for Improved National Financing of Global Environmental Management in Kyrgyzstan
- Jordan - Developing Policy Relevant Capacity for Implementation of the Global Environmental Conventions in Jordan
- Jamaica - Piloting Natural Resources Valuation within Environmental Impact Assessments
- Kenya - Enhanced regulatory and information system for integrated implementation of MEAs
- Uzbekistan - Strengthening National Capacity in Rio Convention Implementation through targeted Institutional strengthening and professional development
- Croatia - Common Data Flow System and Indicators to enhance integrated Management of Global environmental issues



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