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# **GEF-5 SFM/REDD+ Program**

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# The GEF-5 SFM/REDD-plus Program

1. GEF financing for SFM in the past
2. GEF-5 SFM/REDD-plus Incentive Mechanism
3. GEF-5 SFM/REDD-plus Strategy



# Background on SFM at the GEF



- Forests/Forest management is not a focal area
- The GEF is the only funding mechanism that operates under the combined framework of the three conventions dealing with forest ecosystems
- The GEF has been funding forest projects since its inception in 1991
- Until 2006, GEF support for SFM was mainly provided through biodiversity and land degradation focal areas



# Multiple Environmental and Social Benefits: Triple Importance of Forests



- **CLIMATE CHANGE:** Slowing tropical deforestation is bound to play a much larger role in mitigating climate change.
- **BIODIVERSITY:** Forests harbor over 60% of all terrestrial plant and animal species.
- **LAND DEGRADATION:** Forests provide livelihoods and vital environmental services to hundreds of millions of people.



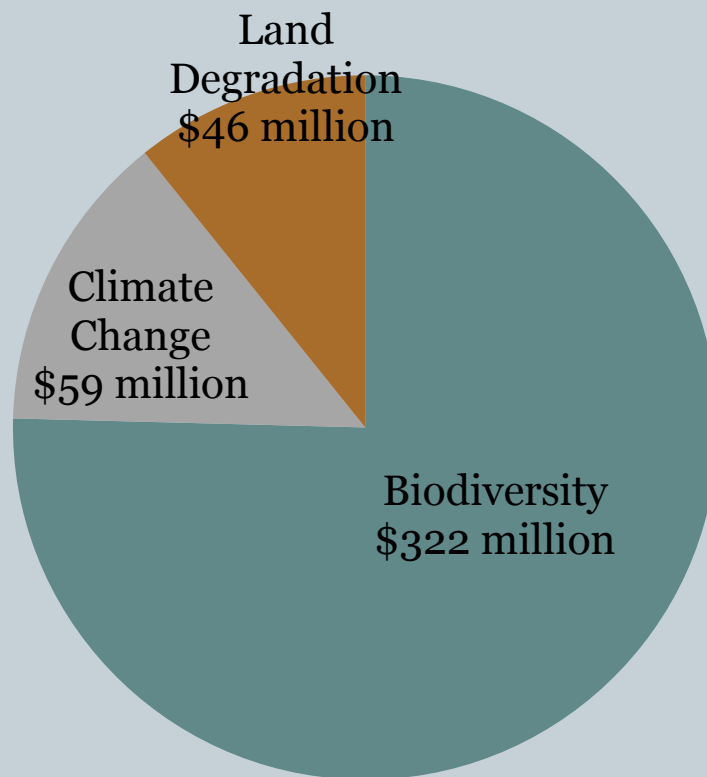
# The GEF-4 SFM Program



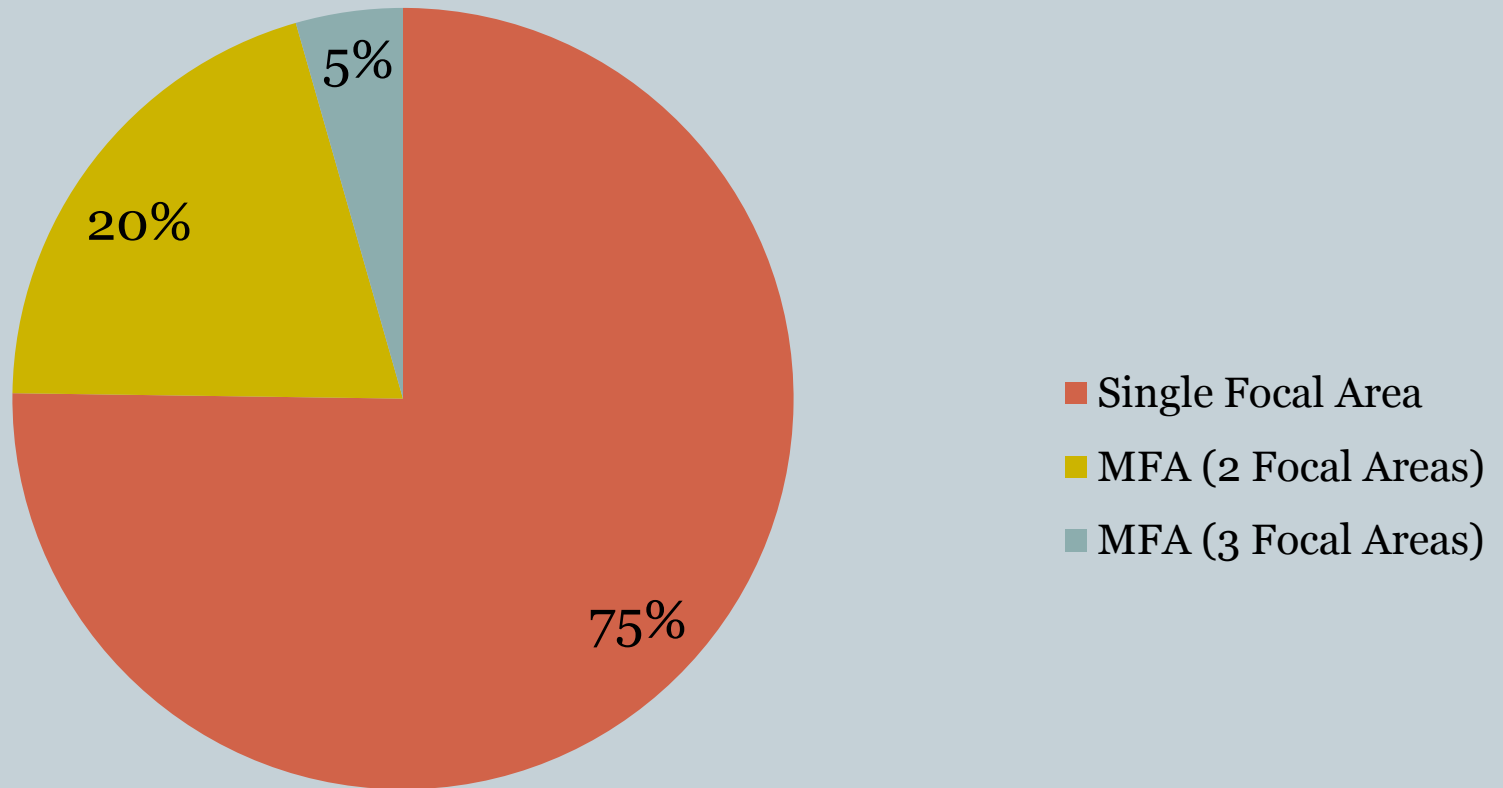
- In June 2007, the GEF-4 SFM Program was created
- The SFM Program did not have a separate funding envelope but drew on resources from three focal areas
- > \$400 million for forests in GEF-4



# GEF-4 Investments in SFM (by Focal Area)



# Single versus multi-focal area SFM projects



# The GEF-5 SFM/REDD-plus Program



Upscaling the GEF's Investments in sustainable forest management and REDD-plus



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# The GEF-5 SFM/REDD-plus Incentive Mechanism



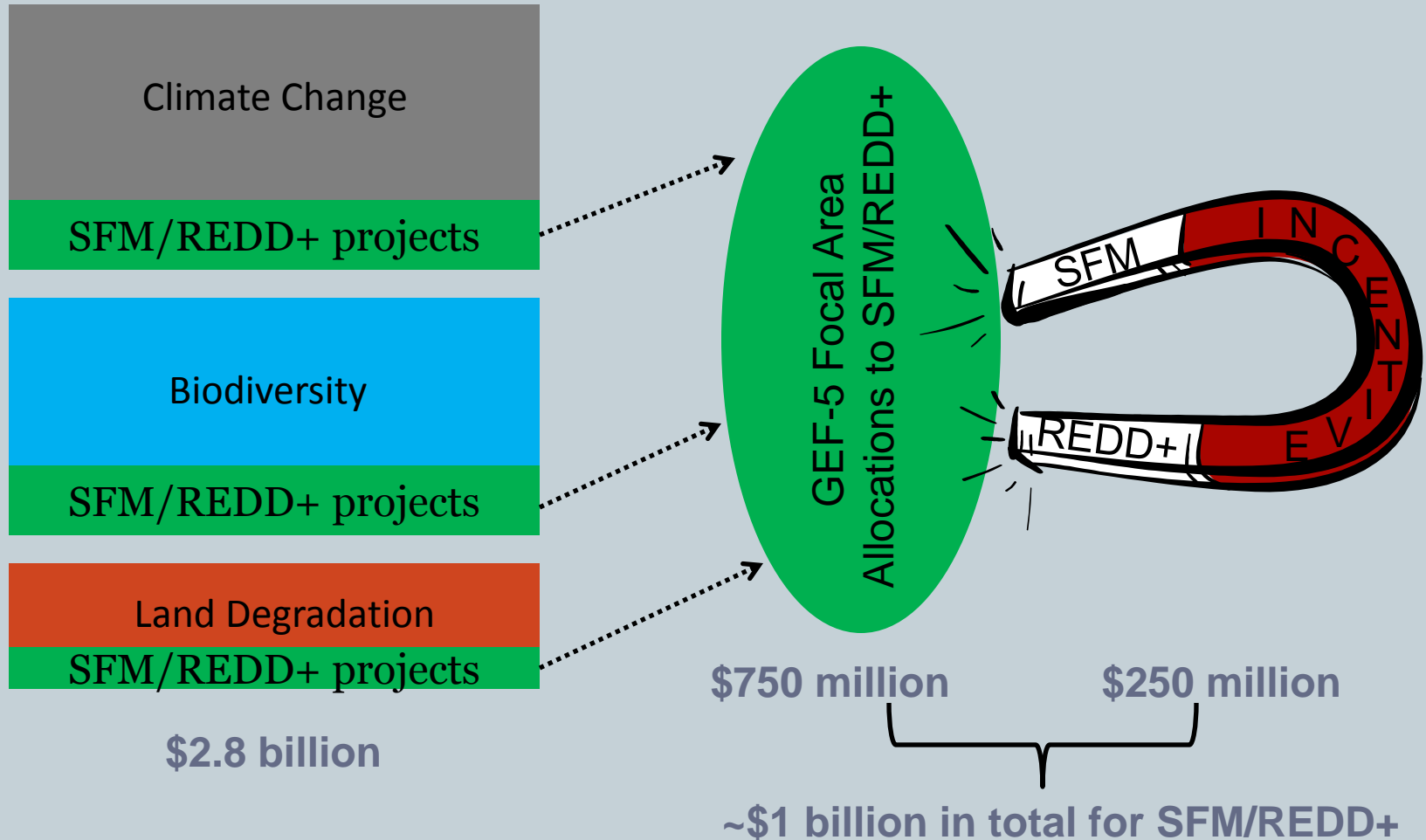
- Funding will mainly derive from 3 GEF Focal Areas
- Own funding envelope (\$250 million)
- Funding Target for SFM/REDD-plus: \$1 Billion

## How to access the incentive mechanism

- Investments from at least 2 GEF Focal Areas → maximizing multiple benefits
- 3:1 investment algorithm
- Available for investments between \$2 million and \$30 million



# Financing SFM/REDD-plus in GEF-5



# The GEF-5 SFM/REDD-plus Strategy



## Independent SFM/REDD-plus strategy and strategy development process

- Goal: achieve multiple environmental benefits from improved management of all types of forests.
- Impacts: effective provisioning of forest ecosystem services and strengthened livelihoods of people dependent on the use of forest resources



# GEF-5 Strategy: Objectives



- 1. Reduce pressure on forest resources and generate sustainable flows of forest ecosystem services**

Projects may focus on: Forest policy (re-)formulation, forest certification, community and small-holder forestry, PES, reduced-impact logging, integrated forest fire management



# GEF-5 Strategy: Objectives



## **2. Strengthen the enabling environment to reduce GHG emissions from REDD-plus**

Projects may focus on: Competition for land use, building of technical and institutional capacities to monitor GHG emissions, testing approaches that allow for the generation of revenues from the carbon market



# Thank you!



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