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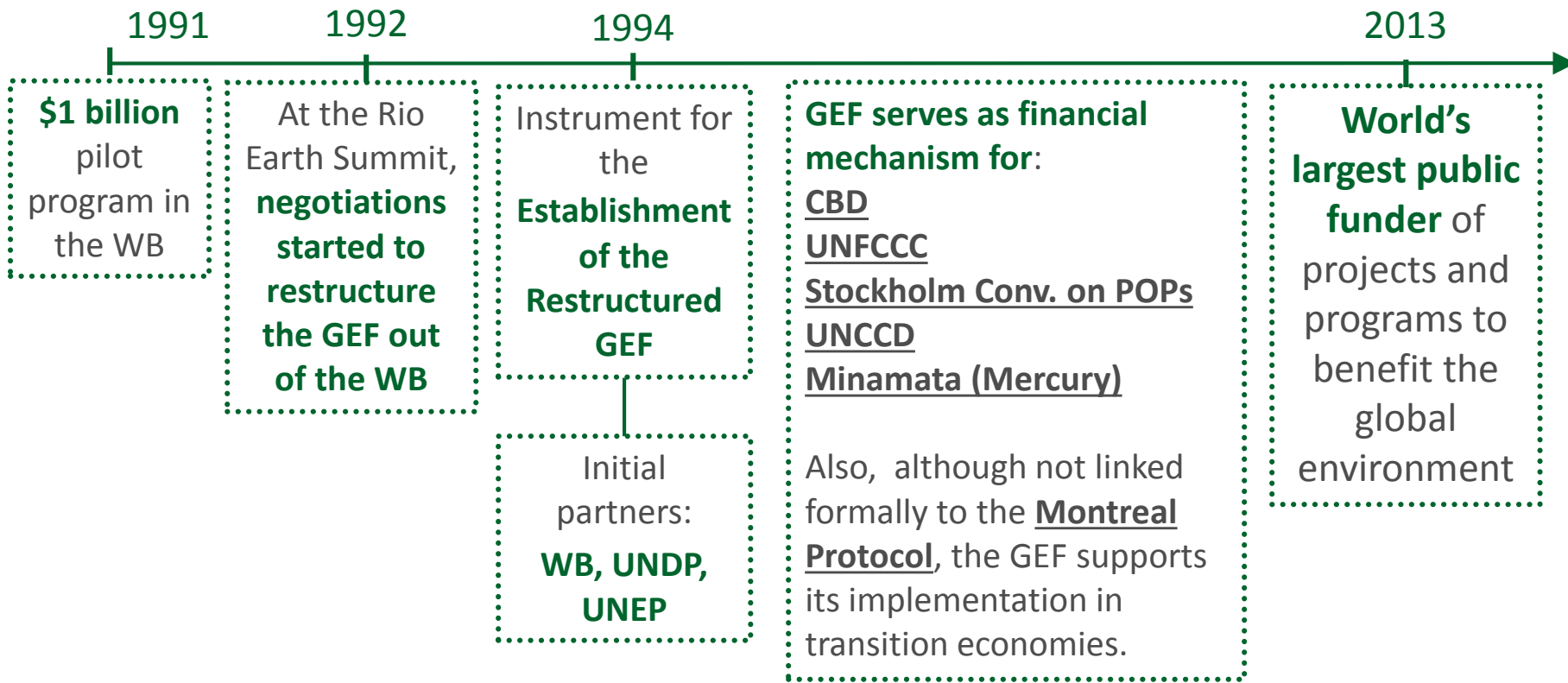
WHAT IS GEF + GEF 2020

History and Structure

GEF Expanded Constituency Workshop

Sal island, Cabo Verde
April 21-23, 2015

History of the GEF



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GEF Goal and Mission

Goal: to address global environmental issues while supporting national sustainable development initiatives.

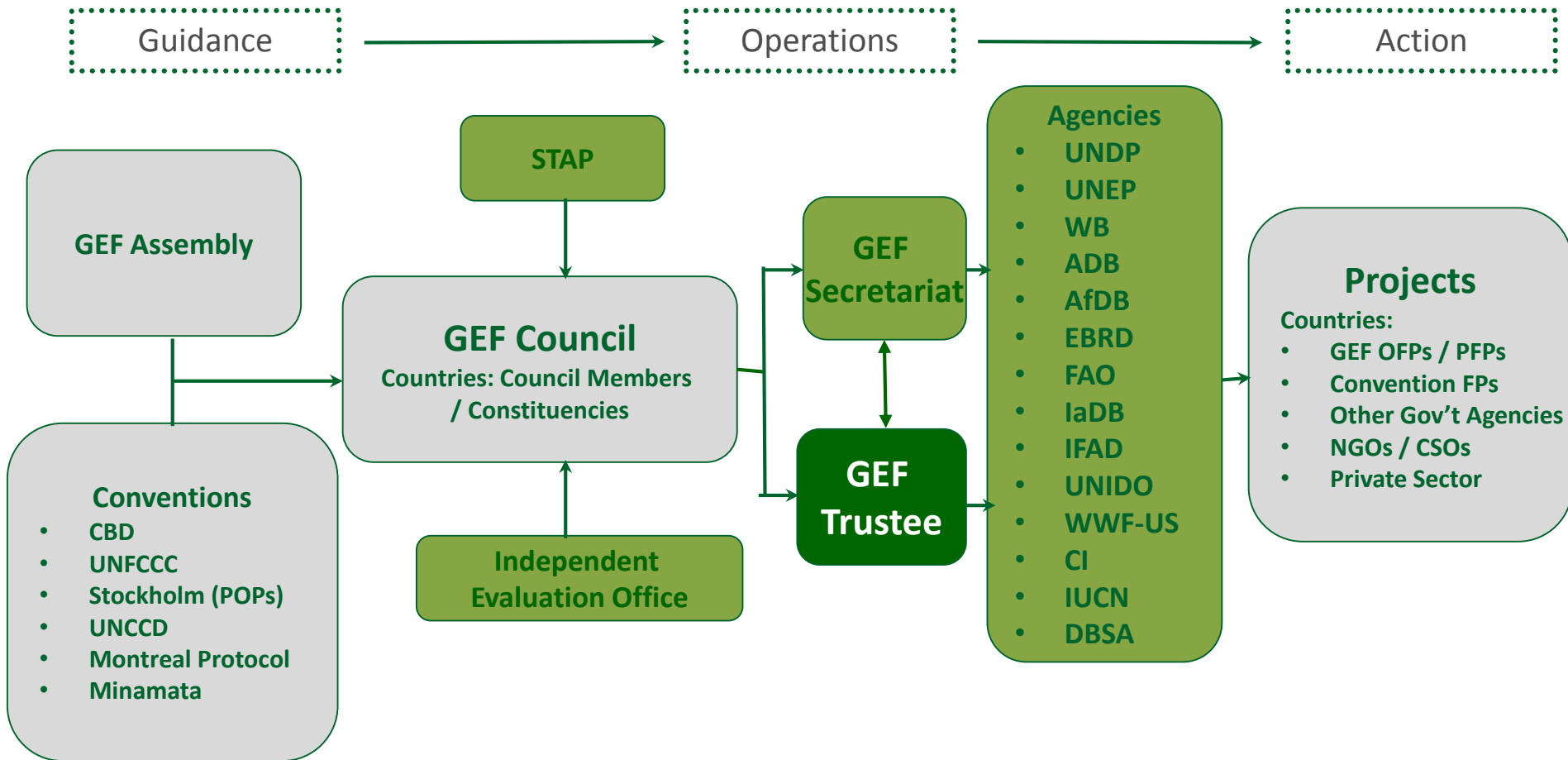
Mission: the GEF is a mechanism for international cooperation for the purpose of providing new, and additional, grant and concessional funding to meet the agreed incremental costs of measure to achieve agreed global environmental benefits.



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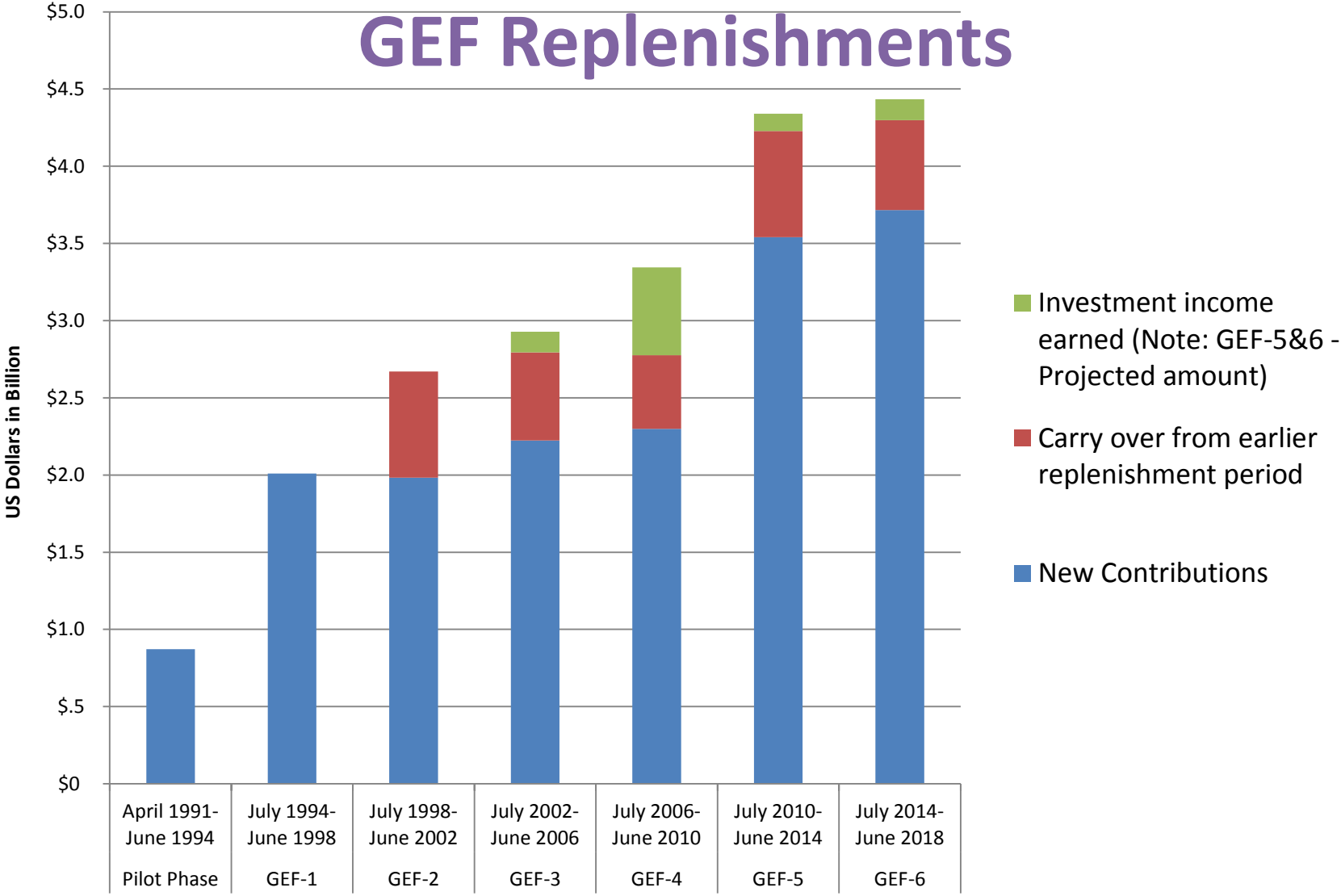
GEF Trust Fund

Institutional Framework



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GEF Replenishments



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Focal Areas/ Themes	GEF-6 Programming Targets (\$ million)
BIODIVERSITY	1,296
<i>STAR Country Allocations</i>	1,051
<i>STAR Set-aside</i>	245
- Convention obligations	13
- Global and Regional Programs	82
*Integrated Approach Programs	45
a) Taking Deforestation out of the Commodities Supply Chain	35
b) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa	10
* Other Global and Regional Programs	37
- Sustainable Forest Management	150

CLIMATE CHANGE	1,260
<i>STAR Country Allocations</i>	941
<i>STAR Set-aside</i>	319
- Convention obligations	130
- Global and Regional Programs	109
*Integrated Approach Programs	50
a) Sustainable Cities - Harnessing Local Action for Global Commons	40
b) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa	10
*Other Global and Regional Programs	59
- Sustainable Forest Management	80
LAND DEGRADATION	431
<i>STAR Country Allocations</i>	346
<i>STAR Set-aside</i>	85
- Convention obligations	15
- Global and Regional Programs	50
* Integrated Approach Programs	40
a) Fostering Sustainability and Resilience of Production Systems in Africa	40
* Other Global and Regional Programs	10
- Sustainable Forest Management	20

CHEMICALS & WASTE	554
<i>Convention breakdown</i>	554
- POPs	375
- Mercury	141
- SAICM	13
- ODS	25
INTERNATIONAL WATERS	456
<i>Focal Area Programing</i>	456
CORPORATE PROGRAMS	197
Country Support Program (CSP)	23
Cross Cutting Capacity Development (CCCD)	34
Small Grants Program	140
Corporate budget: Secretariat, STAP and Trustee	106
Independent Evaluation Office	19
TOTAL GEF Replenishment	4,433



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Implementing GEF-6: Use of funds (recipient countries)

COUNTRIES		GEF6 Allocations (US\$mill)	Share
SIDS/LDCs		700	30%
"Big 5"		631	27%
Other Countries		1007	43%
<i>... Of which</i>	<i>LICs</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>2%</i>
	<i>LMICs</i>	<i>412</i>	<i>18%</i>
	<i>UMICs</i>	<i>523</i>	<i>22%</i>
	<i>HICs</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>1%</i>
TOTAL Country Allocations		2338	100%

=> Trade-off: "Impact" vs "equity"?



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Relations with the Conventions

- The GEF serves as "financial mechanism" to five conventions.
- The Memorandum of Understanding is the means through which the Conventions and the GEF cooperate.
- The conventions, for which the GEF serve as financial mechanism, provide broad strategic guidance to the GEF
- The GEF Council responds to this broad guidance by developing operational criteria for GEF projects



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Relations with Convention Secretariats

- The Secretariat of the Conventions and the GEF Secretariat consult as necessary in the guidance that the COPs provide
- In particular, in accordance with the GEF project cycle, the Secretariat of the Conventions are invited to comment on the project proposals under consideration for inclusion in a proposed work programme.
- The GEF Secretariat prepares a report on GEF activities to be presented on each COP on a regular basis. This report is previously reviewed and approved by the Council



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LDCF and SCCF – Climate Change Adaptation

- Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) -> established in 2001 under UNFCCC COP
- First multilateral funds to implement concrete adaptation actions on developing countries
- LDCF and SCCF provided vulnerable countries and communities, as well as the GEF Implementing Agencies, initial resources to finance a pioneering adaptation portfolio.
- Managed and administered independently from the GEF Trust Fund



GEF and Civil Society

- GEF actively engages CSOs in its programs, projects and policies
- The GEF has several policies for civil society participation
- The GEF provides an opportunity for civil society to participate in many different ways:
 - At the operational level - CSOs have participated many projects
 - At the political level – CSOs send representatives to Council Meetings and Assembly with the right to speak on all substantive issues
 - CSOs have participated at every Expanded Constituency Workshop
 - The NPFE process was designed to include CSO consultations
- In addition, GEF Agencies have policies regarding the participation of civil society and the GEF also works to include their participation through those policies



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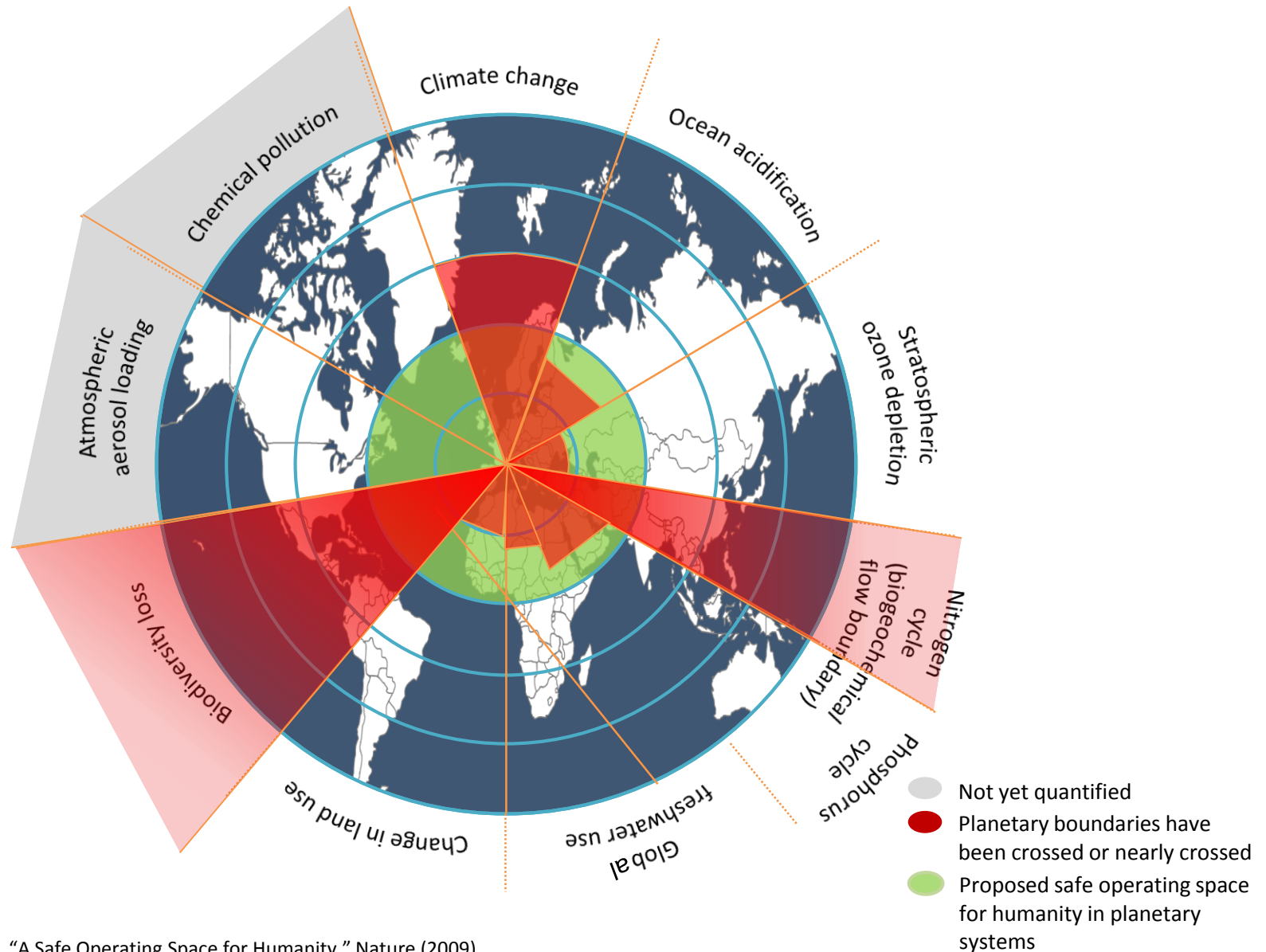


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GEF 2020 – Strategy and GEF 6 strategic priorities

Key Earth systems are near or beyond “tipping points”



GEF 2020 Strategy

A new strategy aimed at making the GEF an even more centralized actor in the international environmental arena and at achieving impacts at the scale

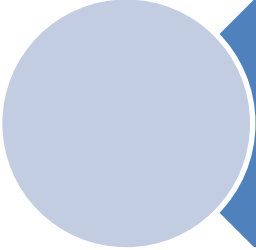
Outline of GEF2020 Strategy

- Focus on drivers of environmental degradation
- Deliver integrated solutions, given that many global challenges are interlinked
- Forge close relationships with a variety of stakeholders
- Finance resilience and adaptation
- Ensure complementarity and synergies in climate finance

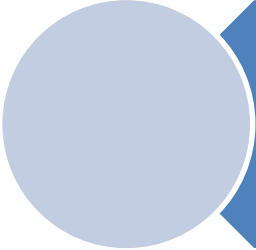


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Three Key Operational Priorities



Mobilize local and global stakeholders (national and local governments, private sectors, civil society)



Improve GEF operational efficiencies



Strengthen Results Management

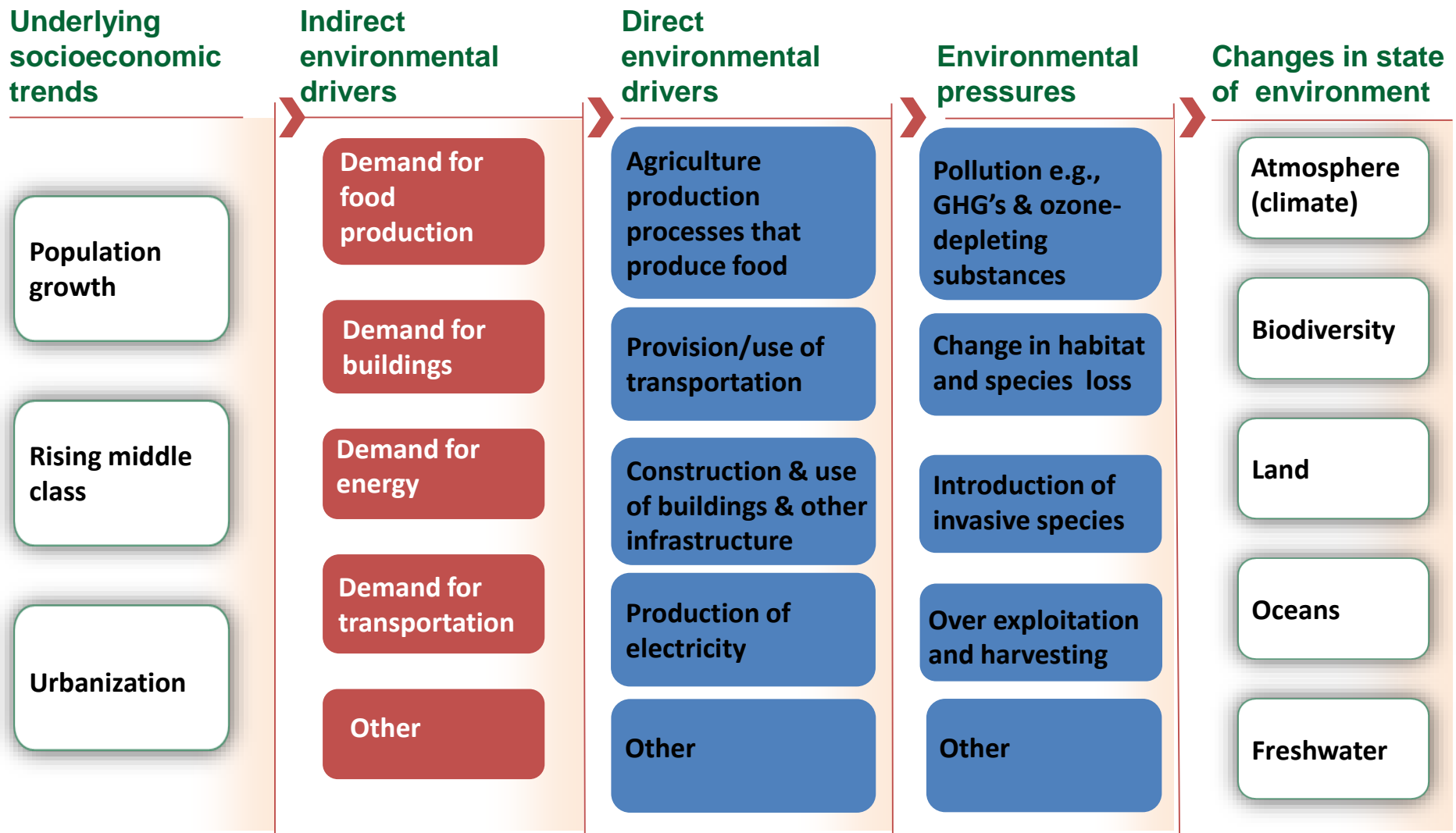


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Area
Strategies



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1. Address drivers of environmental degradation



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Driver interventions

Pressure interventions

Changes in human welfare

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2. Deliver Integrated Solutions

- Example: Integrated approach programs (IAPs) in GEF-6:
 - *Sustainable Cities*
 - *Deforestation out of Commodity Supply*
 - *Fostering Sustainability and Resilience for Food Security in Sub-Saharan Africa*
- An increasing portfolio of multi-focal area projects and programs



GEF-6 Programming

Systemic Solutions for System Problems



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3. Enhance Resilience

GEF Adaptation Program:

- LDCF, SCCF
- 124 countries worth US\$1.2 billion



- National adaptation plans (NAPs)
- Ecosystem based adaptation



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4. Ensure Complementarity in Environmental Finance

- Increasingly complex climate finance architecture
- GEF “niche”:
 - *Transforming policy and regulatory environments; build institutional capacity*
 - *Demonstrate new technology and business models*
 - *De-risk partner investments*
 - *Build multi-stakeholder alliances*



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Implementing GEF-6

- Through ***strategic partnerships***
- Address ***global environmental issues*** where a country plays a pivotal role
- Activities that ***cut across multiple focal areas and sectors***, and promote integrated approach in achieving your national development objectives. Identify those areas in your National Plans where GEF can support policy, market or behavioral transformations.
- ***Combine GEF resources with other existing resources*** from other donors and the government, and thus leveraging the impact in advancing national environmental priorities



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Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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