



# Seventh Replenishment of the GEF Trust Fund: **Delivering Higher Impact**

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FOOD



CITIES



ENERGY



Need to  
transform key  
social and  
economic  
systems

# The GEF cannot afford to stand still.

Given the scale and the urgency of the threats facing the planet, the emerging global momentum for change, and the growing opportunities for partnership, the GEF needs to seize opportunities to make a bigger difference.

Looking forward, the GEF will do more to:

- **focus** its investments for higher impact,
- **respond** effectively to country priorities under MEAs, and
- **mobilize** and strengthen diverse coalitions of actors.

# Proposed GEF-7 Programming Framework

## Focal Area Strategies

- Biodiversity
- Climate Change
- Land Degradation
- International Waters
- Chemicals & Waste

## Impact Programs

- Food Systems, Land Use and Restoration
- Sustainable Cities
- Sustainable Forest Management

## Frontier Investments

- Circular Economy
- Environmental Security
- Green Finance
- MEA.SDG Integration

# Land Degradation Focal Area

Impact Program on Food Systems, Land  
Use and Restoration

Impact Program on Sustainable Forest  
Management

Frontier Investment on Environmental  
Security



United Nations  
Convention to Combat  
Desertification

## LD Focal Area

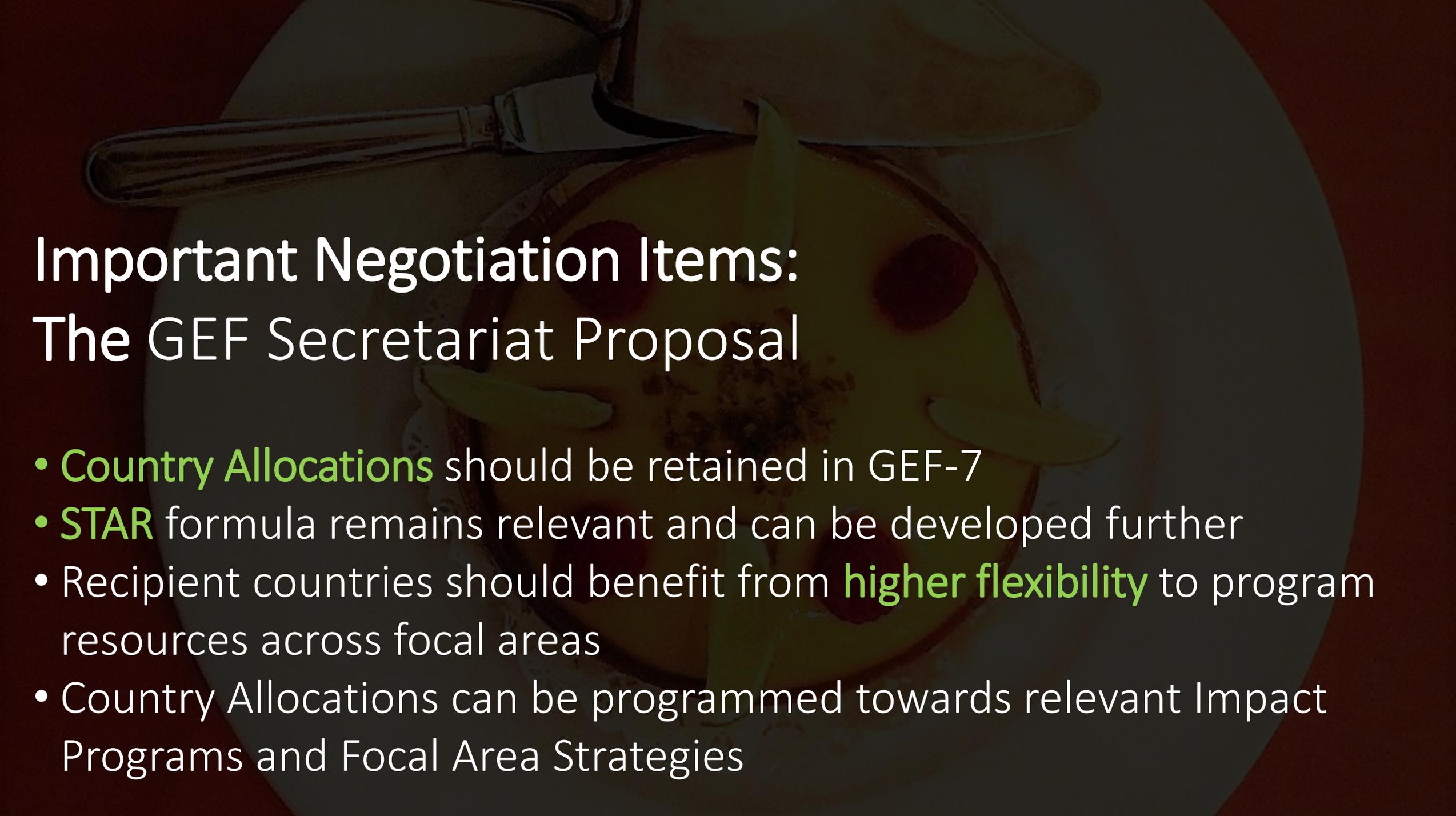
1. LDN implementation support through:
  - Sustainable Drylands
  - Diversification of production systems
  - Integrated Landscape Management
  - Creating Enabling Environment
2. UNCCD Enabling Activities

# Sustainable Dryland Landscapes

- Achieve LDN in poverty stricken and fragile areas affected by degradation and drought
- Address unique nexus of local livelihoods, land degradation, climate change, and environmental security
- Reduce vulnerability of agro-ecosystems and populations
- Help smallholders and SMEs to access finance through cooperation with the LDN fund



GEF-7 delivery model



## Important Negotiation Items: The GEF Secretariat Proposal

- **Country Allocations** should be retained in GEF-7
- **STAR** formula remains relevant and can be developed further
- Recipient countries should benefit from **higher flexibility** to program resources across focal areas
- Country Allocations can be programmed towards relevant Impact Programs and Focal Area Strategies

# Partnership engagement

Creating space for  
**multi-stakeholder  
partnership** around  
shared issues and  
opportunities

Conventions

Civil society

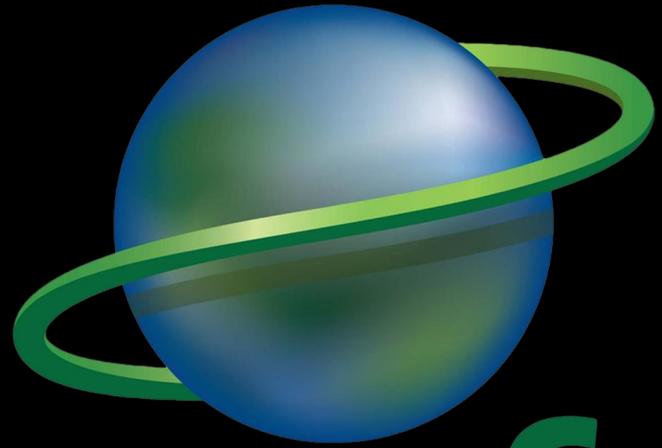
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