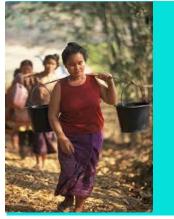
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The experience of the Poverty-Environment Initiative as precursor of an integrated approach to environmental mainstreaming for sustainable development











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Challenges to integrated approaches

Results from applying an integrated approach

Moving from plans to investments

Challenges to integrated approaches

Cherry picking: environment left behind (MAPS)

Silos hard to break down

Long-term approach needed vs. short-term political cycles

Capacity of "complex expertise" as we localize SDGs - data

+An integrated approach to mainstreaming

FINDING THE ENTRY POINTS AND MAKING THE CASE

- Conduct preliminary assessments (e.g. poverty, social and environmental assessments)
- Raise awareness and build partnerships (e.g. implement communication strategies)
- Develop country-specific evidence (e.g. economic and poverty analysis of sustainable ENR management)
- Strengthen institutional capacities of stakeho ders and coordination mechanisms

MAINSTREAMING IN NATIONAL PLANNING AND BUDGETING PROCESSES

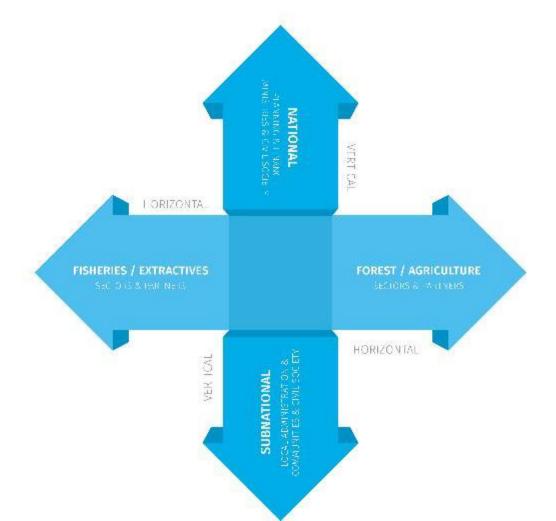
- Inform and influence national and sector planning and monitoring working groups
- Conduct expenditure reviews and prepare budget guidance notes
- Conduct strategic environmental assessment/poverty and social impact analysis of policies and plans
- Influence national monitoring systems (e.g. indicators and data collection and analysis)
- Strengthen institutional capacities of stakeholders and coordination mechanisms

MAINSTREAMING INTO SECTORAL AND SUBNATIONAL PLANNING AND BUDGETING, MONITORING AND PRIVATE INVESTMENT

- Conduct strategic environmental assessment/poverty and social impact analysis/cost benefit analysis of sector policies and plans
- Conduct integrated ecosystem assessments and climate change adaptation planning.
- Influence monitoring systems (e.g. indicators and data collection and analysis)
- Influence budgets and financing options (economic instruments, expenditure reviews)
- Strengthen institutional capacities of stakeholders and coordination mechanisms

Integrated approaches and tools can generate simultaneous positive impacts in poverty reduction, social protection and environmental sustainability

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION



Examples of mainstreaming tools and results

T oo l	Country	Outcome
Environmental and social impact assessment to promote quality investment	LAO PDR	 New contracts with tighter conditions and more advanced monitoring systems Database for planning officers to monitor foreign investments in all parts of the country Investment monitoring framework to assess economic, environmental and social impacts of investments on a continuing basis
Multidimensional environmental vulnerability index at the household level to address climate shocks	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	 Inclusion of environmental topics in national household surveys enables beneficiary selection for poverty reduction programmes on basis of environmental vulnerability Ensures cash transfers to the poorest address vulnerability to climate disasters Index was used by international agencies to identify vulnerable households (1.6 million people) during Hurricane Irma in 2017
Climate public institutional expenditure review to manage climate finance	NEPAL	 Review led to the use of climate codes for climate expenditures Percentage of total annual development budget dedicated to climate change has increased incrementally since 2012 from 6.7 per cent to 30.7 per cent
Environment and climate change fund (FONERWA) to increase investments in sustainable development	RWANDA	 136,594 green jobs created 19,304.69 ha of land secured against erosion 27,518 families connected to off-grid clean energy 19,633.34 ha of watersheds and water bodies restored



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