



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



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Initiative



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+ Overview:

Challenges to integrated approaches

Results from applying an integrated approach

Moving from plans to investments

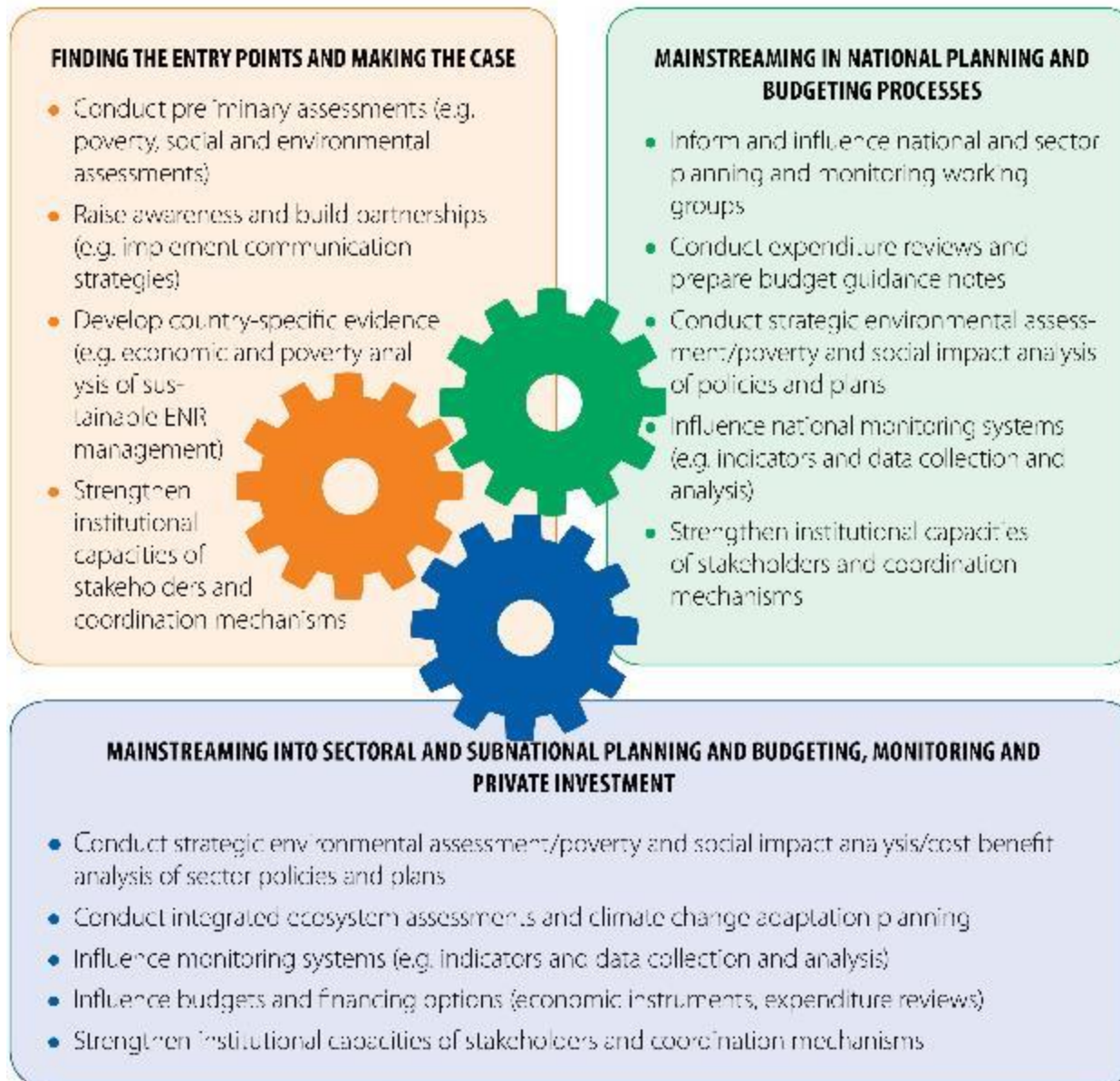


Challenges to integrated approaches



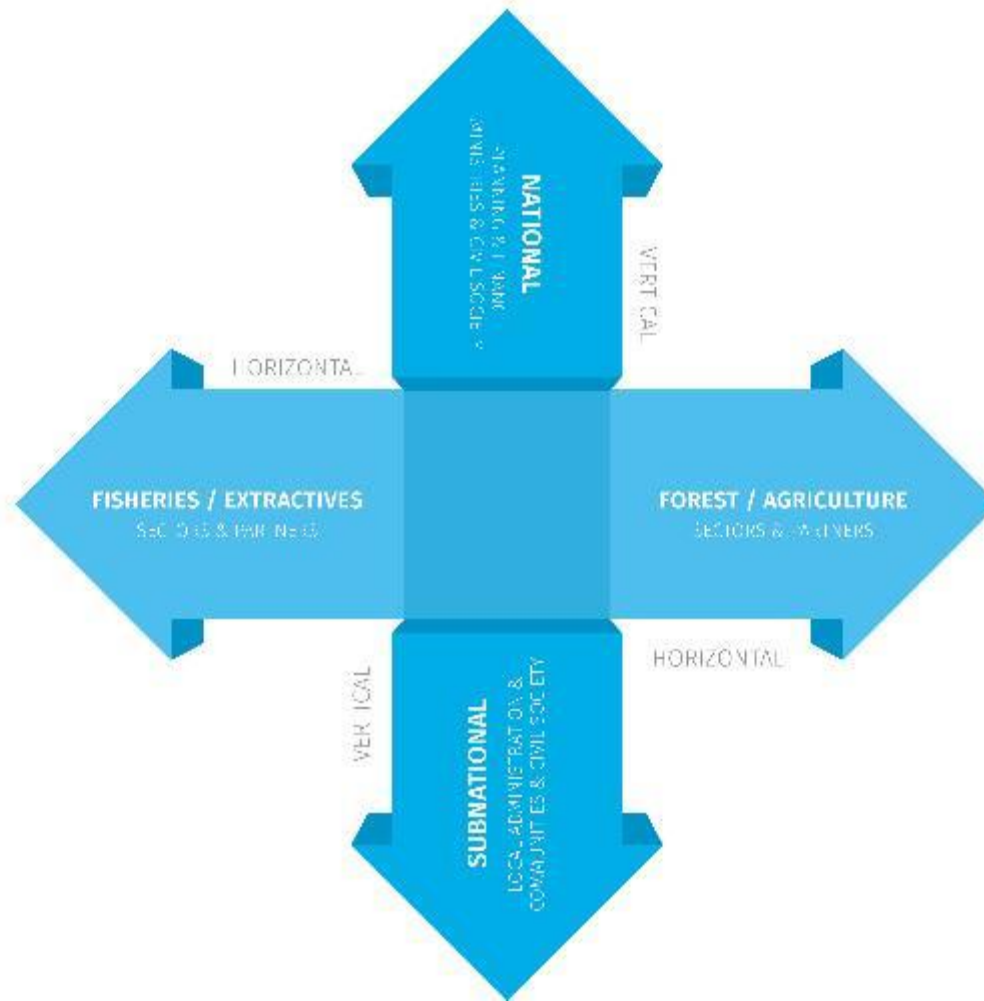
- Cherry picking: environment left behind (MAPS)
- Silos hard to break down
- Long-term approach needed vs. short-term political cycles
- Capacity of “complex expertise” as we localize SDGs - data

+ An integrated approach to mainstreaming





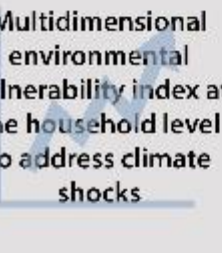














+ Integrated approaches and tools can generate simultaneous positive impacts in poverty reduction, social protection and environmental sustainability

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION



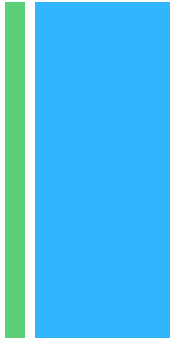
+ Examples of mainstreaming tools and results

Tool	Country	Outcome
 <p>Environmental and social impact assessment to promote quality investment</p>	 <p>LAO PDR</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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  
 <p>Multidimensional environmental vulnerability index at the household level to address climate shocks</p>	 <p>DOMINICAN REPUBLIC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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  
 <p>Climate public institutional expenditure review to manage climate finance</p>	 <p>NEPAL</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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 
 <p>Environment and climate change fund (FONERWA) to increase investments in sustainable development</p>	 <p>RWANDA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 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    





Moving from planning to action



- UNDP-UN Environment Poverty-Action for SDGs 2018-2022



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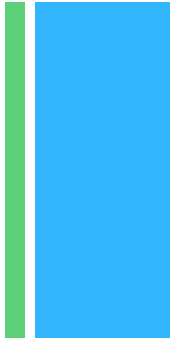
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