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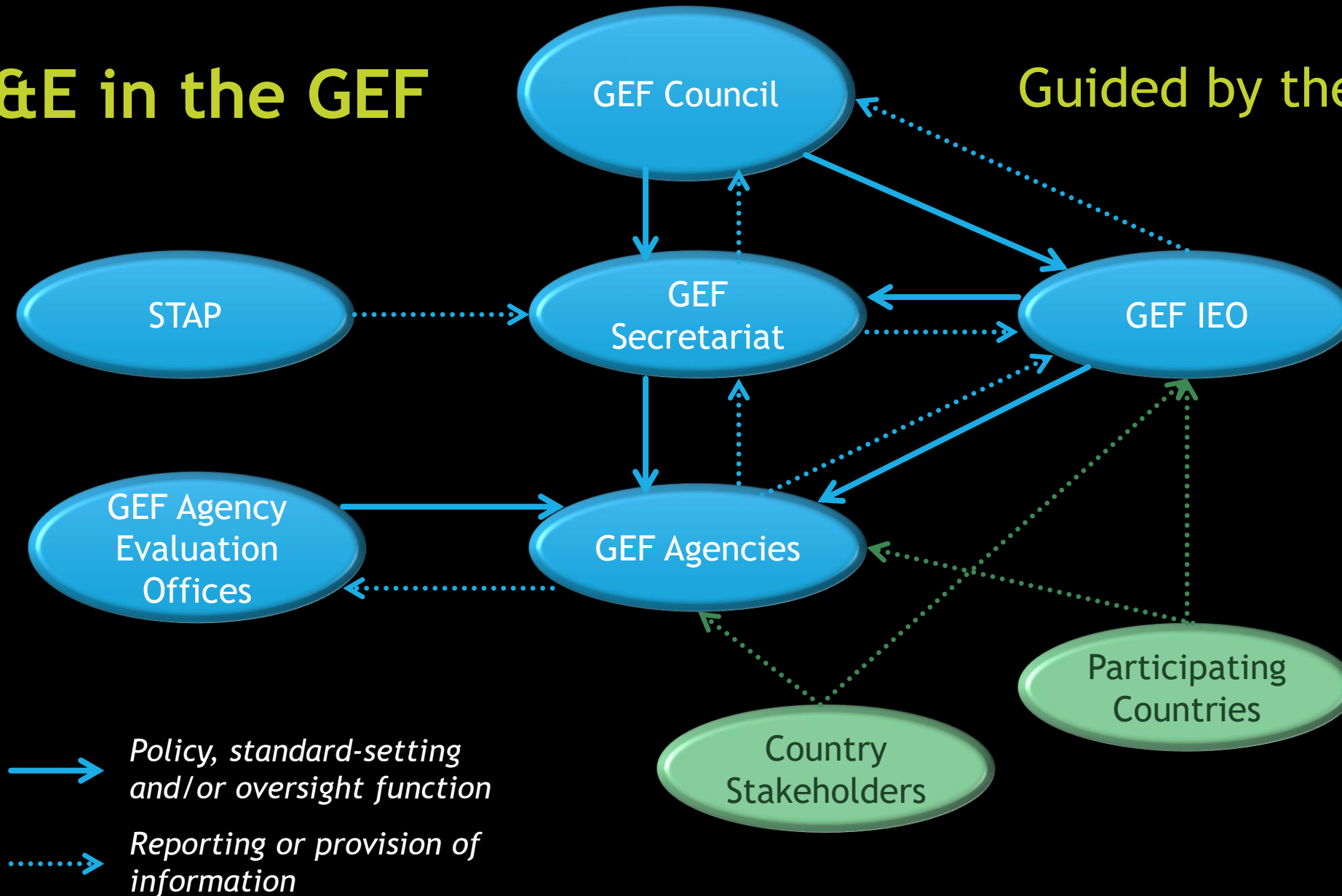
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M&E in the GEF

Guided by the M&E Policy



GEF Independent Evaluation Office

Functions

- Independent evaluation
- Setting of minimum standards (normative)
- Quality control (oversight)
- Knowledge sharing and dissemination

Outline

I: M&E Quiz

II: Comprehensive Evaluation of the GEF (OPS6):

Completed Evaluations

Emerging Findings

III: Tell your story

IV: Putting it together



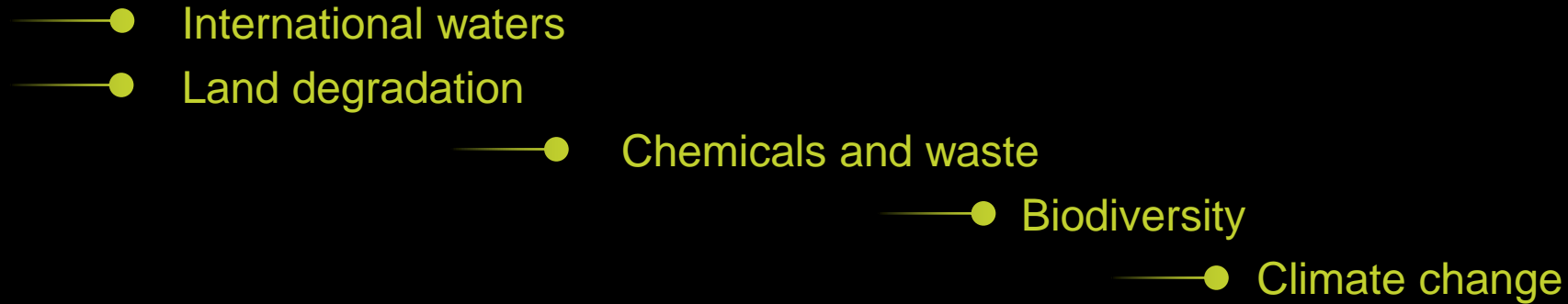
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6th Comprehensive Evaluation (OPS6)

October November December January February March April May June July

Focal Area Studies

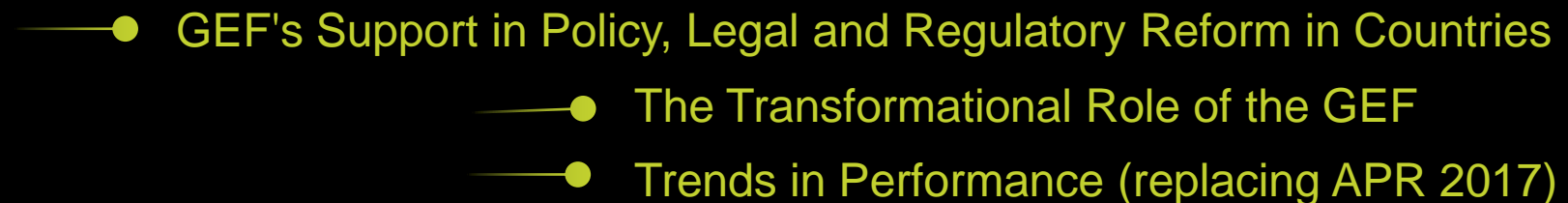


Mainstreaming / Cross cutting

< CSO Network (June)



Impacts



Institutional Issues

- Reform Process – Results Based Management
 - Reform Process – Knowledge Management
 - GEF6 Strategy, Global Relevance
 - Governance, Financing, Health of the Partnership

Thematic Evaluations

- Programmatic approaches
- Multiple Benefits of GEF support
 - Integrated approaches

OPS6

- Early findings

Full report >
(September)

Completed Evaluations

International Waters Focal Area Study

Mexico



Contributions



Rehabilitation of the Black Sea
Northwest Shelf dead zone



Support the process leading to the
Stockholm and Minamata Conventions



Adoption of the Ballast Water Convention on
Alien Species, the Pacific Tuna Treaty, the
Guarani Aquifer Agreement



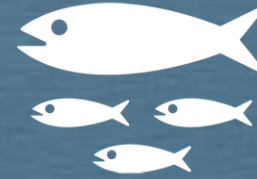
Establishment of the Benguela
Current Commission

Effectiveness





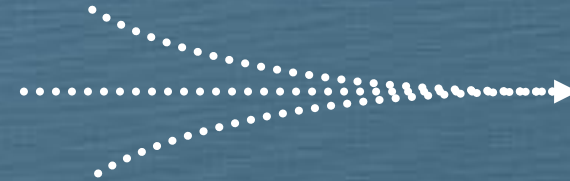
**Decline of the
funding envelope**



**Dominance of marine
and ocean investments**



**No funding for project
or program preparation**



**Lack of Agency participation
in strategy definition**

Areas of concern



STRATEGIC

Dialogue
conventions on
shared priorities

PROJECTS

Simple and
measurable
indicators on
baseline conditions

PROCESSES

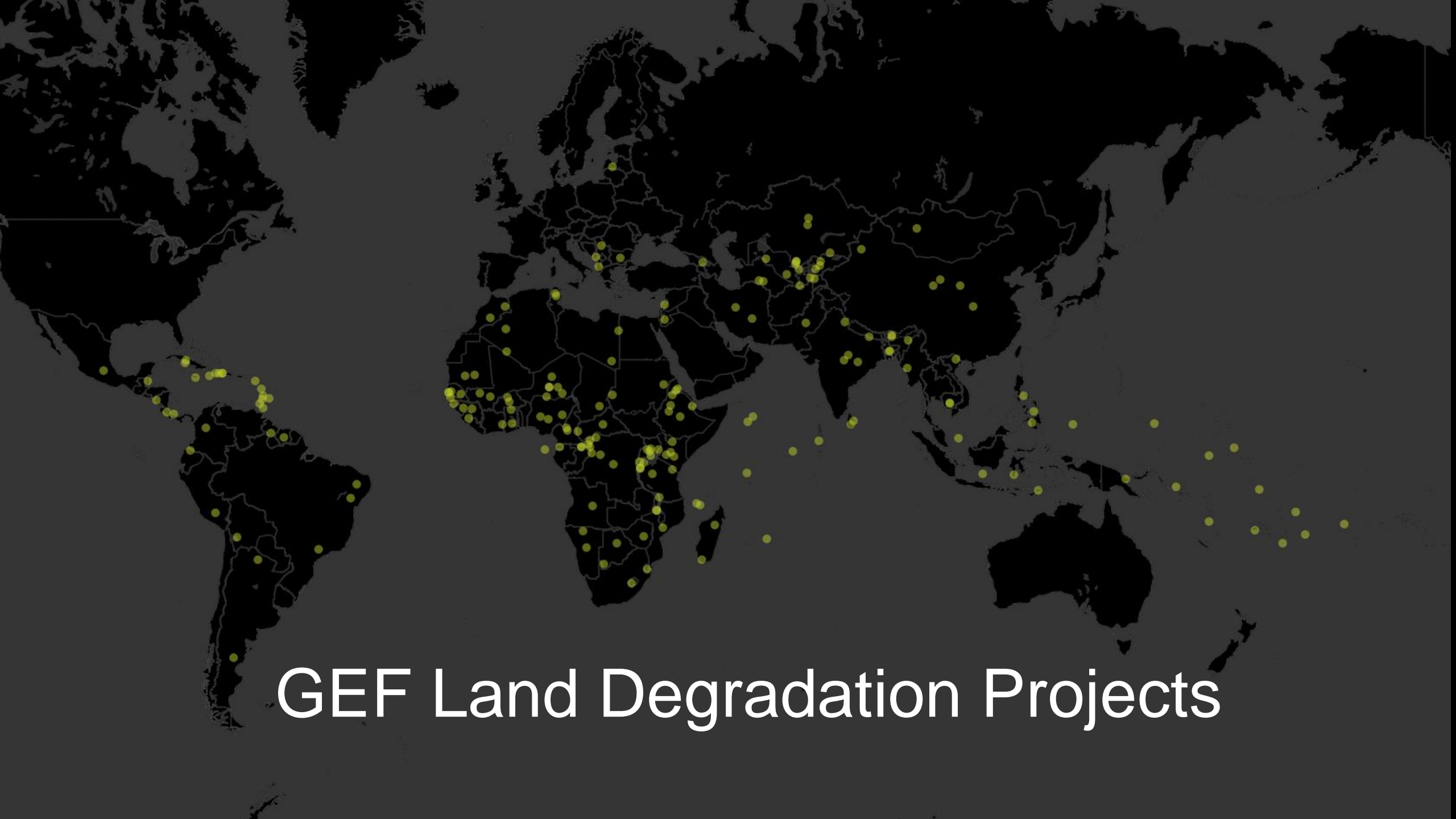
Time and
investment to build
capacity on gap
priorities

Suggestions




Value for money analysis of GEF Land degradation projects





GEF Land Degradation Projects



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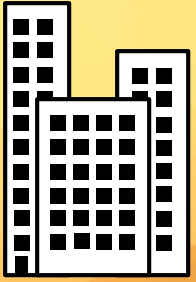
tons of carbon sequestered
per hectare

108,800

tons of carbon sequestered
per project location

\$7,500,000

contributed to sequestration alone



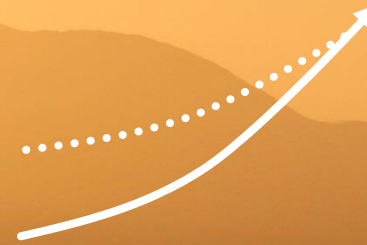
Less effective
near urban
areas



Time
required



Multifocal



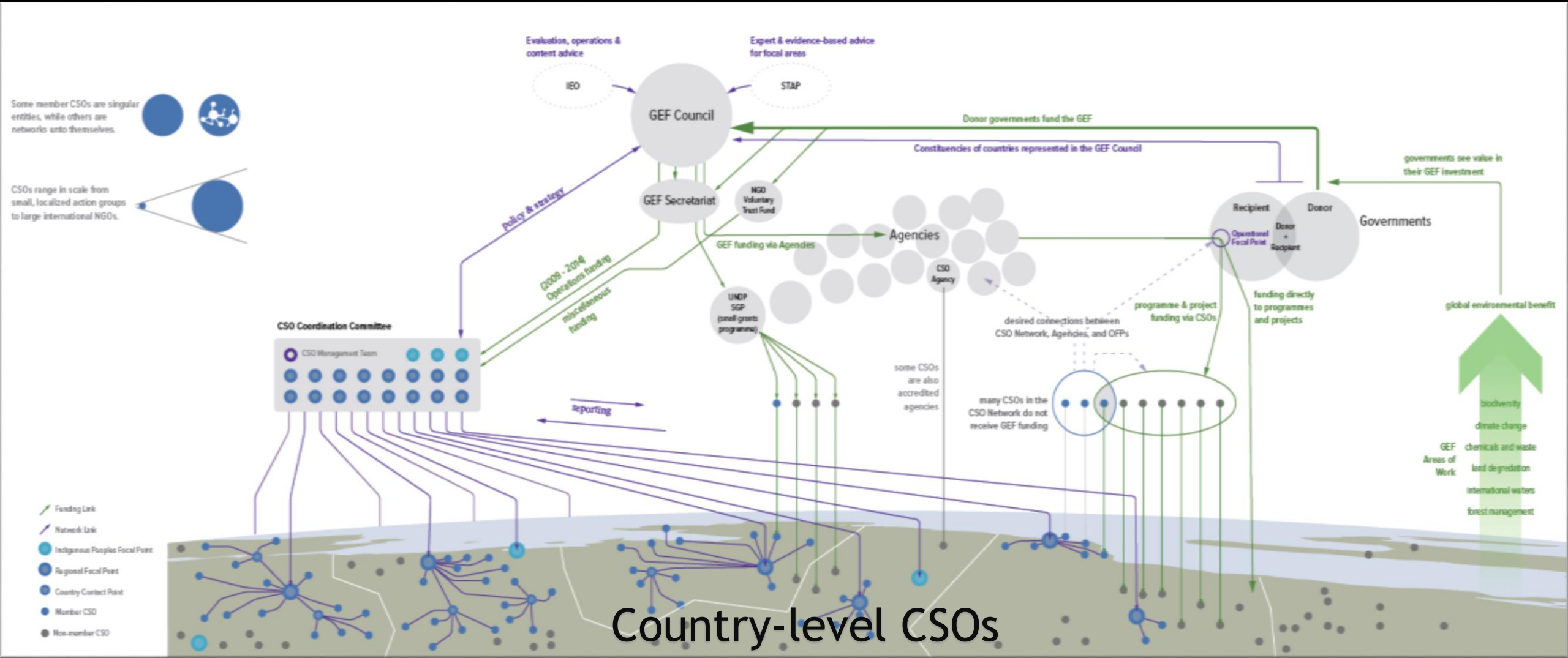
Initial
conditions



Environmental
and Economic
characteristics

Findings: Vegetation

GEF Civil Society Organization Network Evaluation



The GEF CSO Network

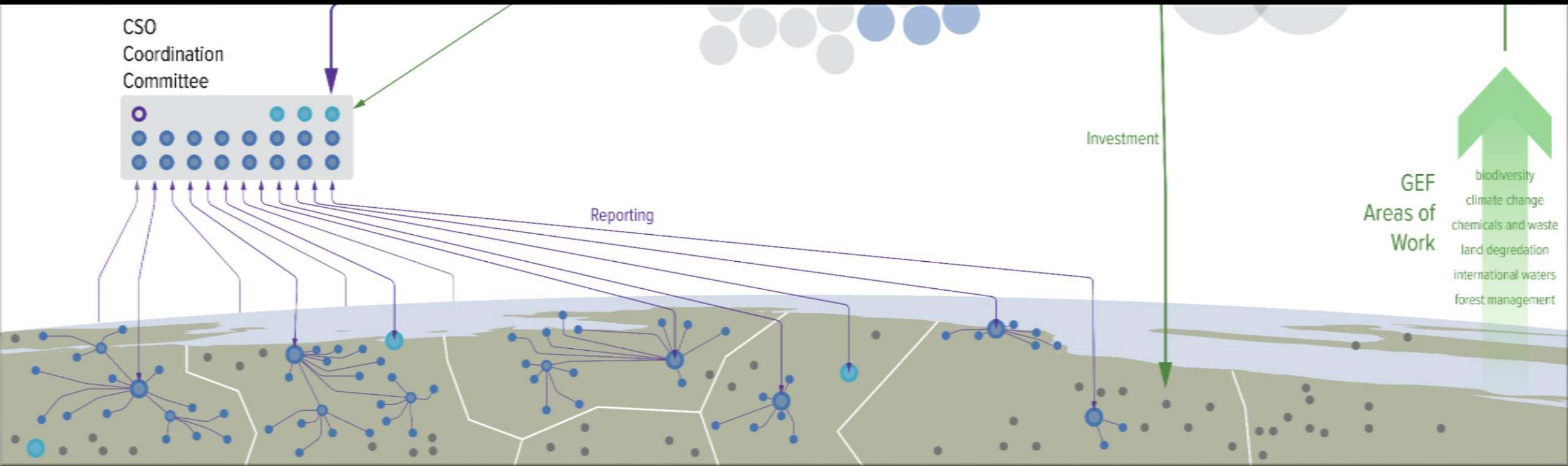
prepare for and report back on the Council meetings to the wider CSO community in countries and regions

474 member organizations

across 122 countries

Country Contact Points in 20 countries

- enhancing the role of civil society in safeguarding the global environment,
- strengthening GEF Program implementation through partnership with civil society
- building the capacity of the GEF CSO Network



Conclusions:

Conclusion 1: Network remains relevant and is delivering results

Conclusion 2: Network is distant from the country level. As such, the Network is compromised in its ability to bring forward country perspectives

Conclusion 3: The CSO Network is operating in an expanding GEF Partnership without a shared contemporary vision of its role

Conclusion 4: Within an increasingly complex operating environment, the Network has strengthened organizationally but governance challenges remain

Joint Evaluation of the GEF/UNDP Small Grant Programme



Support programs with high levels of success in securing **Global Environmental Benefits**



Significant attention to community level benefits, **poverty and livelihoods**, yielding positive results



SGP has been more successful at mainstreaming **gender** than other GEF projects



Differing views amongst stakeholders on the extent to which SGP should address socio-economic priorities

Emerging Findings

GEF Role in Supporting Legal and Regulatory Reform in Countries

GEF: Important role in supporting policy and legal reform

- Regulatory reforms take time: potential for mismatch between project duration and legislative and/or rule-making process needs to be considered
- Rule-making is inherently political process involving constituents with often competing and/or different interests
- There is much that can be done under existing statutes either through policies or administrative actions
- In some countries, the necessary institutional machinery and authority for enforcement also need strengthening
- Turnover within ministries can impact the continuity of the rule-making process

III Tell your story: Legal and Regulatory Reform

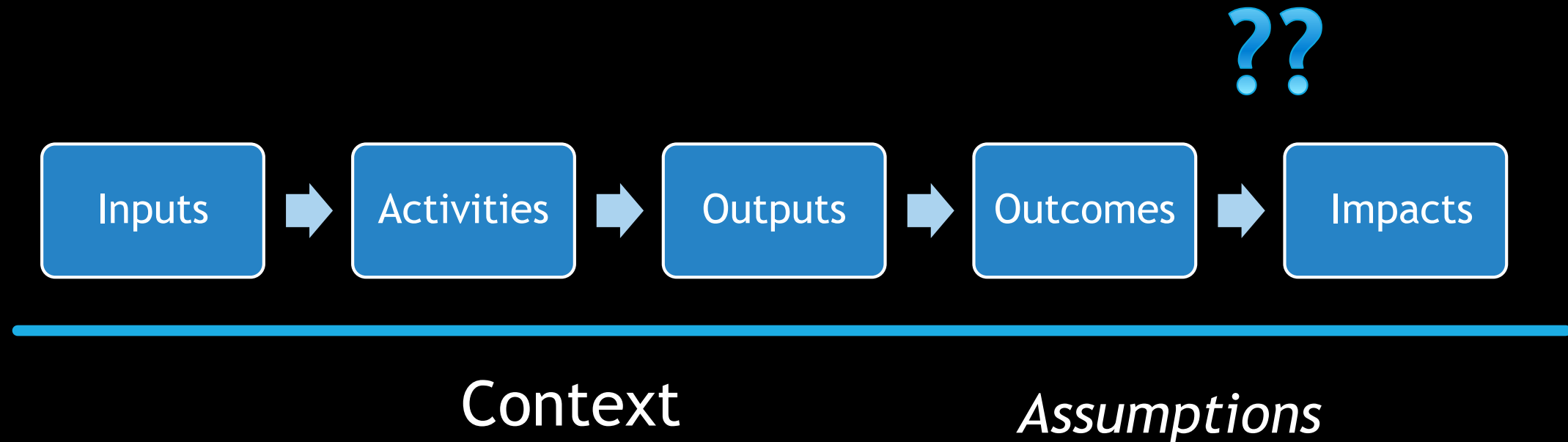
Has GEF influenced policy or legal reform in your country?

What were the factors affecting the outcomes?
(positive and negative)

What could GEF have done differently to improve the results?

IV How would you measure outcomes?

Let's work with a hypothetical project that is aimed to reform environmental policy/legal framework



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Context

Assumptions

WRAP UP: Important Reminders

- Develop a clear theory of change
- Outcomes should clearly be a reflection of the objectives with appropriate indicators/tracking tools
- Monitoring should be done throughout implementation with adequate resources
- Evaluation should address: Relevance, Efficiency, Effectiveness, Impact and Sustainability (just learnt in the quiz)



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Thank you!

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