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Introduction to biodiversity management

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AGENDA

- Why is biodiversity important to business?
- Key biodiversity and conservation concepts
- Introduction to the Mitigation hierarchy
- Corporate biodiversity management and key considerations
- The Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT)
- Interactive exercise for biodiversity management





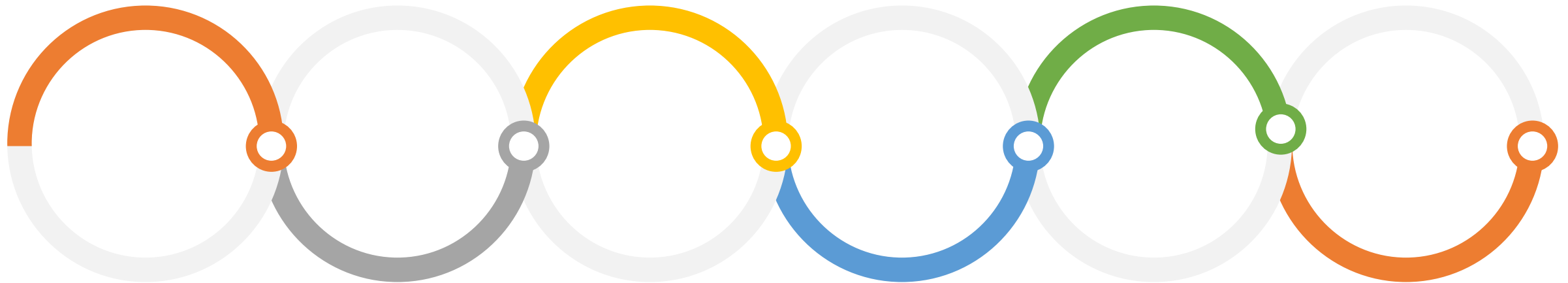
Why is biodiversity important to business?

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Nature under multiple, sustained, accelerating pressures

Resource extraction intensifying

Window of opportunity to address nature and climate crisis closing

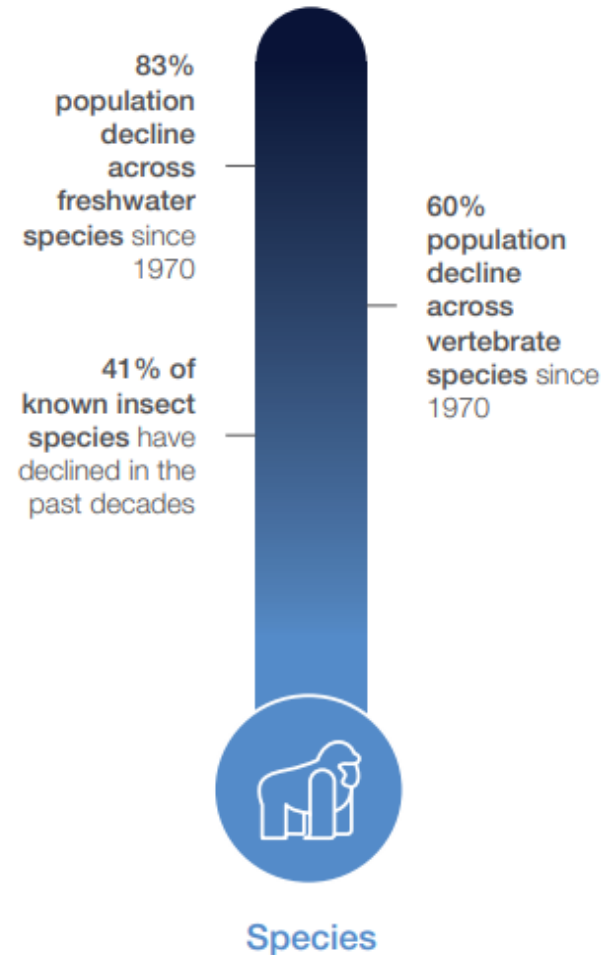
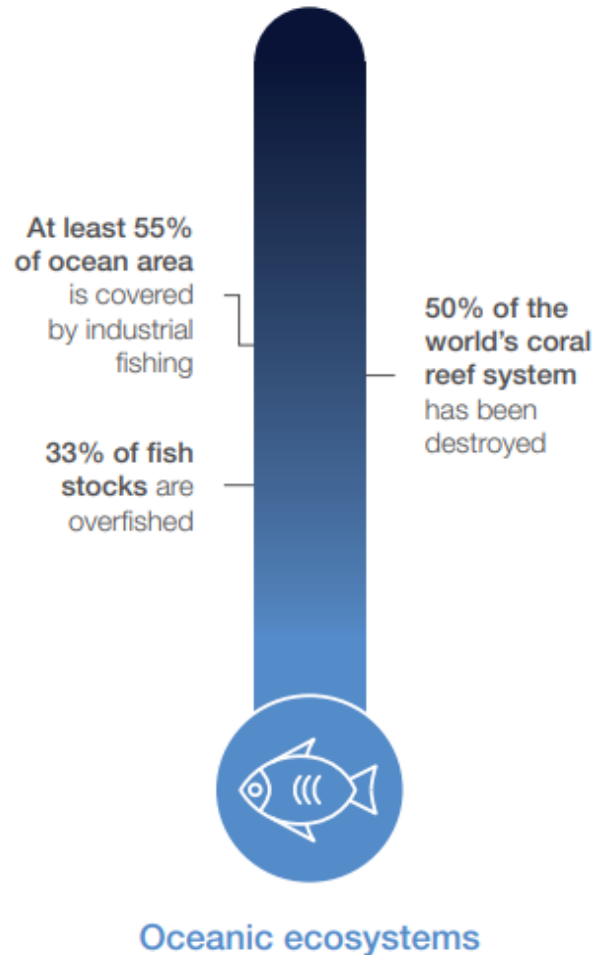
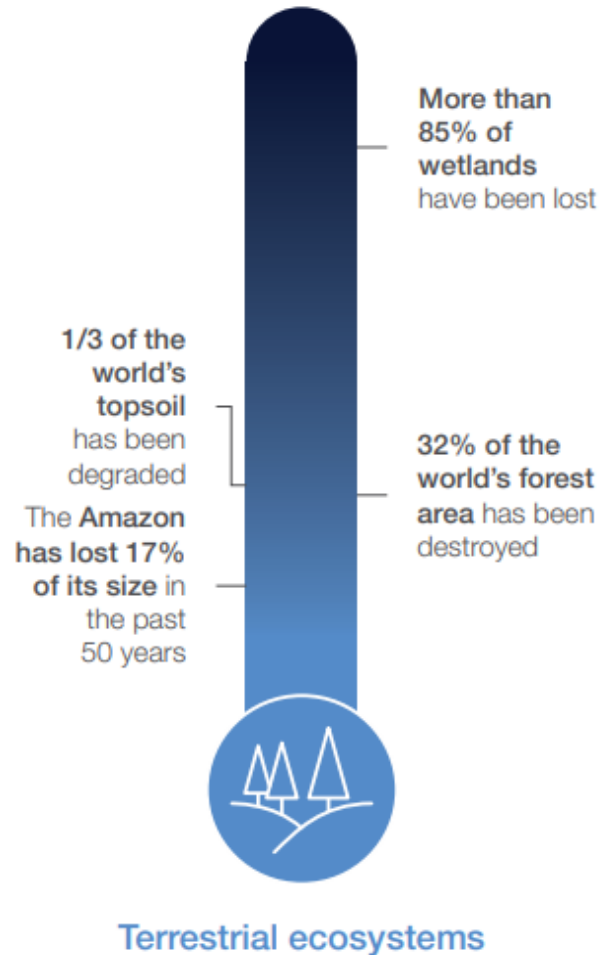


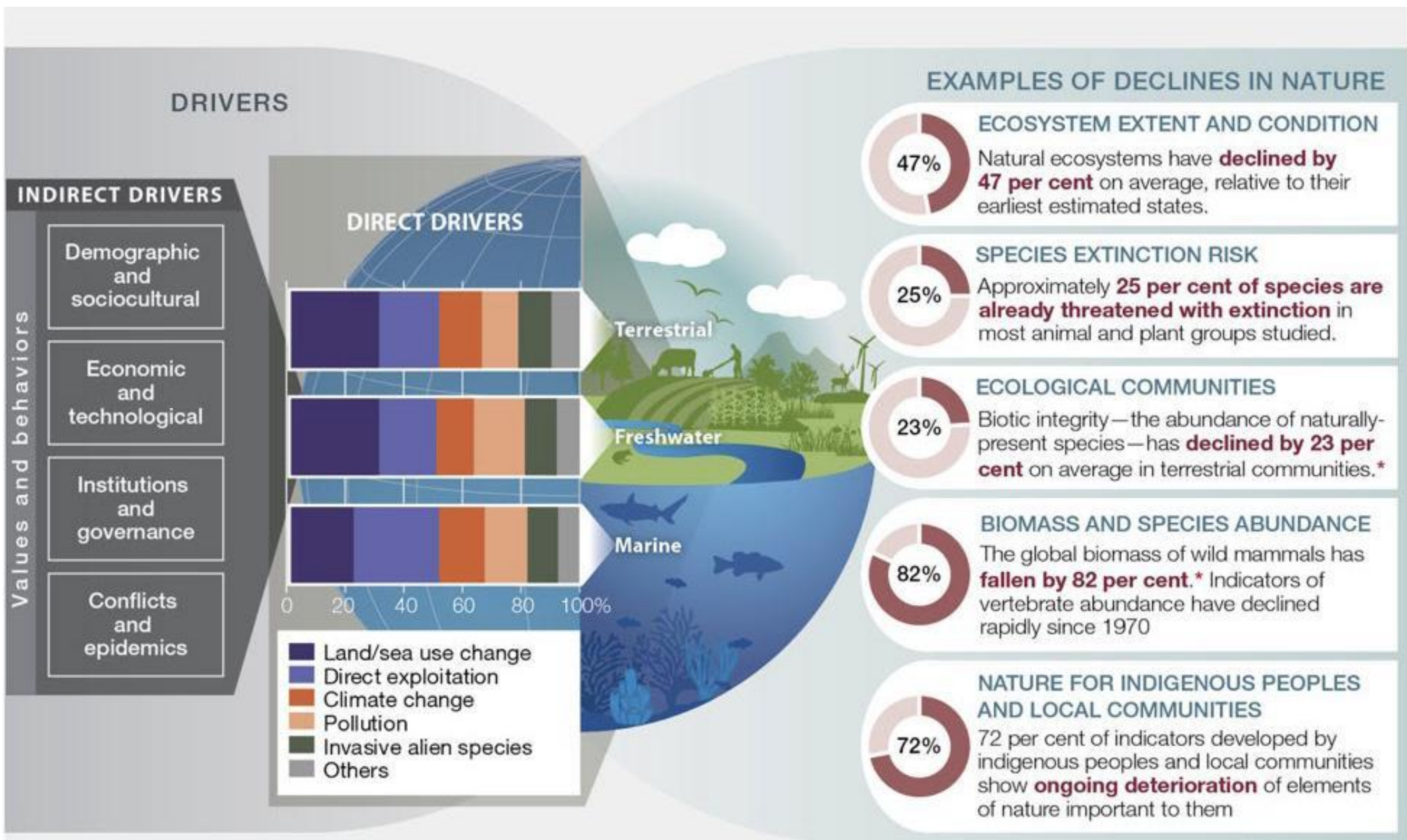
Ecosystem services in decline

Economic growth drawing down on natural capital

Nature loss creating real business risk

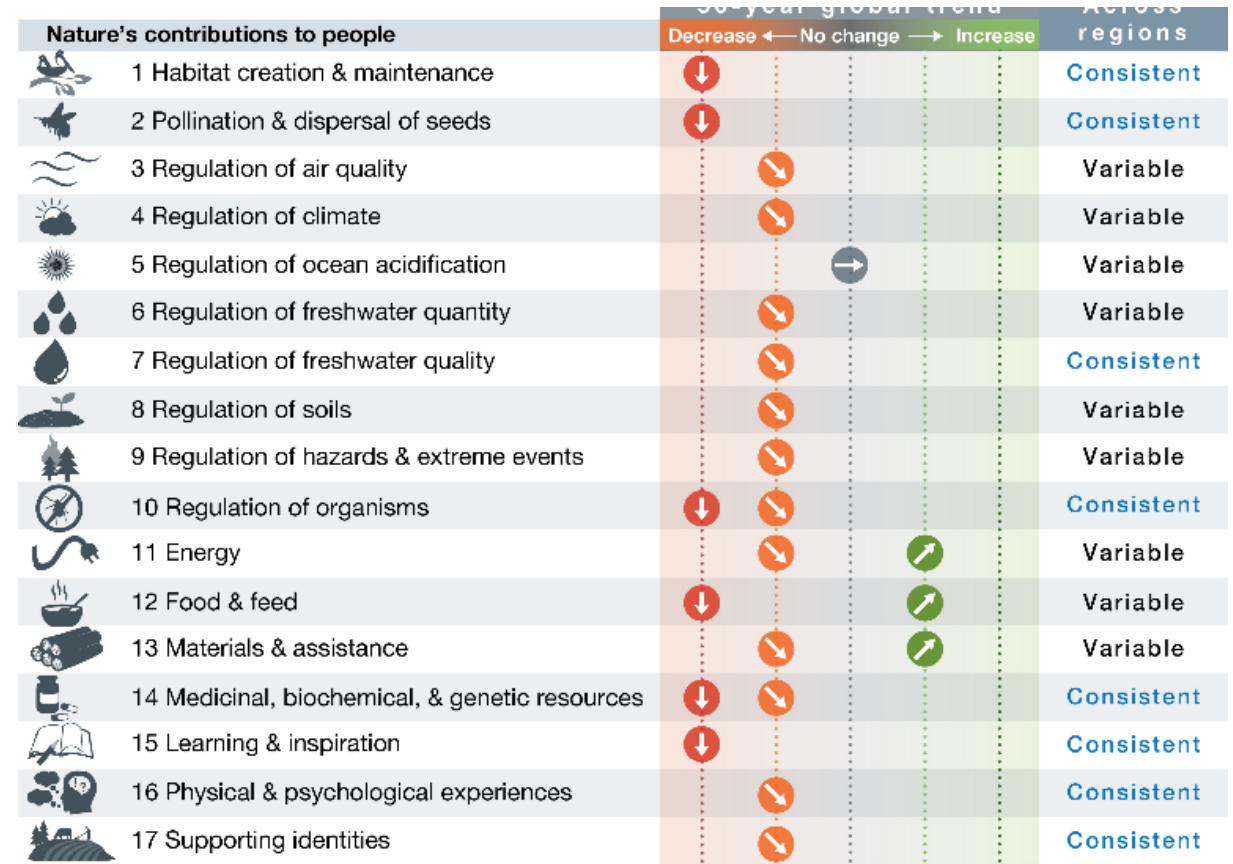
HUMAN ACTIVITIES HAVE HEAVILY IMPACTED ON NATURE





MANY OF THE WORLD'S ECOSYSTEMS SERVICES ARE IN DECLINE

- 17 of 18 categories assessed have undergone decline
- Benefits of nature to people are not easily replaced or replicated when lost



IMPACTS ON BIODIVERSITY FROM O&G



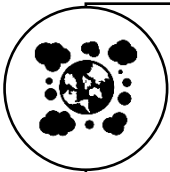
Use of land & freshwater (e.g. direct use, conversion or fragmentation of natural habitats)



Pollution (e.g. emissions of air, soil and water pollutants; solid waste)



Disturbances (e.g. seismic activity affecting species)



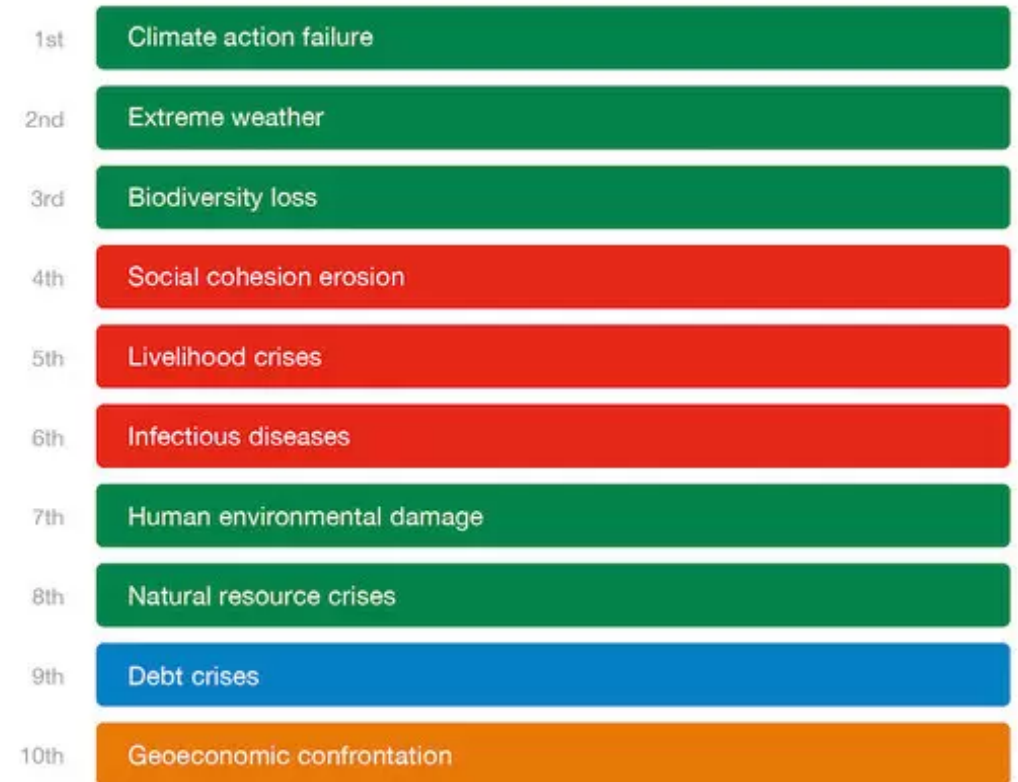
Climate change (e.g. emission of greenhouse gases by operations, machinery, vehicles)

NATURE LOSS AS BUSINESS RISK IS WELL RECOGNISED

- All businesses **impact and depend on biodiversity** directly and through their supply chains
- Global biodiversity loss affects key areas of risk for any business:
 - **Physical** inc. acute and chronic
 - **Transition** inc. policy, legal and market changes
 - **Systemic** inc. natural system breakdown

Top 10 Global Risks by Severity

Over the next 10 years



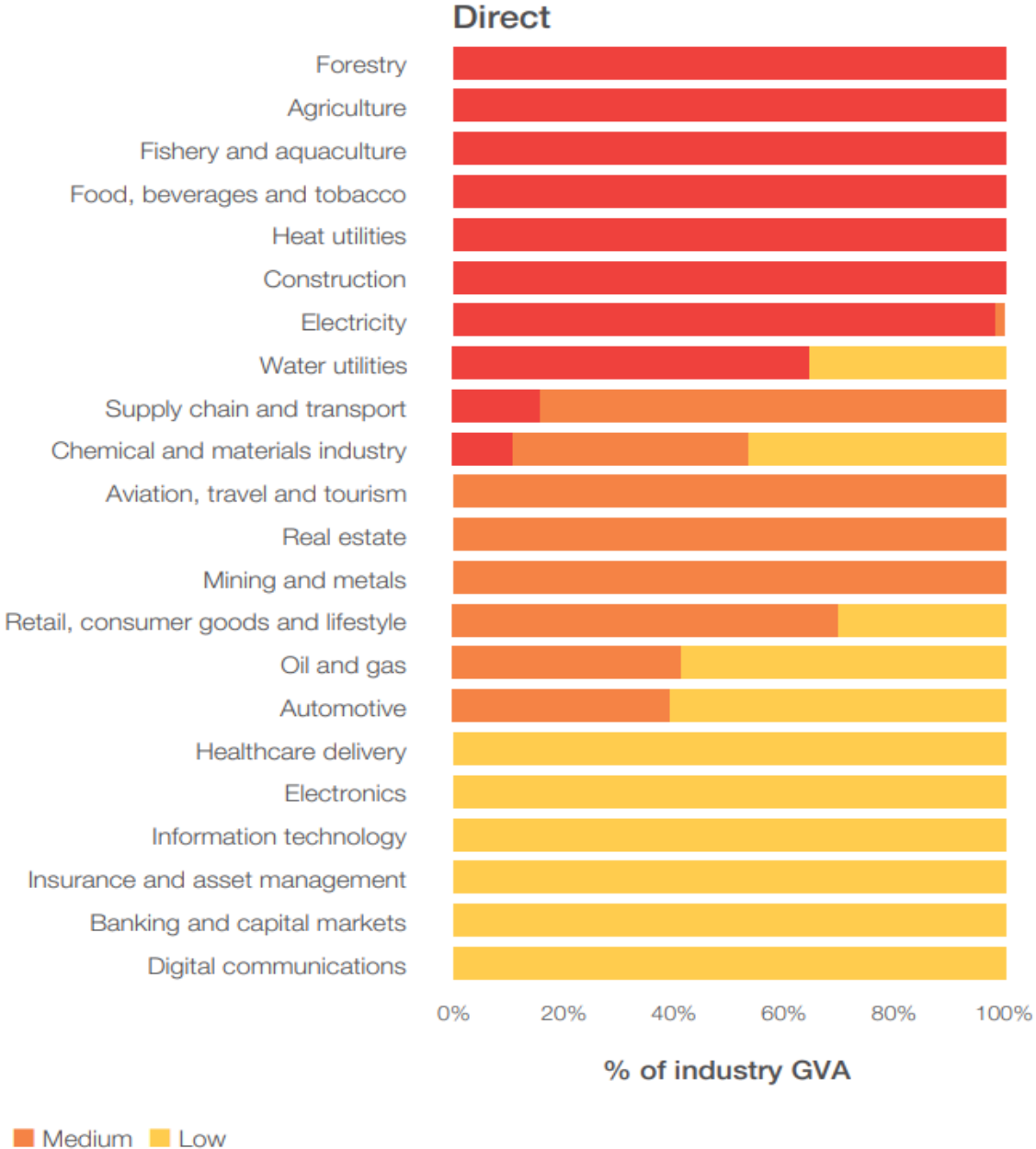
■ Economic ■ Environmental ■ Geopolitical ■ Societal ■ Technological

Source: World Economic Forum Global Risks Report 2022

THIS TRANSLATES TO POTENTIAL DISRUPTION FOR BUSINESSES

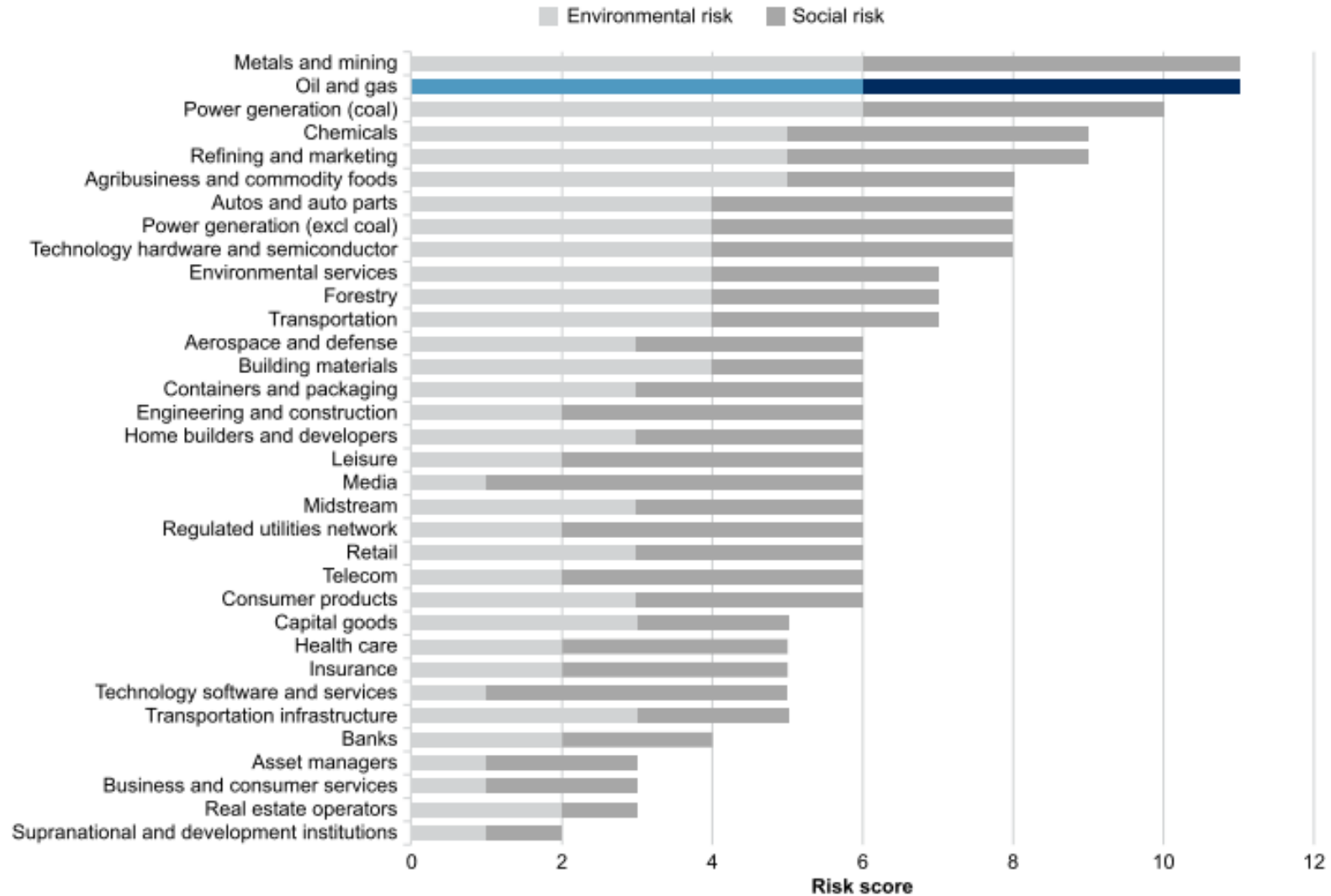
\$44 Trillion at risk

(50% of Global GDP)



WEF, Nature Risk Rising 2020

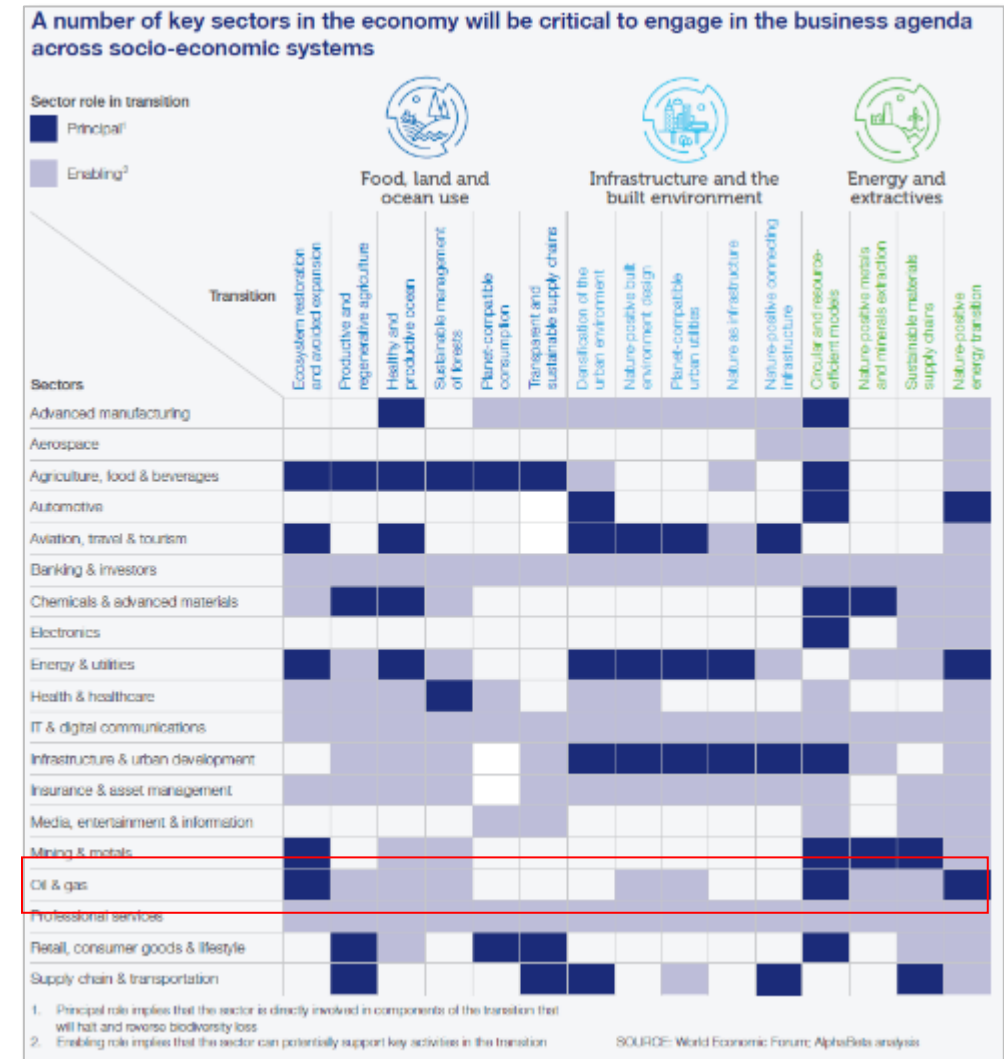
ESG SECTOR RISK ANALYSIS



Source: S&P Global Ratings.
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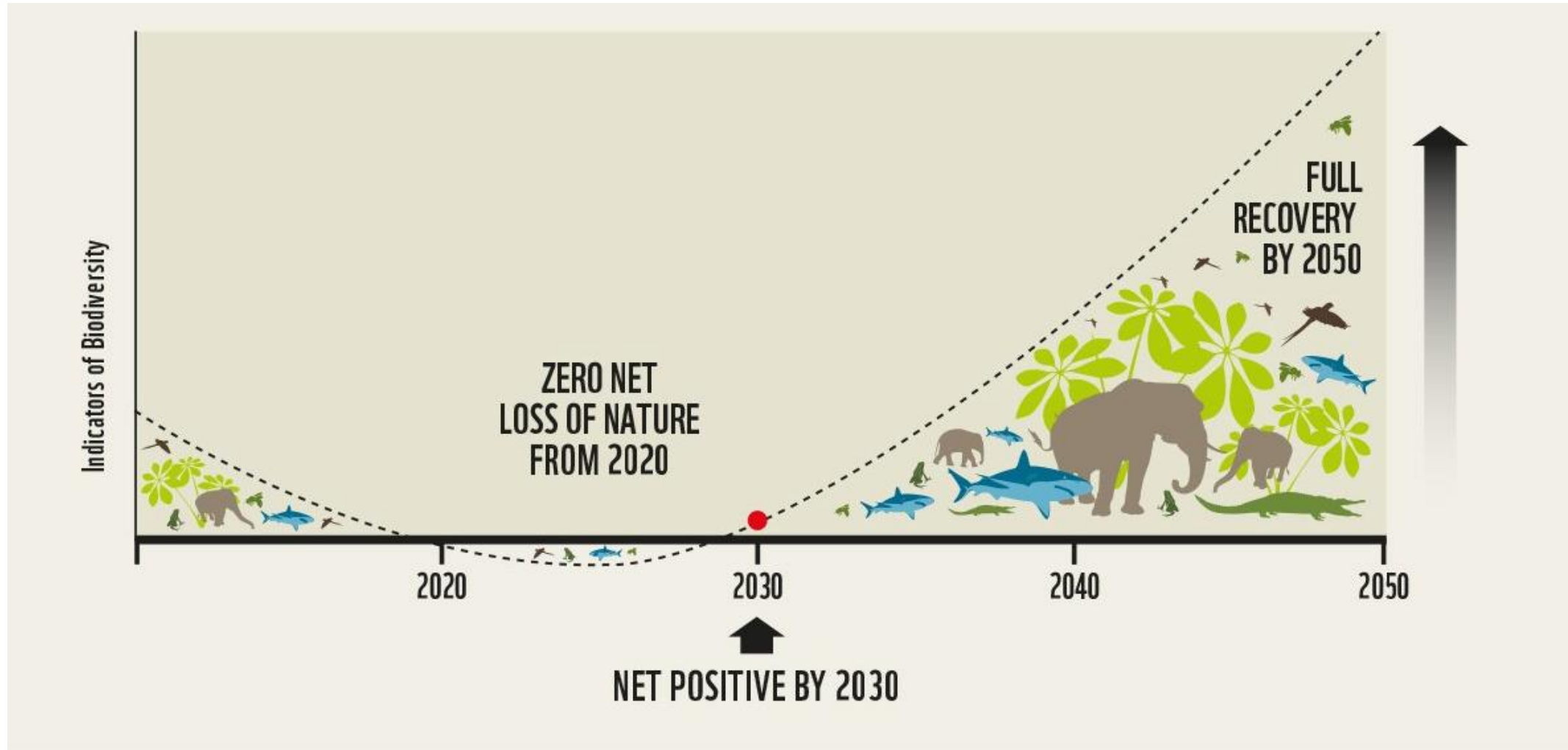
THE OIL & GAS SECTOR REQUIRE CRITICAL TRANSITIONS

- Three systemic transitions are identified as critical for oil & gas
- Emerging business opportunities for the energy sector could create over \$(USD) 3.5 trillion of annual value and 87 million jobs by 2030



Source: World Economic Forum (2020)

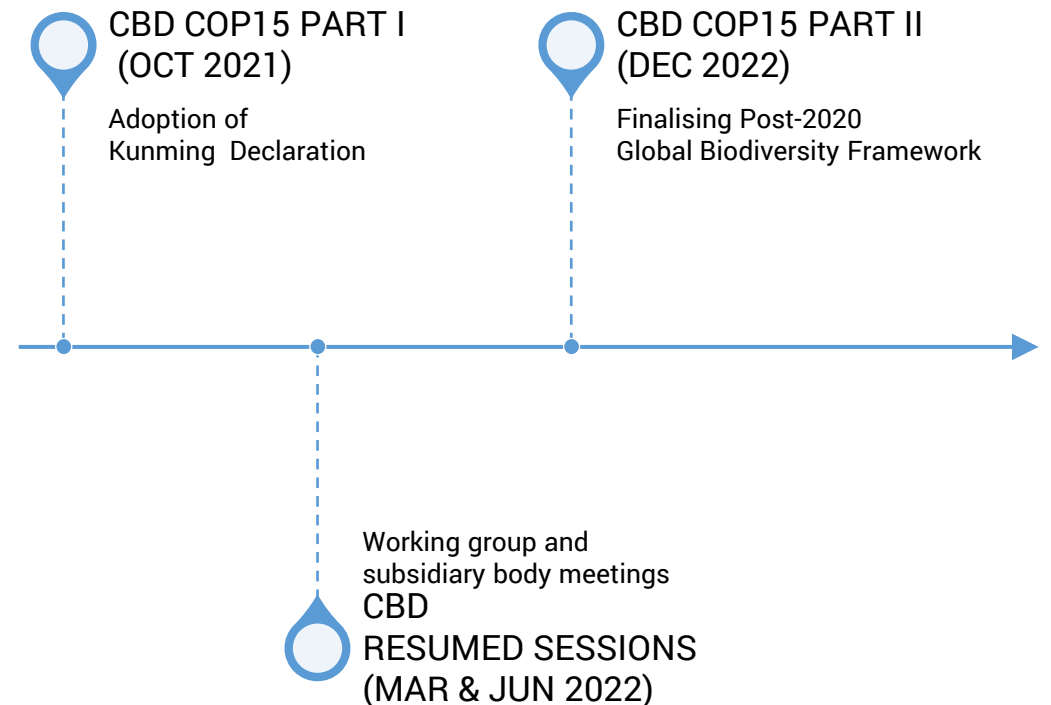
GLOBAL GOAL FOR NATURE: NATURE POSITIVE BY 2030



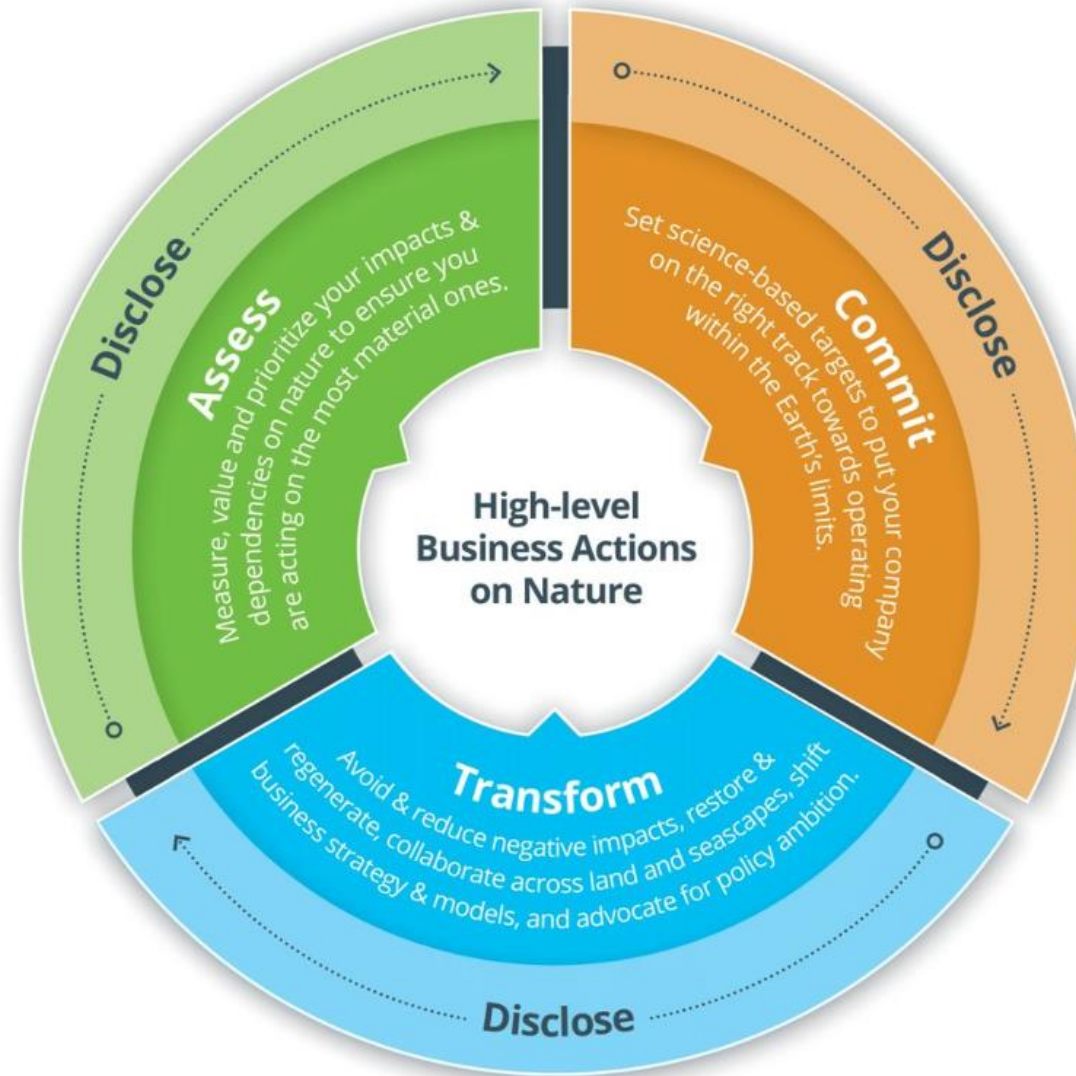
THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework

- 21 targets and 10 'milestones' for 2030
- 'Living in harmony with nature' by 2050
- Draft Target 15
 - Businesses to measure and report dependencies and impacts
 - Reduce negative and increase positive impacts
 - Full sustainability of extraction and production practices



BUSINESS FOR NATURE'S HIGH-LEVEL ACTIONS





GOOD BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT...

...leads to many benefits for business

Maintained access to finance

Continued supply of resources

Resilient operations

Supporting regulatory compliance

Increased/maintained reputation & licence to operate

A photograph of a dense tropical forest. The scene is filled with tall, slender trees and large, fan-shaped palm-like plants. The lighting is somewhat dim, suggesting a shaded forest interior. The overall color palette is dominated by various shades of green and brown.

Key Biodiversity Concepts

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WHAT IS BIODIVERSITY?

“Biological diversity means the variability among living organisms from all sources including, *inter alia*, terrestrial, marine and other aquatic ecosystems...; this includes diversity within species, between species and of ecosystems.”

(Convention on Biological Diversity 1992)



Genes (diversity within species)



Species (diversity between species)



Ecosystems (diversity of ecosystems)

WHAT IS A SPECIES?

“Groups of actually or potentially interbreeding natural populations, which are reproductively isolated from other groups.”

(Mayr 1942)



- Species are seen as the fundamental units of conservation.



- Provides a way of quantifying biodiversity, and its loss.

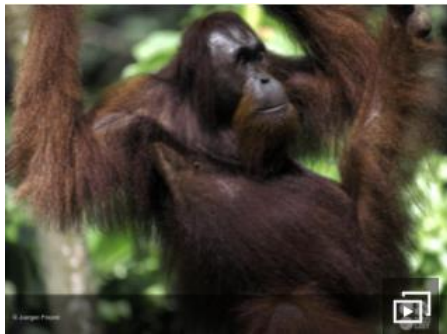


- Many conservation strategies and international Multilateral Environmental Agreements (CITES, CMS) are focused on species.

WHAT IS A SPECIES RANGE?

“The environmental conditions or geographic area within which a species occurs”

(Oxford Dictionary of Ecology, 2010)

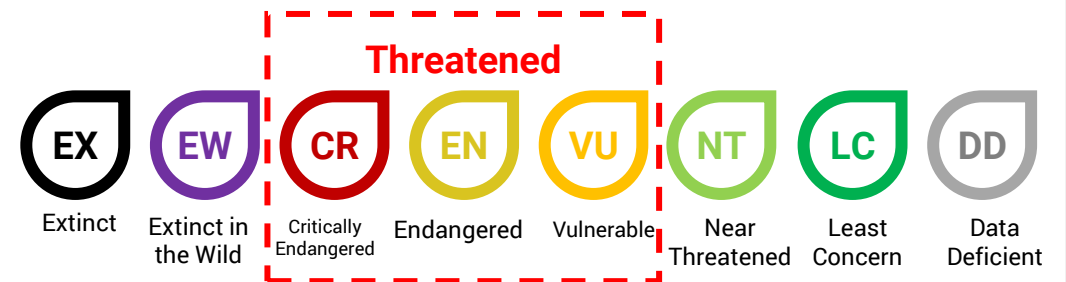
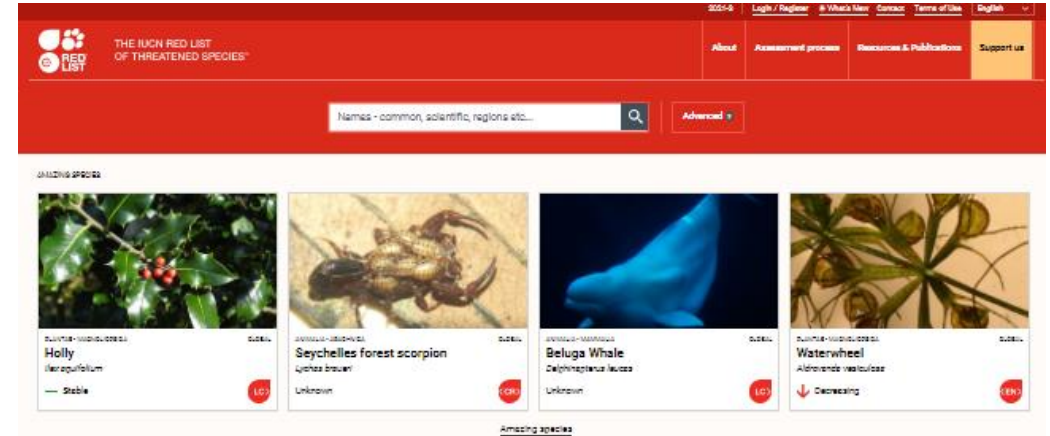
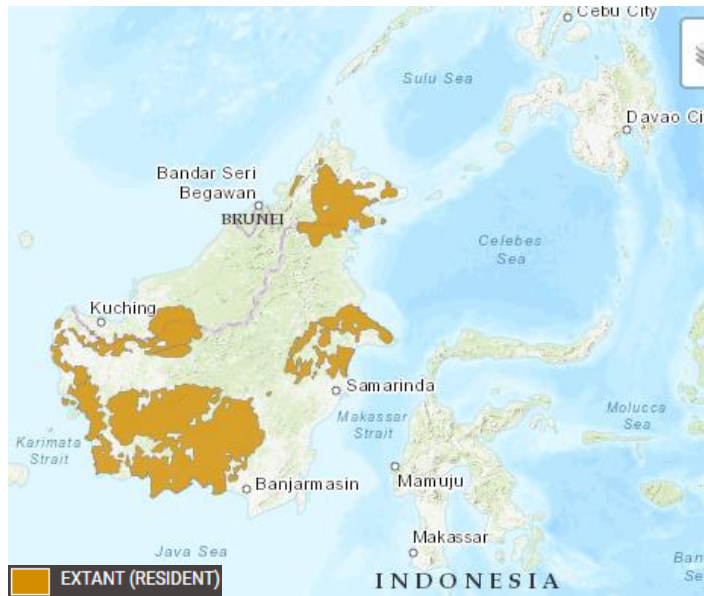


Bornean Orangutan

Pongo pygmaeus

ABSTRACT

Bornean Orangutan *Pongo pygmaeus* has most recently been assessed for *The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species* in 2016. *Pongo pygmaeus* is listed as Critically Endangered under criteria A4abcd.

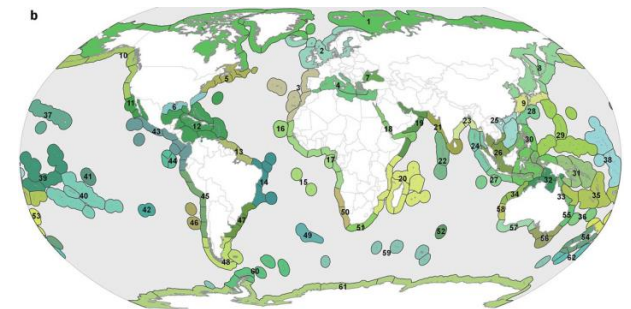
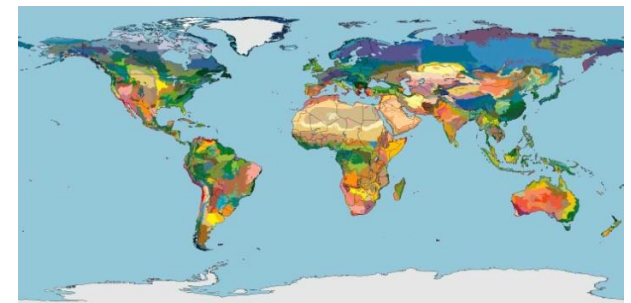


WHAT ARE HABITATS AND ECOSYSTEMS?

Habitat: The place or type of site where an organism or population naturally occurs.

Ecosystem: A dynamic complex of plant, animal and micro-organism communities and their non-living environment interacting as a functional unit.

(Convention on Biological Diversity 1992)

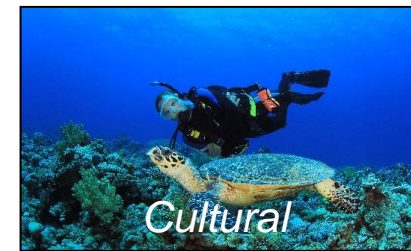


WHAT ARE ECOSYSTEM SERVICES?

“Benefits people obtain from ecosystems.”

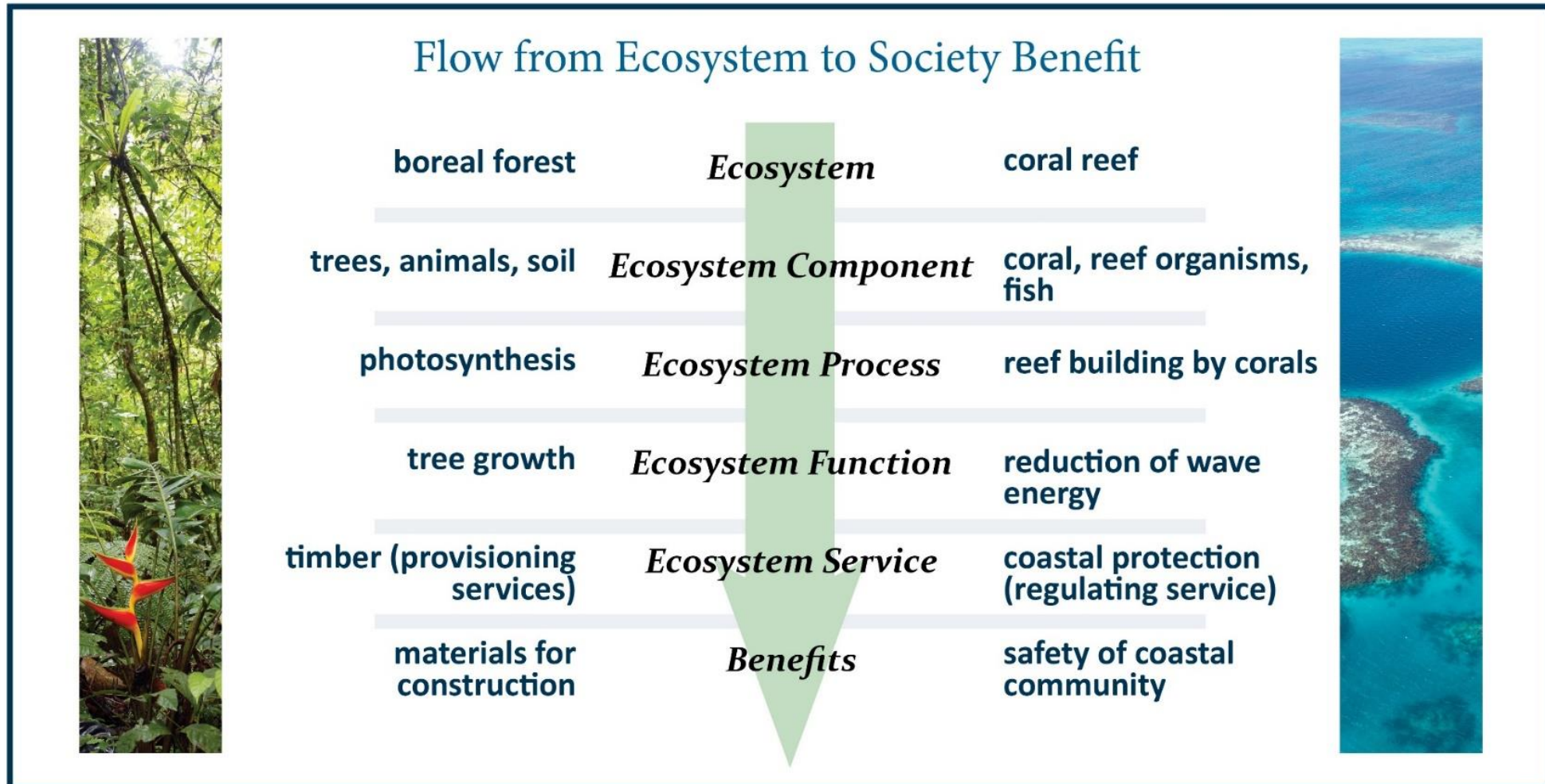
(Millennium Ecosystem Assessment 2005)

Ecosystem services link the environment to people



Biodiversity underpins ecosystem services

ECOSYSTEMS THROUGH TO BENEFITS





Key conservation concepts

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CORE CONSERVATION CONCEPTS

Protected areas



Areas that are afforded legal or other effective protection

Areas important for biodiversity



Areas that are identified on the basis of biodiversity values, often using standardised assessment criteria

Threatened species

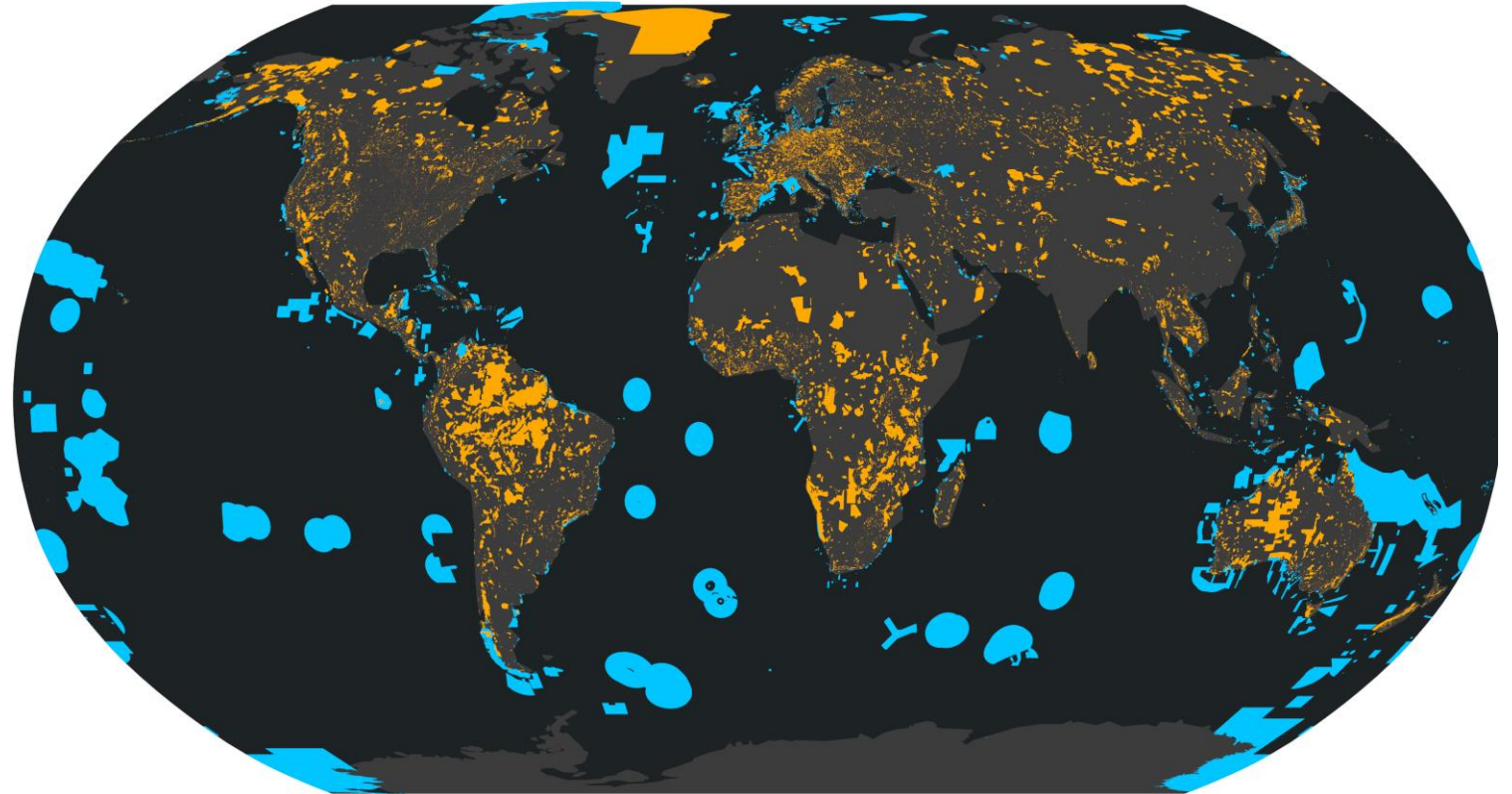


Species likely to become extinct within the foreseeable future throughout all or part of its range

WHAT ARE PROTECTED AREAS?

“A clearly defined geographical space, recognised, dedicated and managed, through legal or other effective means, to achieve the long-term conservation of nature with associated ecosystem services and cultural values.”

(IUCN 2008)



Terrestrial
Marine and Coastal

PROTECTED AREAS ARE DESIGNATED AT DIFFERENT LEVELS

National

Designated under national law

Different naming schemes exist in every country

Often grouped according to IUCN management categories

Regional

Based on regional conventions agreed by governments

e.g. Natura2000 in Europe

e.g. Regional Seas conventions (OSPAR, HELCOM Barcelona etc)

International

Based on international conventions/agreements between many governments

e.g. World Heritage

e.g. Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar)

e.g. UNESCO Man and the Biosphere

WHAT ARE AREAS THAT ARE IMPORTANT FOR BIODIVERSITY?

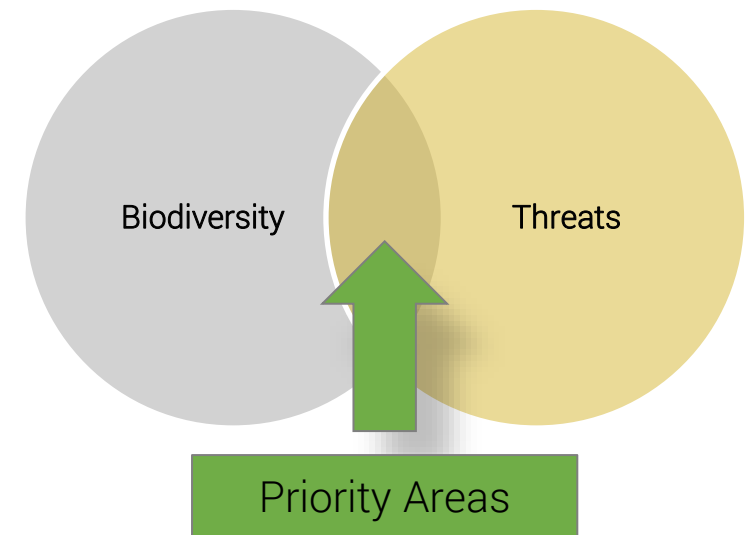
- Can exist at the site or landscape/regional/international scales
- May overlap protected areas, but are not in themselves protected
- KBAs are one among several approaches to designate areas important for biodiversity

Site scale examples

- Key Biodiversity Areas
- Important Bird Areas

Landscape/Regional/International scale examples

- Endemic Bird Areas
- Biodiversity Hotspots
- Global200 Ecoregions

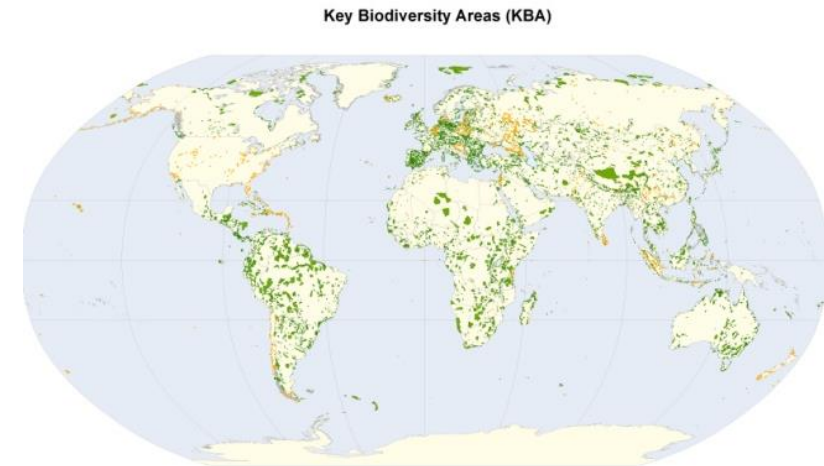


WHAT ARE KEY BIODIVERSITY AREAS?

“Sites contributing significantly to the global persistence of biodiversity.”

(IUCN 2016)

- Originally identified for birds
- Recently expanded to other species groups
- New criteria across taxa and realms promote KBAs as the key biodiversity site designation
- Over 16,000 identified so far



Key Biodiversity Areas

■ Polygons
● Points

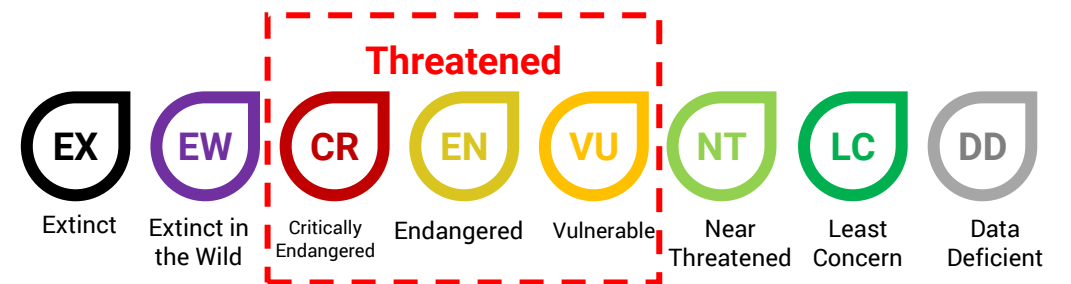
BirdLife International (2008) What are Key Biodiversity Areas?
Presented as part of the BirdLife State of the World's Birds website
Available from: <http://www.birdlife.org/datazone/what/areas/08>
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IUCN RED LIST OF SPECIES

- Established in 1964 by IUCN
- >147,500 species assessed as of August 2022
- Information on threats, ecological requirements, habitats and conservation actions to reduce or prevent extinctions
- Standardised assessment process to categorise species
- Re-evaluation every ~ 5-10 years
- Three categories of 'Threatened' species: Critically Endangered, Endangered and Vulnerable
- List also includes other categories e.g. 'Least Concern' species

The screenshot shows the IUCN Red List website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the IUCN logo and the text 'THE IUCN RED LIST OF THREATENED SPECIES'. Below this is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Names - common, scientific, regions etc...' and an 'Advanced' button. The main content area features a grid of 'Amazing Species' cards. Each card includes a photograph of the species, its scientific name, and its conservation status. The species shown are: Indiana Bat (Stable), Chacoan Peccary (Decreasing), Tiger Tail Seahorse (Decreasing), and Frigate Island Giant Tenebrionid Beetle (Stable). Below the grid, there is a red banner with the text 'More than 26,500 species are threatened with extinction. That is more than 27% of all assessed species.' At the bottom, there is a row of icons representing different taxonomic groups with their respective percentages: Amphibians (40%), Mammals (25%), Reptiles (34%), Birds (14%), Invertebrates (31%), Fish (33%), and Selected Crustaceans (27%).



SPECIES OF 'LEAST CONCERN'

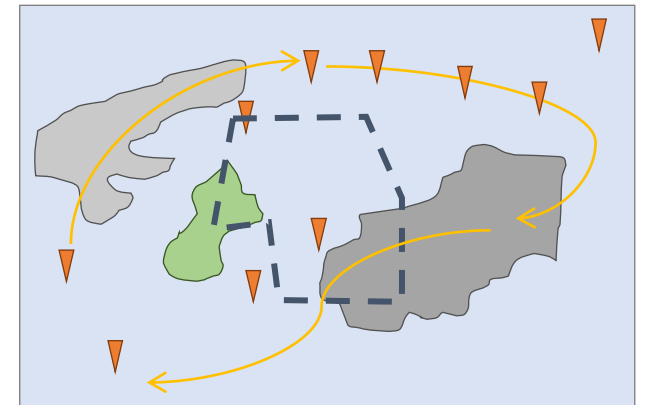
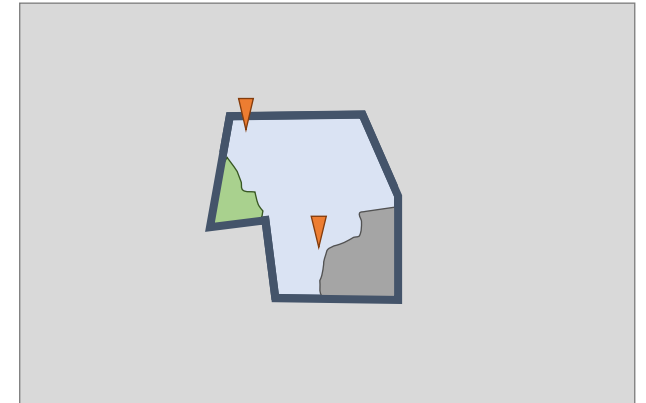
LC

- A taxon that has been evaluated against the criteria and does not qualify as CR, EN, VU or NT at the global level
- Least Concern does not mean unimportant
- Could still be of conservation concern e.g. threatened at the national level, small extent of occurrence
- Potential considerations
 - Legal Protection
 - Global vs National Red List category
 - Relevancy to Critical Habitat e.g. migratory and congregatory species
 - Change in status



BIODIVERSITY IS SPREAD ACROSS THE WIDER LANDSCAPE OR SEASCAPE

- Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services do not respect arbitrary operational boundaries
- It is critical to consider Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service impacts in their broader spatial context
- All project lifecycle stages present potential impacts and dependencies on Biodiversity and Ecosystem services

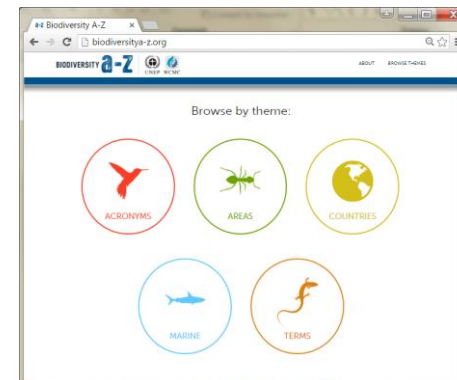


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BIODIVERSITY A-Z

Online resources intended to support business users (specialists and non-specialists)

- Areas important for biodiversity
- Glossary of biodiversity terms
- Marine-specific glossary
- Acronym buster
- Countries module





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Mitigation Hierarchy

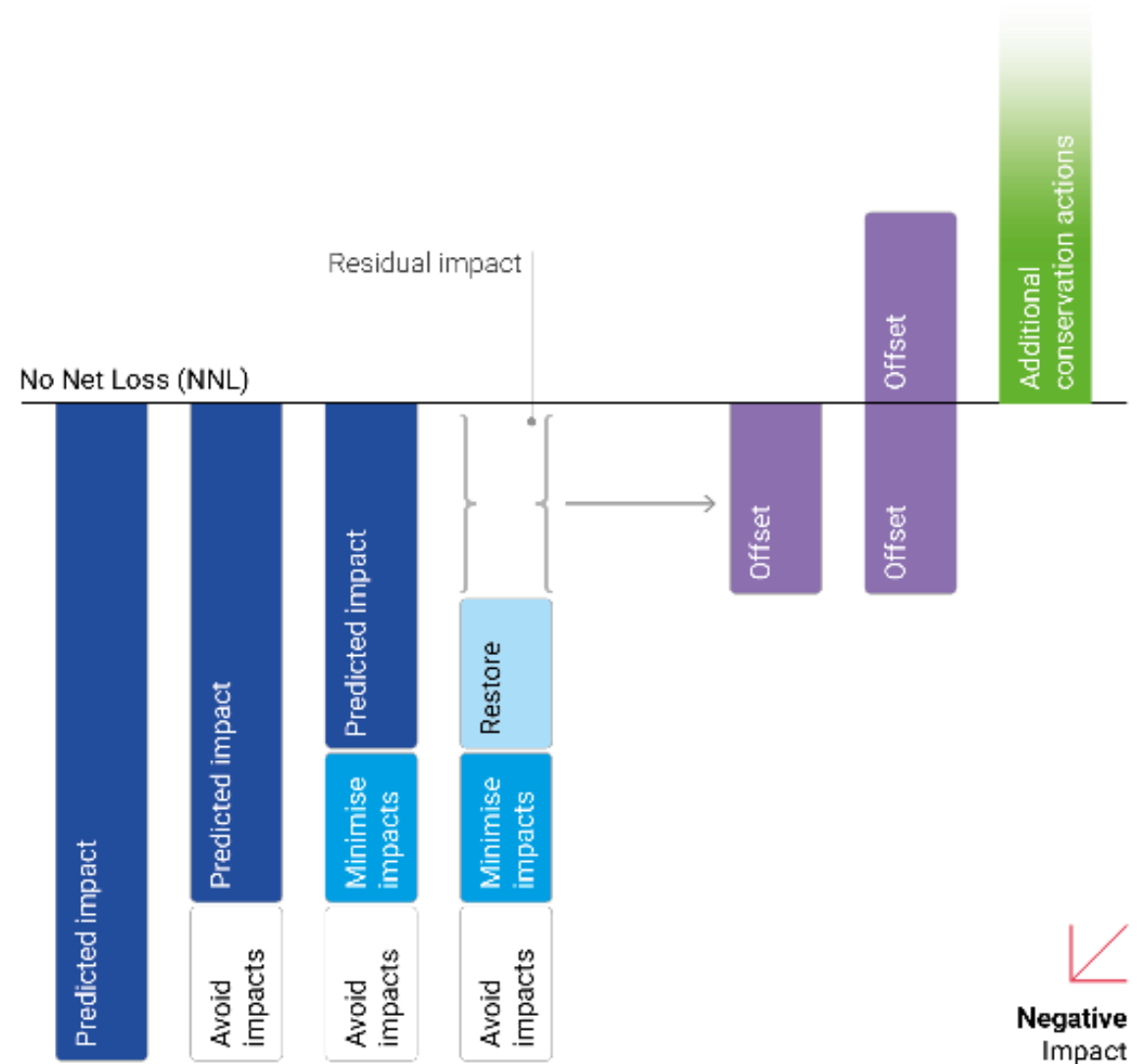
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APPLICATION OF THE MITIGATION HIERARCHY

Net Gain (NG)

Sequential steps to minimise negative impacts on biodiversity.

ACAs refers to a wide range of interventions intended to be positive for biodiversity and ecosystem services (BES).



Negative Impact

THE MITIGATION HIERARCHY

Avoidance

- ...to prevent adverse impacts on biodiversity

Minimisation

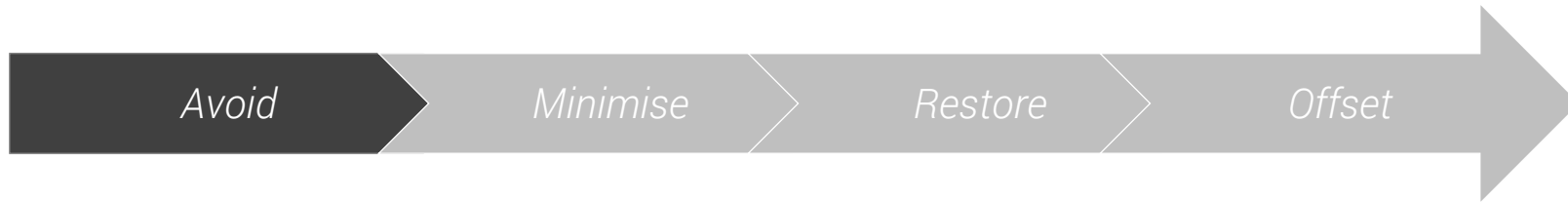
- ...to reduce the duration, intensity, significance and/or extent of impacts

Restoration

- ...to repair, remedy, remediate habitats, biodiversity values, and/or ecosystem services.

Offset

- actions applied to areas not impacted by the project, that compensate for significant, adverse project impacts



Site selection

- Relocate a project site to avoid an area of high biodiversity
- Re-routing pipelines

Project design

- Directional drilling
- Siting of drilling pads

Scheduling

- Avoid breeding seasons
- Schedule seismic outside of migration seasons
- Prohibit night transportation



Physical controls

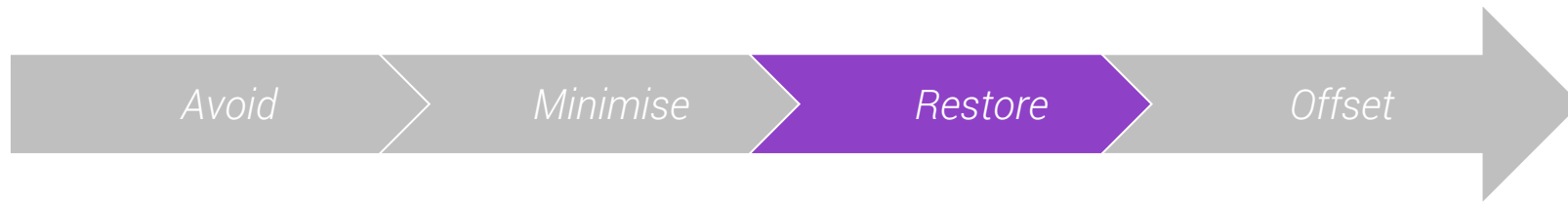
- Installing culverts
- Using bird flight diverters on transmission lines

Operational controls

- Managing staff behaviour
- Managing access to areas

Abatement controls

- Implement waste management
- Invasive species management



Revegetation

- Retaining topsoil and its original seedbank
- Invasive species control measures

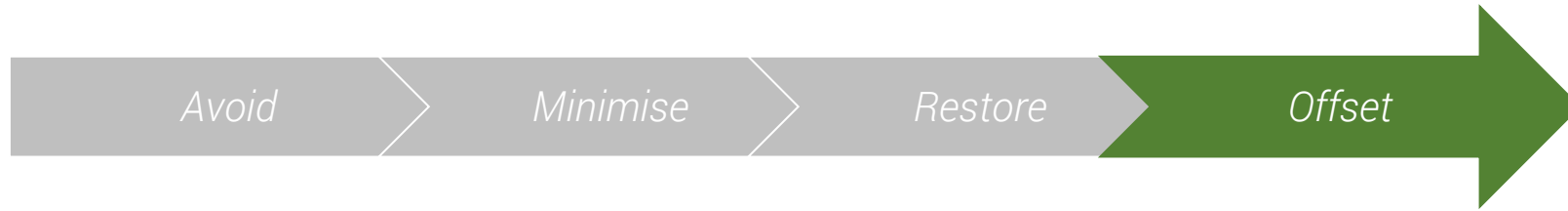
Habitat enhancement

- Building artificial nests
- Spreading grass cuttings from undisturbed habitat

Considerations

Might:

- not be possible for certain features
- have lower certainty of success
- be scientifically uncertain
- financially uncertain
- require expert consultation
- require long-term intervention
- require significant monitoring effort



Restoration offsets

- Reintroduction of priority species in degraded habitat
- Building artificial reefs as nursing grounds

Protection offsets

- Developing alternative livelihoods for communities to prevent ongoing degradation of threatened forests

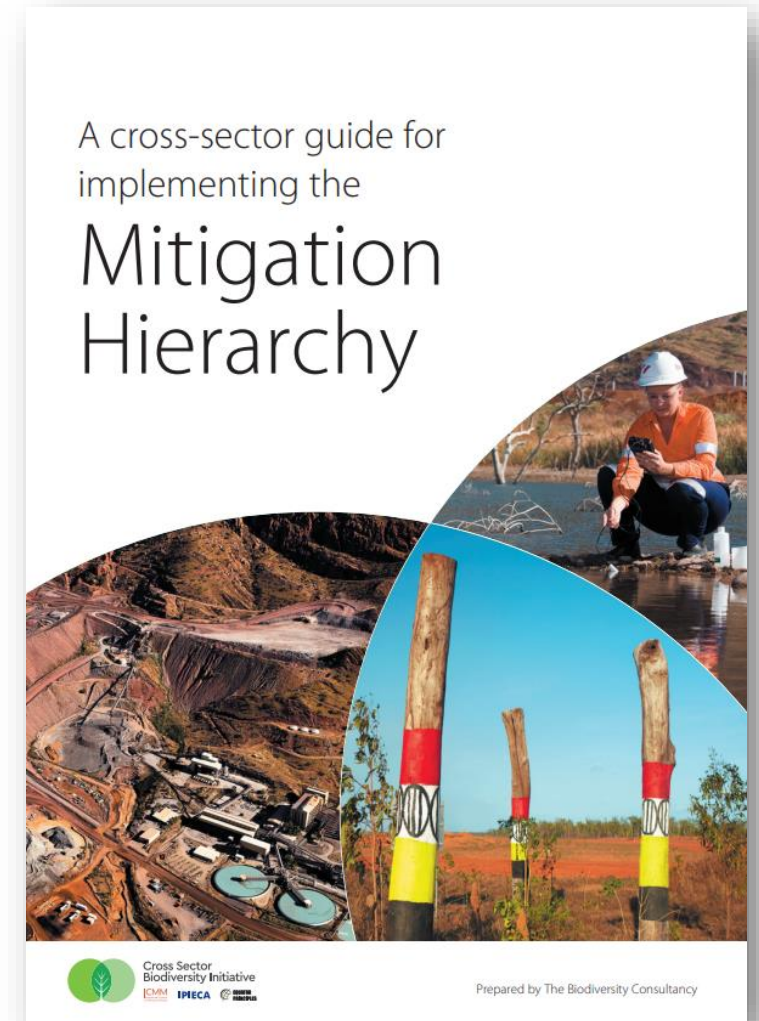
Considerations

- Possibility/ feasibility needs to be assessed
- Is the offset equivalent to the previous habitat?
- Outcomes need to be specified (and ideally quantified)
- Appropriate stakeholder consultation
- Will it last at least as long as the project impact?

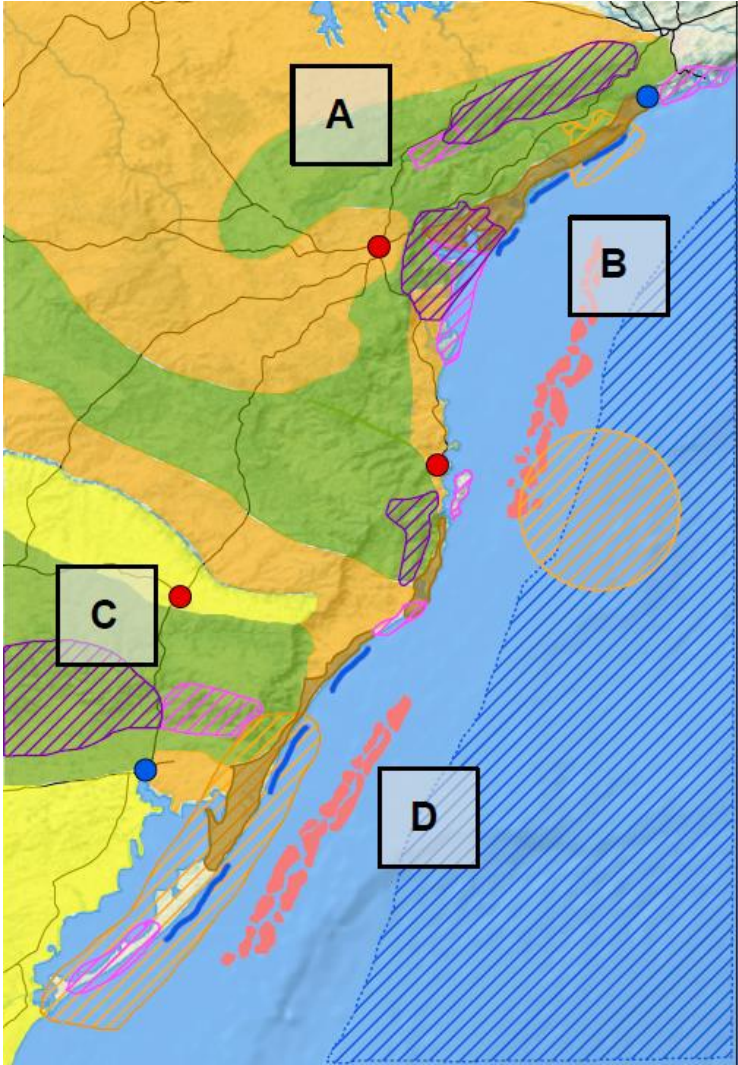
BEST PRACTICES

Cross Sector Biodiversity Initiative's (CSBI) "Cross-Sector Guide for Implementing the Mitigation Hierarchy"

- Definitions of the four steps
- Guidance for determining and demonstrating biodiversity loss or gain as a result of mitigation efforts
- Practical measures for predicting and verifying biodiversity conservation outcomes over time



APPLICATION OF THE MITIGATION HIERARCHY EXAMPLE



Legend

- Scrubland
- Agricultural land
- Subsistence agriculture
- Forest
- Mangroves
- Coral reefs
- Seagrasses
- Existing protected areas
- Existing Key Biodiversity Areas
- Proposed oil and gas exploration blocks
- Proposed processing plants
- Tourism areas
- Beaches
- Commercial fishing
- City
- Port
- Villages
- Artisanal fishing
- Roads
- Oil rig or platform

SCREENING:

Habitats



Scrubland



Agricultural land



Forest



Mangroves



Coral reefs



Seagrasses

Environmental and socio-economic features



Artisanal fishing



Beaches



Subsistence agriculture



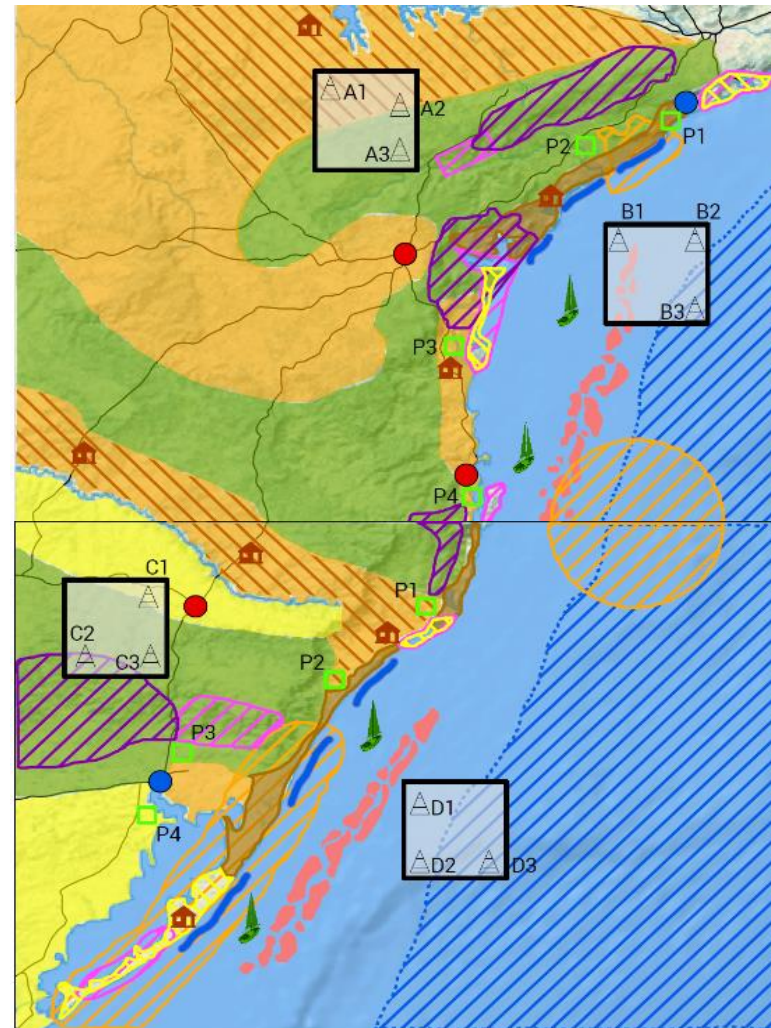
Villages



Potential drilling platforms



Processing plants



SCOPING AND BASELINE



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Madagascar pond-heron



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Hawksbill turtle nesting



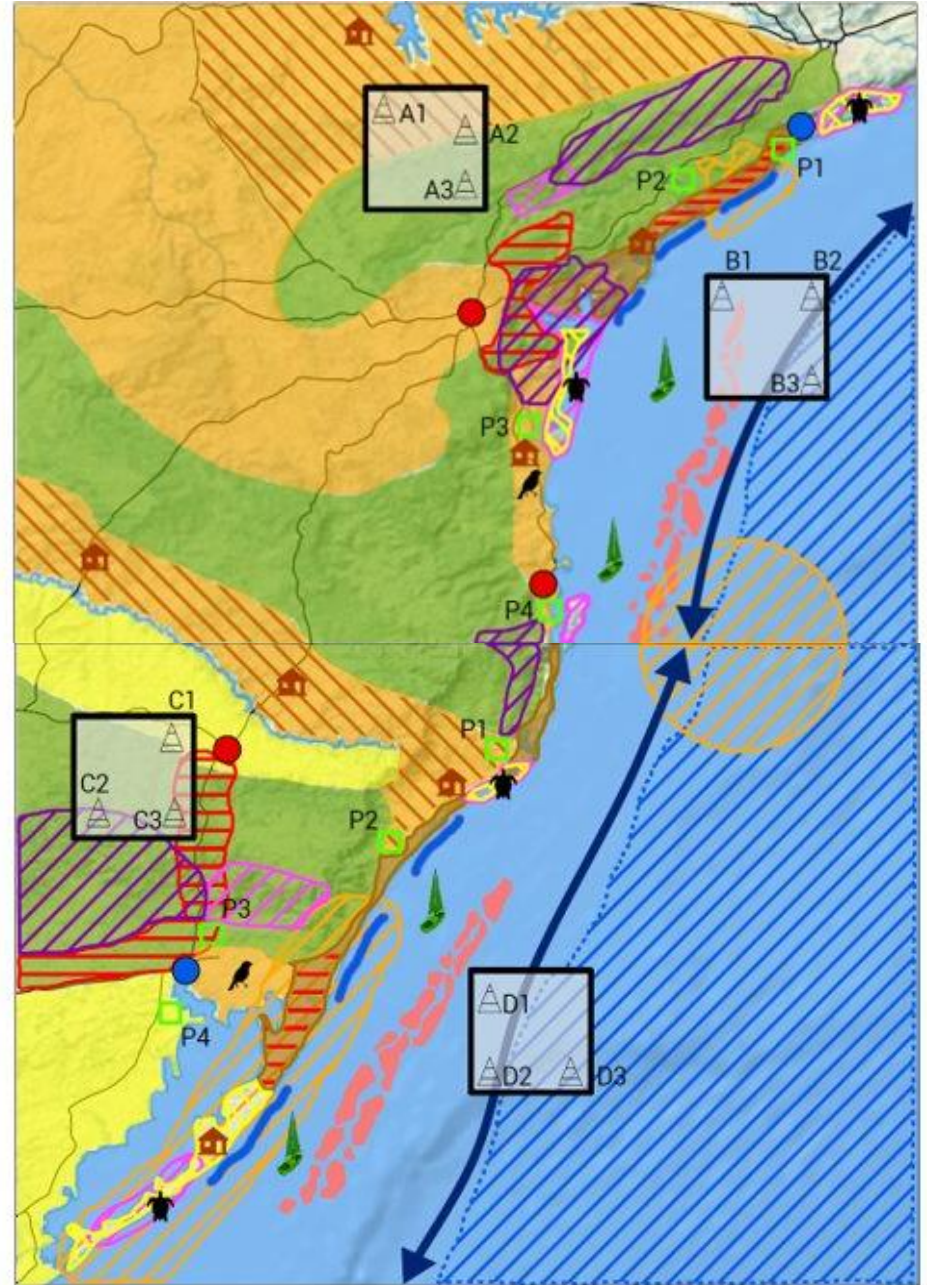
Whale migration route



Degraded forest



Degraded mangrove



MITIGATING IMPACTS

Avoid: relocate onshore processing plant and pipelines away from breeding grounds and flyways



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Madagascar pond-heron



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Hawksbill turtle nesting



Whale migration route

Avoid: re-route pipelines through already developed parts of the beach, avoiding turtle nesting sites

Minimise: seasonal and temporal restrictions on construction (whale density/presence measured using acoustic detectors)

Offset: developing alternative livelihoods for communities through tourism to prevent ongoing degradation of forest



Degraded forest



Degraded mangrove

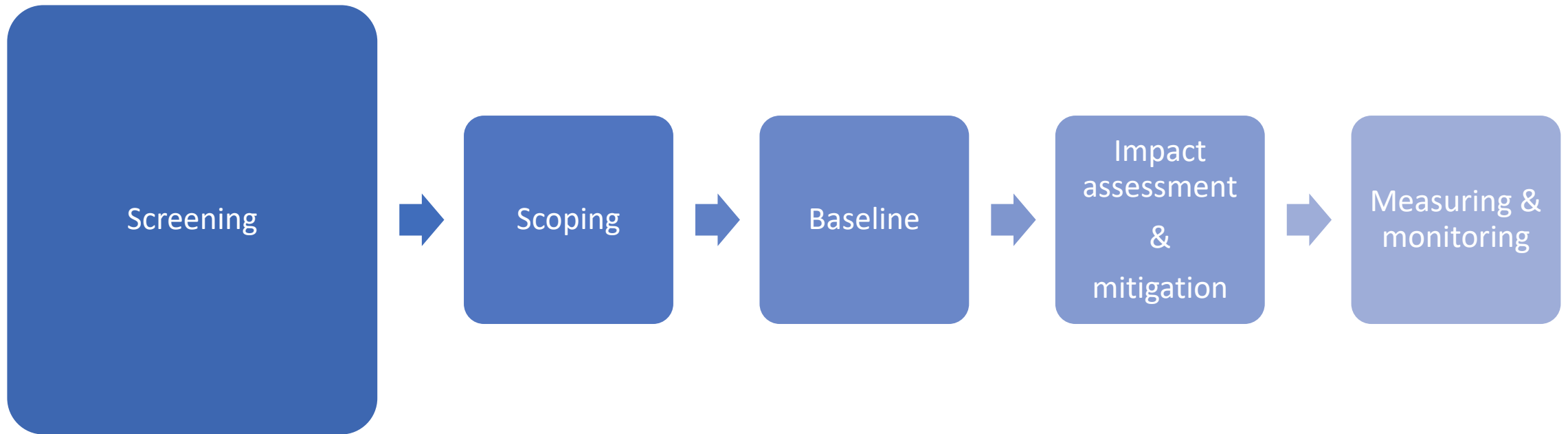
Restore: community led mangrove restoration project. Increasing communities' resilience to climate change and empower women



Biodiversity Management Considerations

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STAGES OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



INTEGRATED BIODIVERSITY ASSESSMENT TOOL (IBAT)



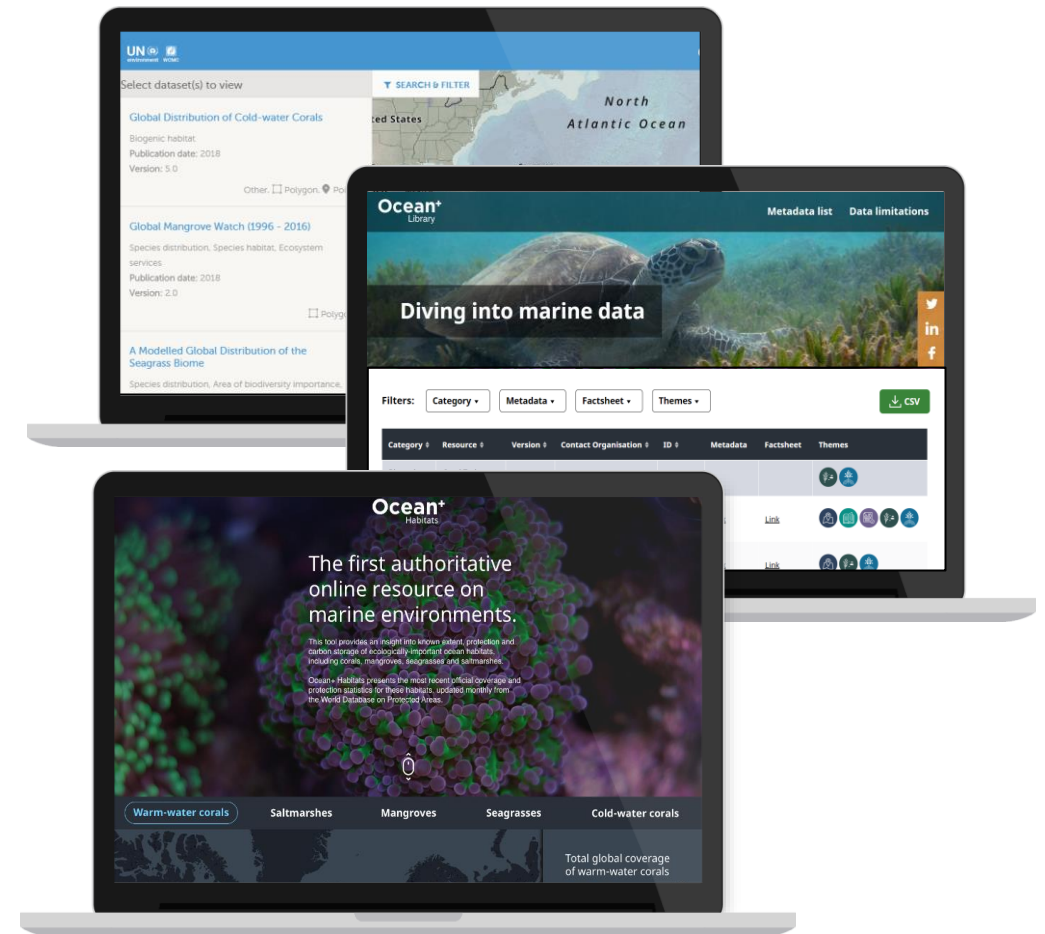
A web-based map & reporting tool that provides fast, easy & integrated access to critical biodiversity information

- The source of the most globally authoritative biodiversity data:
 - The World Database on Protected Areas
 - The World Database of Key Biodiversity Areas
 - The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species
- A link between the private sector and biodiversity conservation. Incorporate biodiversity considerations into project planning, risk screening and management decisions
- First step in identifying biodiversity features. Followed by ground truthing and collecting site-level data



Ocean+

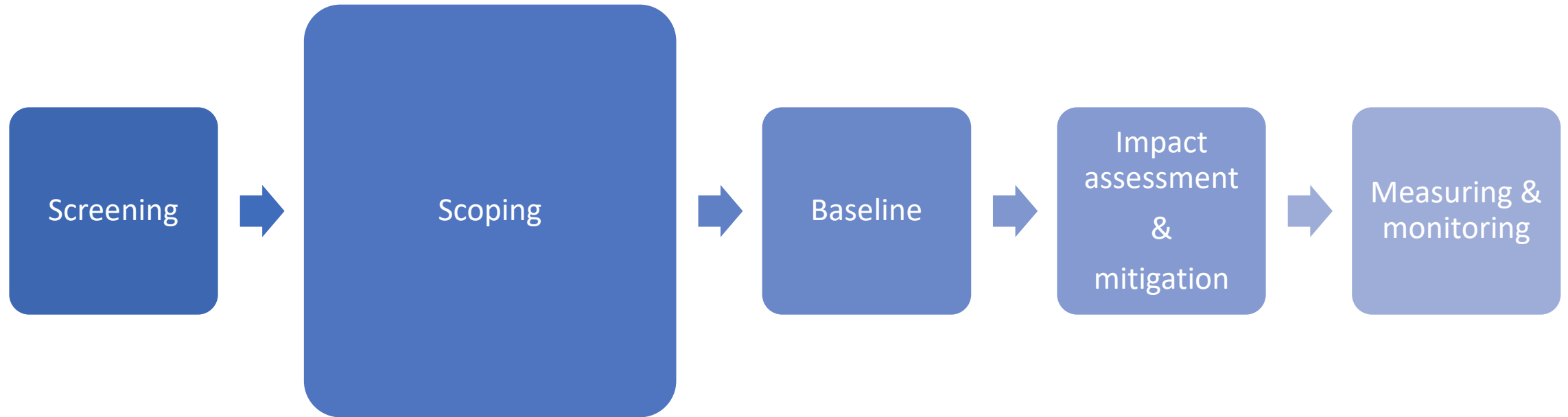
- Umbrella initiative for UNEP-WCMC's marine work, supported by Proteus
- Inventory of nationally-validated spatial data on ocean habitats, informing development and reporting
- Supporting capacity development by identifying needs and overcoming gaps
- Data can support initial biodiversity screening, but must be supported by the collection of site-based data to inform the baseline



DETERMINING BIODIVERSITY FEATURES

Biodiversity feature	Implications for biodiversity management
Protected Areas	<p>Consider the boundaries, purpose/objectives, management plan, management effectiveness and resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can the project design avoid impacts completely? • Is a protected area a candidate for implementing an offset?
Key Biodiversity Areas	<p>What are the trigger species, how are these impacted by the project, what is the current state of the KBA?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can impacts on the KBA be avoided? • How might impacts on trigger species outside the KBA affect the KBA itself? • Can the KBA be enhanced as part of the mitigation measures?
Habitats	<p>What is the distribution and types of habitat (habitat classification), status or condition of the habitat, habitat designation (if applicable) and connectivity and function of the habitat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will mitigation measures be appropriate for all impacted habitat types?
Species	<p>Include targeted species groups, global status of the species, distribution and abundance, conservation status (e.g. IUCN Red List Endangered)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are mitigation measures appropriate for the seasonal and natural variability and underlying trends in population changes?
Key ecosystem services	<p>Identify key ecosystem services – their type, the users and beneficiaries, and the value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will project impacts on ecosystem services impact on local communities? • Will offsets and restoration activities change the access of communities to services?

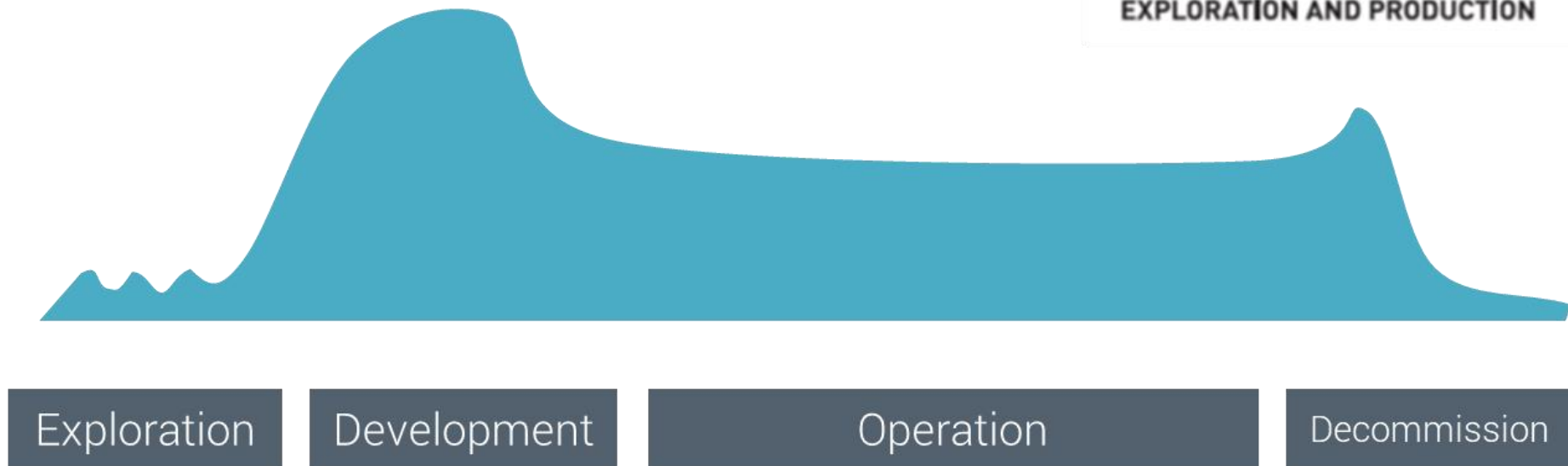
STAGES OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



THE SCALE OF IMPACT CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT LIFECYCLE



Biodiversity
impacts



THE SCOPE OF IMPACTS NEEDS TO BE DEFINED

Direct

- Direct result of project activities

Indirect / induced

- Knock on effects of project activities

Cumulative

- Combined effect of multiple actors

DEFINING THE AREA OF INFLUENCE: DIRECT IMPACTS

Key findings:

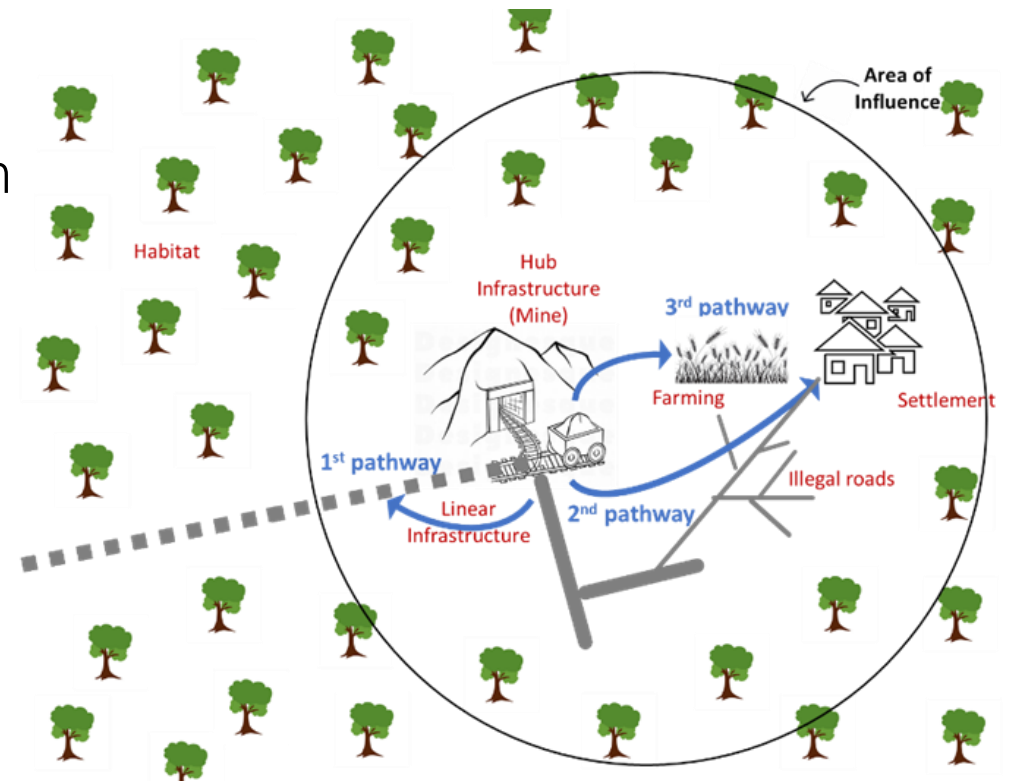
- Aol depends on pressures associated, habitat type operated in and type of impact considered
- 5km buffer likely to cover the impacts of terrestrial oil and gas
- A minimum buffer of 20km should be applied in marine environments for oil and gas operations, but extended if there is high potential for noise disturbance.

Table 1. Average and range of Aol from literature for key sectors

Activity	Average Aol	Lower range	Pressure and context of lower range	Upper range	Pressure and context for upper range
Terrestrial mining	10.5km	0.08km	Zinc levels exceeding agriculture water standards	70km	Deforestation
Marine mining	27.5km	5km	Presence of heavy metals in seagrass	50km	Sedimentation rates exceeding natural levels
Terrestrial Oil and Gas	0.9km	0.015km	Low impact seismic lines on herbaceous plant diversity	5km	Roads and infrastructure on mammal abundance
Marine Oil and gas	17.5km	0.1km	Physical damage by anchors	300km	Cessation of whale vocalisation in response to noise from seismic surveys

DEFINING THE AREA OF INFLUENCE: INDIRECT IMPACTS

- Hard to capture in risk assessments. They are also more far-reaching both temporally and spatially than direct impacts.
- Can be defined and triggered by the wider socio-economic and demographic changes associated with the project and not directly by project operations.
- Follow three main pathways
 - 1) increased access to habitats
 - 2) population influx
 - 3) increased viability of other economic activity



SIGNIFICANCE OF IMPACTS IS COMPLICATED TO ESTABLISH

Severity

Importance of affected biodiversity / ecosystem services

Scale of impact

Duration / frequency of impact

Reversibility of impact

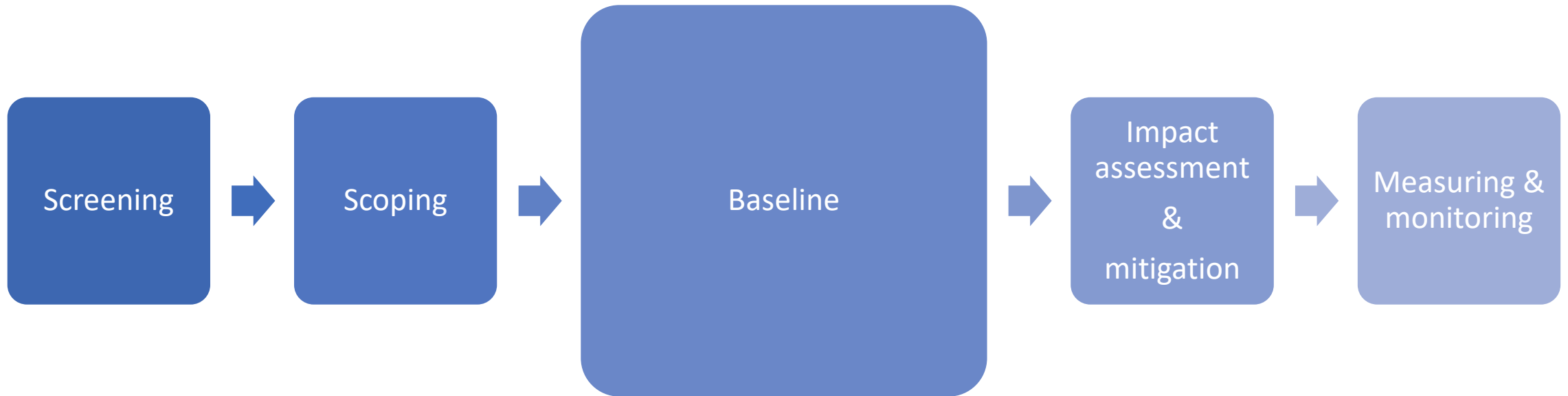
Likelihood

Accuracy of predictions

Under what circumstances would it occur

Adopt the precautionary principle

STAGES OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



BASELINE ASSESSMENTS

'A description of existing conditions to provide a reference (e.g. pre-project condition of biodiversity) against which comparisons can be made (e.g. post-impact condition of biodiversity), allowing the change to be quantified.'

Establishes status of biodiversity before operations

Informs impact assessment and mitigation

Informs primary data collection for long term monitoring and measuring performance (metrics)

More detailed assessment than screening and scoping

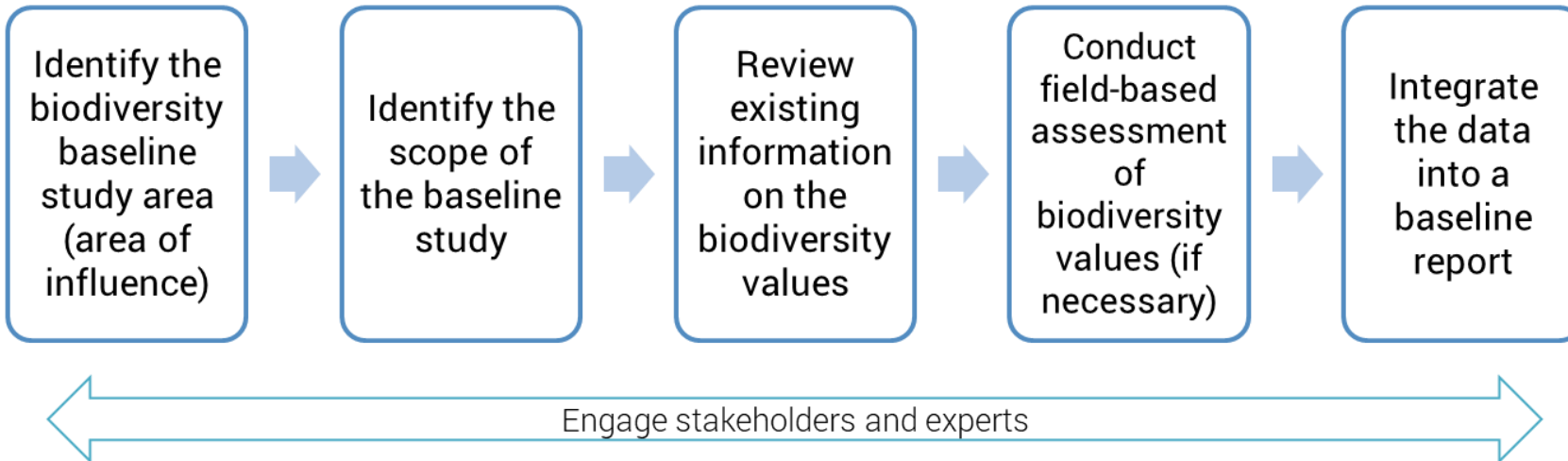
HOW SHOULD A BASELINE BE DEVELOPED?



Biodiversity features identified during scoping



Additional biodiversity features within the Area of Influence



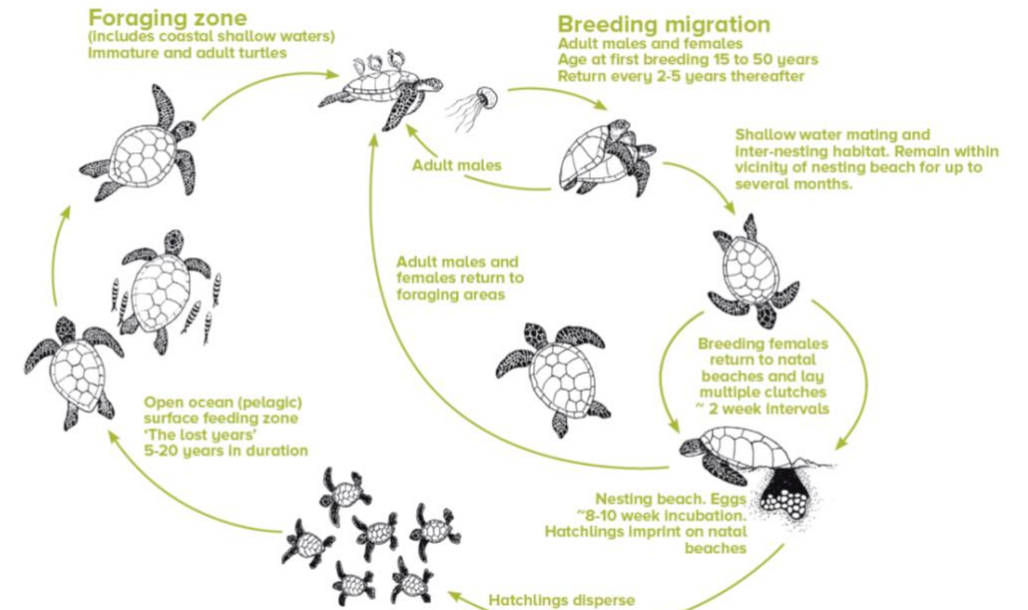
CHALLENGES FOR BASELINES

Transboundary and cumulative impacts:

Species with complex life cycles, large spatial and temporal, mobile offsets required

Public interest and perception:

"Out of sight, out of mind", mismatch between public and expert perception of threats, leads to inadequate accounting for impacts and offsets



CHALLENGES FOR MARINE BASELINES

Connectivity:

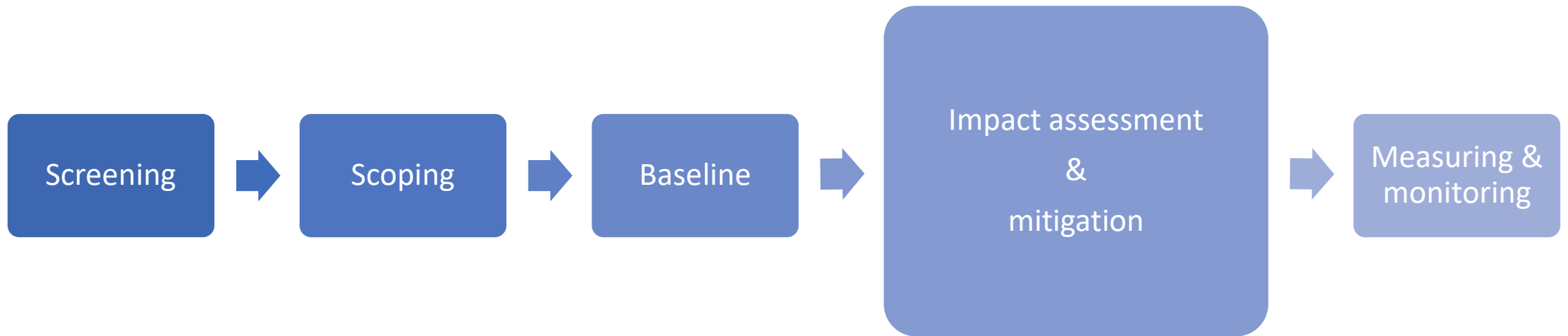
Dynamic and diffuse environment, diffuse impacts (e.g. sound), difficult to tease apart specific development impacts

Data gaps:

Water column species highly mobile; seasonal migrations
Marine species underrepresented in data, lack of data leads to greater uncertainty, collecting marine data is expensive, requires more investment



STAGES OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



WHAT ARE BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLANS?

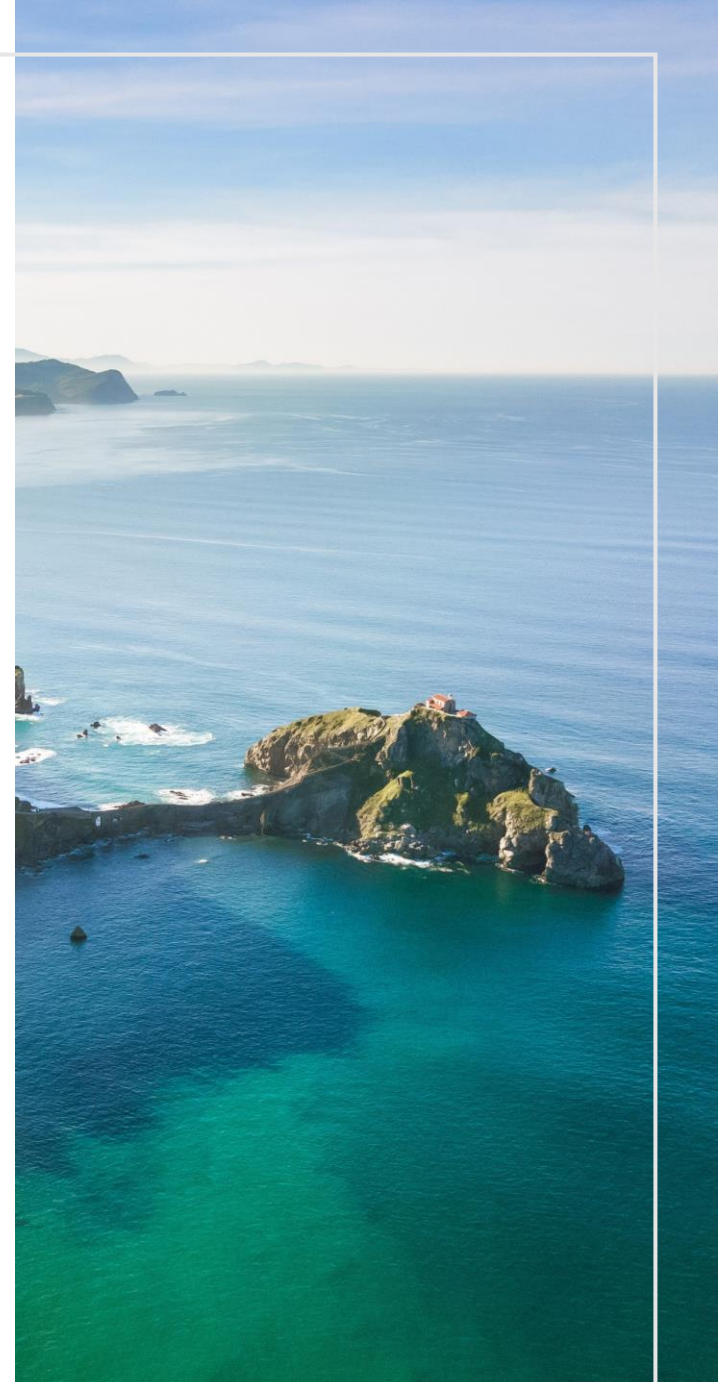
- BAPS are inspired from National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) which are required by the CBD for parties to protect and restore biodiversity and ecosystems.
- A set of future actions that will lead to the conservation or enhancement of biodiversity.
- Can be implemented at multiple levels.
- IPIECA; A guide to developing biodiversity action plans for the oil and gas sector



WHAT DO BAPS INCLUDE?

Principal elements of BAPs typically include:

- Preparing inventories of biological information for selected species/habitats
- Assessing the conservation status of species within specified ecosystems
- Creation of targets for conservation and restoration
 - what is required to deliver NNL or BNG
 - the Project's mitigation strategy to achieve NNL or BNG
- Forming budgets, timelines and institutional partnerships for implementation

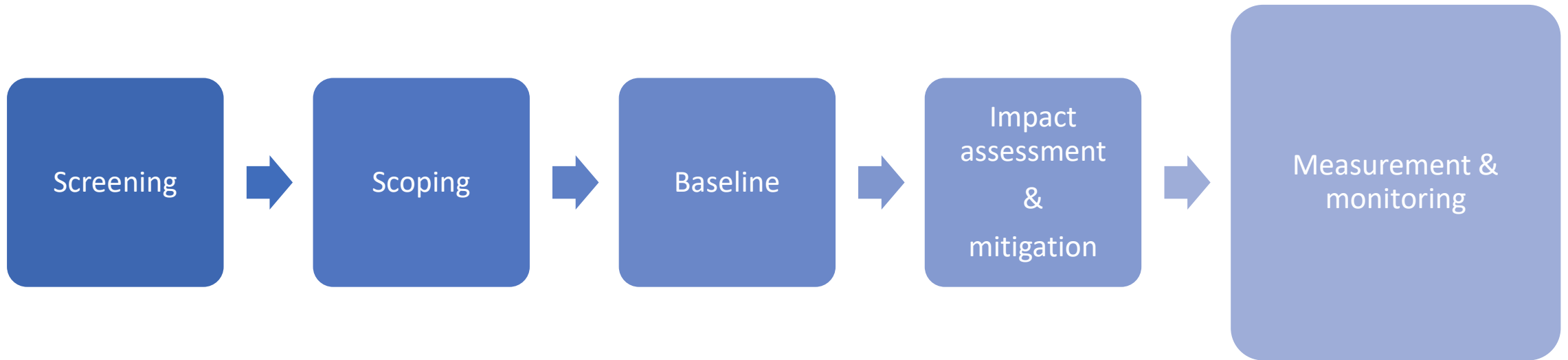




Monitoring Biodiversity at an Asset Level

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STAGES OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



MONITORING, INDICATORS, AND VERIFICATION

Monitoring

The continuous or frequent standardized measurement and observation of the environment (air, water, land/soil, biota), often used for warning and control

Indicators

A quantitative or qualitative factor or variable that provides a simple and reliable means to measure performance

Verification

The process of establishing the truth, accuracy, or validity of something

WHEN DOES MONITORING TAKE PLACE?



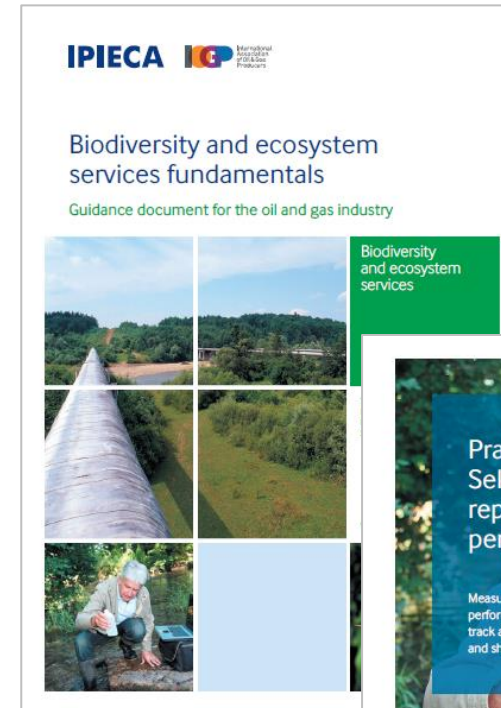
- After Environmental and Social Impact Assessment, project permitting and baseline assessment
- Helps to understand if:
 - Impact predictions were accurate
 - Biodiversity management interventions are being effective



GUIDANCE ON MONITORING

Monitoring should:

- Have a clear objective
- Help identify impacts/risk to biodiversity
- Consider what methods/variables to use
- Use data collected in the field
- Involve data interpretation and report results
- Help inform adaptive management



TRENDS IN CORPORATE BIODIVERSITY INDICATORS

- Increasing demand for credible reporting and disclosure approaches driven by investors, policy makers and businesses
- Different reporting initiatives often meet different information needs
- Enhanced transparency and better reporting & disclosure
- Significant progress made, with broad landscape of metrics, methods and frameworks under development
 - Aligning Accounting Approaches For Nature (Align)
 - Biodiversity Indicators For Site-based Impacts (BISI)
 - Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosure (TNFD)



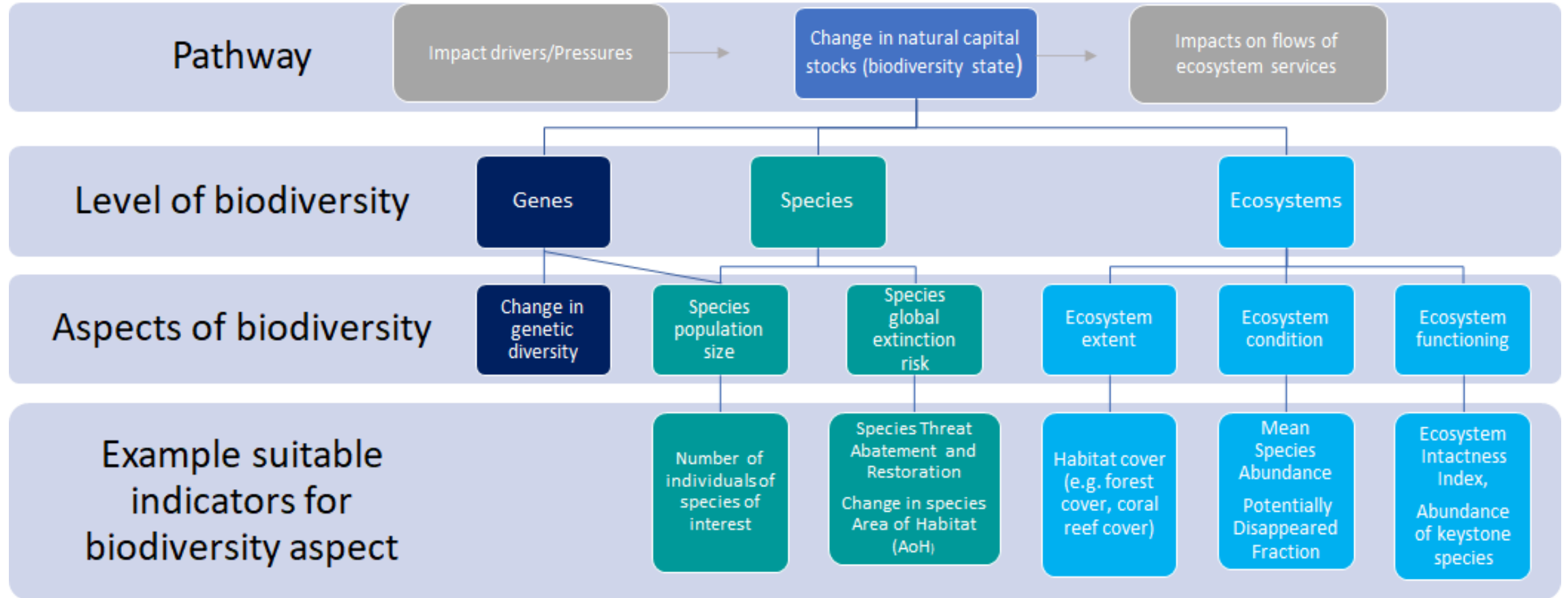


ALIGNING ACCOUNTING APPROACHES FOR NATURE (ALIGN)

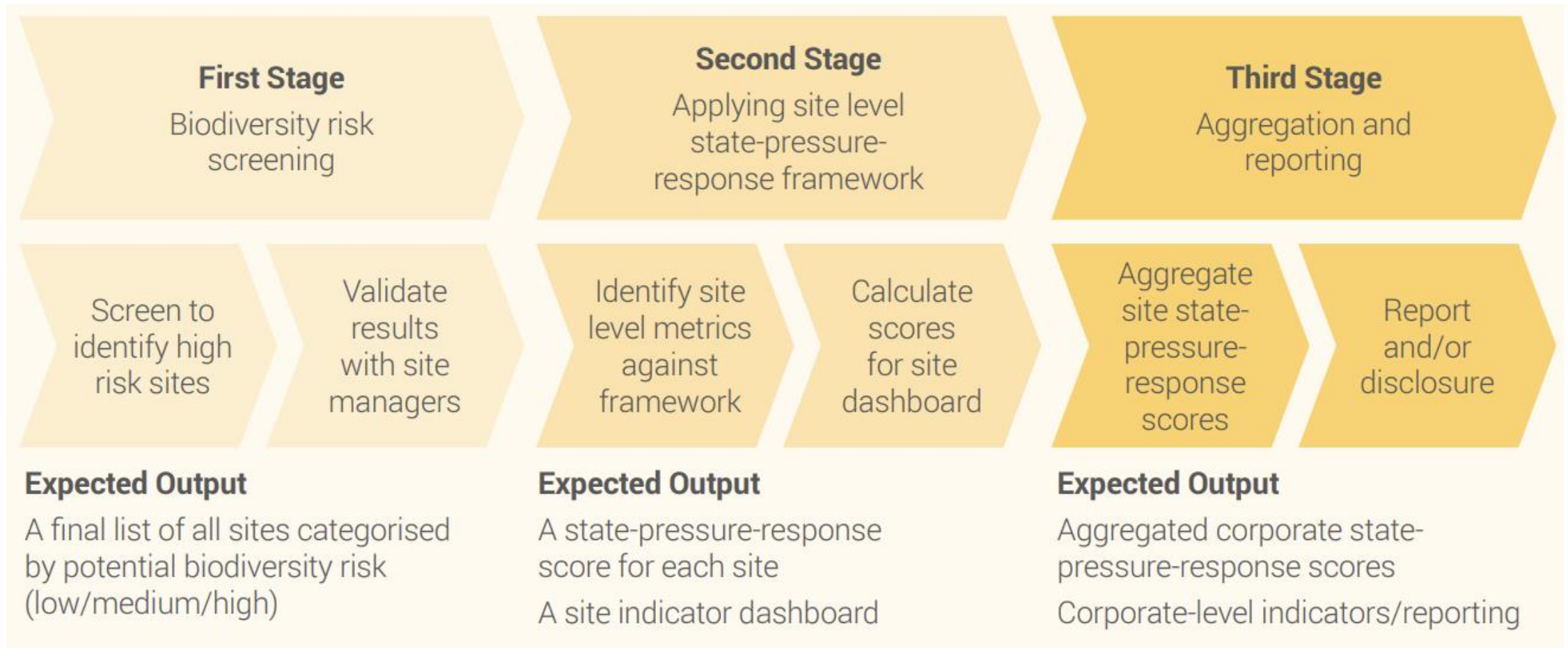
- Improve clarity and build consensus
- Develop a generally accepted way for businesses to understand their relationship with nature
- Build from and link to existing initiatives and networks
- Guided by what businesses need and the lessons already learned from applying these in practice
- Complement policies within the EC



ASPECTS OF BIODIVERSITY TO MEASURE AND ASSOCIATED INDICATORS



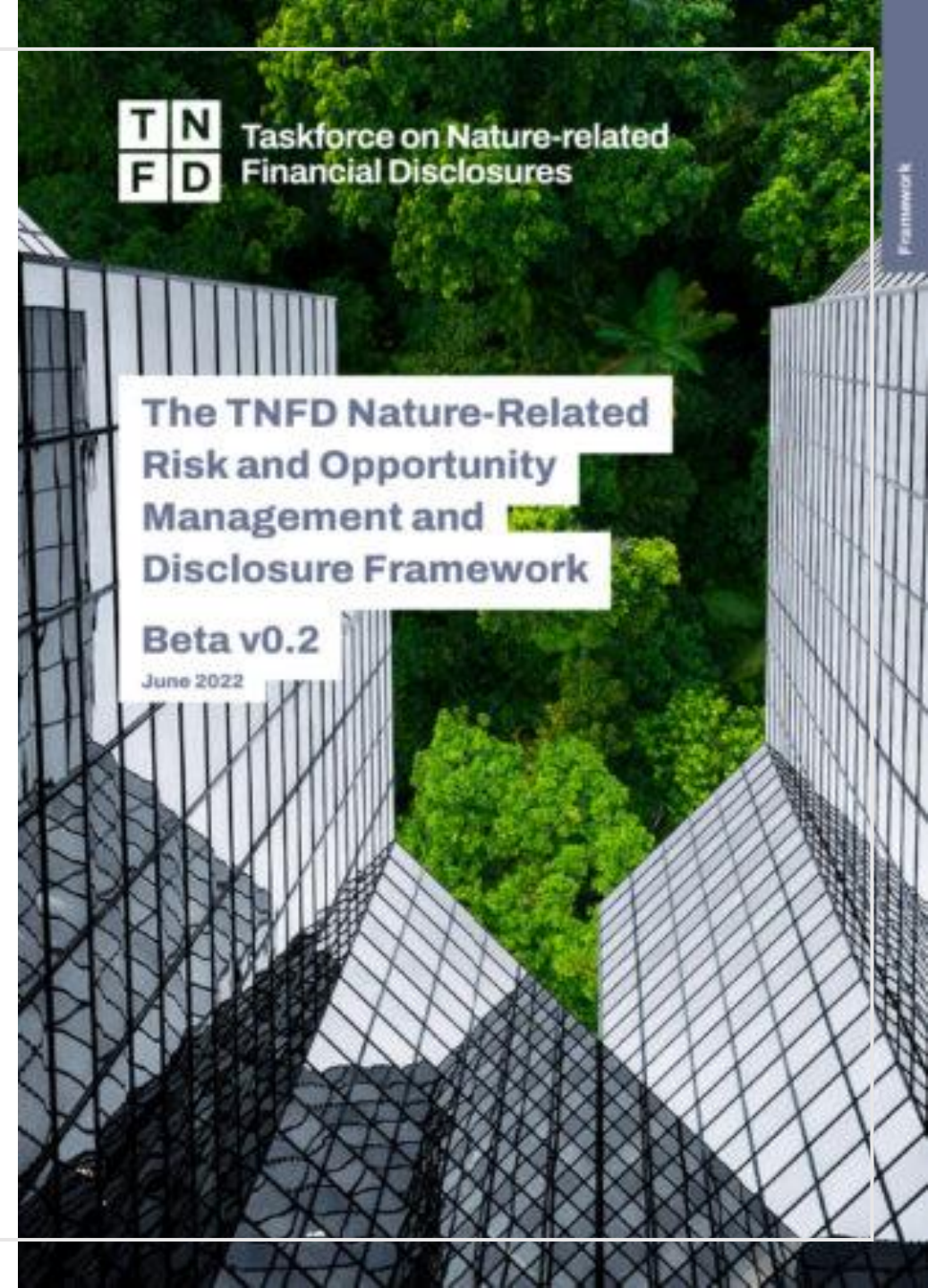
BIODIVERSITY INDICATORS FOR SITE-BASED IMPACTS (BISI)

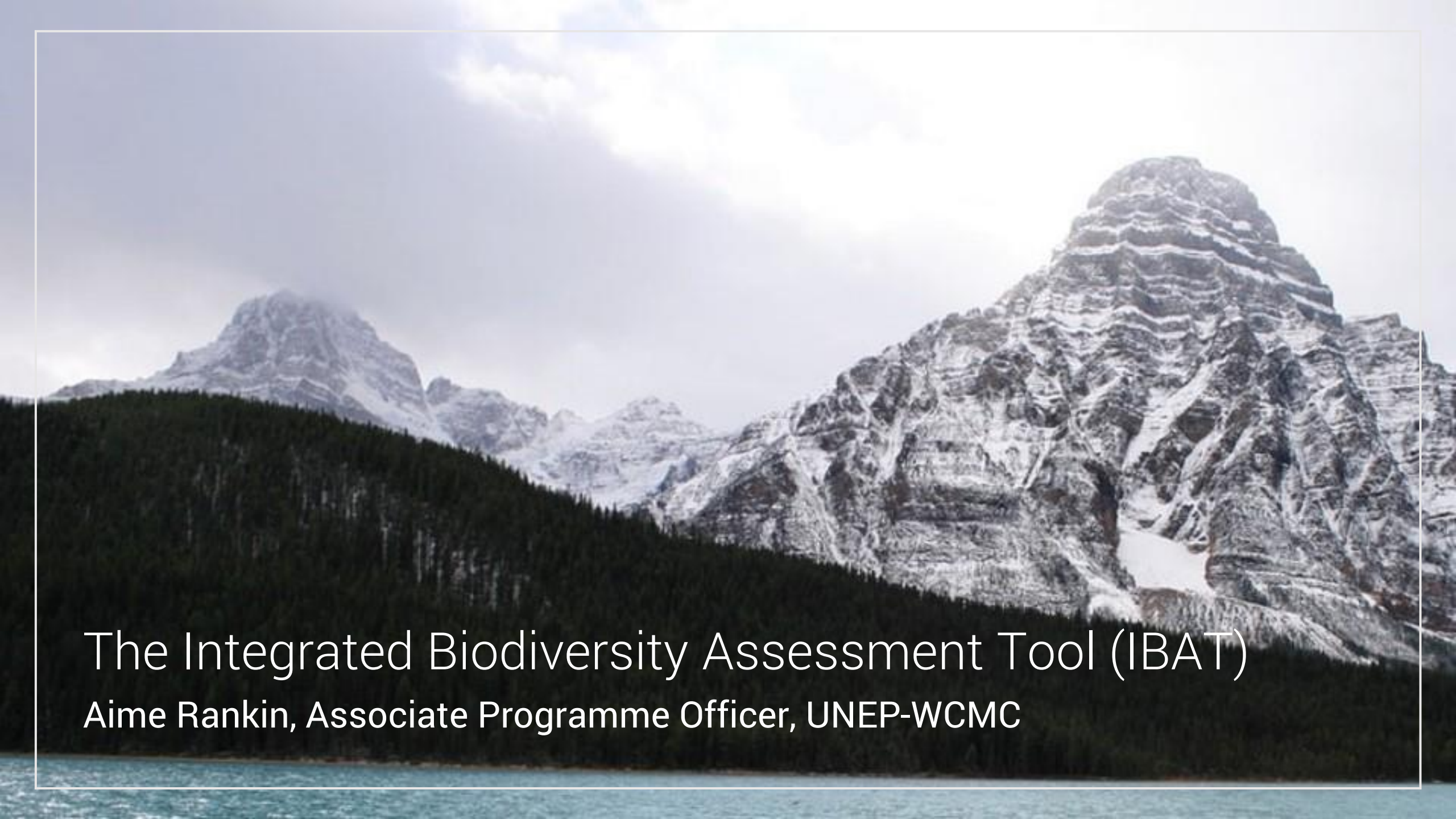


THE TNFD LEAP ASSESSMENT APPROACH

Guidance on nature-related risk and opportunity assessment:

- 4 phases, 17 components:
 - **Locate** your interface with nature;
 - **Evaluate** your dependencies and impacts;
 - **Assess** your risks and opportunities; and
 - **Prepare** to respond to nature-related risks and opportunities and report.
- Extended approach for financial institutions





The Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool (IBAT)

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INTEGRATED BIODIVERSITY ASSESSMENT TOOL (IBAT)



KEY FEATURES OF IBAT

Features

- Ability to draw polylines and polygons
- Upload multiple sites (csv, shp, KMZ, KML)
- Download data per specified area
- Create portfolio of 'Projects' (sites)
- Site page giving overview of a site
- Multiple report types: Proximity, IFC PS6/World Bank ESS6, Freshwater, Multi-site
- Ability to view all data in the IBAT map

Real-time updates

- Protected Areas
- Key Biodiversity Areas
- Red List of Species data
- Species Threat Abatement and Restoration (STAR)

Committed to continuous improvement and user support

- Fully maintained
- Scientifically robust
- Committed to innovation and new functionality

IBAT REPORTS

Proximity Reports

- High-level early stage biodiversity risk screening for a single site.
- Buffers from 1 to 50 km.
- Assess for overlap with:
 - Protected Areas.
 - Key Biodiversity Areas.
 - IUCN Red List species.

Create Report

Select Report Type

Freshwater Multi-site **Proximity**

PS6 & ESS6

Select Project
Please select an option

Select Buffers (km)
Hold down Ctrl or ⌘ to select up to 3 buffers.
Please select between 1 and 3 options

1
2
3
4
5

Create **Cancel**

Require further information on the reports IBAT offers? Head over to our [examples page](#) for a detailed explanation of each report and a downloadable example.



Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool PROXIMITY REPORT TRAINING_TEST_1

Country: Mozambique

Location: [-25.9, 32.6]

Date of analysis: 11 January 2022 (GMT)

Buffers applied: 1 km | 10 km | 50 km

IUCN Red List Biomes: Marine, Freshwater, Terrestrial

Generated by: Aime Rankin

Organisation: UNEP-WCMC

Overlaps with:

Protected Areas	5
Key Biodiversity Areas	6
IUCN Red List	137



Displaying project location and buffers: 1 km, 10 km, 50 km

IBAT REPORTS

Freshwater

- High-level early stage biodiversity risk screening for a single site with potential to impact freshwater ecosystems.
- Upstream and downstream buffers.
- Point features only.

Create Report

Select Report Type

Select Project

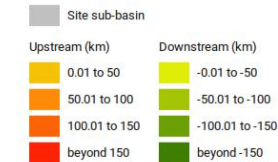
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Define the upstream and downstream range for the report below.

Upstream (KM)		Downstream (KM)	
Zone	Distance	Zone	Distance
1	50	1	50
2	100	2	100
3	150	3	150
4	Beyond Zone 3	4	Beyond Zone 3

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Upstream beyond 150



IBAT REPORTS

World Bank Group Risk Reports

- High-level early stage biodiversity risk screening for a single site with specific reference to PSS6 and ESS6.
- Assesses Critical habitat likelihood.
- Buffers pre-defined at 10 and 50 km.

Create Report

Select Report Type

Freshwater Multi-site Proximity

PS6 & ESS6

Select Project

Please select an option

Create Cancel

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Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool World Bank Group Biodiversity Risk Screen

TRAINING_TEST_1

- Country: Mozambique
- Location: [-25.9, 32.6]
- IUCN Red List Biomes: Marine, Freshwater, Terrestrial
- Created by: Aime Rankin

Overlaps with:

Protected Areas	1 km: 0	10 km: 1	50 km: 4	5
World Heritage (WH)	1 km: 0	10 km: 0	50 km: 0	0
Key Biodiversity Areas	1 km: 0	10 km: 1	50 km: 5	6
Alliance for Zero Extinction (AZE)	1 km: 0	10 km: 0	50 km: 1	1
IUCN Red List				64
Critical Habitat				Likely



Displaying project location and buffers: 1 km, 10 km, 50 km



This report is based on IFC Performance Standard 6 (PS6) but applies to World Bank Environmental and Social Standard 6 (ESS6)

SPECIES THREAT ABATEMENT AND RESTORATION METRIC (STAR)

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Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool
SPECIES THREAT ABATEMENT AND RESTORATION REPORT
SUMATRA STAR POLYGON

1.1 Summary

Country: Indonesia
 Location: [3.6, 98.3]
 Date of analysis: 17 June 2021 (GMT)
 Size of site: 1166 km²
 Generated by: Ben Jobson
 Organisation: IBAT
 Total STAR Threat Abatement score (centiSTAR unit): 2,086.82
 Total STAR Restoration score (centiSTAR unit): 1,263.06
 Mean STAR Threat Abatement score (centiSTAR unit): 44.4
 Mean STAR Restoration score (centiSTAR unit): 26.87

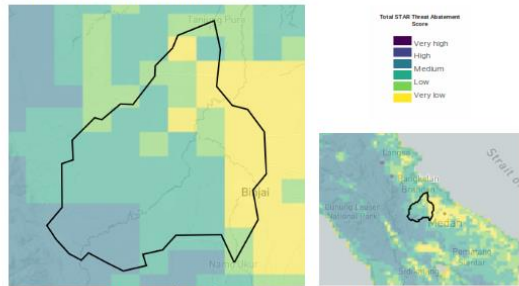
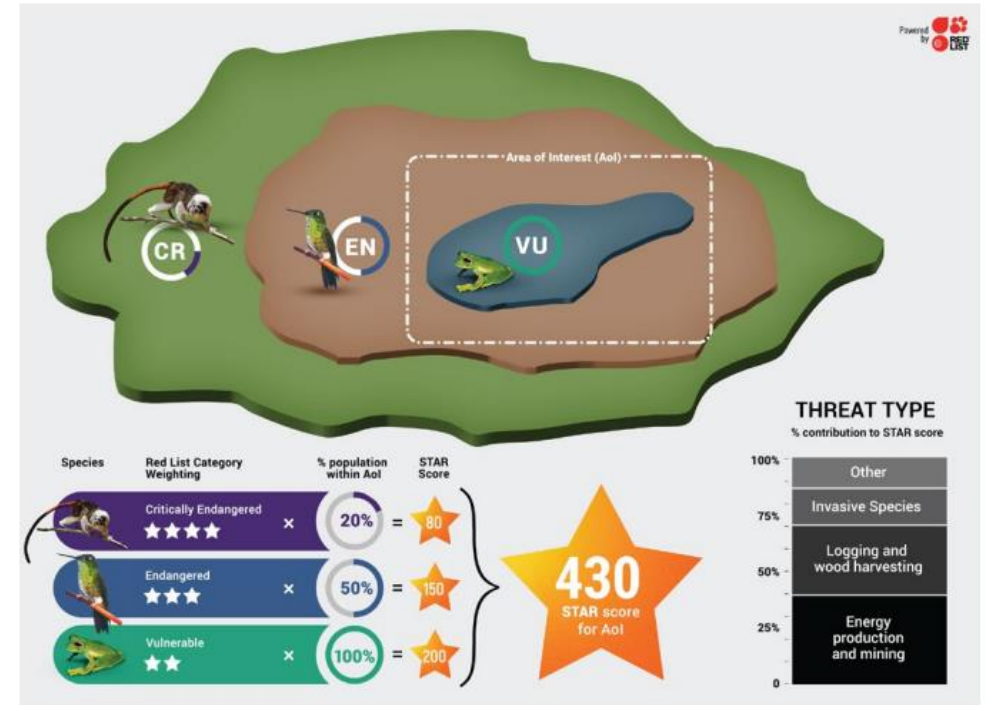
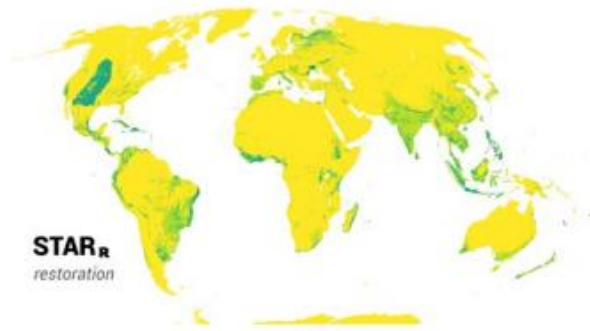
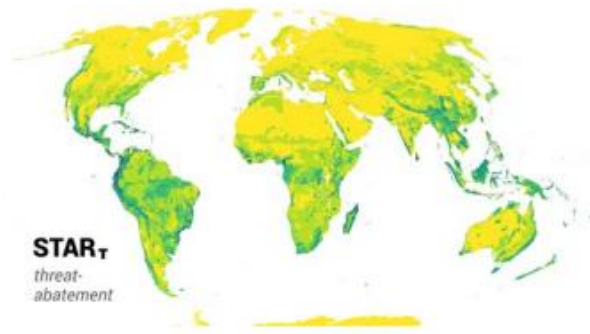
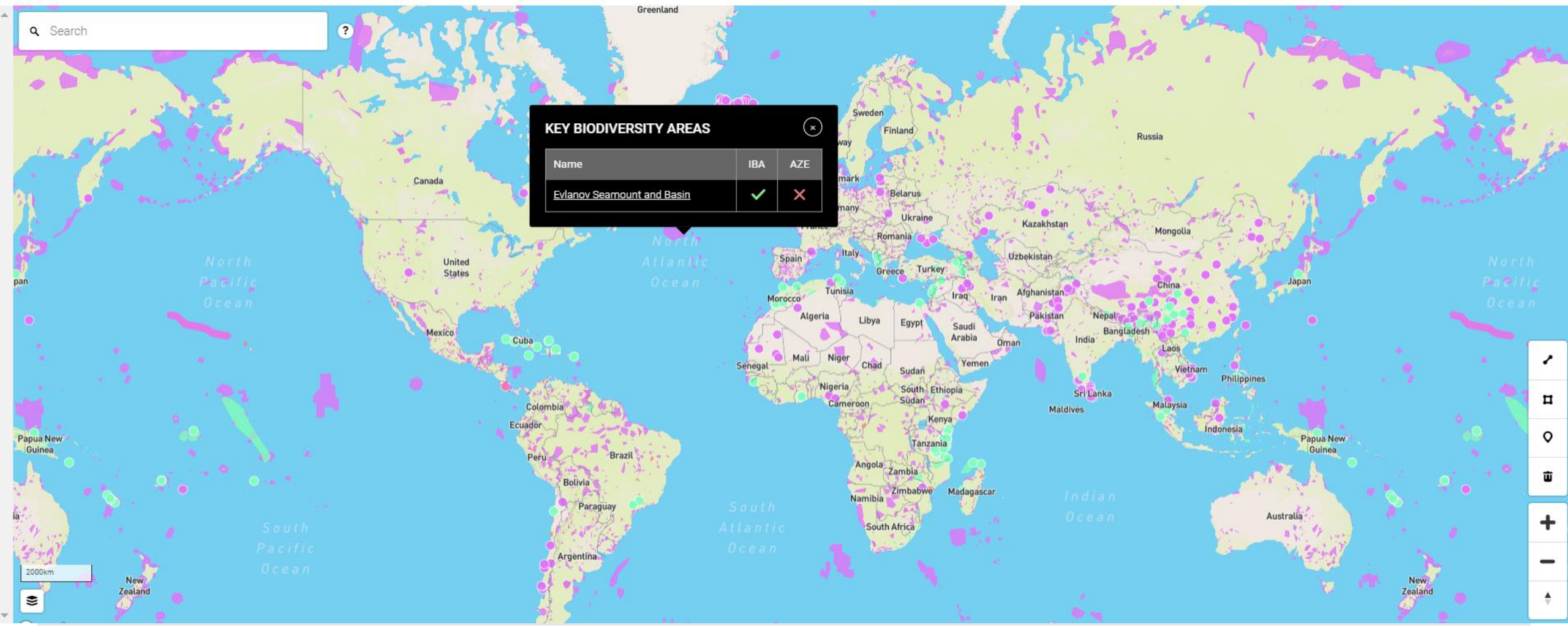


Figure 1: STAR Threat Abatement map for Area of Interest. Grid cell score categories range from Very Low to Very High. Note that low scores do not mean that there are no threatened species present. Grid cells are at a 5 km resolution.





Adding sites (draw directly on map or upload file)

Draw **Upload**

Project name
Please enter a name (must not include \'/ or \')

Please enter a project name for your new project.

Location
Enter a location into the search box on the map.
Alternatively, you can manually place a point, polygon or polyline using the map tools.

Selected area:
1 km²

Save **Cancel**

Home page for your site with summary information

UNEP-WCMC Office [🔗](#)

Country: [United Kingdom](#)

Location: 52.2, 0.1

Size of site: 0 km²

Date created: 12 May 2022

Last updated: 12 May 2022

Created by: Aime Rankin

New Report

New GIS Download

Reports & GIS Downloads ▾

IUCN Red List
(within 50km)

This shows the number of species assessed on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species that potentially occur within 50km of this site. These data should be used to guide any further assessment (desktop review, expert consultation, field surveys), with the aim of confirming known or likely occurrence of these species within your project area. Further assessment may also confirm occurrence of

- 3 **CR** Critically Endangered [?](#)
- 4 **EN** Endangered [?](#)
- 35 **VU** Vulnerable [?](#)

PROJECTS, REPORTS & GIS DOWNLOADS

Projects **Reports** **GIS Downloads** [+ New Project](#)

All

Name	PAs	Red List	KBAs	Country	Created By	Created	
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Create portfolios of 'projects' (sites)

Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool

PROXIMITY REPORT

MARCELLUS_TEST

Country: United States of America

Location: [41.6, -77.1]

Date of analysis: 27 September 2022 (GMT)

Size of site: 8 km²

Buffers applied: 1 km | 5 km | 10 km

IUCN Red List Biomes: Marine, Freshwater, Terrestrial

Generated by: Aime Rankin

Organisation: UNEP-WCMC

Overlaps with:

Protected Areas

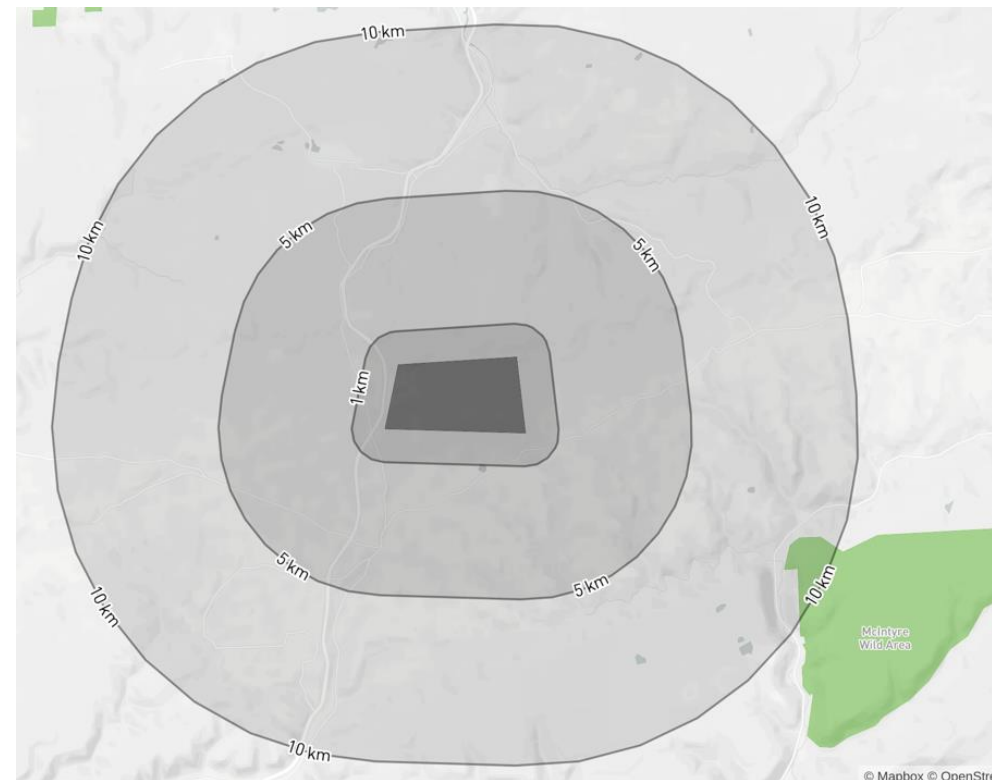
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Key Biodiversity Areas

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IUCN Red List

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Protected Areas

The following protected areas are found within 1 km, 5 km, 10 km of the area of interest. For further details please refer to the associated csv file in the report folder.

Area name	Within buffer of
Mcintyre	10 km

Key Biodiversity Areas

The following key biodiversity areas are found within 1 km, 5 km, 10 km of the area of interest. For further details please refer to the associated csv file in the report folder.

No KBAs within buffer distance

Species Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	IUCN Category	Population Trend	Biome
Lepidochelys kempii	Kemp's Ridley	REPTILIA	CR	Unknown	Terrestrial, Marine
Bombus affinis	Rusty Patched Bumble Bee	INSECTA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Fraxinus americana	White Ash	MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Castanea dentata	American Chestnut	MAGNOLIOPSIDA	CR	Decreasing	Terrestrial
Myotis leibii	Eastern Small-footed Myotis	MAMMALIA	EN	Decreasing	Terrestrial

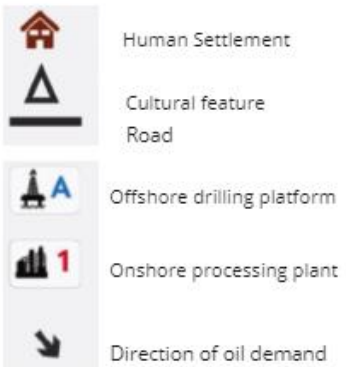
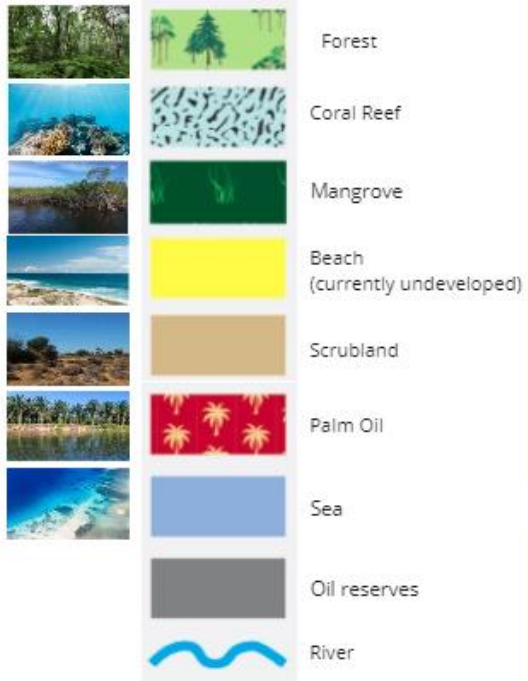
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3	44937399	ANIMALIA	ARTHROPODA	INSECTA	HYMENOPTERA	BOMBICIDAE	Bombus	Bombus affinis	Rusty Patched Bumble Bee	CR	Decreasing	2015	##### A2b	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE		Hatfield, R., Jepsen, S.	
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5	62004455	PLANTAE	TRACHEOPHYTES	MAGNOLIOPHYTES	FAGALES	FAGACEAE	Castanea	Castanea dentata	American Chestnut	CR	Decreasing	2018	##### A2abe	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE		Stritch, L.	
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17	22686709	ANIMALIA	CHORDATA	AVES	CAPRIMULGIFORMES	APODIDAE	Chaetura	Chaetura chrysolaema	Chimney Swift	VU	Decreasing	2018	##### A2acd+3cd	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	Full Migration	BirdLife International	

A photograph of a dense mangrove forest. The trees have thick, gnarled trunks and a complex network of prop roots extending into the water. The foliage is lush and green. In the lower center, a person wearing a traditional conical hat and a brown jacket is seen from behind, sitting on a small boat or platform. They are holding a long wooden pole. The water is calm and reflects the surrounding greenery. The entire scene is framed by a thin white border.

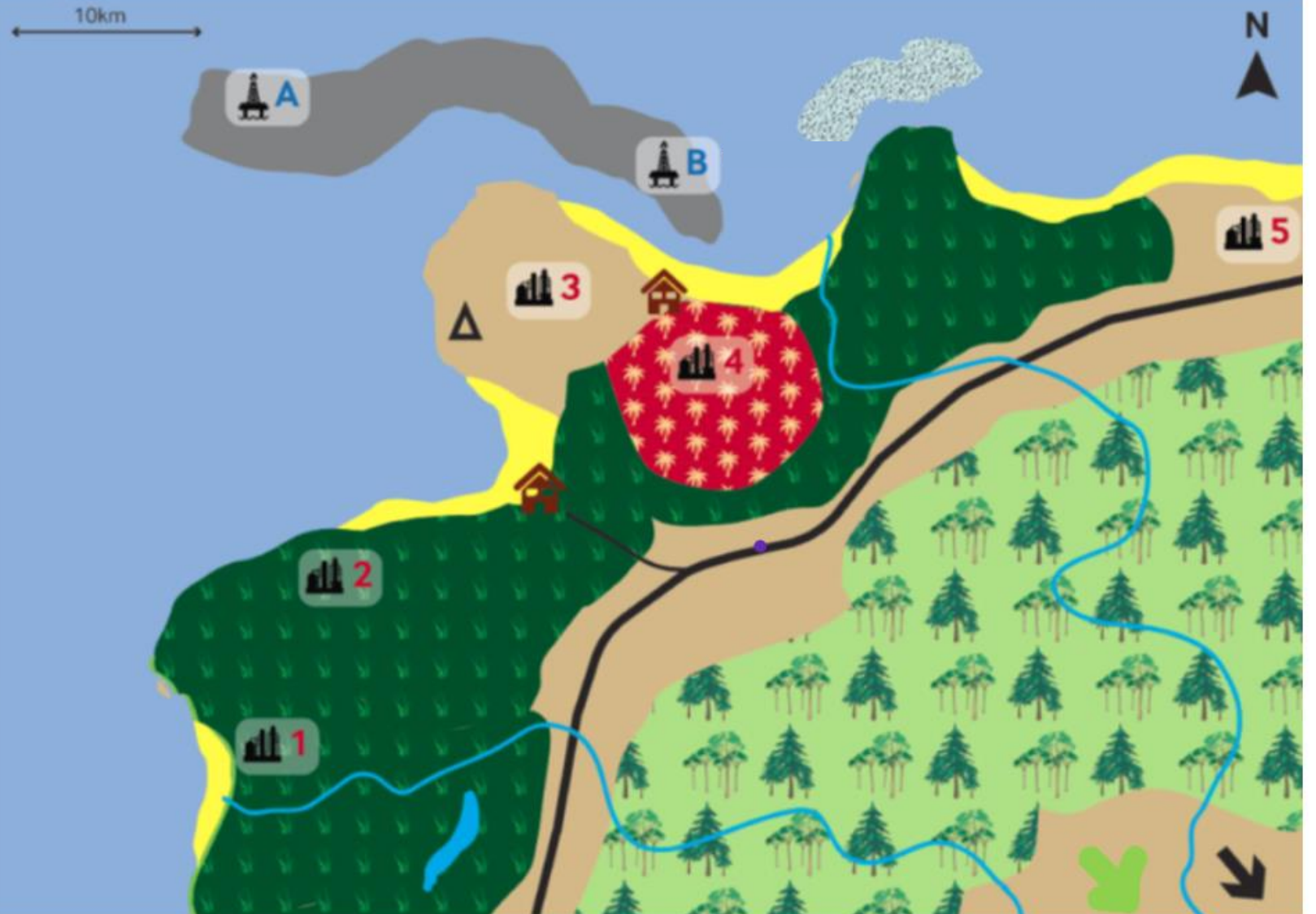
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Map



CONSIDERATIONS



Scrubland



Forest



Palm oil plantation



Mangroves



Beaches



Coral reefs



Subsistence agriculture



Seagrass

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Processing plants



Potential drilling
platforms

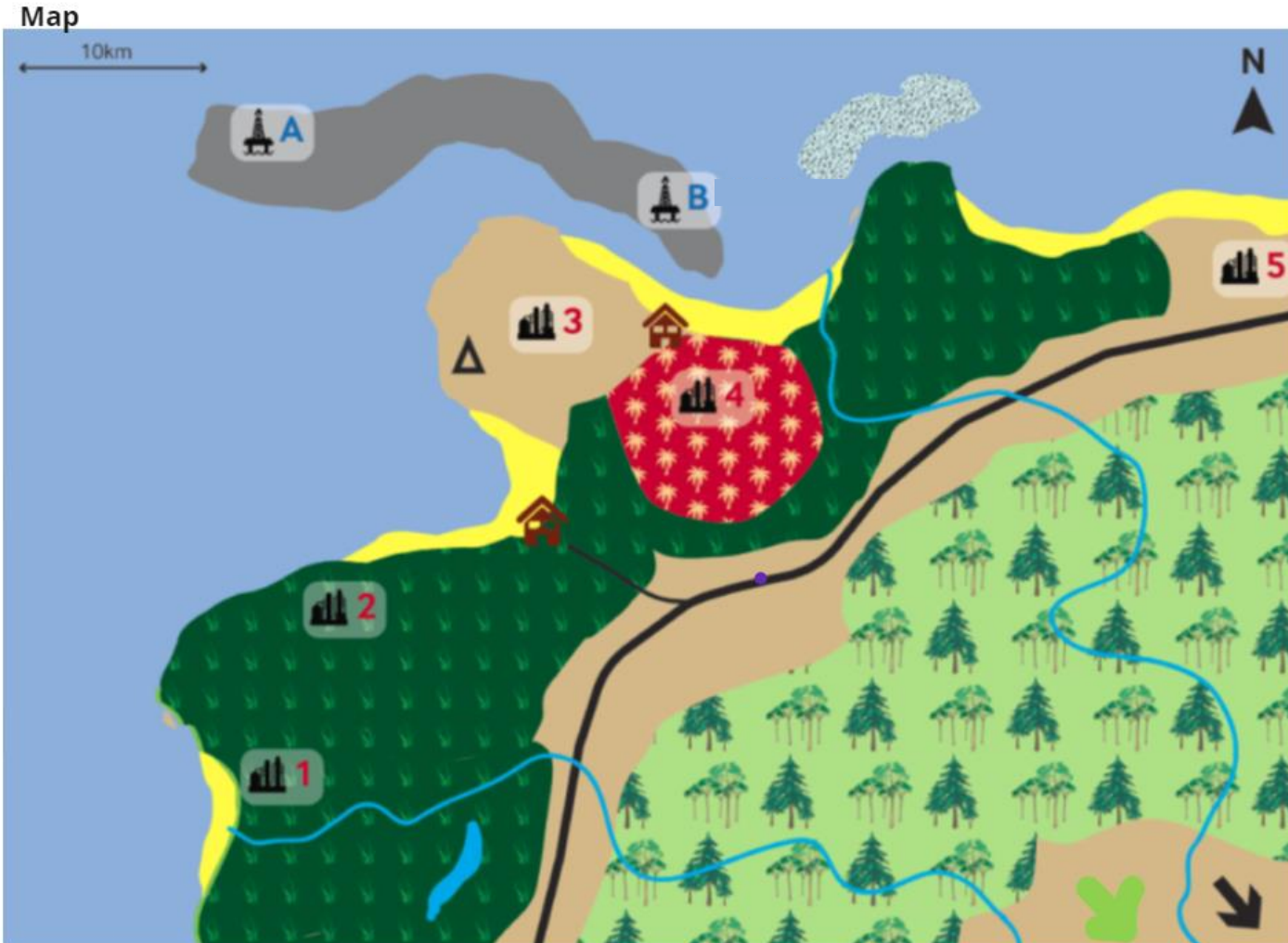


Villages



Artisanal fishing

BREAK OUT DISCUSSIONS



- What are the **potential environmental and social impacts** to consider for each of the proposed concession blocks?
- What **biodiversity features / ecosystem services** might be present in the area?
- Which **concession block would you choose**, and why? What are the main trade-offs?
- What **information / data** might be useful to inform your baseline?

DEBRIEF

Potential priority impacts to consider

- Impact to coral reef
- Damage to mangroves
- Presence of threatened species
- Loss of access by locals to habitat/beach
- Habitat loss or fragmentation from road and pipelines (terrestrial and marine)
- Visual impacts of structures
- Water requirements/impacts
- Potential presence of protected areas / KBAs

Area of influence considerations

- Effects of direction of water flows (upstream/downstream)
- Geographical and social extent of indirect effects
- Induced access to previously undisturbed areas
- Cumulative impacts of other businesses operating in the area

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