

A vibrant display of fresh vegetables including carrots, potatoes, cabbages, and leafy greens. The background is a close-up of a market stall with various produce. In the foreground, there are large bunches of dark green leafy vegetables. Behind them, there are several crates filled with bright orange carrots, brown potatoes, and light green cabbages. The overall scene is colorful and fresh.

A New Partnership to Support Socio-ecological Landscapes

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The International Partnership for the *Satoyama* Initiative

- Partnership



- Landscape scale



- Socio-ecology



- Expectations





Partnership



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Goal 2
Achieve Universal Primary Education

Goal 3
Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women

Goal 4
Reduce Child Mortality

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Improve Maternal Health

Goal 6
Combat HIV/AIDS, Malaria and other diseases

Goal 7
Ensure Environmental Sustainability

Goal 8
Develop a Global Partnership for Development



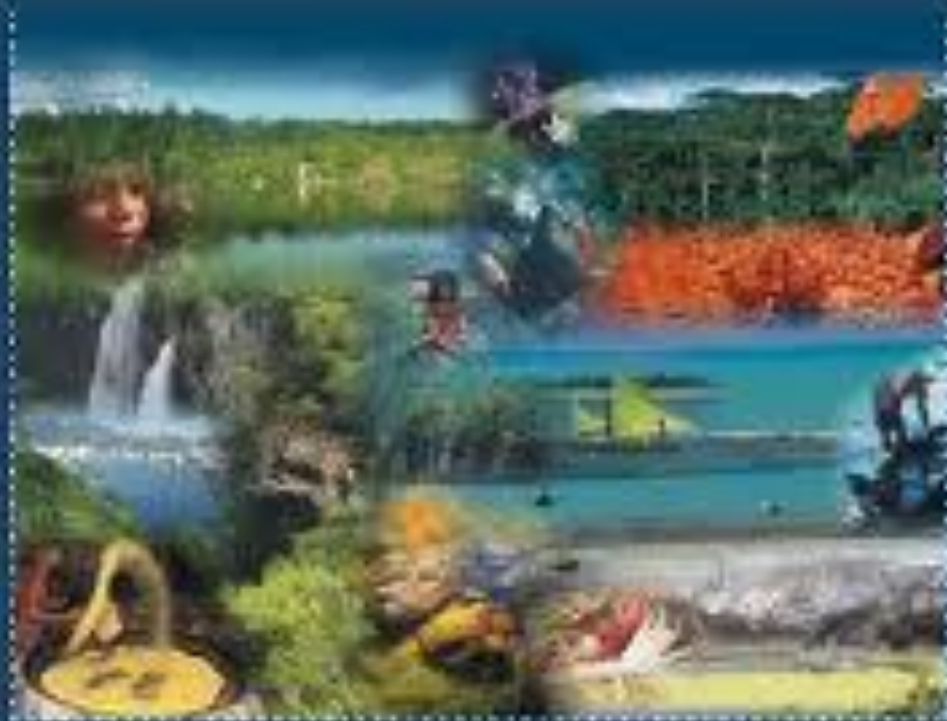
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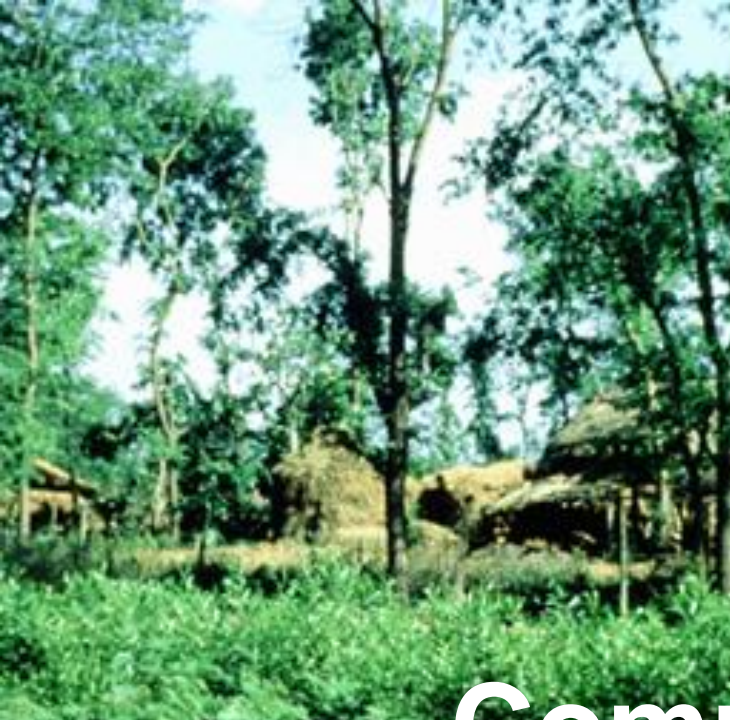
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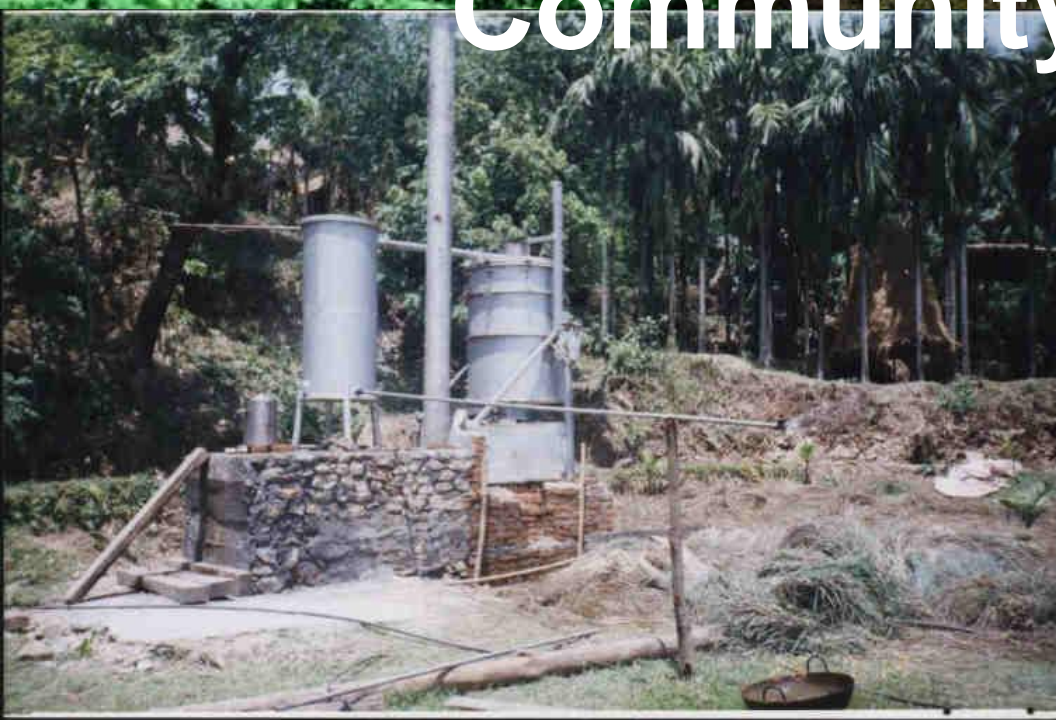
A Guide to Understanding and Participating Effectively in the
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**The Convention on Biological
Diversity has many links
to satoyama-type
approaches**



Community forestry



Partnerships help communications

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"I'll call you back. I'm harvesting rice."

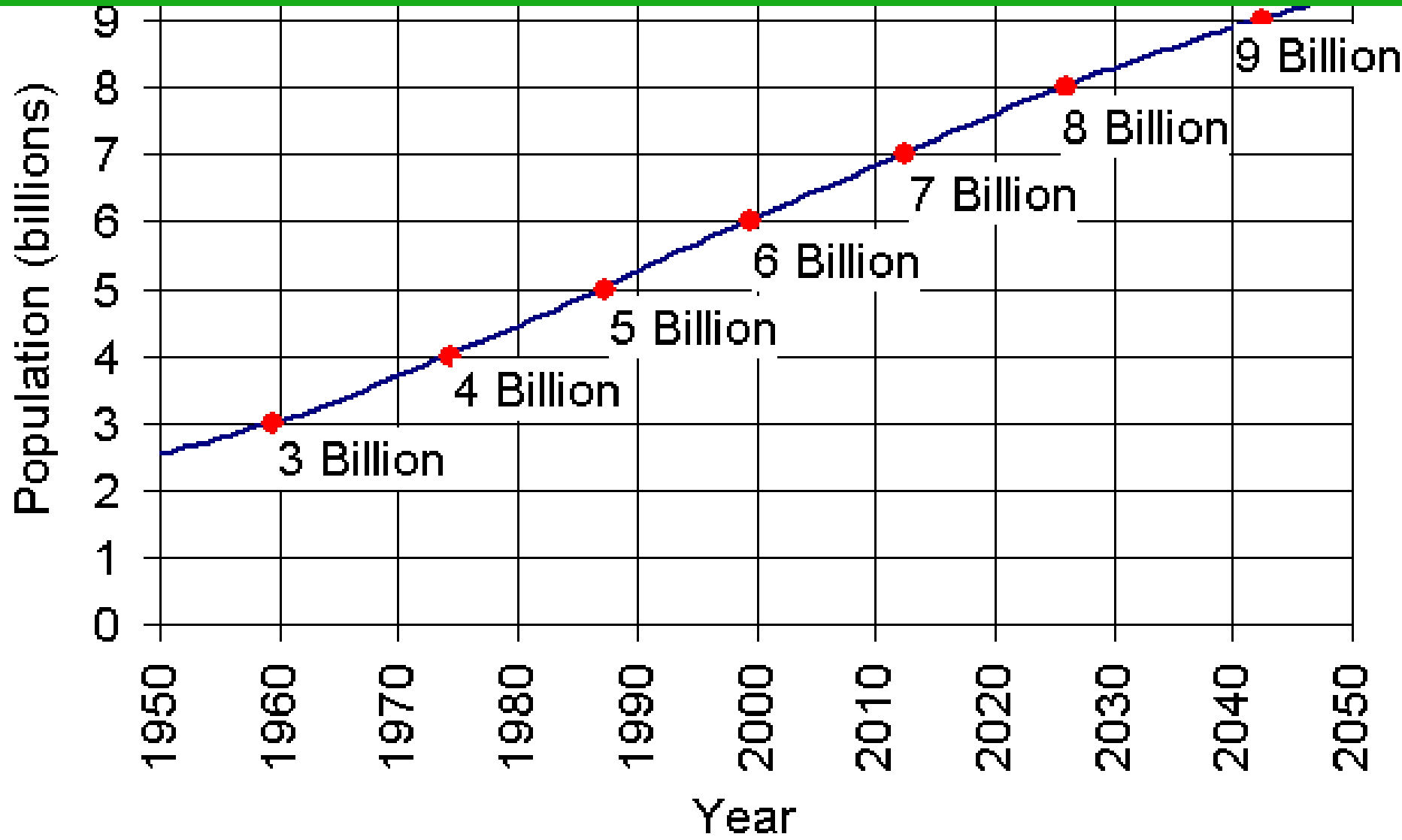
Partnerships mean cooperation
instead of competition



Partnerships help address common threats



Common threats: Increasing demand for food



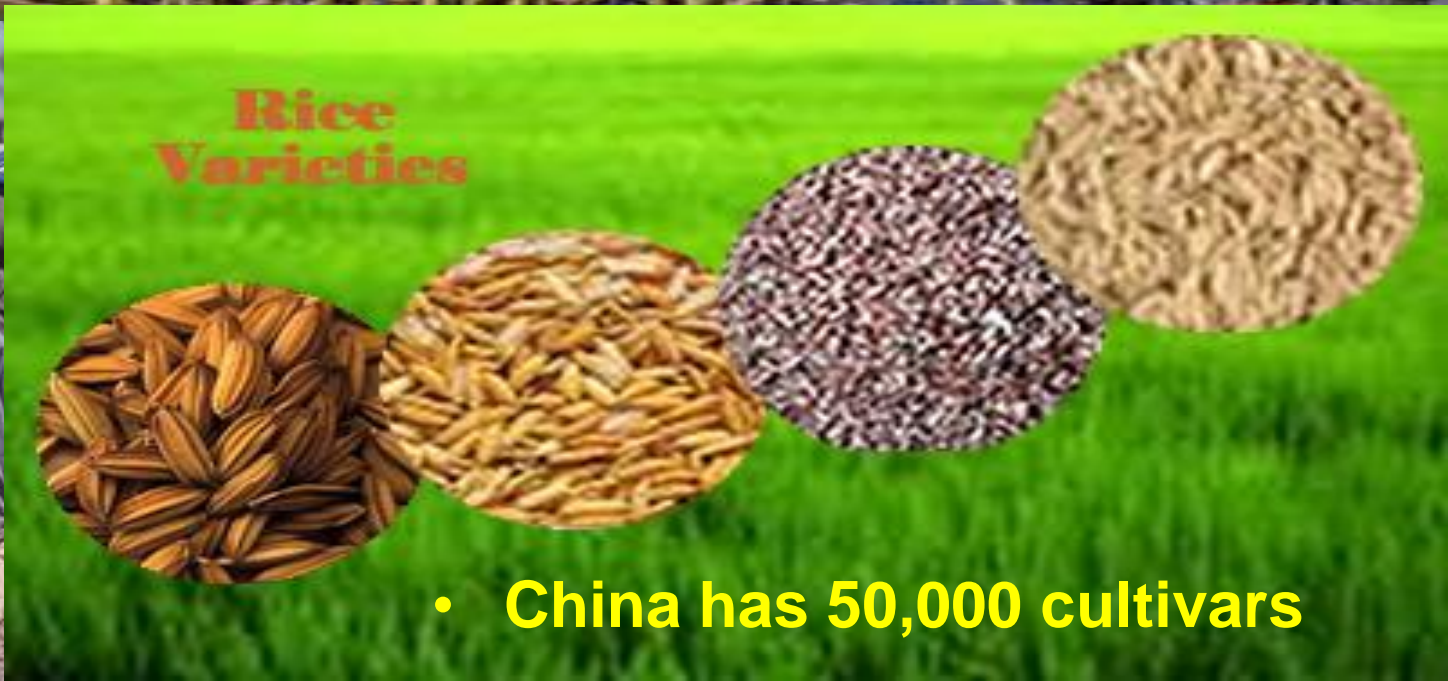
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, International Data Base, August 2006 version.

What are the ecological implications of 9 billion people?

- 30-40% more food required
- 1 billion ha of natural habitat converted to agriculture
- 2-3 times more nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizer required
- Twice as much water required
- 3 times more pesticide use

Common threats: Losing genetic diversity in crops and livestock

Biodiversity conservation means saving the genetic diversity provided by wild relatives of domestic plants and animals

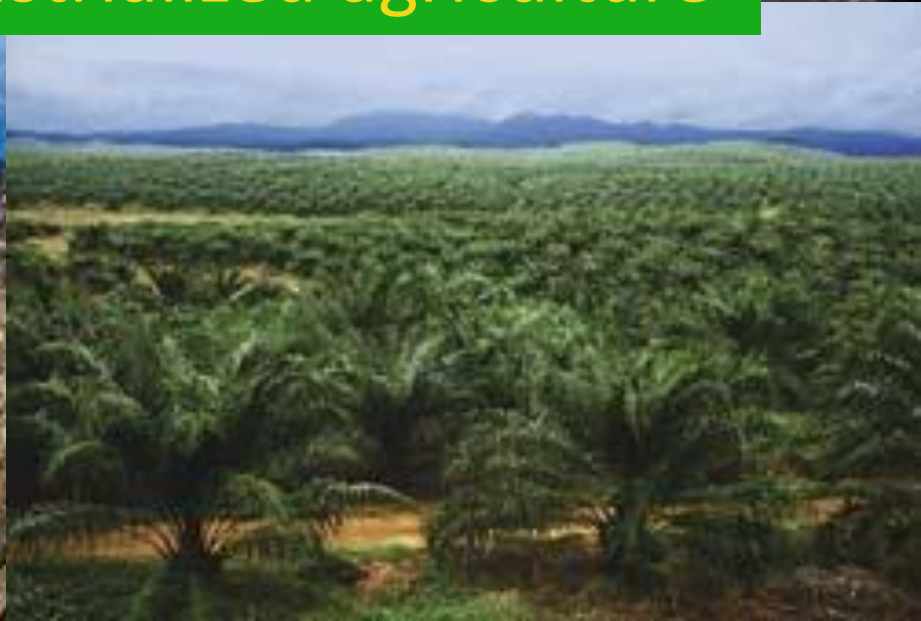



- China has 50,000 cultivars





Common threats: Industrialized agriculture



An aerial photograph showing a lush green landscape. A river flows through the center, with a large, dark, irregularly shaped area on the left side. The surrounding area is covered in dense, vibrant green vegetation. The text 'Parque Nacional Pacaas Novos' is overlaid in yellow on the dark area on the left. The text 'Terra Indigena Rio Branco' is overlaid in yellow at the bottom center.

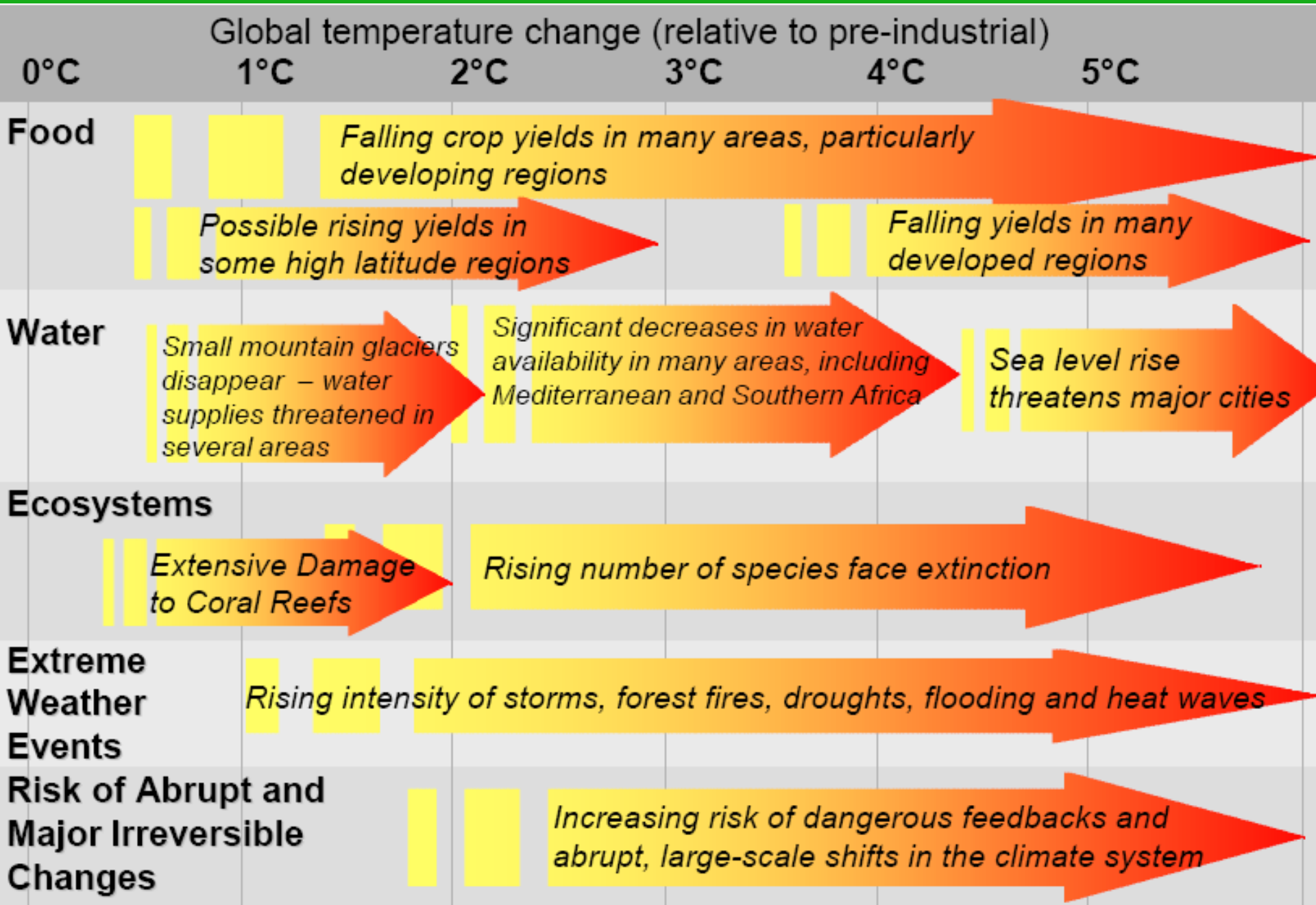
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Common threats: Climate change



Projected impacts of climate change



Environmental Water Scarcity by River Basin



Common threats:
Unpredictable water supplies

Water stress indicator

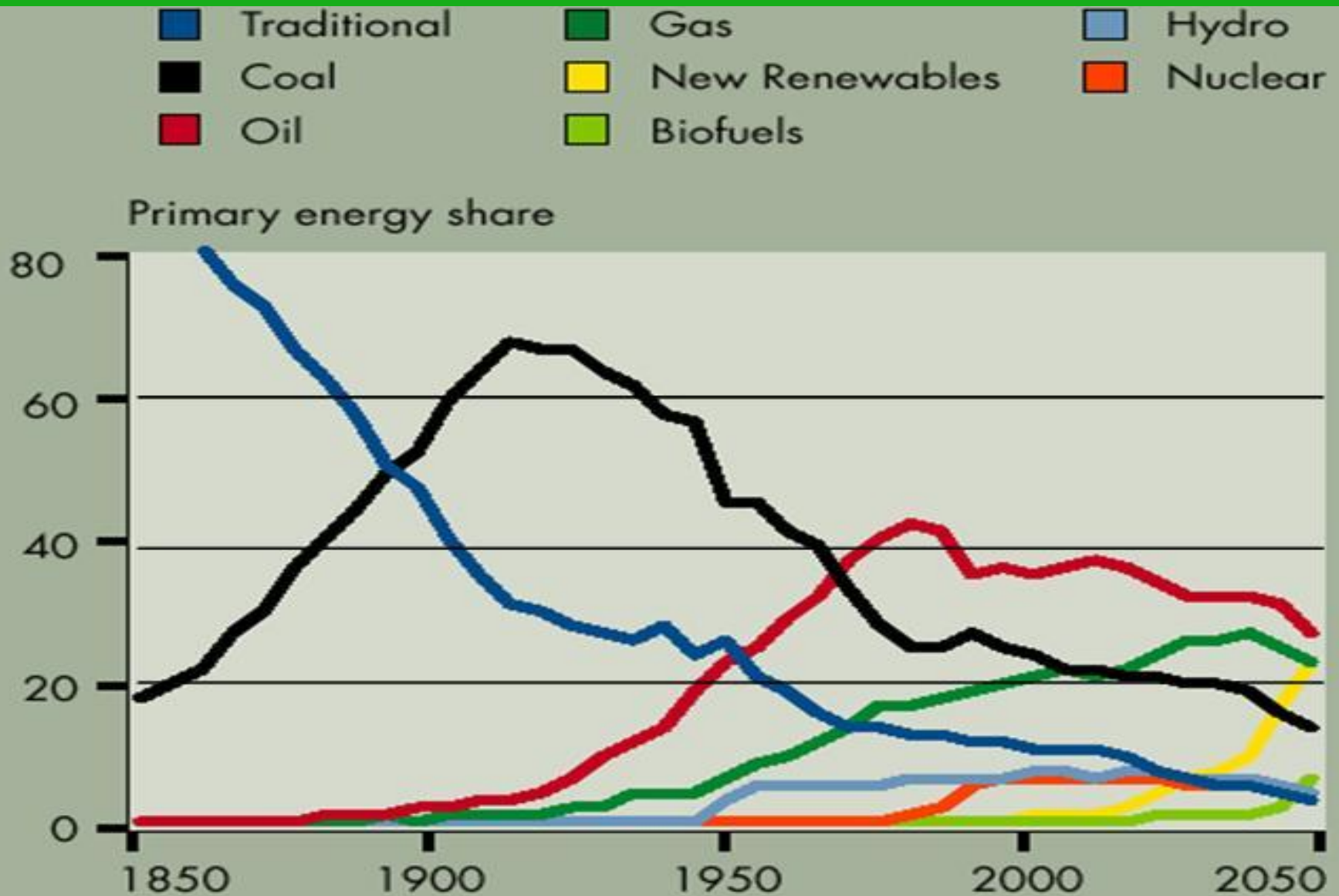


The water stress indicator in this map measures the proportion of water withdrawal with respect to water available for human use. In higher risk areas, the amount of water removed from the system by human activities puts the ecosystem at risk by tapping into the water needed to sustain the integrity of the ecosystem.

New policies for linking water, climate change, and agriculture

- Build broader public support for agriculture, perhaps drawing on links to water and climate change.
- Enhance the body of science linking agriculture to water and climate change, including the economic dimensions.
- Make agriculture part of any agreements about climate change and water

Common threats: Changing energy supplies



Source: International Energy Agency



Nepal: 90% of energy comes from fuelwood



Domestic use of roundwood for fuel:

- 98% in Lebanon
- 66% in Jordan
- 44% in Turkey



Globally, 2 billion people rely on traditional biomass fuels.

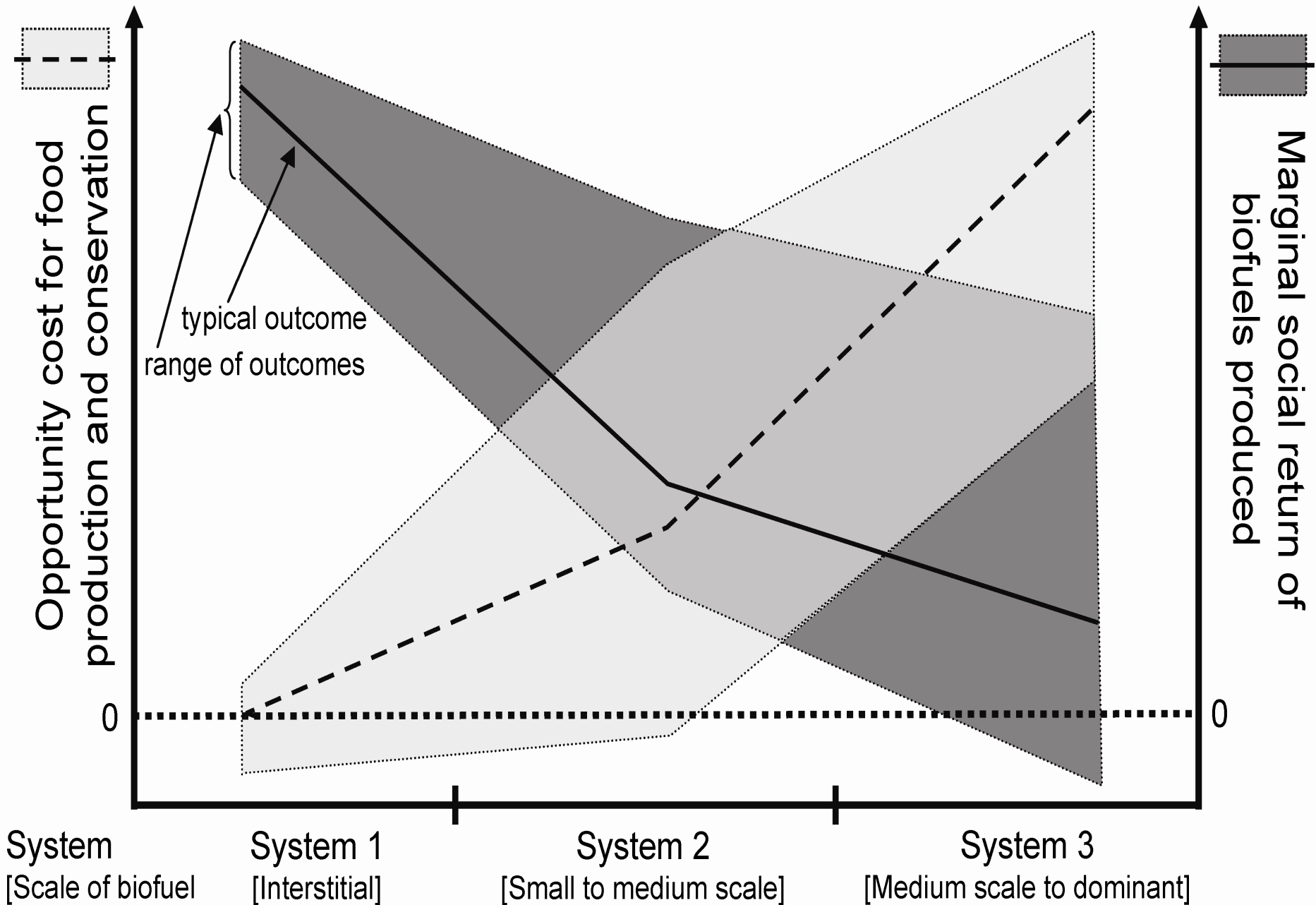
Three main systems of biomass production for energy

System 1. Small-holder production for local use

System 2. Small-holder production with commercial processing

System 3. Medium- and large-scale commercial production





(Source: Milder et al., 2008)

Landscape Scale

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of rolling green hills and mountains. In the background, a large volcano is visible, emitting a thick plume of white smoke or ash that drifts across the valley. The foreground and middle ground are covered in dense, vibrant green vegetation, including trees and shrubs. The sky is bright blue with scattered white clouds. The text "Landscape Scale" is overlaid in the center in a bold, yellow font.

Socio-Ecology



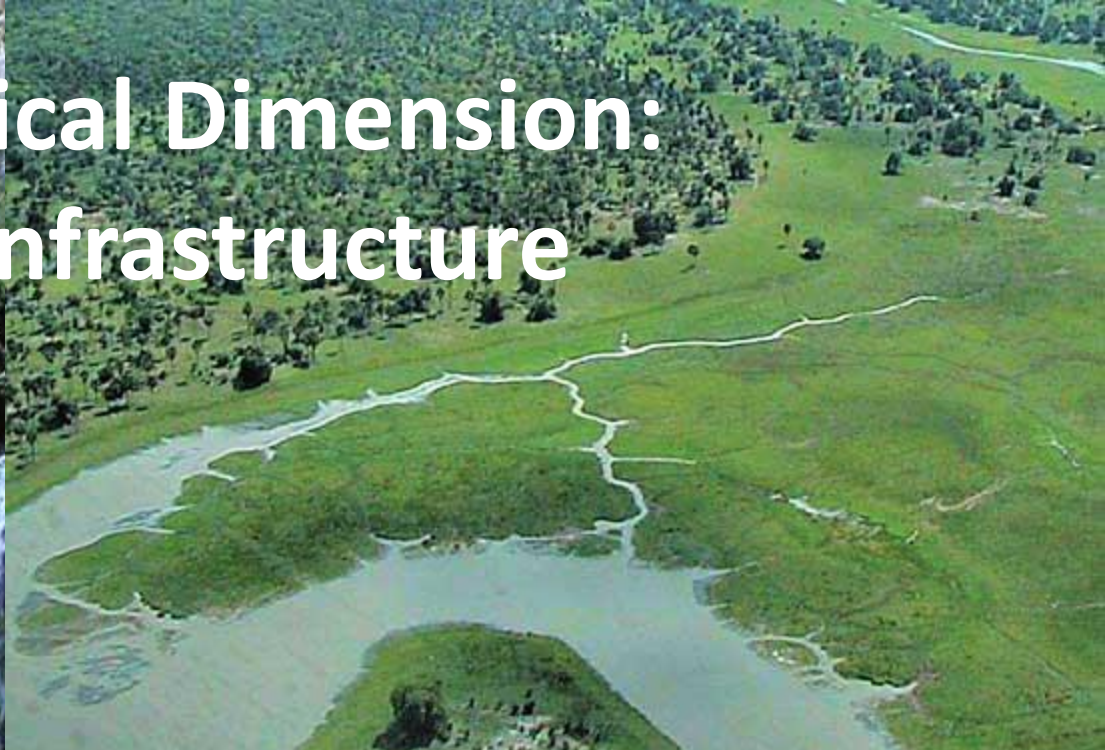
Satoyama in Inagi, Japan



The Social Dimension: Human infrastructure



The Ecological Dimension: Nature's infrastructure



The *Satoyama* Initiative is seeking ways for these infrastructures to be mutually supportive



How forests help support the “natural infrastructure”

Air quality

Pest & disease control

Watershed protection and regulation

Plant pollination

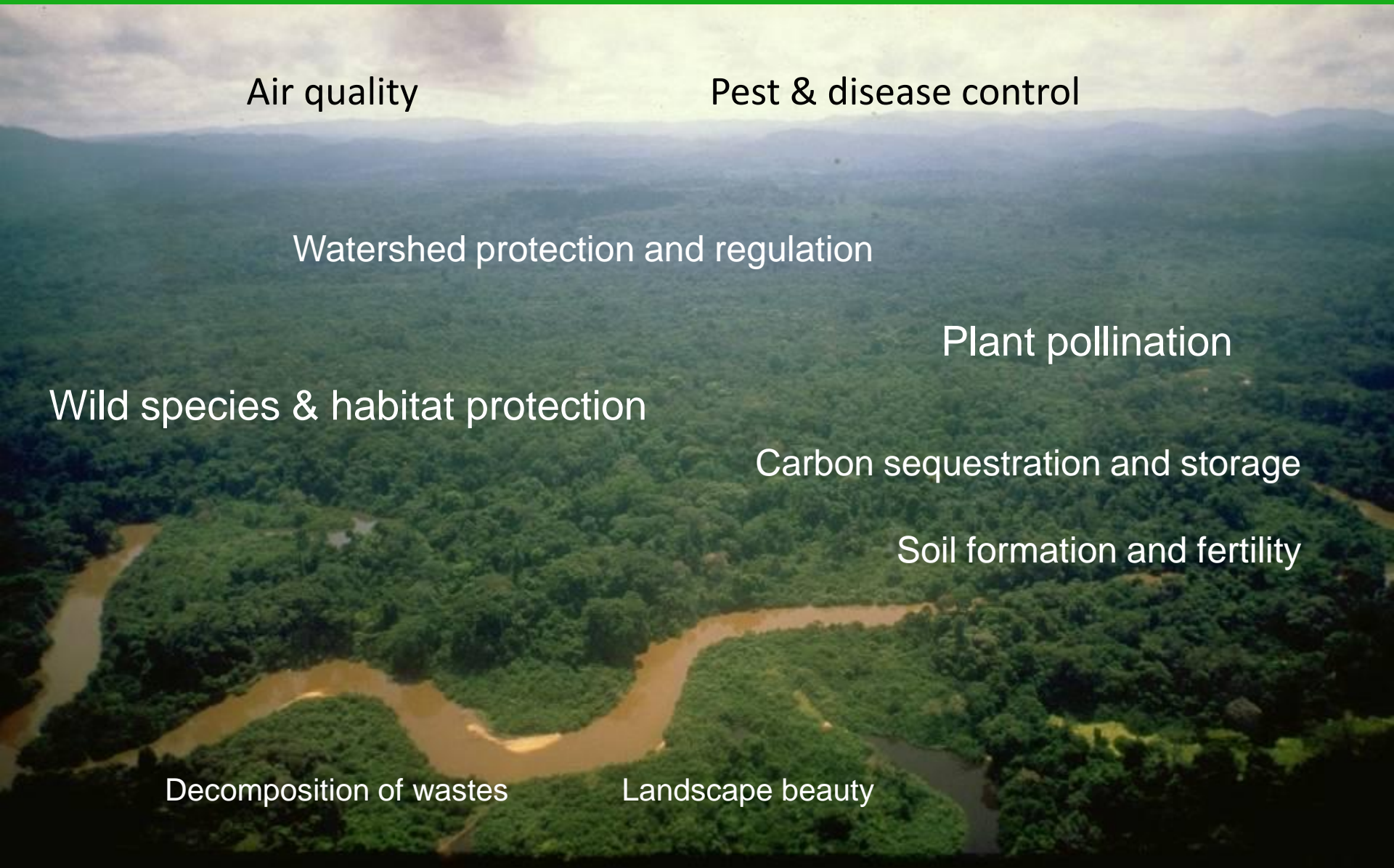
Wild species & habitat protection

Carbon sequestration and storage

Soil formation and fertility

Decomposition of wastes

Landscape beauty



CONSTITUENTS OF WELL-BEING



Source: Millennium Ecosystem Assessment

ARROW'S COLOR
Potential for mediation by socioeconomic factors

- Low
- Medium
- High

ARROW'S WIDTH
Intensity of linkages between ecosystem services and human well-being

- Weak
- Medium
- Strong

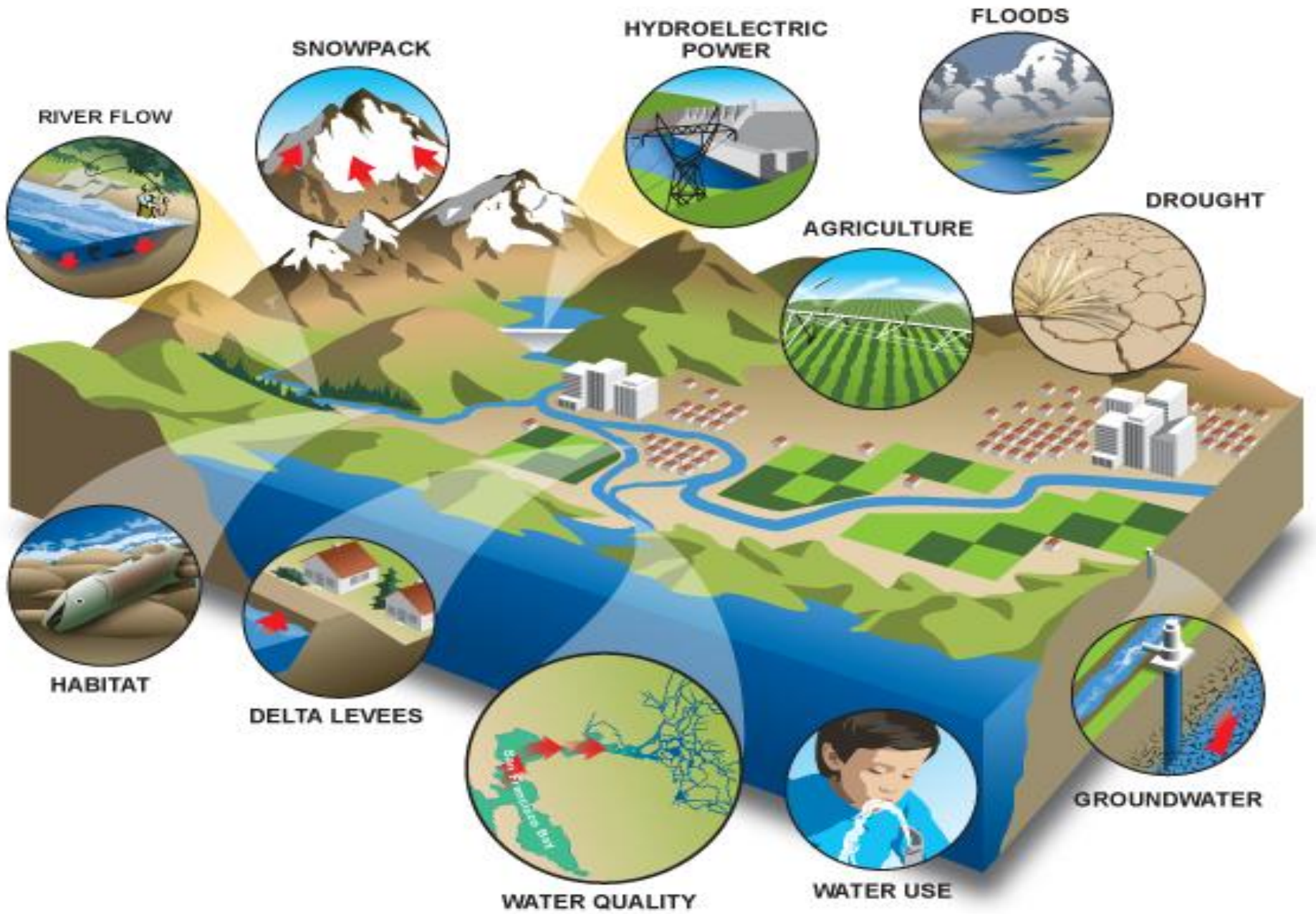
Ecosystems provide services to people



Water-related services:

- Provision of fresh water for drinking, agriculture, electricity generating, etc.
- Regulation of floods and extreme weather events
- Purification of wastes
- Delivery of nutrient-rich sediments to flood plains

These are worth US\$7 trillion per year



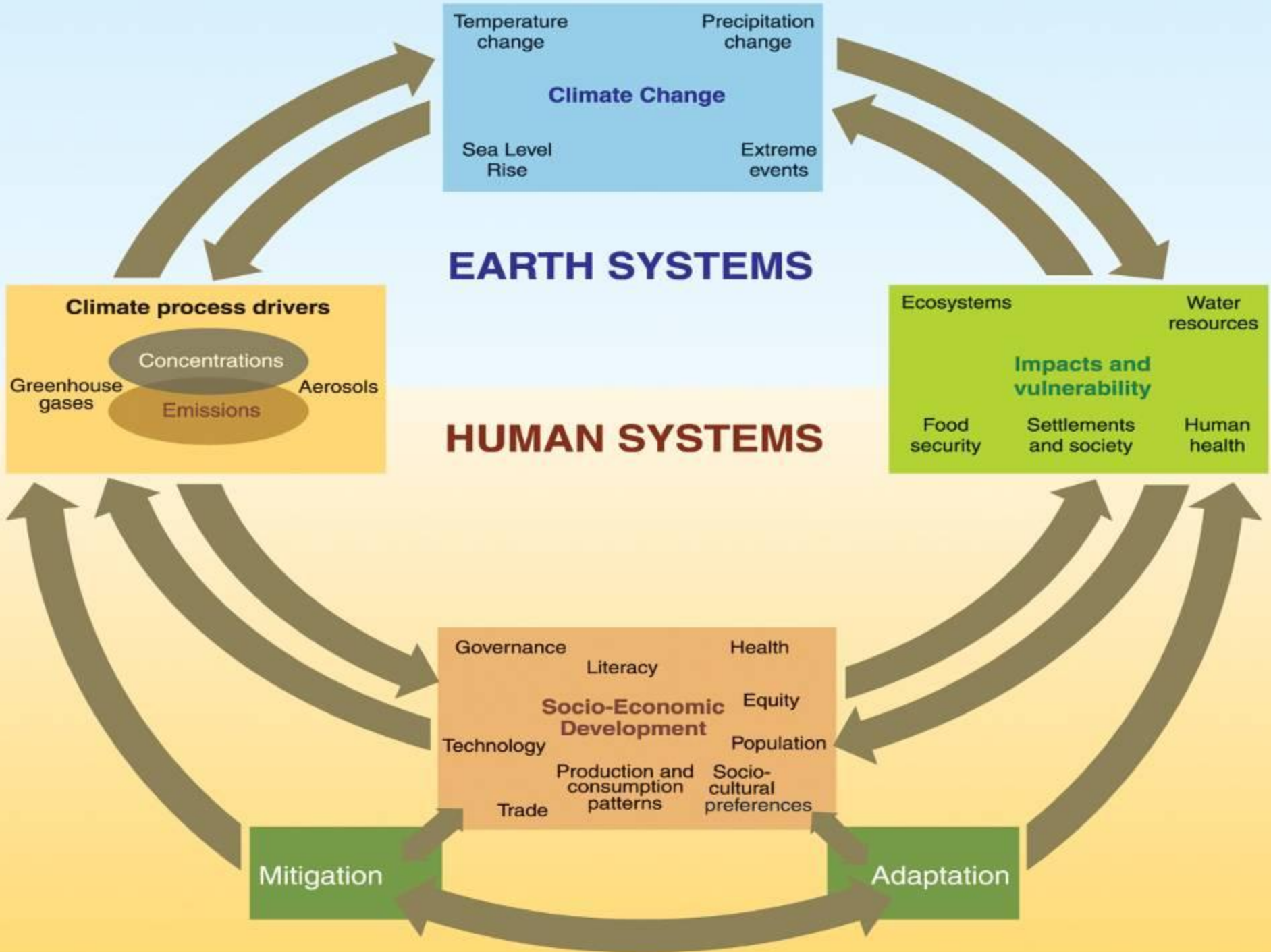


Pollinators provide services worth \$ 200 billion per year to agriculture



Many *satoyama*-type production systems are supported by spiritual links to the land





Expectations

DANGER

EXPECTATIONS

Satoyama approaches can help local people capture benefits from ecosystem services



Ecosystems are constantly changing. *Satoyama* systems can help farmers adapt to change.



Annual
Plants

Perennial
Plants and
Grasses

Shrubs

Softwood
Trees - Pines

Hardwood
Trees

Time 

Satoyama can link agricultural development in the supply chain to ecosystem services



DESIGN PRINCIPLES FOR SATOYAMA



Developing agricultural systems compatible with nature

- Live fences, wind barriers
- Agroforestry
- Organic agriculture
- Shaded crops (cacao, coffee)
- Agroecological practices
- Multiple cropping
- Farming with the seasons



Ecoagriculture in the central zone of Honduras

Developing farming systems compatible with nature

- Silvopastoral systems
- Cooperative corridors
- Adapted pastoralism
- Co-management of farms and wild species
- Permeable borders and forage banks
- Rotational cropping
- Perennial crop cultivation



Ecoagriculture in the Atlantic Forest of Brazil

Achieving positive synergies for agricultural production and ecosystems

- Increase input efficiency
- Enhance biological and ecological synergies
- Improve spatial organization of land use
- Manage wild species to benefit farming
- Economies of scale through collective action
- Substitute natural capital for financial capital
- Improve the flow of information



