



Reflections and contributions to the post-2020 biodiversity framework

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UNCCD 2018-2030 Strategic Framework

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- **Vision:** A future that avoids, minimizes, and reverses desertification/land degradation and mitigates the effects of drought in affected areas at all levels and strive to achieve a land degradation-neutral world consistent with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, within the scope of the Convention.

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- **Strategic objective 1:** To improve the condition of affected ecosystems, combat desertification/land degradation, promote sustainable land management and contribute to land degradation neutrality
- Expected impact 1.1 Land productivity and related ecosystems services are maintained or enhanced.
- Expected impact 1.2 The vulnerability of affected ecosystems is reduced and the resilience of ecosystems is increased.
- Expected impact 1.3 National voluntary land degradation neutrality targets are set and adopted by countries wishing to do so, related measures are identified and implemented, and necessary monitoring systems are established.
- Expected impact 1.4 Measures for sustainable land management and the combating of desertification/land degradation are shared, promoted and implemented.

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- **Strategic objective 2:** To improve the living conditions of affected populations
- Expected impact 2.1 Food security and adequate access to water for people in affected areas is improved.
- Expected impact 2.2 The livelihoods of people in affected areas are improved and diversified.
- Expected impact 2.3 Local people, especially women and youth, are empowered and participate in decision-making processes in combating DLDD.
- Expected impact 2.4 Migration forced by desertification and land degradation is substantially reduced.

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- **Strategic objective 3:** To mitigate, adapt to, and manage the effects of drought in order to enhance resilience of vulnerable populations and ecosystems
- Expected impact 3.1 Ecosystems' vulnerability to drought is reduced, including through sustainable land and water management practices.
- Expected impact 3.2 Communities' resilience to drought is increased.

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- **Strategic objective 4:** To generate global environmental benefits through effective implementation of the UNCCD
- Expected impact 4.1 Sustainable land management and the combating of desertification/land degradation contribute to the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and addressing climate change.
- Expected impact 4.2 Synergies with other multilateral environmental agreements and processes are enhanced.

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- **Strategic objective 5:** To mobilize substantial and additional financial and non-financial resources to support the implementation of the Convention by building effective partnerships at global and national level
- Expected impact 5.1 Adequate and timely public and private financial resources are further mobilized and made available to affected country Parties, including through domestic resource mobilization.
- Expected impact 5.2 International support is provided for implementing effective and targeted capacity-building and “on-the-ground interventions” in affected country Parties to support the implementation of the Convention, including through North–South, South–South and triangular cooperation.
- Expected impact 5.3 Extensive efforts are implemented to promote technology transfer, especially on favourable terms and including on concessional and preferential terms, as mutually agreed, and to mobilize other non-financial resources.

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With respect to policy and planning

- Leverage synergies and integrate DLDD, while optimizing efficacy and eliminating duplication of efforts, into (i) national plans related to the other multilateral environmental agreements, in particular the other Rio conventions; and (ii) other international commitments as appropriate, within their respective mandates;
- Indicators for strategic objectives should be reviewed and fine-tuned, as necessary and appropriate, in consideration of the reporting system/indicators for the SDGs and with reference to the follow-up and review processes of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Rio conventions and other relevant MEAs in order to improve their synergetic implementation and avoid duplication.

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With respect to actions on the ground:

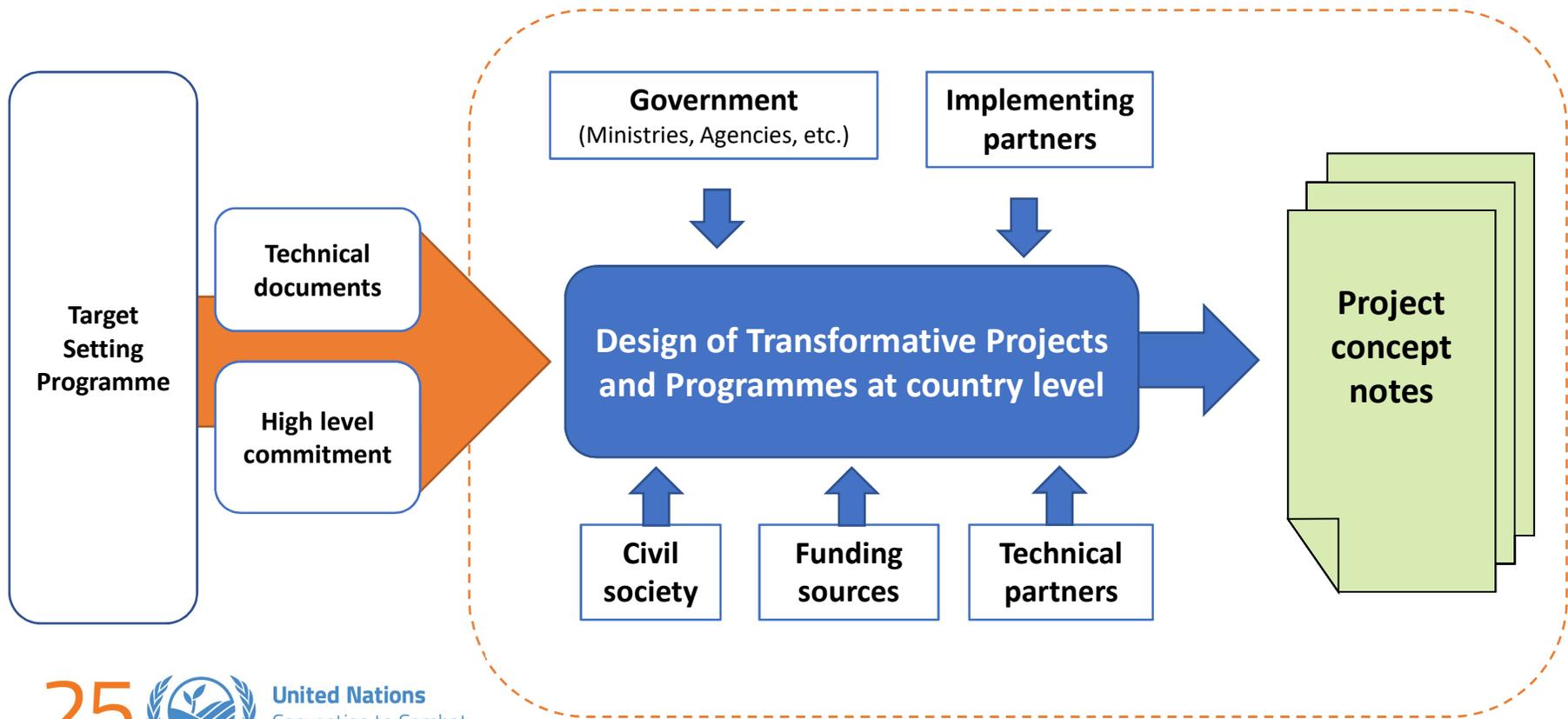
- (i) Implement sustainable land management practices;
- (j) Implement restoration and rehabilitation practices in order to assist with the recovery of ecosystem functions and services;
- (k) Develop and operationalize drought risk management, monitoring and early warning systems and safety-net programmes, as appropriate;
- (l) Promote alternative livelihoods;
- (m) Establish systems for sharing information and knowledge and facilitate networking on best practices and approaches to drought management.

Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) Approach

- **Shaping national ambitions to achieve LDN** (122 participating countries)
 - ✓ Over 80 countries have set national LDN targets – with more than half adopted at the national level - mainstreamed into national policy frameworks/legislation
- **Aimed at unlocking the potential of land in realizing other SDGs**
 - ✓ LDN accelerates the achievement of many SDGs through its multiple benefits
- **By engaging key stakeholders across sectors and line ministries**
 - ✓ LDN Target Setting Programme supports structured, multi-sector national consultation platforms to:
 - 1) establish baseline assessments (using essential variables, SDG 15.3.1),
 - 2) set spatially-explicit targets or indicate new policies/programmes,
 - 3) identify appropriate interventions and measures for each target,
 - 4) estimate resources and capacities needed,
 - 5) monitoring and reporting to evaluate outputs and outcomes.

LDN Blueprint - From Targets to Implementation

Transformative Projects and Programmes (TPP)



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Working Together for Best Results

Aligning Targets – Leveraging Commitments

2030 Agenda and Paris Agreement

Aichi post-2020, NDCs, LDN, SPF (VNCs)

Bonn Challenge (National/Regional) and FLR

UN Decade for Ecosystem Restoration

UNified Strategy for Sustainable Landscapes

Wetlands/Drylands/Grasslands

Croplands/Grazing Lands

Coastal/Marine

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Joined Up Approach to Restoring Balance in Natural and Working Landscapes

- **Human-centered:** first and foremost we need to address the requirements and aspirations of local communities
- **Spatially-explicit:** protect species habitat and ecosystem services thru integrated planning – location, location, location
- **Enhance connectivity:** essential to optimize competing demands on land
- **Quantify benefits:** incentivize public/private support and establish partnerships
- **Joint implementation:** projects/programmes

Essential Elements for the post-2020 framework

- **Overarching narrative/target** that can be easily communicated; **supported by an actionable implementation and monitoring framework** that works at various scales
- **Spatially-explicit targets** (for species habitat, ecosystem services, connectivity) that help facilitate **integration** policies and programmes; that promote **investments**, the joint **design** and implementation of projects, and the **adoption by local communities** and administrations
- **Assessment, evaluation, monitoring and reporting approach** that is endorsed by the CBD Parties ideally using essential variables, including indicators such as land cover/extent and carbon stocks applicable in other Conventions and processes

Multiple Benefits for Sustainable Development

BEWARE OF
Plantations, Monocultures, Afforestation,
Simplified Ecosystems

WE NEED

to link assessments to
land use planning
at national/landscape scale

AS WE STRIVE

to create a new
restoration economy

