



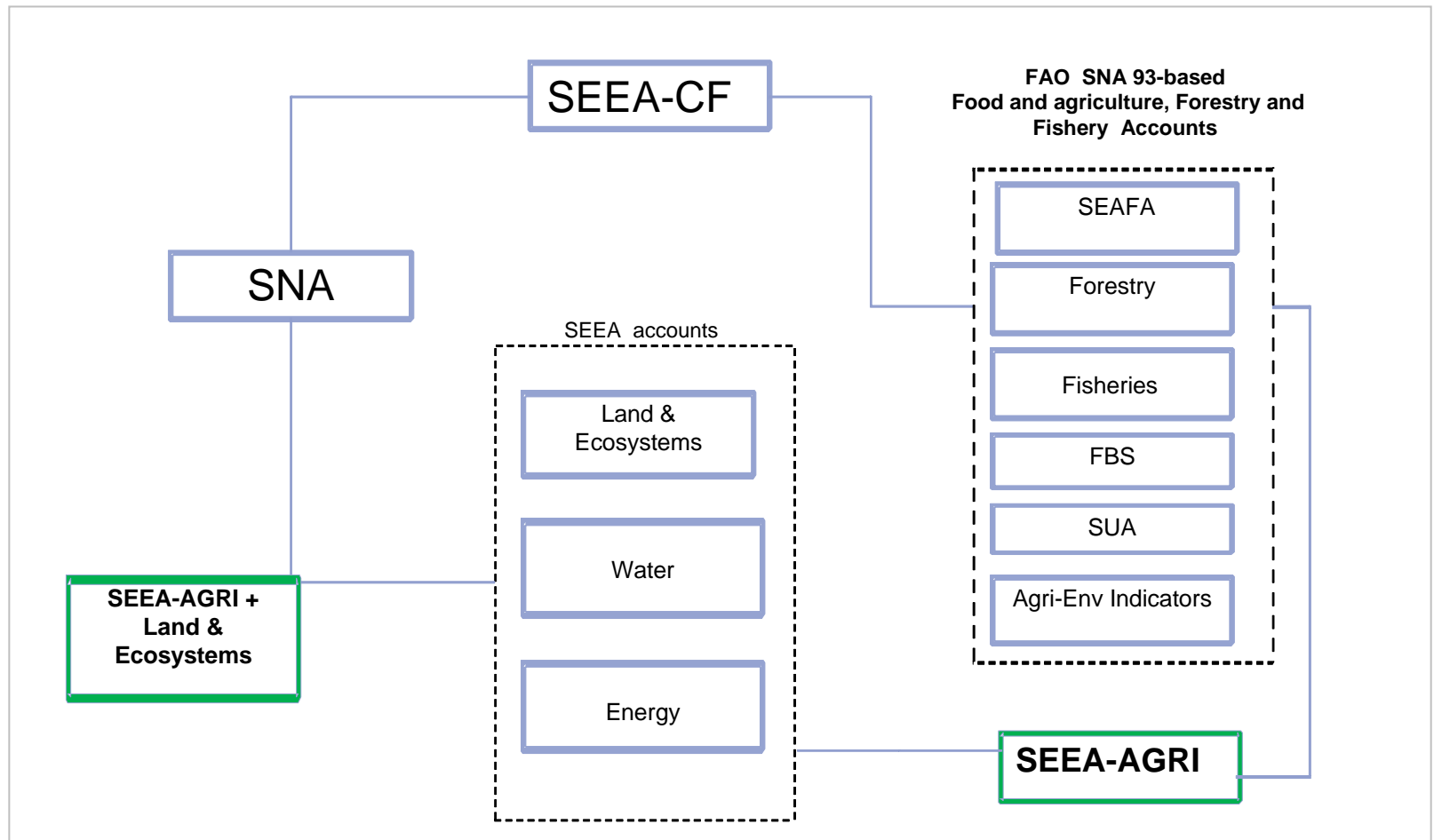
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Towards a System of Environmental Economic Accounting for Agriculture

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The SEEA-AGRI as SEEA subsystem



SEEA-AGRI Development:

Five complementary and overlapping stages

in an 18 month process October 2012 to March 2014



- **Conceptualization:** Reviewing, revising and expanding the definitions and classifications used in relevant FAO datasets; a stock taking and evaluation of country specific examples; Alignment with other SEEA extensions and regional work
- **Organization:** October 2012, FAO internal interdepartmental coordination mechanisms established and APCAS and London Group on Environmental Accounting informal group of experts
- **Consultation:** *APCAS members are asked to consider contributing*, which will include two formal meetings supported by quarterly teleconferences, for review, comparison and discussion of methodological work
- **Pilot application and feedback:** FAO seeks two potential pilot countries from APCAS, from AFCAS, and from LAC region
- **Drafts and final document:** an iterative process

SEEA-AGRI Development Process



FAO Draft SEEA-Agri Timetable																				
Stage	Month																			
	1 Oct-12	2 Nov-12	3 Dec-12	4 Jan-13	5 Feb-13	6 Mar-13	7 Apr-13	8 May-13	9 Jun-13	10 Jul-13	11 Aug-13	12 Sep-13	13 Oct-13	14 Nov-13	15 Dec-13	16 Jan-14	17 Feb-14	18 Mar-14		
1. Conceptualization	SEEA-Agri Framework Definition				SEEA-Agri annotated draft outline preparation			Reach agreement on outstanding methodological issues					Develop Compilation Guidelines for Developing Country and Emerging Markets minimum required dataset applications, informed by Pilots and supplemented with reference to SEEA Part II							
2. Organization	INTERNAL: Establish FAO Interdepartmental Coordination		Assign duties among relevant FAO topical divisions			Report Progress to ADG-ES						Report Progress to ADG-ES		FAO Interdepartmental Review of Final Draft SEEA-Agri						
	EXTERNAL: Establish UNCEEA and LG Coordination Mechanisms			determine expert contributions and agree advisory committee schedule														UNCEEA Review of Final Draft SEEA-Agri		
3. Consultation		Monthly "internal governance" meetings (IGM)	(IGM)	(IGM)	(IGM)	IGM + LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup Video Conference	LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup meeting	(IGM)	(IGM)	IGM + LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup Video Conference	(IGM)	(IGM)	IGM + LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup Video Conference	LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup meeting (FAO)	(IGM) + ADG-ES endorsement of Finalized Draft SEEA-Agri	IGM + LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup Video Conference	IGM + LG SEEA-AGRI Subgroup Video Conference	Presentation of SEEA-AGRI to UN Statistical Commission		
4. Pilot application and feedback	Identify 2 potential APCAS Pilot country candidates	Identify 2 potential AFCAS Pilot country candidates	Identify 2 potential LAC Pilot country candidates		Prepare one preliminary <i>minimum required dataset</i> Pilot for April meeting of LG SEEA-Agri Subgroup							Prepare one preliminary <i>recommended dataset</i> Pilot for November meeting of LG SEEA-Agri Subgroup				Prepare one preliminary <i>desired dataset</i> Pilot for review by LG SEEA-Agri Subgroup				
5. Documentation & SEEA-Agri drafting and finalization			Add SEEA-Agri reference materials to LG website			Present annotated Draft outline to LG	Endorsement of Draft outline by LG	Finalize drafting of FAO SEEA-Agri methodological document					Circulation of Finalized Draft SEEA-Agri						Endorsement of SEEA-AGRI by UN Statistical Commission	



SEEA-Agriculture – General Outline

- The proposed outline for the SEEA-AGRI is structured as follows:
 - Chapter 1. Introduction
 - Chapter 2. From SEEA to SEEA-AGRI: The framework
 - Chapter 3. Asset accounts
 - Chapter 4. Flow accounts
 - Chapter 5. Expenditure and transaction accounts
 - Chapter 6. Macroeconomic aggregates and other indicators
 - Chapter 7. Policy applications and Extensions
 - Chapter 8. Valuation of agricultural services and environmental costs and benefits
 - Annex 1. Standard tables (including numerical examples)
 - Annex 2. Complementary tables (including numerical examples)

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- **LG members are asked to express their views on:**
 - The proposed **scope and coverage** of the SEEA-AGRI to be developed by FAO
 - The proposed SEEA-AGRI **development strategy and proposed timeframe**
 - The proposed summary outline of the SEEA-AGRI methodological document,
 - Their interest in participating in the SEEA-AGRI development work, and
 - Advise on previous or ongoing country work pertaining to environmental-economic accounting for agriculture, forestry, and/or fisheries that could inform SEEA-AGRI development