



System of
Environmental
Economic
Accounting

Session 1: Setting the scene

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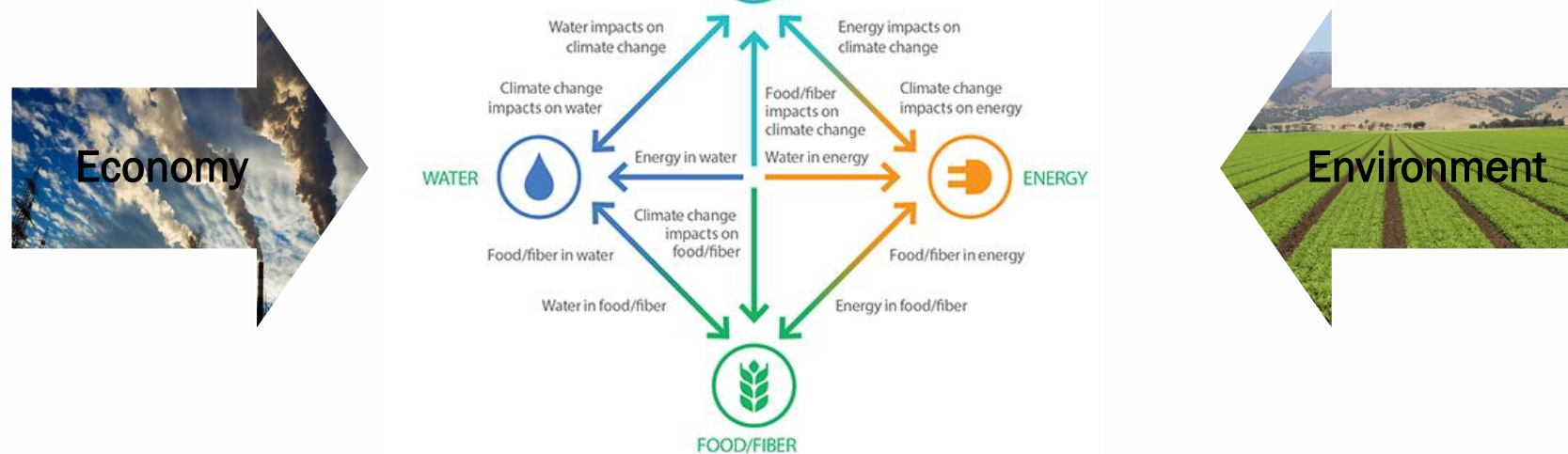
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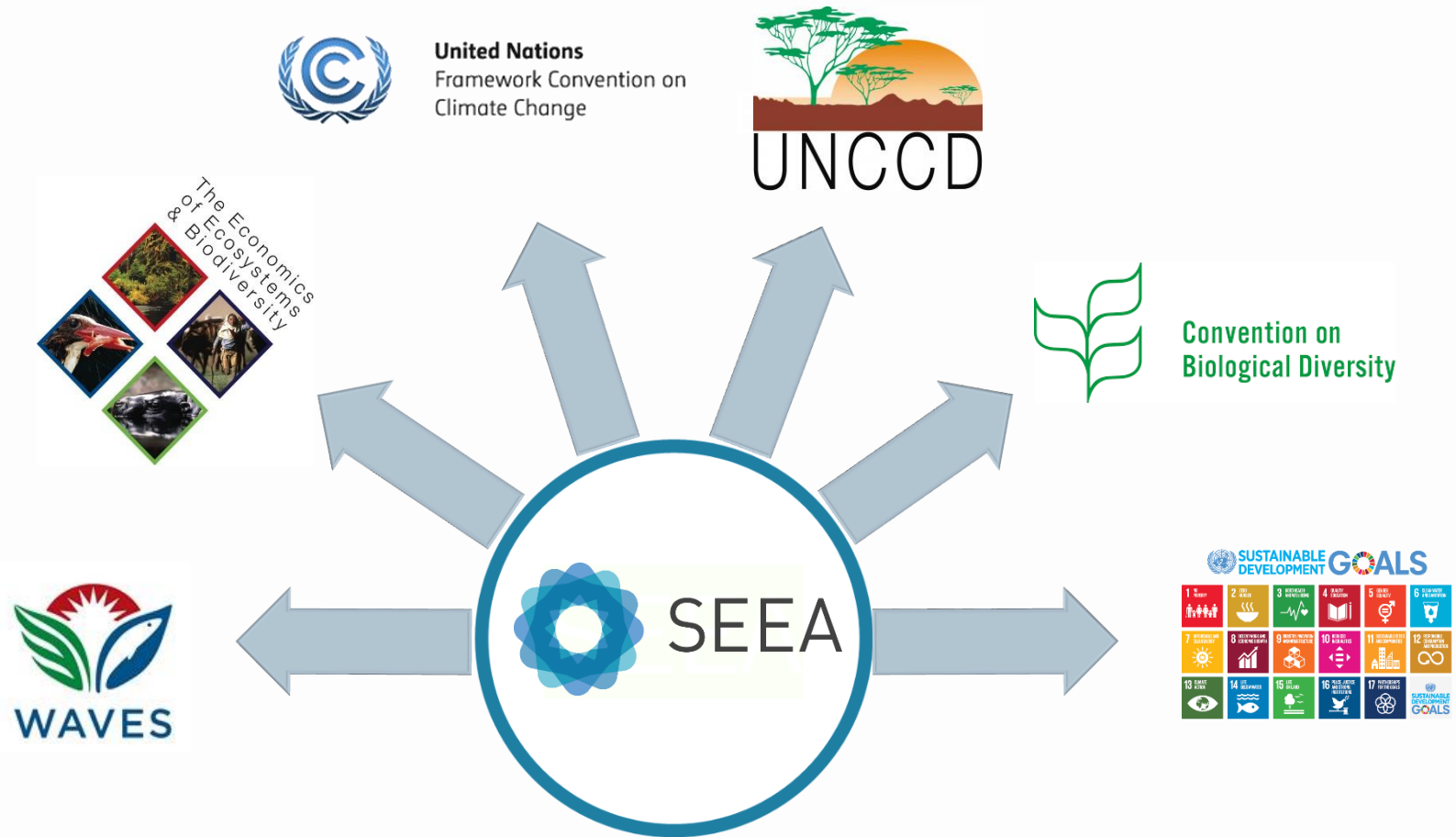
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Integration for Sustainable Development



- Environmental policy must consider interconnected natural systems
 - > E.g. Food, energy, water and climate change nexus
- Policies should recognize the links;
 - > Between different natural systems → Integrated environmental information
 - > Between the economy and environment → Integrated environmental-economic information

SEEA as supporting framework



The System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA)

The SEEA is the statistical framework to measure the environment and its interactions with economy.

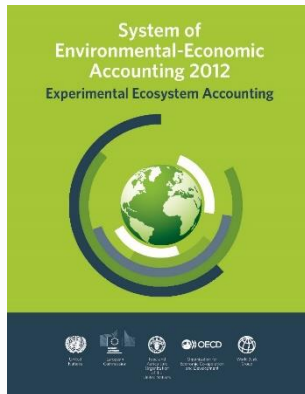
- The **SEEA Central Framework** was adopted as an international statistical standard by the UN Statistical Commission in 2012.
- The **SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting** complements the Central Framework and represent international efforts toward coherent ecosystem accounting.
- **SEEA Applications and Extensions** helps compilers and users of SEEA accounts understand how the accounts can be used in decision making, policy review and formulation, analysis and research.



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SEEA EEA – Spatially explicit



ECOSYSTEM ACCOUNTING



Forests

e.g. flood control



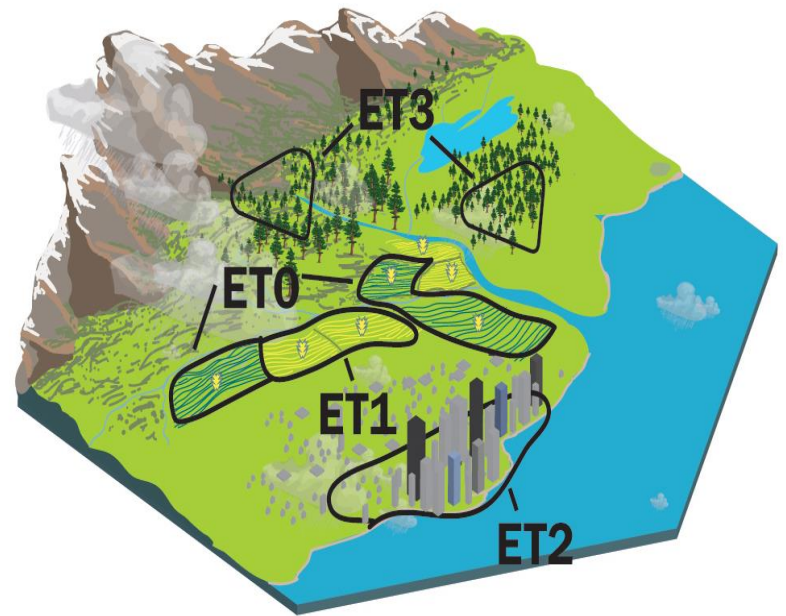
Rivers

e.g. water purification



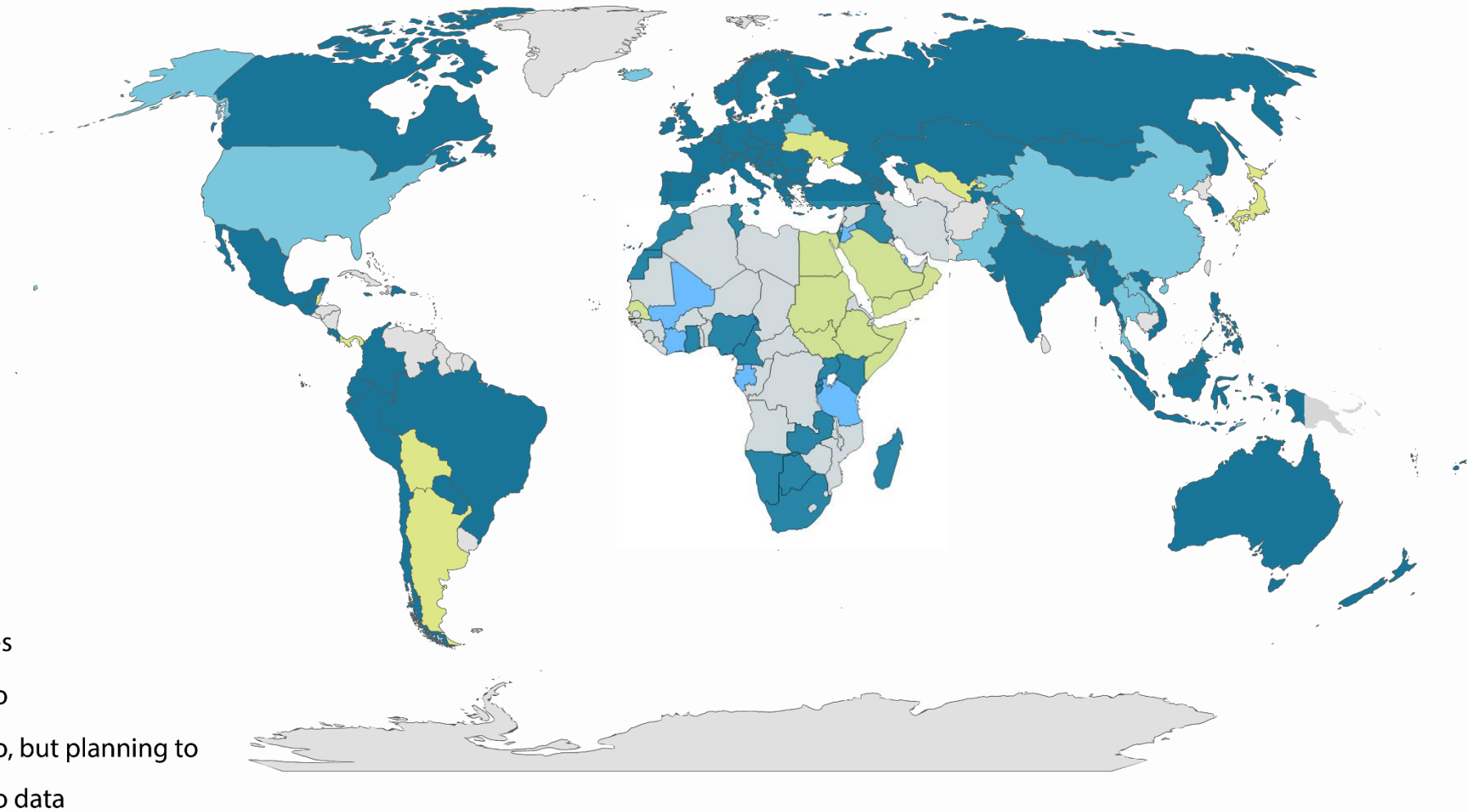
Coasts

e.g. recreation



Can be applied at any scale

SEEA around the world



Revision of the SEEA EEA

- Inclusive and transparent process
- Opportunity for engagement with ILM community and other communities to ensure alignment

Objectives

- Elevate the SEEA EEA to an internationally agreed framework for ecosystem accounting in March 2021 adopted by the UN Statistical Commissions
- Prominent place in the Post 2020 biodiversity framework to be adopted at the COP 15 in China
- Adoption of the motion at the IUCN World Congress
- ILM and SEEA?

What are the expectations from the Policy Forum

- How to empower NCA to inform decision making at national level, especially in the context of integrated landscape management (ILM)?
- Identify policy applications that NCA can support at the national level, especially for ILM.
- How to mobilize communities and resources to increase uptake of NCA on national policy making level?
- Experience sharing on best practices and successful uses of NCA for policy making, especially ILM.
- Generate ideas on what support is needed in countries to successfully implement NCA in their national contexts?

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