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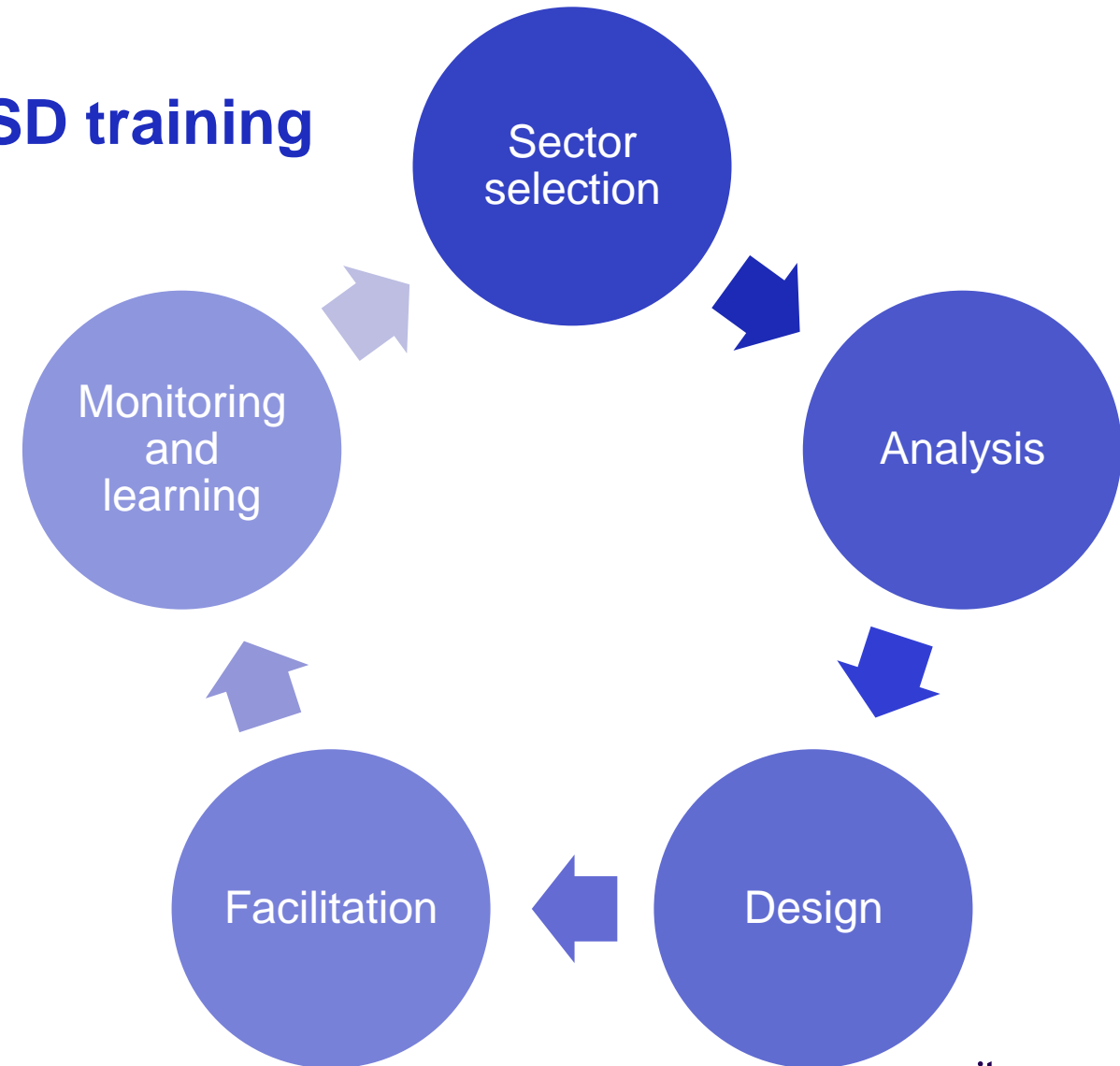
RECONOMY Intro

- **Donor:** Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
- **Main implementer:** HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation
- **Duration**
 - Western Balkans: July 2020 – March 2023 (Inception Phase)
 - Eastern Partnership: July 2020 – December 2022 (Inception Phase)
 - Main Phase for both regions: 2023 – 2026
- **Main goal**
 - To enable women and youth, including the most disadvantaged and excluded, to benefit from economic opportunities by increasing their income and taking up decent/green jobs, inclusively and sustainably.
- **Coverage**
 - Western Balkans: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia
 - Eastern Partnership countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine



▶ Agenda of «introductory» greening MSD training

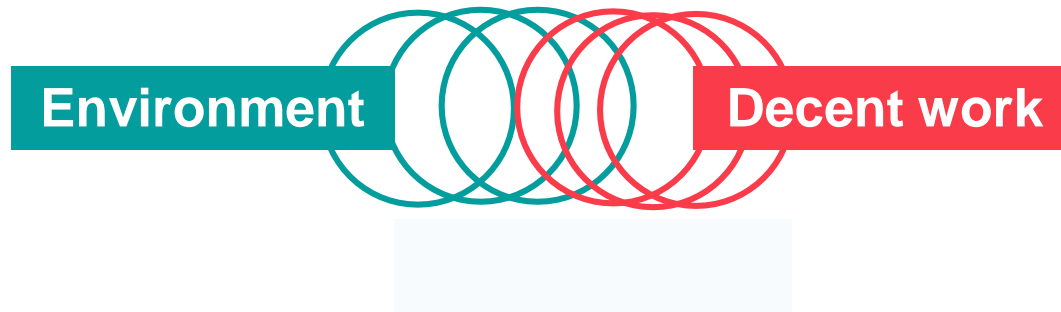
- ▶ Framing the greening MSD discussion
- ▶ Sector selection with a “green” / environmental lens
- ▶ COFFEE BREAK
- ▶ Green Market Systems Analysis
- ▶ Green business models
- ▶ Results frameworks for situating / evaluating the impact of green MSD initiatives



► Framing the greening MSD discussion



Climate change, employment and decent work



Why does environmental sustainability matter for decent work?

1.2 billion jobs

are closely linked to ecosystem services

Two per cent

of working hours will be too hot to work, owing to climate change, by 2030

23 million

working-life years were lost annually as a result of different environmentally related hazards caused or aggravated by human activity

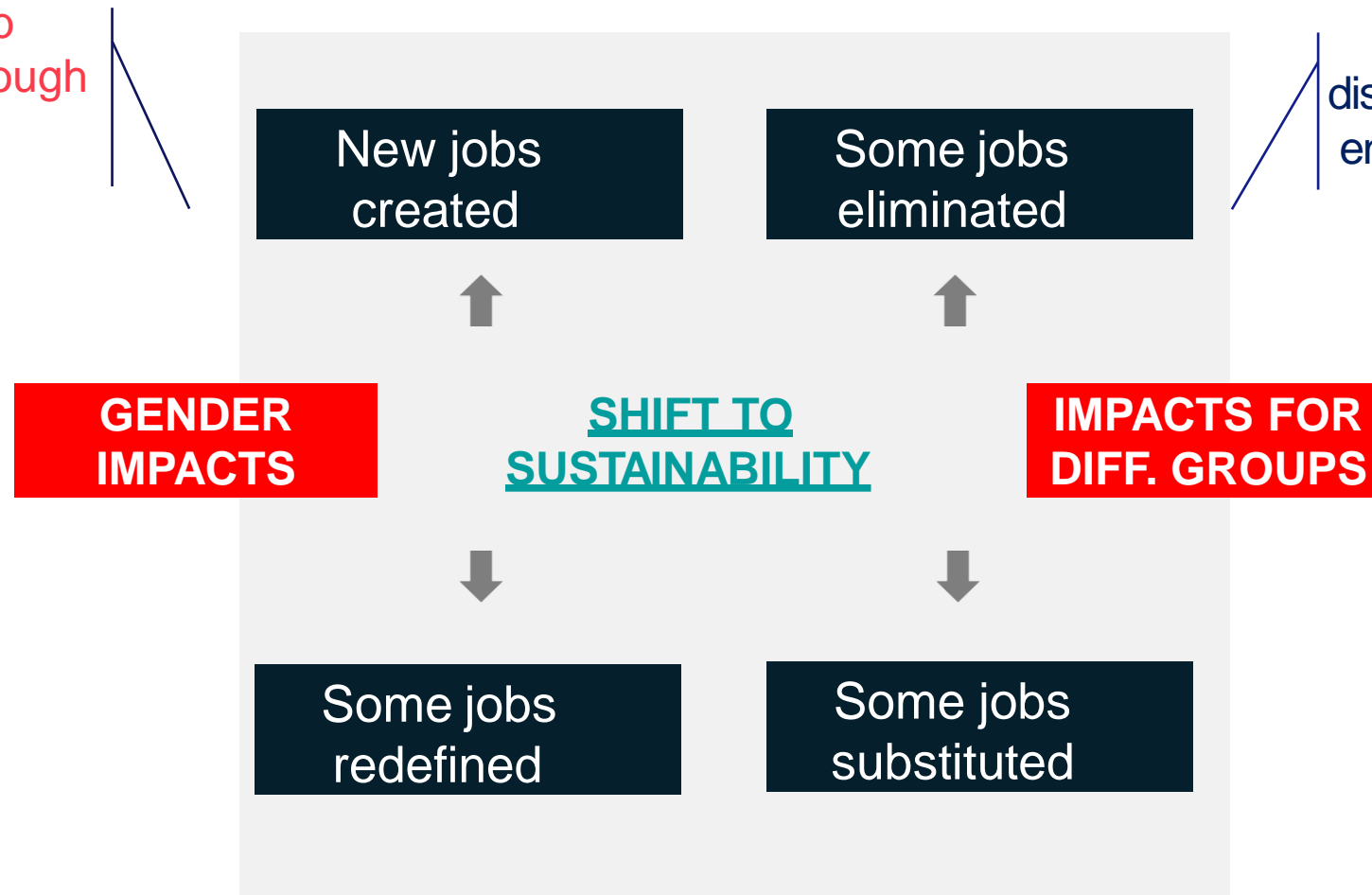


Climate and environmental action – economy-wide change



How does the climate transition impact the labour market?

E.g. 24 million jobs
created by 2030 through
energy related
measures



E.g. 6 million jobs
displaced by 2030 through
energy-related measures



A just transition to environmentally sustainable economies and societies

Job and income gains are maximized

Risks of job and income losses are minimised and managed

The vulnerable are protected & included

**Economies generate lower
Emissions,
Environmental impact**



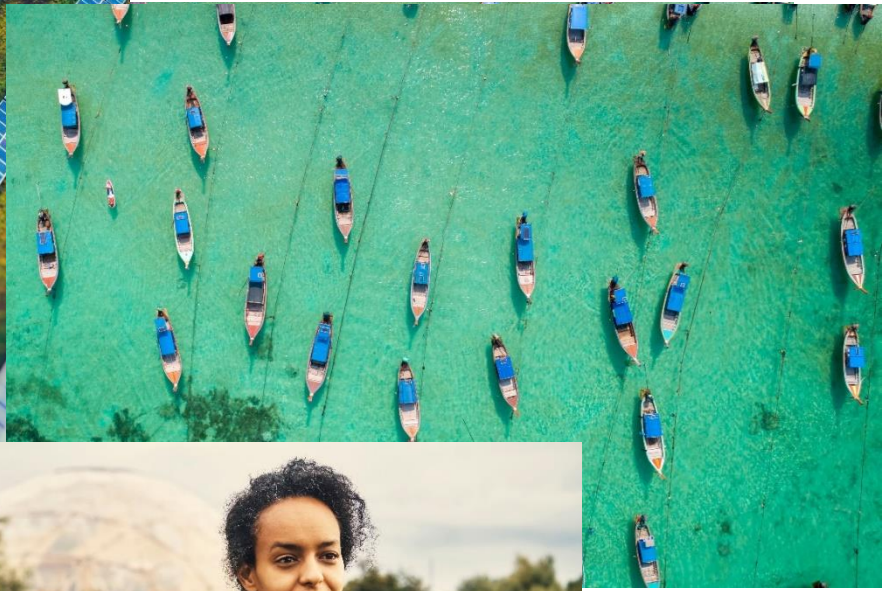
**Environmental quality
and resilience improve**

Addressing the links between the three dimensions of sustainable development

Delivering job and income gains in the shift to a green economy



Decoupling growth & job creation from emissions and environmental degradation

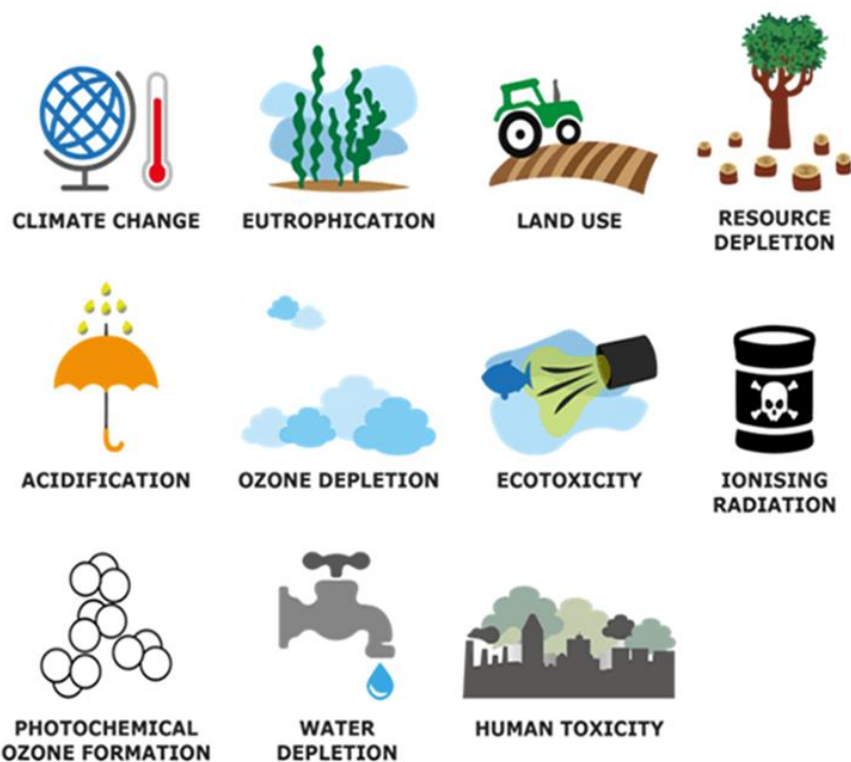


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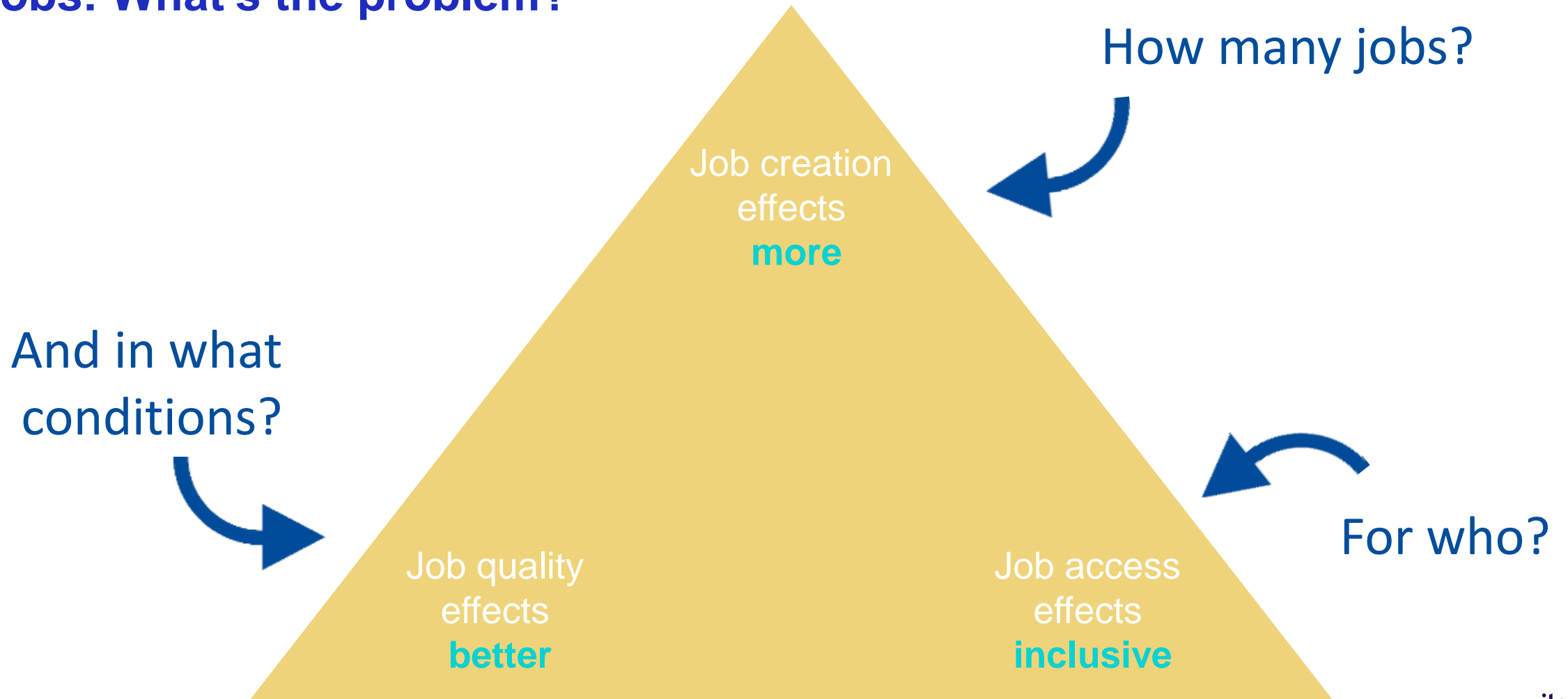
Ensuring growth and jobs are resilient



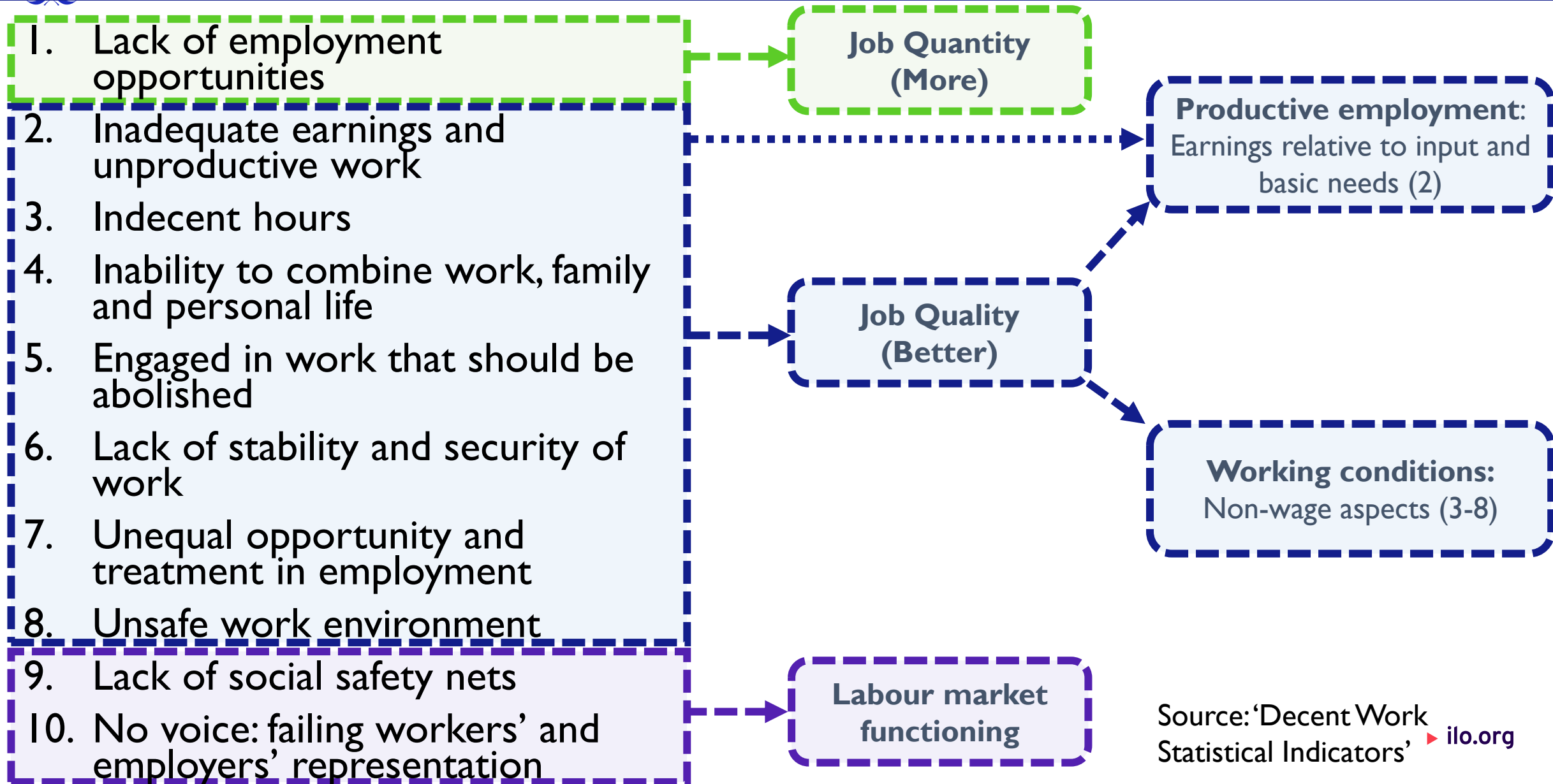
Source: [European Platform on Life Cycle Assessment](#)

- ▶ ILOs value added to green growth and development lies in the interconnectedness of the world of work and green issues
- ▶ Environmental degradation and climate change threaten jobs and job quality ...but greening economies can also contribute to job creation.
- ▶ **Underexplored area in MSD community:** relatively few MSD initiatives and projects have examined the topic and applied MSD while integrating environmental objectives
- ▶ **Is there a “lack of (social and economic) sustainability” in environmental projects? Can MSD help?**

Jobs: What's the problem?



which decent work deficits should we address?



Source: 'Decent Work Statistical Indicators' ilo.org

▶ MSD, Environment and Decent Work

▶ Added value of MSD approach:

- Systems thinking (and implementation!) for economic and social outcomes
- Supporting high potential sectors and solutions for greener and more climate resilient economies
- greening the economy in ways that are fair and inclusive, creating new decent work opportunities
- Scalability and long-term financial viability as core concerns

- Promoting growth in a “green” sector such as renewable energy
- “Greening” / improving the environmental sustainability of a sector (including “green” sectors)
- Increasing economic and social resilience of a sector or population group to climate change

BUT in practice:

- **few MSD projects integrate environmental concerns**
- **very few (no?) environmental and climate change projects have a «systemic» lens on social and economic objectives and their implementation**

► Sector selection with a «green» / environmental lens

Sector selection: Overview

Define
sector
selection
criteria

Establish
longlist of
sectors

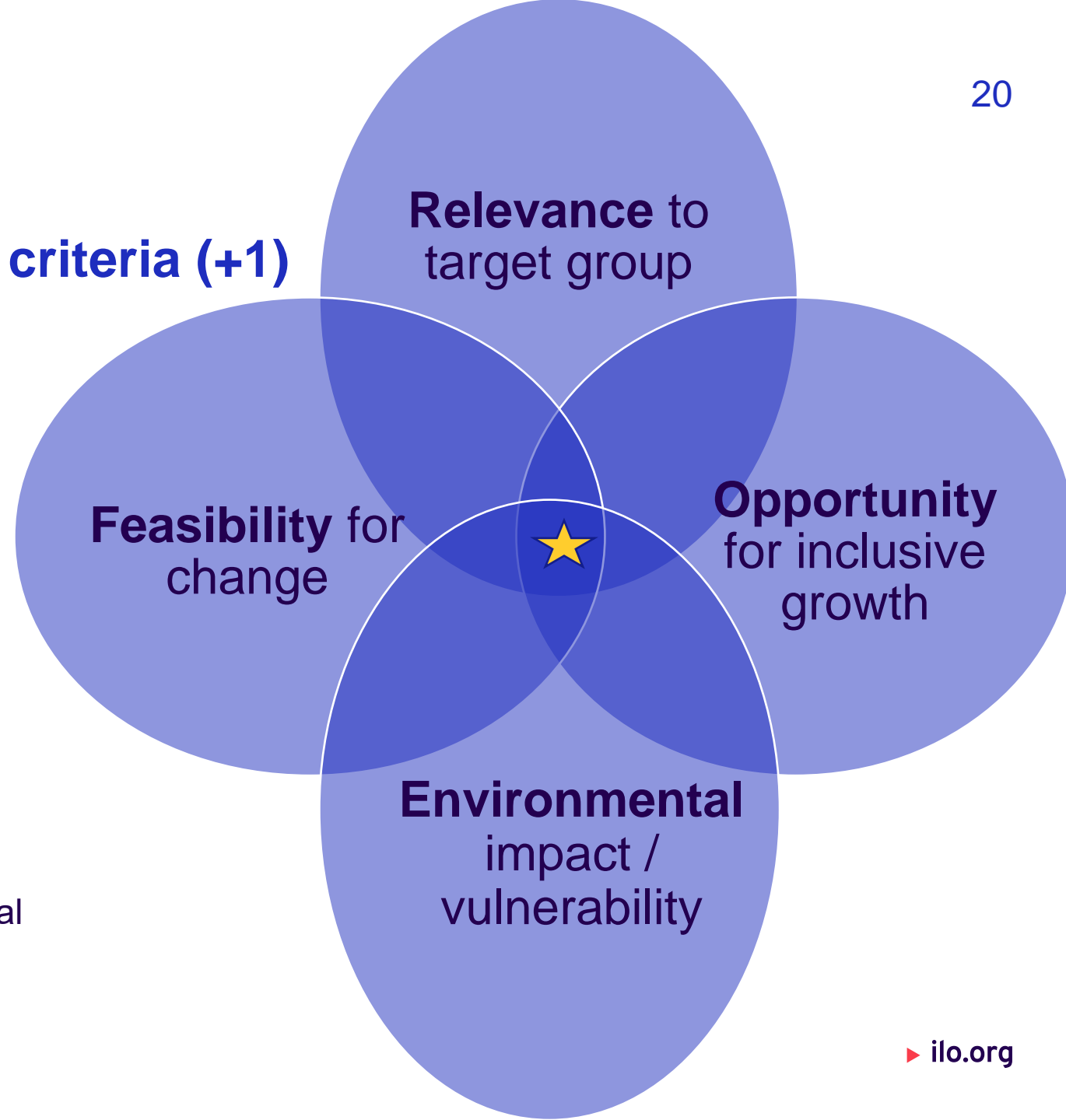
Identify
shortlist of
sectors

Select
sectors

Validate
sectors with
stakeholders

▶ Selecting sectors based on three criteria (+1)

- ▶ **Relevance for the target group**
What is the extent of participation of the target group in the sector? And what is the nature of this participation?
- ▶ **Opportunity for inclusive growth**
What are the growth prospects of the sector? And will growth likely translate into job creation and/or job quality (e.g. income) improvements for the target group?
- ▶ **Feasibility for change**
Are there capable market partners in the sector?
Are there other projects with whom synergies can be found?
- ▶ **Environmental / climate resilience impact**
Is the sector relevant for the project's environmental objectives? Are environmental objectives aligned with Decent Work objectives?



Sector Selection Exercise: Welcome to Pango!

- **Create Climate Resilient Jobs**



OBJECTIVE: Promoting **entrepreneurship and job creation** among rural communities, especially **women and youth**, in the country of Pango while also **promoting the climate resilience** of these jobs



- **Better Jobs for a Better Environment**

OBJECTIVE: Promoting **job quality** improvements among rural communities, especially among **youth**, in the country of Pango while making sure interventions also help **reduce environmental degradation**

▶ Sector selection exercise: Reflections

- ▶ **Often trade-offs** between environmental and employment objectives in the real world
- ▶ **Many unanswered questions will remain** – impossible to be sure (imagine when you have many more sectors to consider!)



- ▶ The point is to make **good enough decisions**
- ▶ And to have **clearly defined environmental and employment objectives** from the outset to facilitate those decisions

Mitigation/
Decarbonization
Adaptation/DRR



Environmental
Rationale



Economic
Rationale



Social Inclusion
Rationale

Strengthening private
sector through viable
business models

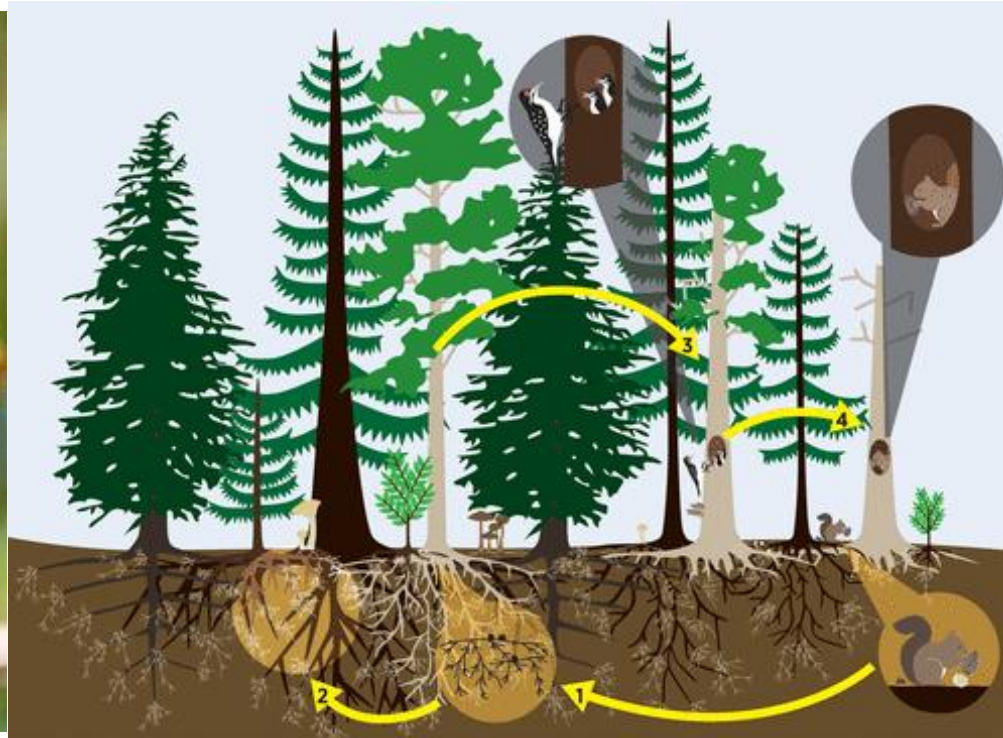
Job Creation
Job retention
Employment/self
employment

Inputs by RECONOMY on their sector selection experience

Criteria	What does it mean to RECONOMY?
RELEVANCE	<p>Job creation - significant numbers of the target group likely be able to access more and better jobs as a result of growth in the sector</p> <p>Regional mandate - the sector is relevant to more than one country with a likelihood of learning and solutions being replicated across the region</p>
OPPORTUNITY	<p>Sectoral growth prospects - Current and future sectoral growth trends look positive</p> <p>Green growth - there is potential for the sector to grow in a way that reduces the overall negative impact on the environment and contributes to accelerated green & just transition</p> <p>- <i>High ECC impact sector // High level of ECC physical and societal/ economic risks // Clear opportunities</i></p>
FEASIBILITY	<p>Technical & Operational - There is scope (RECONOMY/Helvetas have experience, knowledge and networks in the country and/or sector) and space (the sector is not overcrowded with other donors) for RECONOMY intervention</p> <p>Prospects of change - Private sector and political economy dynamics are conducive to positive change in the sector</p>

▶ Greening Market Systems Analysis

Learning from SYSTEMS



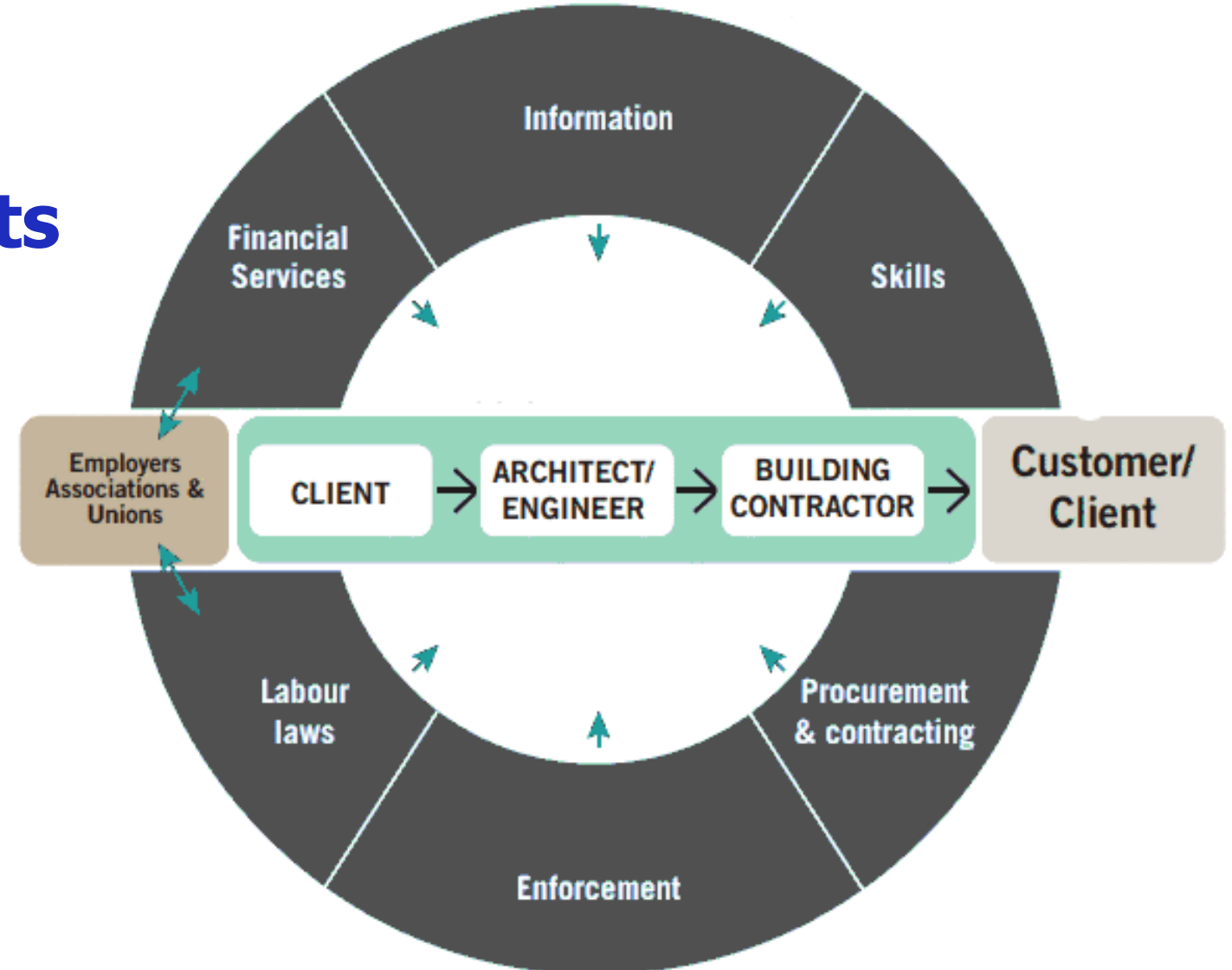
Market Systems Analysis



Systems analysis: Identify key constraints

■ Potential considerations:

- ✓ Relevance
- ✓ Opportunity
- ✓ Feasibility
- ✓ Rules & Regulations
- ✓ Will/skill of actors to address issues



Market systems analysis: Identify the root causes

▪ Potential considerations:

- ✓ Can the project do anything about it?

Poor OSH on construction sites

Construction contractors under-invest in equipment and training

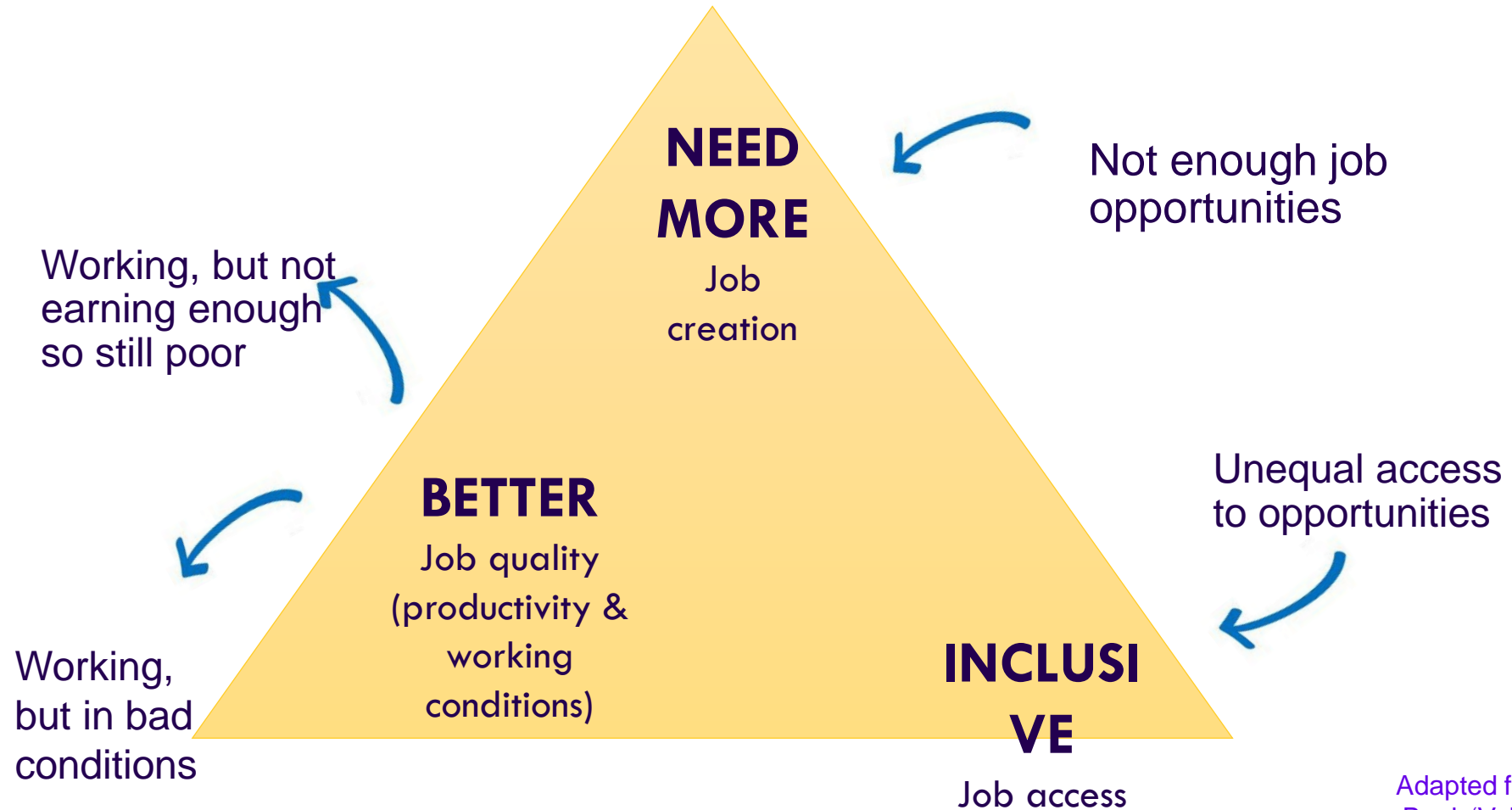
Competitive market forces low bids

No threat of inspection to “protect” contractors in bidding

Ministry of Labour has never inspected a construction site

Building permitting inspections do not inspect for OSH

Jobs: what's our objective?



Adapted from World Bank 'Value Chains for Job Estimation', pres. By T. Farole Sep 2015

▶ But what about «green» market systems analysis?

Dependence on objective

- ▶ **Growing green sectors (e.g. renewable energy) the traditional way:** Growth and green outcomes are (on aggregate) synonymous
- ▶ **Greening or increasing resilience of “conventional” sectors:** Environmental objectives and growth are not given so need to account for these

So, what can differ?

- ▶ **Value chain mapping:** Any differences in terms of what you should look for?
- ▶ **Intervention area identification:** How do we integrate environmental concerns?
- ▶ **Root causes analysis:** What does this look like from a green lens?

Mapping the value chain: Understanding the location and extent of deficits

Material inputs

- Pollution from extraction of inputs (e.g. N & P)
- Pollution from manufacturing of machinery

Production

- High use of chemical inputs
- Unsustainable water use
- Deforestation

Processing

- GHG emissions from processing
- Waste byproducts

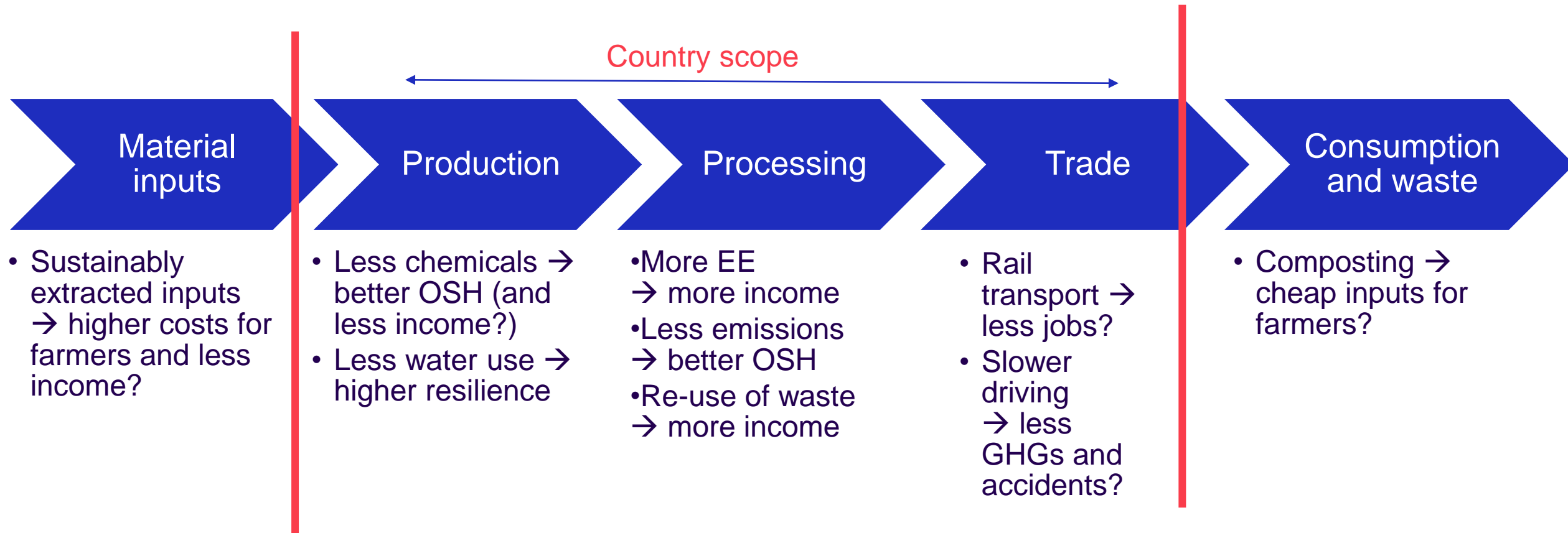
Trade

- GHG emissions from transport

Consumption and waste

- Use of complementary polluting inputs / goods
- Emissions in landfill

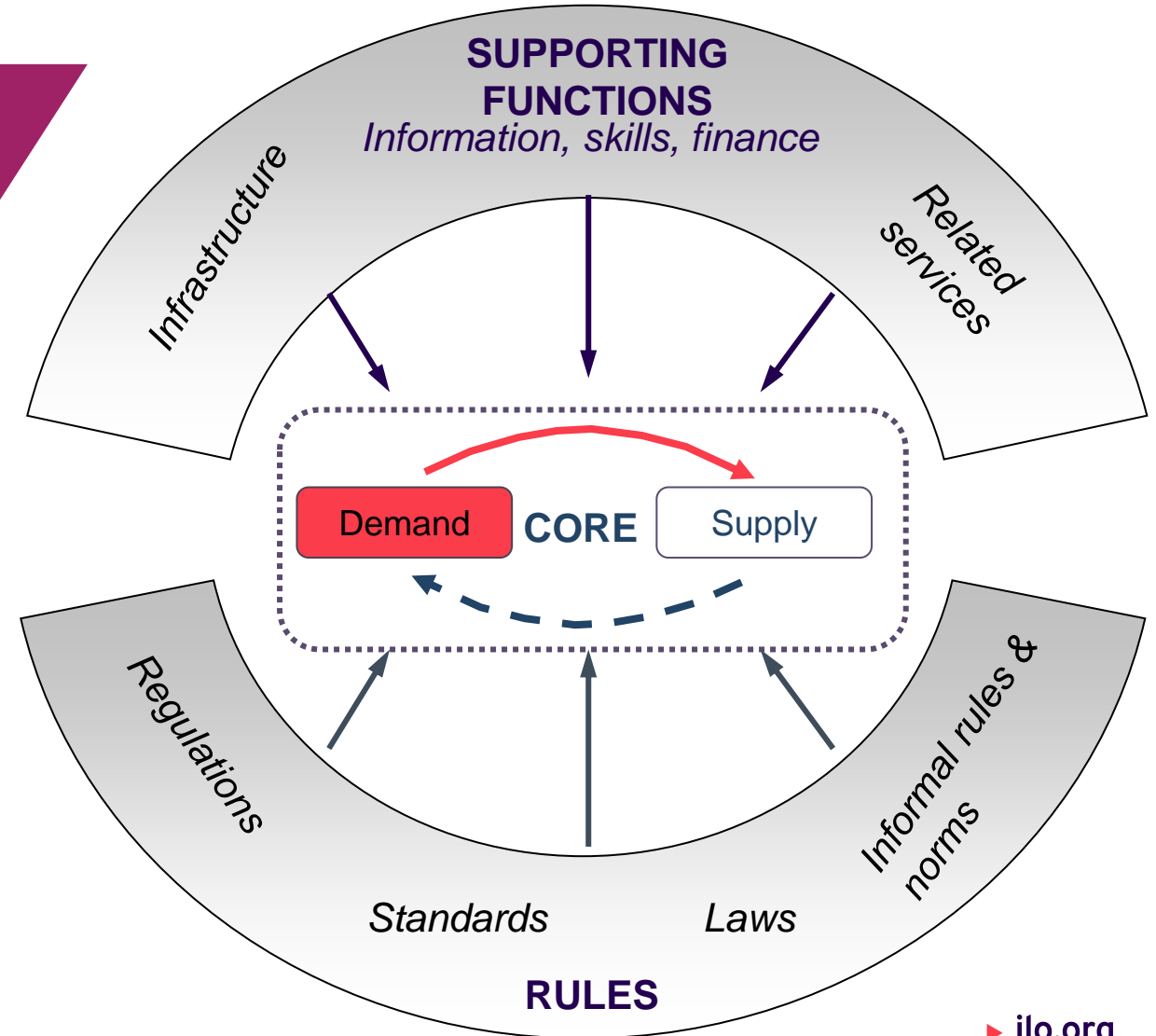
Mapping the value chain: Identifying which deficits are most relevant



1. How is the system not working (in terms of DW and environmental outcomes)?

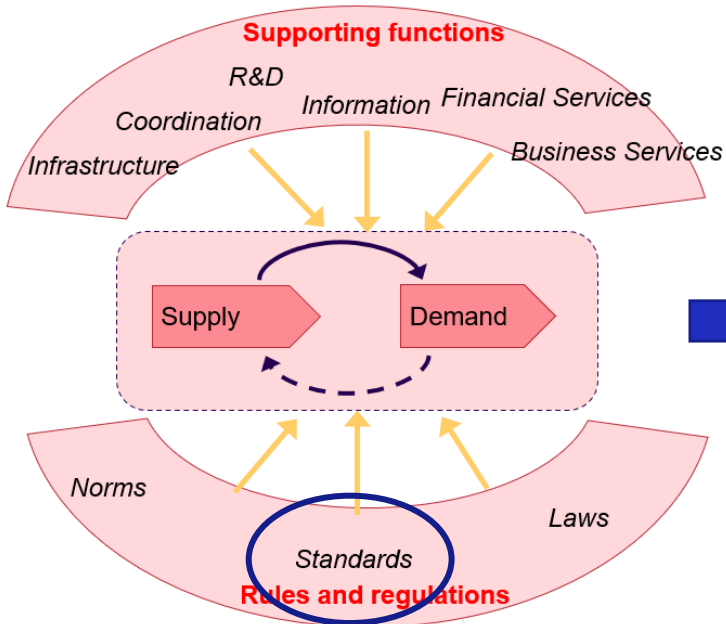
2. Which support systems are important?

3. Why are these systems not working?

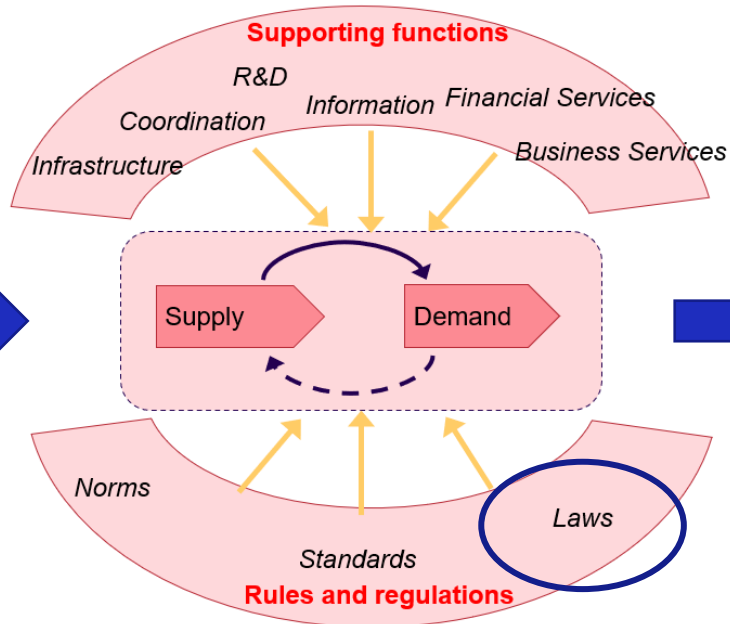


Digging into root causes: analyzing sub-systems

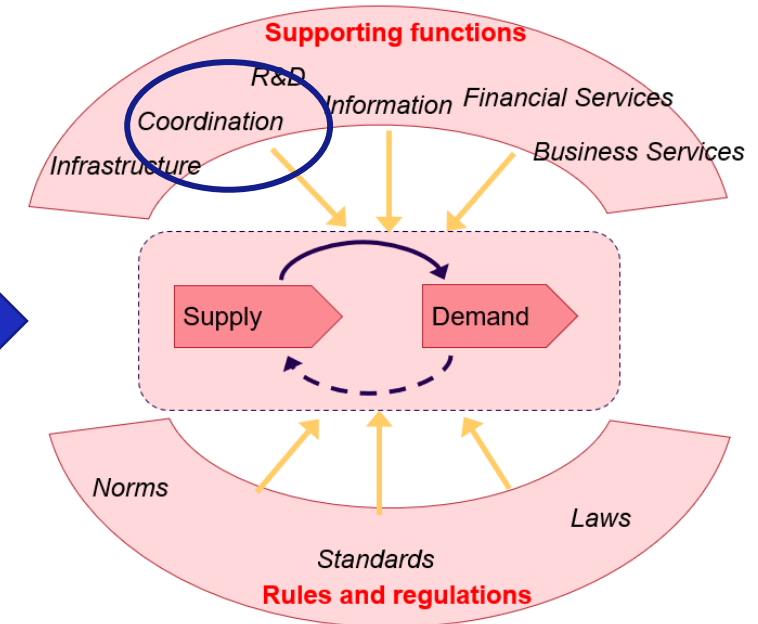
Green construction VC



Green construction standards



Certification body regulations



Green MSA Exercise: Welcome back to Pango!

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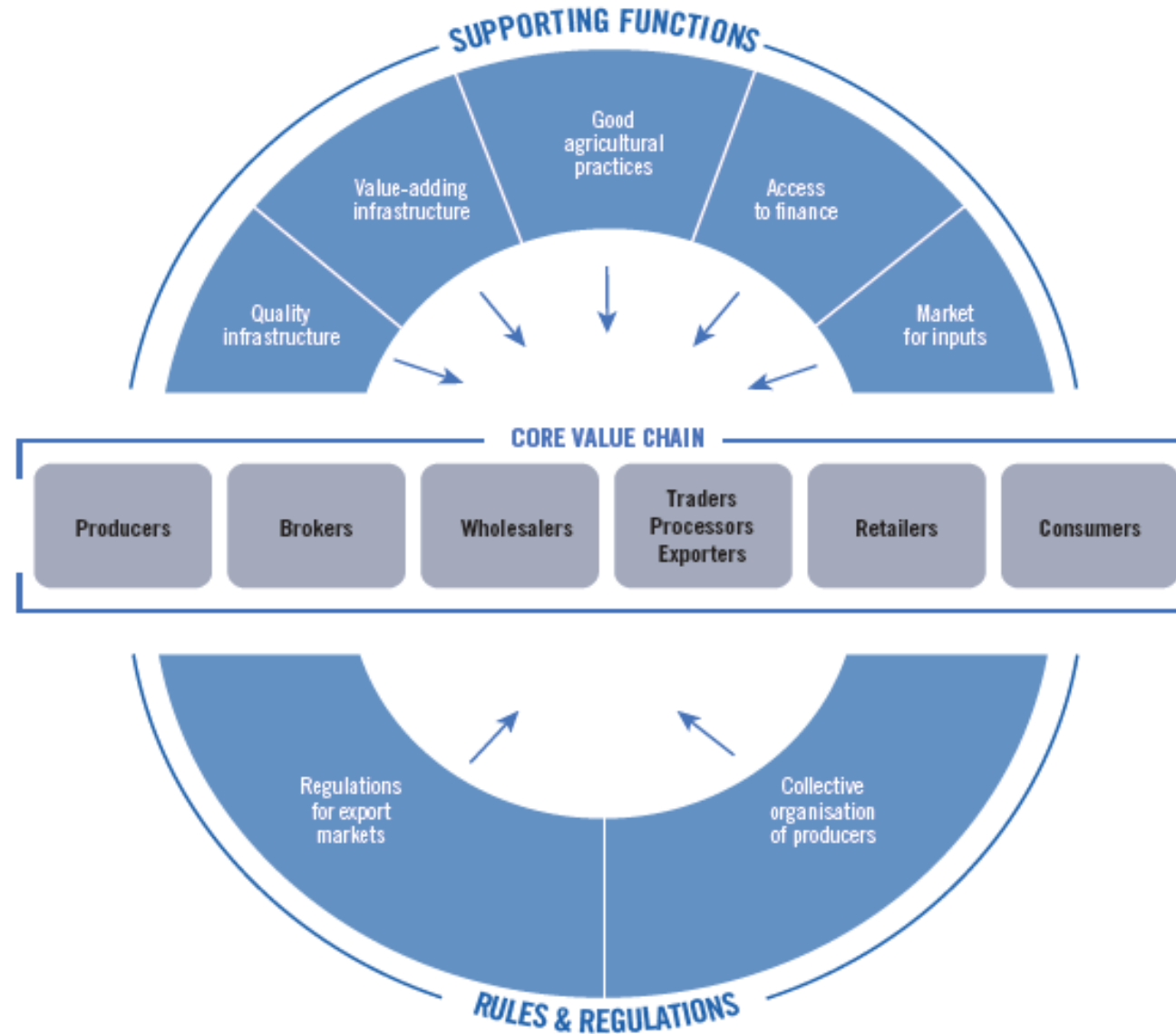
OBJECTIVE: Promoting **entrepreneurship and job creation** in the **horticulture sector**, especially for **women and youth**, while also **promoting the climate resilience** of these jobs



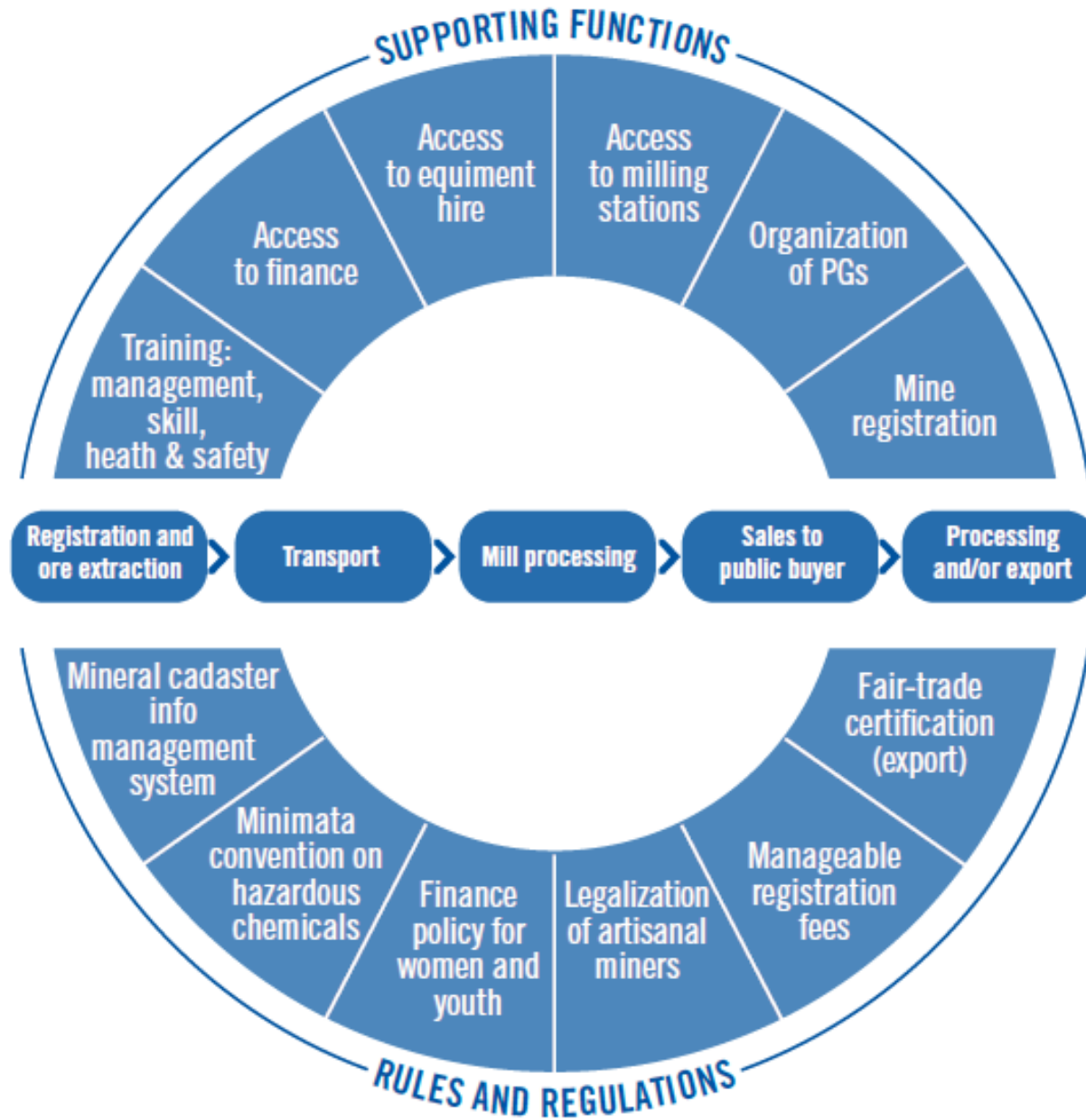
- **Better Jobs for a Better Environment**

OBJECTIVE: Promoting **job quality** improvements in the **artisanal mining sector**, especially among **youth**, while making sure interventions also help **reduce environmental degradation**

Horticulture market system in Shan State, Myanmar



Artisanal gold mining market system in Zimbabwe



▶ Key lessons: What differs in green MSAs?

Value chain mapping: Life cycle (vs VC) environmental deficits

- ▶ **Locate and understand environmental deficits** including their relationship to DW deficits is key to advancing synergies!
- ▶ **Look at whole life cycle of products** (e.g. mine closure, consumption level waste)
- ▶ **And don't discount indirect impacts outside your scope** where significant environmental deficits may lie!

Root cause analysis: A similar approach

- ▶ **Identify key sub-systems** and how they are underperforming
- ▶ **Analyze sub-systems** to identify root causes by analyzing sub-systems

▶ Green business models

RECONOMY example

**Sustainable models in textiles and
apparel sectors**

Climate-resilient development

Green and Inclusive Transition

Mitigation /
Decarbonization

Adaptation / Disaster Risk
Reduction

Key Barriers and
Enablers for Change

Transition Risks

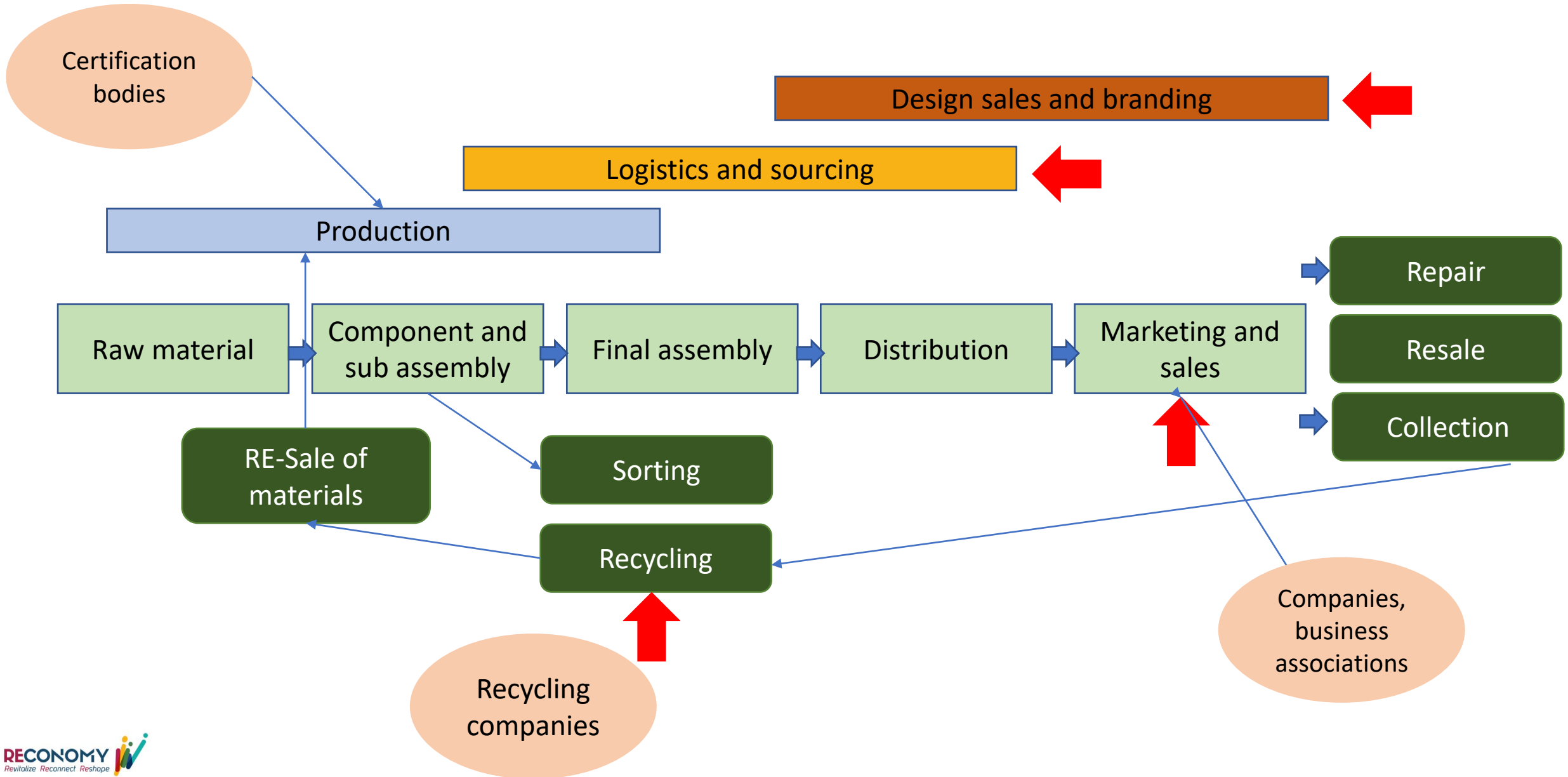
Physical Climate Risks

Business-related and societal
risks resulting from transition to
net-zero economy

Awareness	Capacity
Resources	Practices

Risks resulting from climate
variability and extreme weather
events

Sustainable models in textiles and apparel sectors



What: relevance and focus?

- Global energy crisis
- Political turbulence in the region
- Disrupted value chains
- Changing policy environment and regulations
- Consumer behaviours

How: systems for services, competencies and influences?

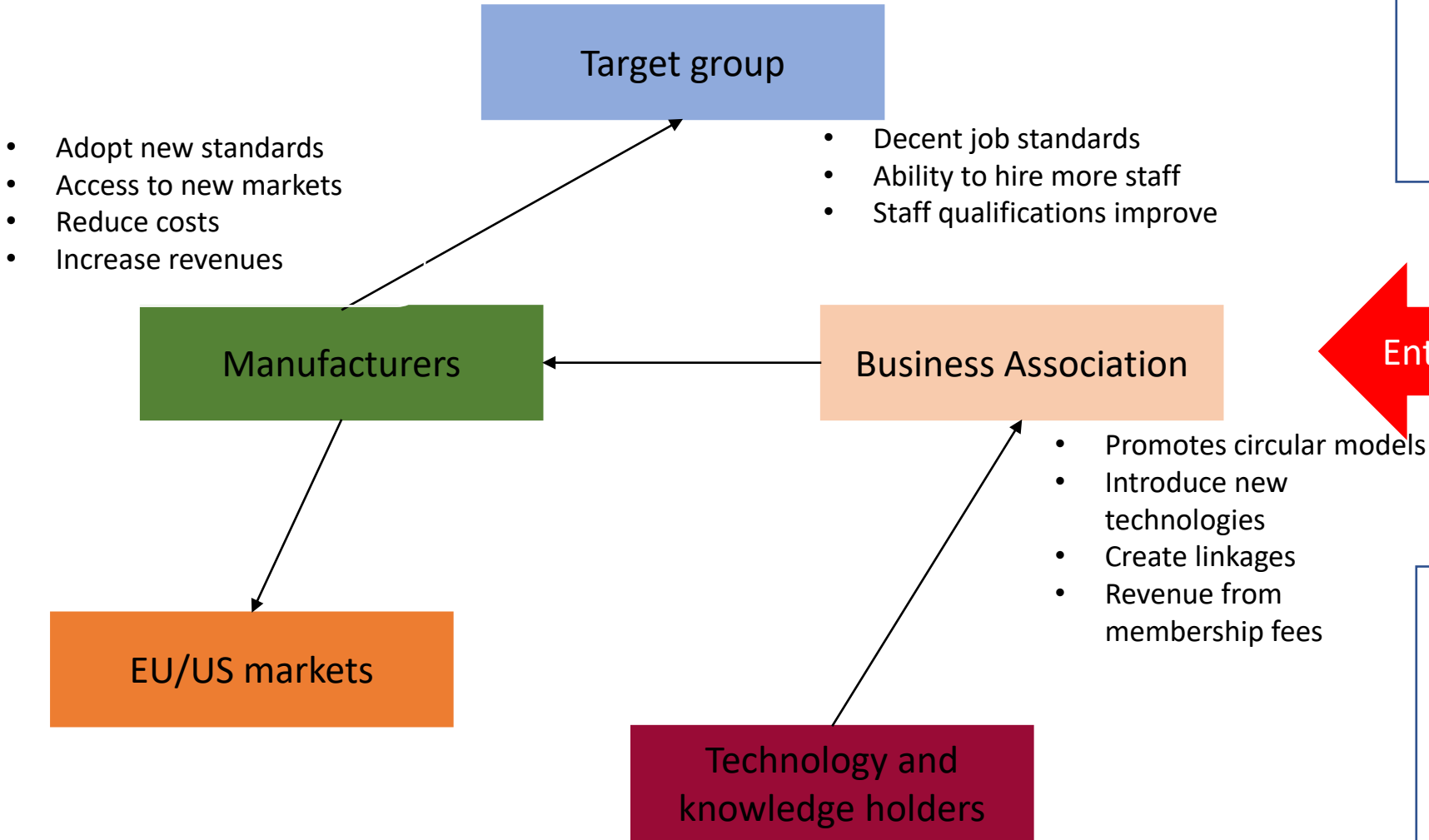
- Industry associations unable to respond to the needs of the private sector
- Lack of connection to the higher value markets
- Conducive regulatory framework
- Access to finance (affordable)

Why: the systems underperform

- Lack of knowledge on the trends and changes in the system.
- Lack of collaboration between manufacturers and knowledge holders
- Lack of understanding of a business case in circular / environmentally sustainable business models and adequate technology (size and scale)
- Firms lack knowledge on existing good practices in production and trade, infrastructure and 5R possibilities (Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle models)

Example of collaborating with Associations in the textiles sector

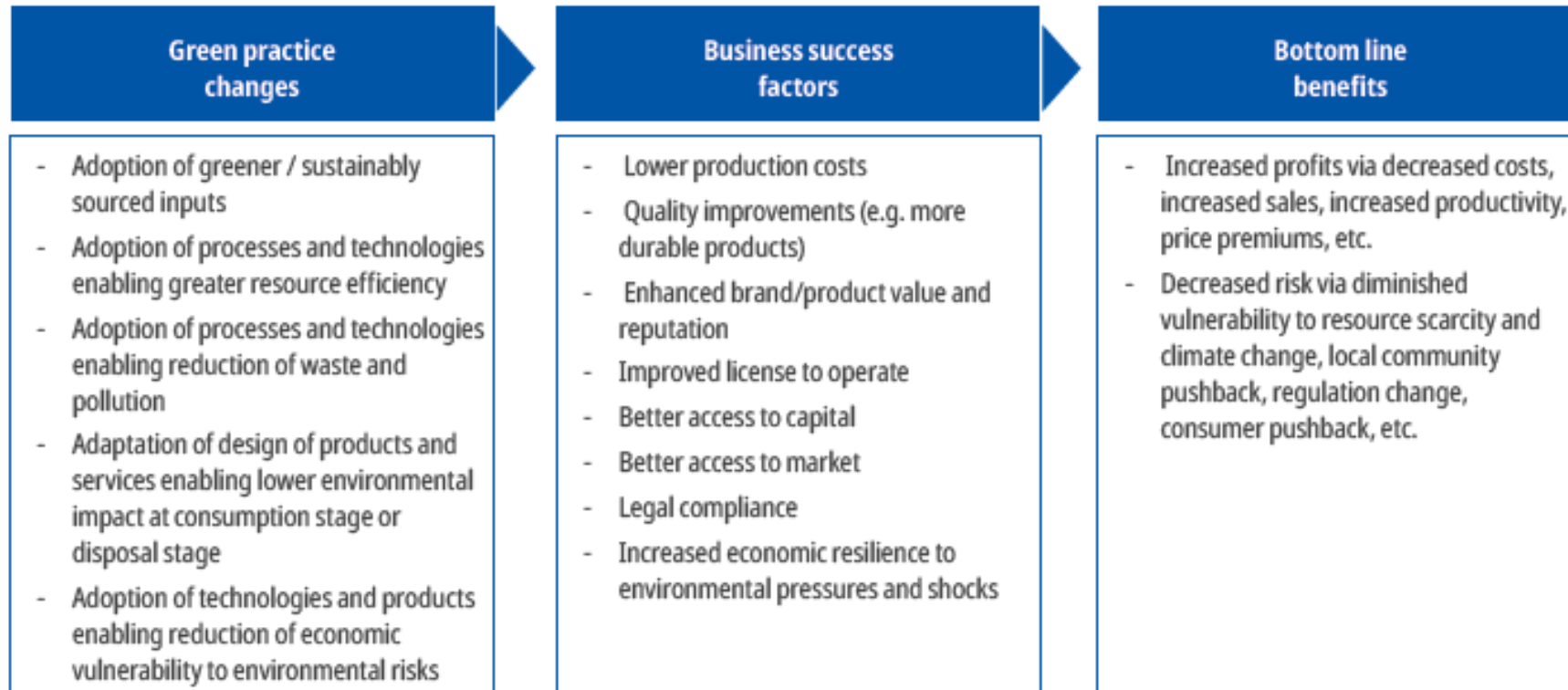
Problem statement:
Upcoming legal framework changes might displace existing processors
Disrupted value chains influence the shrinking of the market share



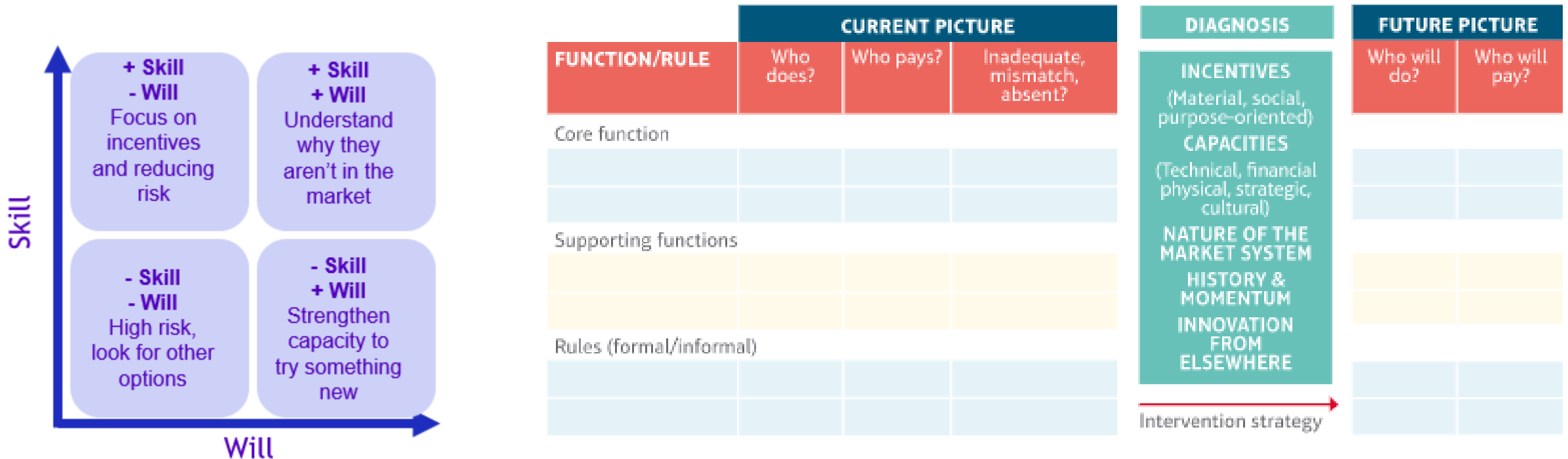
Entry point

Outcome :
Environmentally sustainable and competitive enterprises in the textile and apparel sector

Green business models: Underlying driving forces



Local ownership in the market system (not just in the core value chain)



► «Economic» upgrading vs «environmental» upgrading

- **Environment-friendly material and energy inputs:** Use inputs that are sustainably extracted / produced and that naturally generate less pollution and waste
- **Resource efficiency:** Decrease the total amount of material and energy inputs used
- **Reduction of pollution and waste:** Make products that are more durable, easier to repair, recycle or dispose of
- **Managing and distributing environmental risk:** Reduce likelihood and (economic) impact of disruptions caused by environmental conditions

- **Functional:** Increasing the range of functions or changing the mix of activities to higher-value tasks
- **Channel:** Diversifying to new buyers or new geographic or product markets
- **Product:** Shifting to more sophisticated products with higher unit prices.
- **Process:** Reorganizing the production system or introducing new technologies to gain efficiency



▶ Results frameworks for situating the impact of green MSD initiatives

Green Jobs and Skills: Problem Description

Problem Area	Challenges
No commonly adopted approach to define and measure green(er) jobs and skills at international, EU or national levels + development aid	Lack of coordination and inconsistent methodologies; lack of shared understanding between donors and implementers
Available spectrum from very narrow approach to very broad	Either underreporting and limiting the areas for intervening OR confusion in justification of what and why is really green
Complexity of change and reflection on a) level of "greenness", b) hard/soft skills differences	Lack of methodologies and data (ESCO and O-NET provide only partial classification, GreenComp is too broad), highly-time consuming analysis

Definitions: Green Jobs/Green Skills

The **sectoral approach** - all jobs in the “green” sectors. In this case, the assumption is made that all jobs within the selected sector are “green”.

The **skills-based approach** relies on the skills (technical and transversal) which may contribute to “greening the economy”.

Examples:

Women and youth:

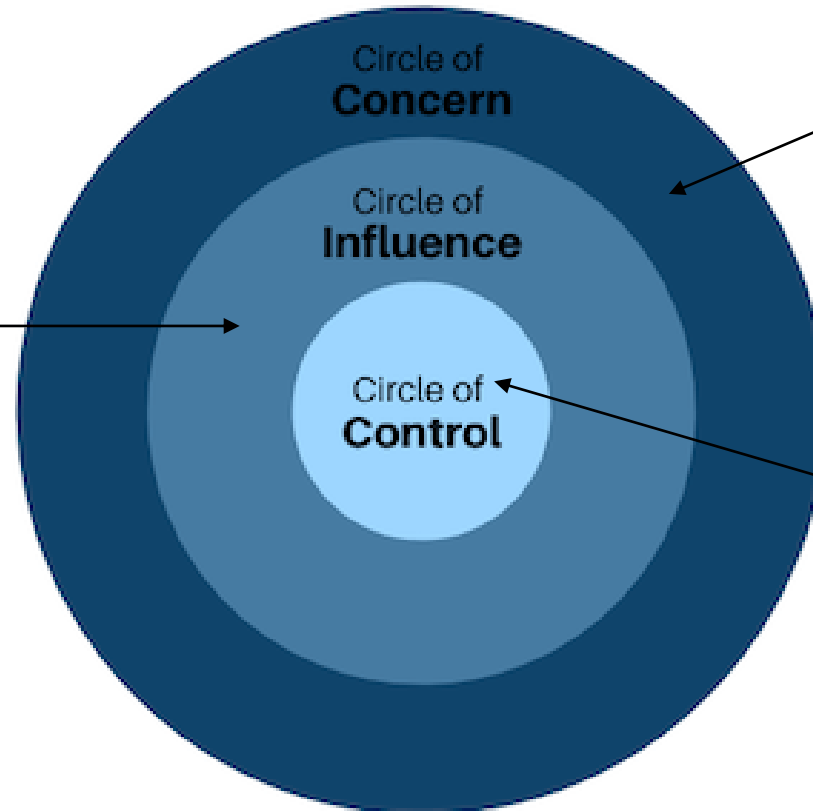
- working in the garment industry (skills-based)
- working in the fashion and design industry (skills-based)
- who undergone the skills development programs on designing, installing, maintaining energy-efficient solutions (sector-based)
- involved in the promotion (marketing and sales) of the sustainable production (skills-based)

MRM in MSD programs

**Systemic change
Outcome level**

Market actors

Observation
Surveys
Focus groups
In-depth interviews
Evaluations



Impact level

Beneficiaries

Surveys
Multiplier studies
Focus groups
Available Statistics
Proxies
Cost-benefit analysis

**Activity level
Output level**

Partners

Activity reports
Field visits
In-depth interviews

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► Possible topics for discussion

- **Contribution of greener MSD approaches to which results areas (e.g. Sida markers, SDGs, etc.)?** And what added value for MSD in advancing such results areas?
- **Project-level MRM vs higher level objectives?** Feasibility concerns and who in the development cooperation landscape should contribute to what in improving the way MRM is done?
- **Direct, indirect, induced environmental impact** (like for jobs)? Questions of causality and how to think about green systemic change?
- **Reporting vs MRM for adaptive management** in green MSD projects? Monitoring impacts and outcomes vs outputs? And is it the same as in a “standard” MSD project?



Conclusion

▶ Ticket out

- ▶ **On a post-it note, tell us what you learned today that can be applied to your job.**
- ▶ **On a second tell us what should be explored / worked on going forward**