



GIAHS

Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems



Globally Important AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE SYSTEMS GIAHS

From Concept to Implementation

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FEW WORDS ABOUT WAHF

An International NGO, Similar to IFLA, ICOMOS or ICCROM in the context of World Heritage Convention of UNESCO, to Support FAO and GIAHS in its mission:

- **Technical Assistance**
- **Fund Raising,**
- **Education & Training**
- **Advocacy**



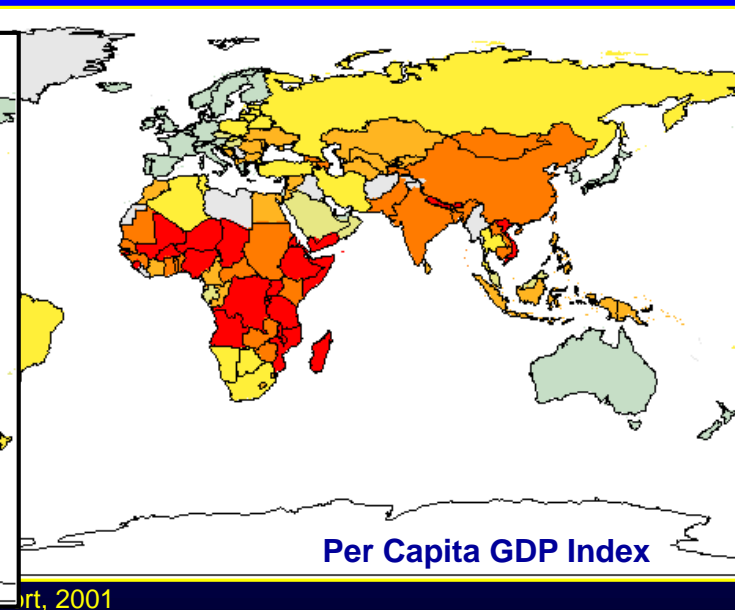
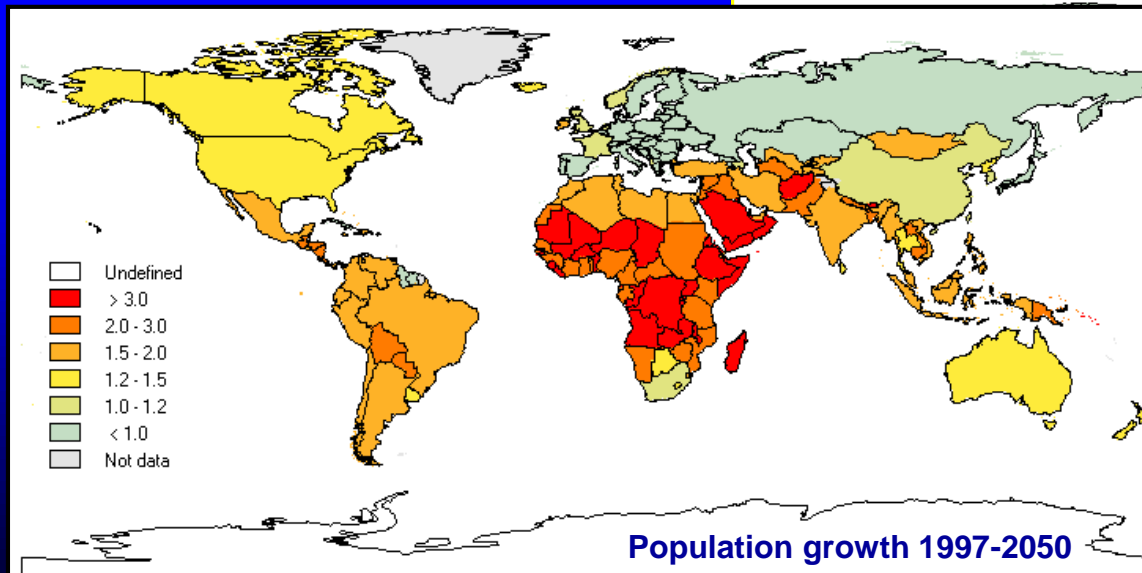
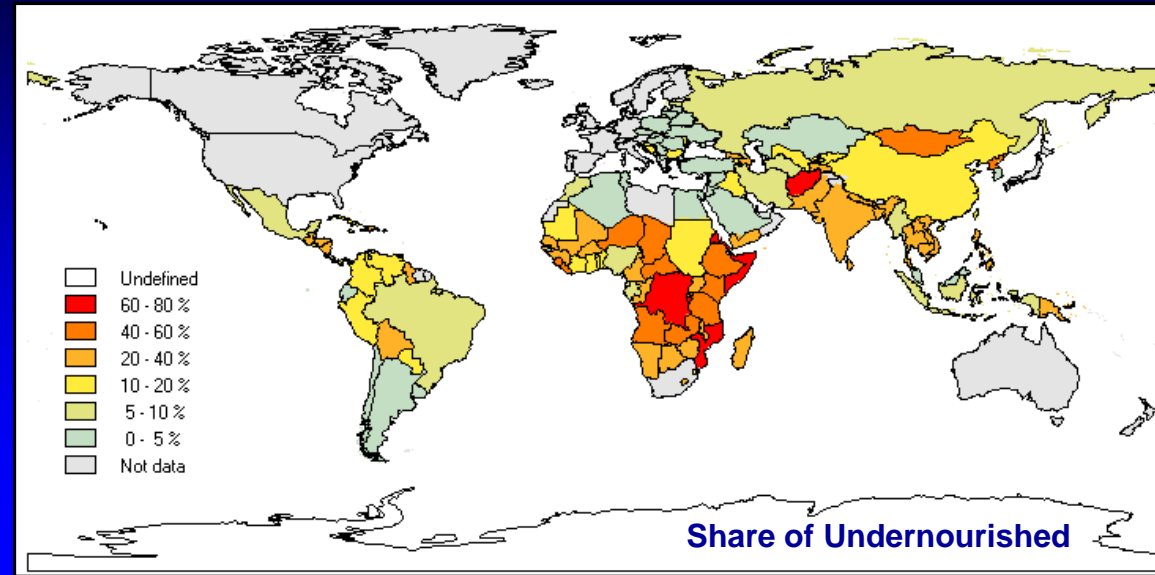
Current Food System

- Over 7 billion people more than half of them in the cities
- Near 1 billion have too little to eat
- 1.6 billion eat too much
- Wasting $> 30\%$ of food



Food Security and Climate Change

Those with least resources have least capacity to adapt and are most vulnerable



Food Security and Public Health

non-communicable diseases

China

more meat, oil in diet

overweight 25.4%

obesity in some cities: 20.0%

Japan

obesity: 20%*

3x increase (1962-2015)

USA

overweight: 70.8

obesity: 33.0

UK

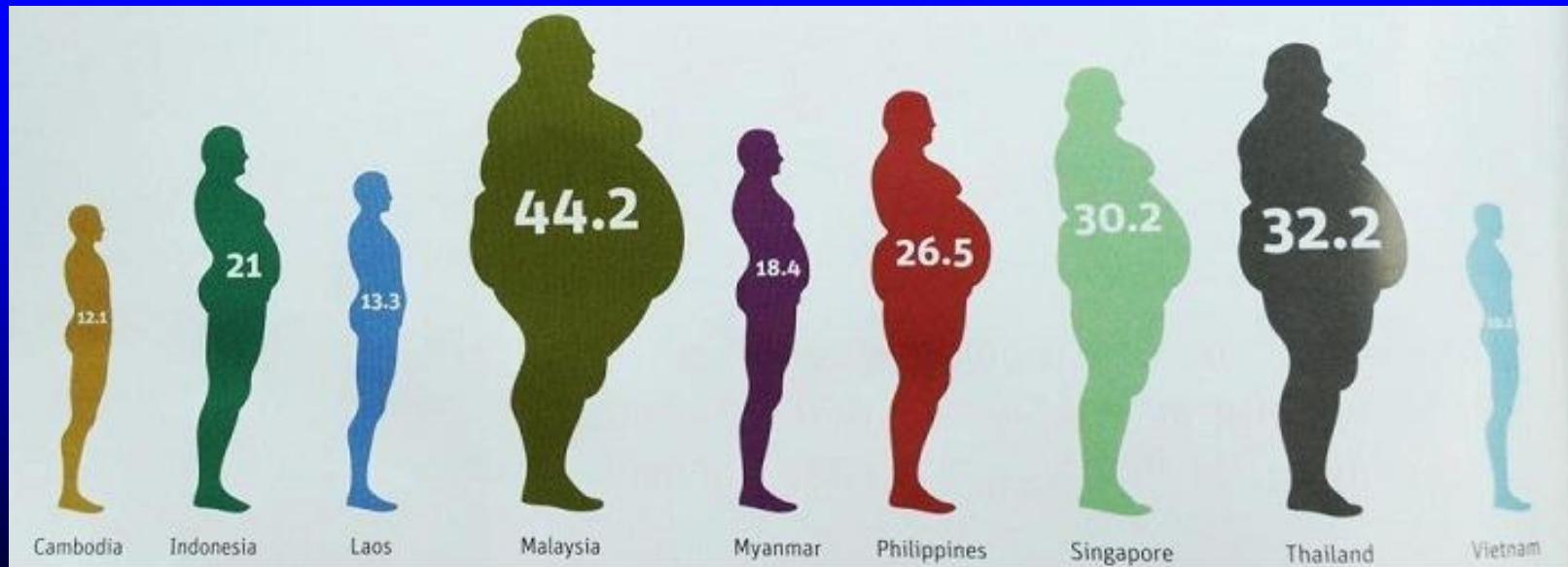
overweight: 64.2

obesity: 26.9

Thailand

overweight: 32.3%

obesity: 8.8%



Food insecurity Changing Diet, Nutrition, health

Hidden hunger:

Missing micronutrients:

- **More than 2 billion worldwide mostly women and children**

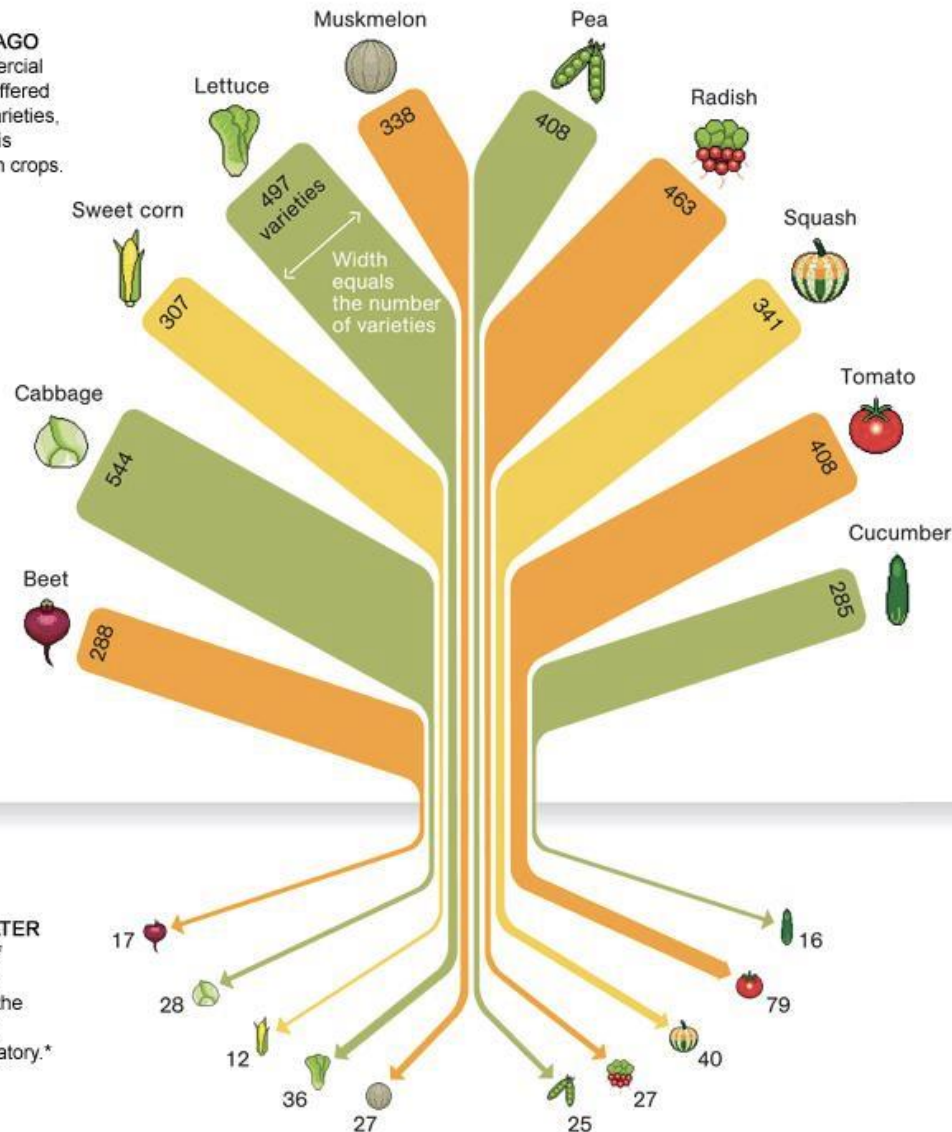
Too much to eat: More than 1.4 Billion

- **Type 2 diabetes, obesity, heart disease, cancers, etc.**

Loss of Diversity and Plant Genetic resources

A CENTURY AGO

In 1903 commercial seed houses offered hundreds of varieties, as shown in this sampling of ten crops.



80 YEARS LATER

By 1983 few of those varieties were found in the National Seed Storage Laboratory.*

* CHANGED ITS NAME IN 2001 TO THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR GENETIC RESOURCES PRESERVATION

JOHN TOMANIO, NGM STAFF. FOOD ICONS: QUICKHONEY
SOURCE: RURAL ADVANCEMENT FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL

(Sustainability Lexicon)
(RAFI 2009)

Some of this precious top soil is being washed away, and in so doing releases carbon back into the atmosphere.

Each winter their fields sit idle for months at a time. Since no cover crop is planted, the soil is left bare and vulnerable to erosion.

Loss of Rice diversity



Loss of Potato Diversity



Loss of Functional Biodiversity



Biodiversity is: “The life insurance policy
for life itself”



Towards 2050... food requirements

+60%

globally

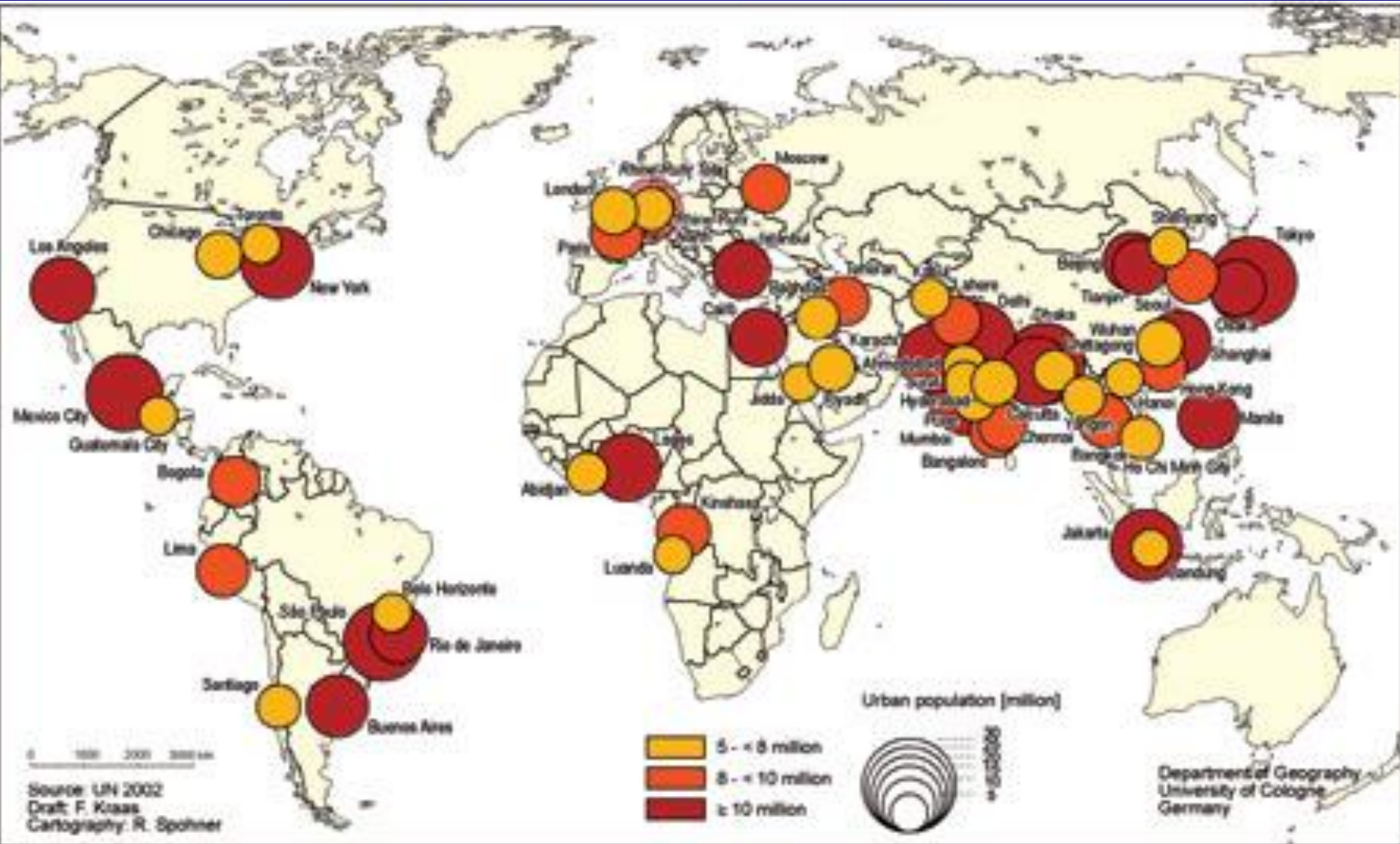
+100%

in developing
countries

food
production
needs



Feeding Megacities

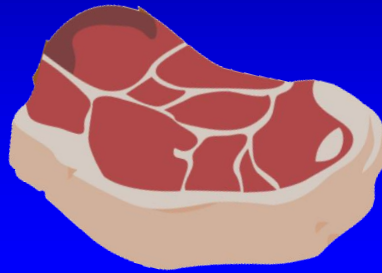


changing diets and Water

Product

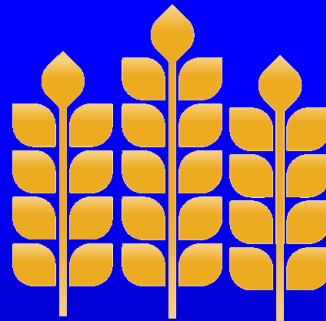
liter/kg

beef



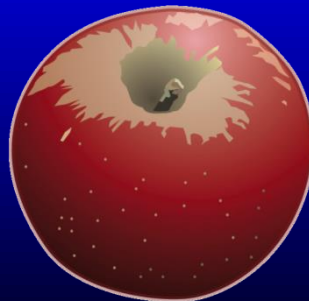
15 000

cereal




1 500

fruit



1 000

The Challenges Ahead Require: A Paradigm Shift in Agricultural Development and Food Policies



**addressing Poverty
food security, health and
nutrition problems**

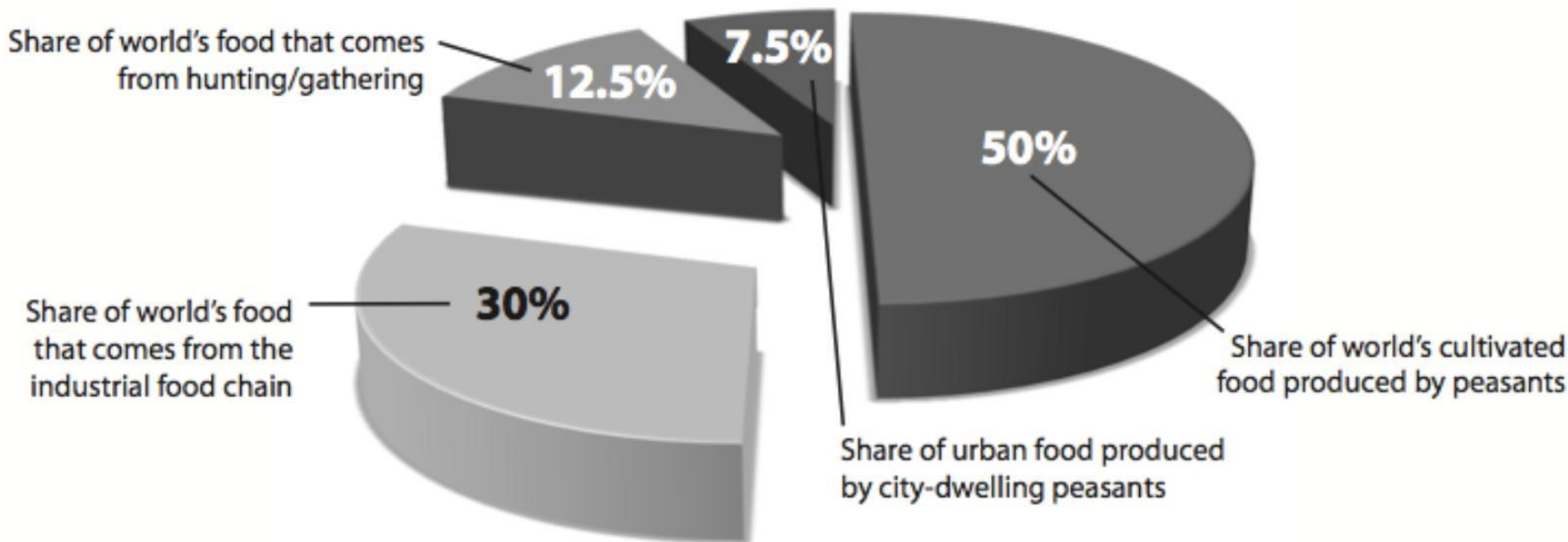
**While
Sustaining Natural
Resources Base and
facing C.C.**

A major Challenge and opportunity: Small holders and Family Farming

- Produce the bulk of the global food (more than 70%)**
- Are the largest number of Guardians of environment and its services including biodiversity,**
- Higher and sustainable productivity increase at their level will have a major impact on poverty reduction, economic growth and climate change mitigation and adaptation :Win Win Win ...**

Who feeds us today???

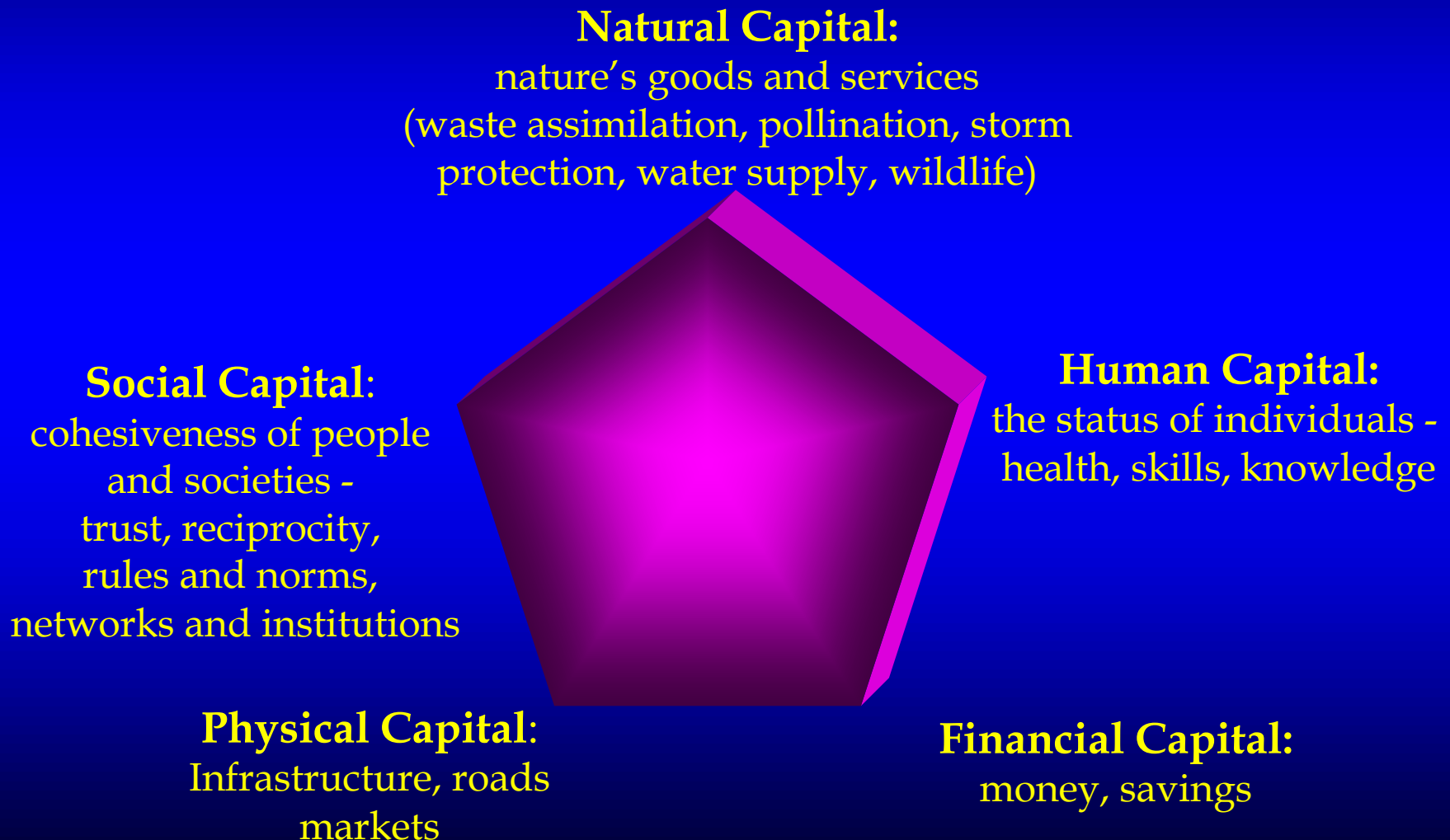
Peasants Feed at Least 70% of the World's Population



Need for Sustainable Food System

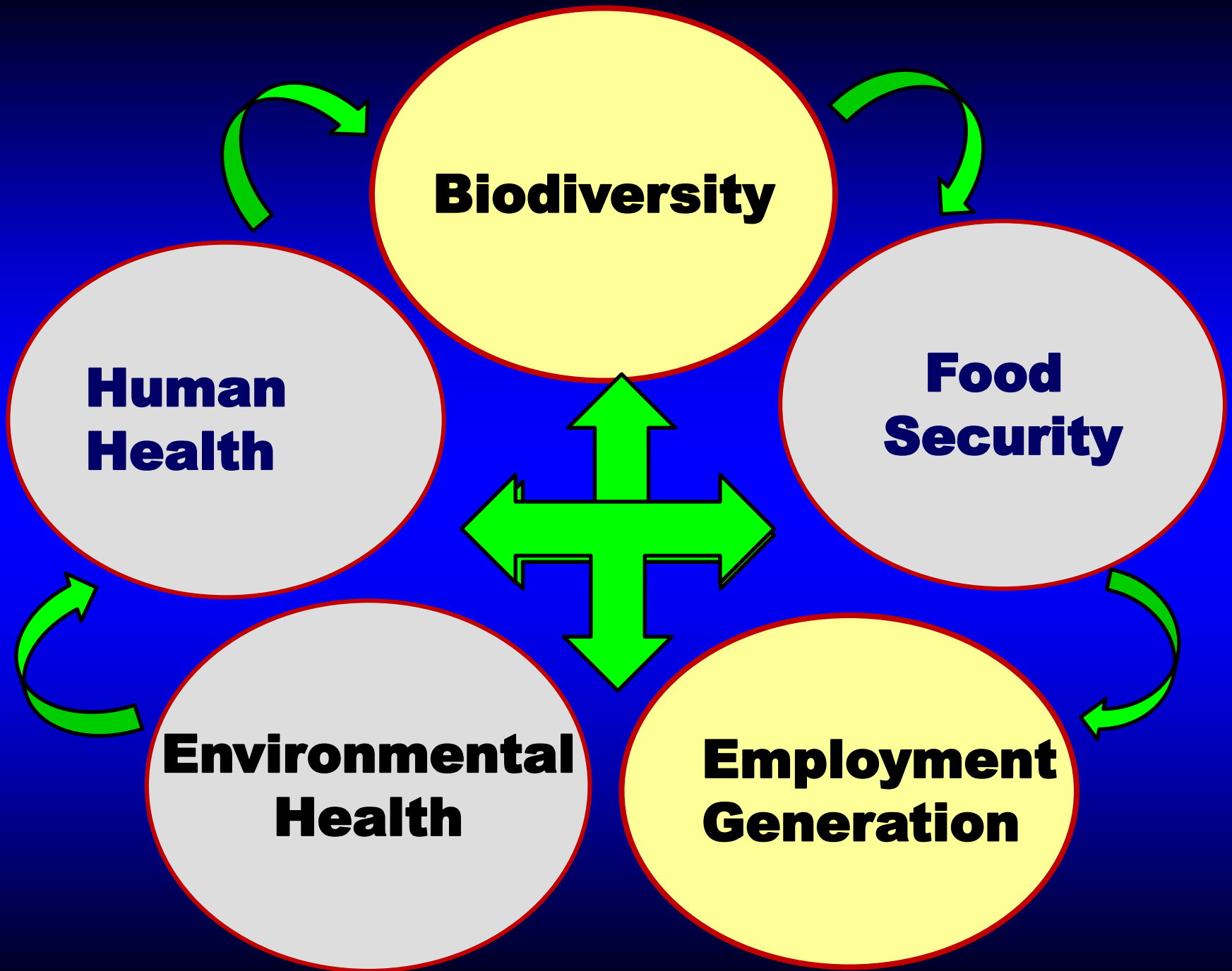


Investing in All Assets of Rural Systems (livelihoods, communities, economies)



Bringing together

- **Ecosystem Diversity**
- **Socio-economic Diversity**
- **Cultural Diversity**
- **Culinary Diversity**
- **Curative Diversity**

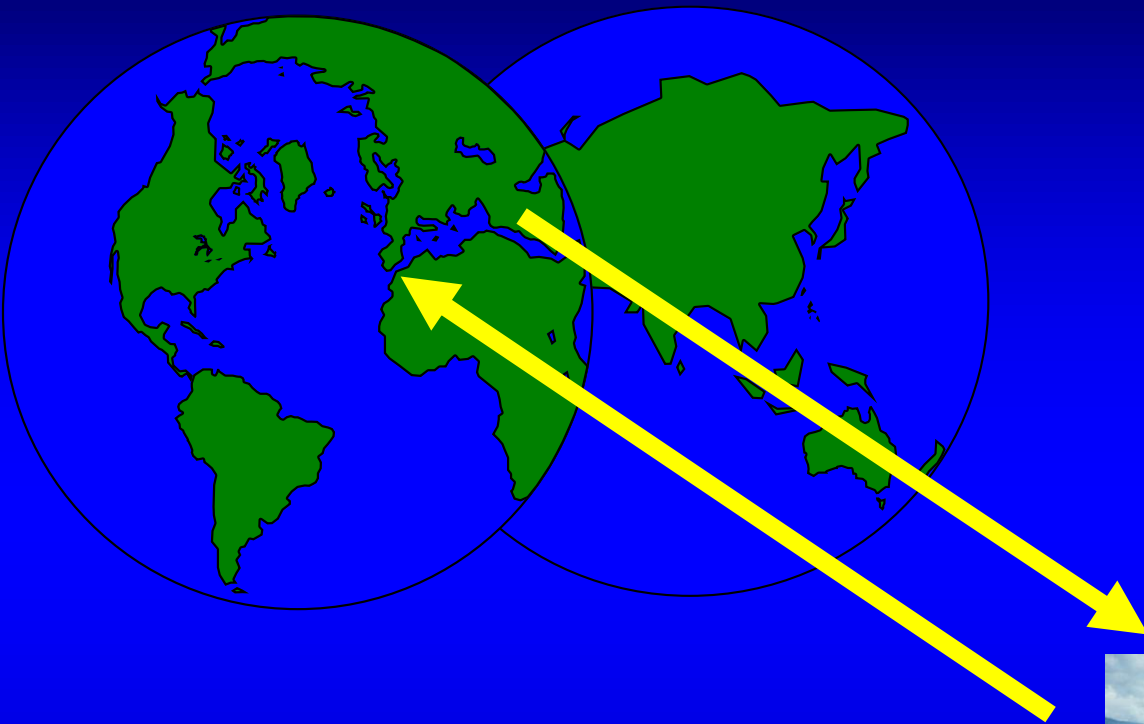


Bringing Culture in Agri-Culture

**Culture is:
Standing on
the shoulders
of ancestors**



Linking Global to local



and local to global



Using Agro-ecological strategies



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graph TD; A[Using Agro-ecological strategies] --> B[Polycultures]; A --> C[Animal integration]; A --> D[Rotations]; A --> E[Green manures]; A --> F[Organic amendments];
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Polycultures

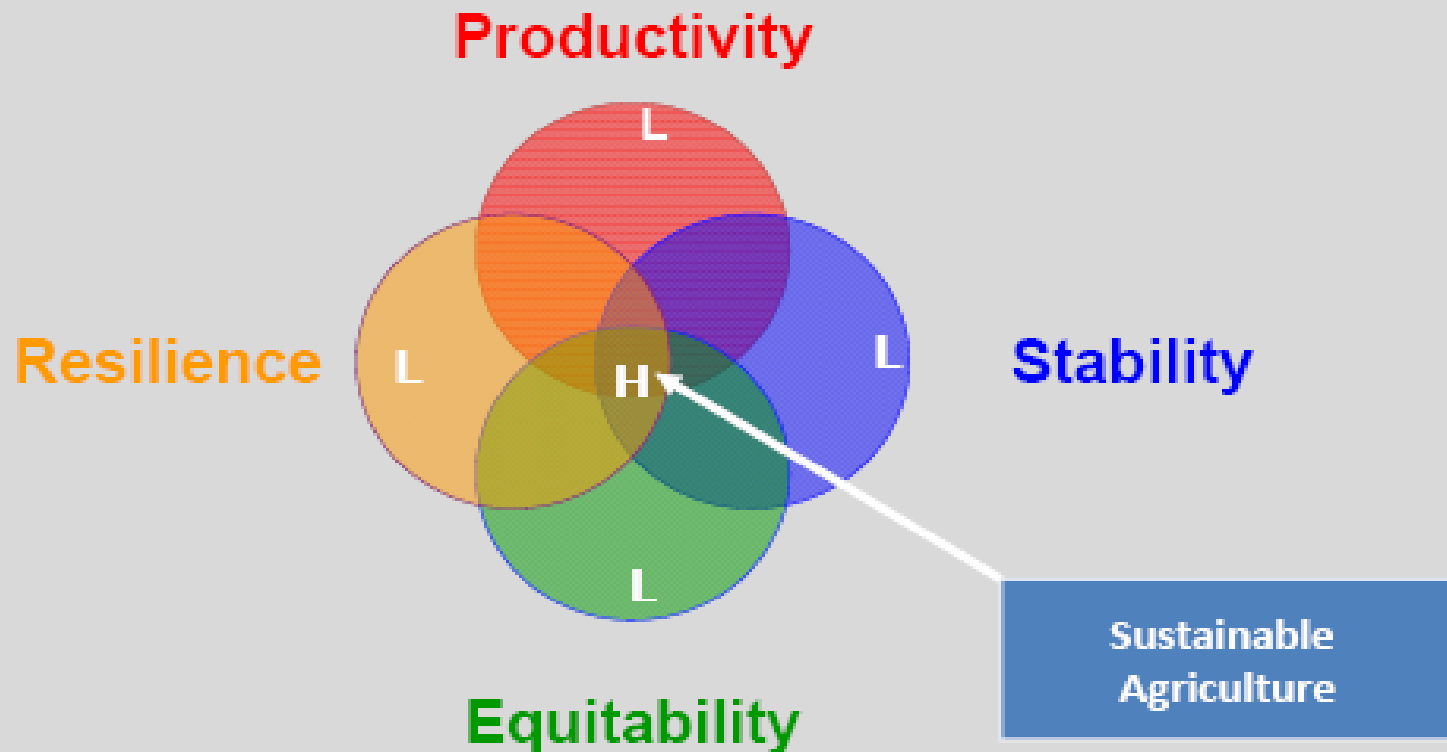
**Animal
integration**

Rotations

Green manures

**Organic
amendments**

Minimising the trade-offs



Source: G Conway, 2009

Empowering women and Working with local communities

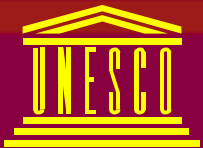


Intensification without Simplification



Conservation and Adaptive management of

GLOBALLY IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE SYSTEMS



UNITED NATIONS
UNIVERSITY

What are GIAHS?

“Remarkable Land Use Systems and landscapes which are rich in biological diversity evolving from the co-adaptation of a community and their needs and aspirations for sustainable development with its environment (FAO, 2002)”



Unique Agricultural Heritage Systems at risk





China Rice Fish system

Ifugao Rice Terraces, Philippines



Oases of the Maghreb



Saffron Heritage System



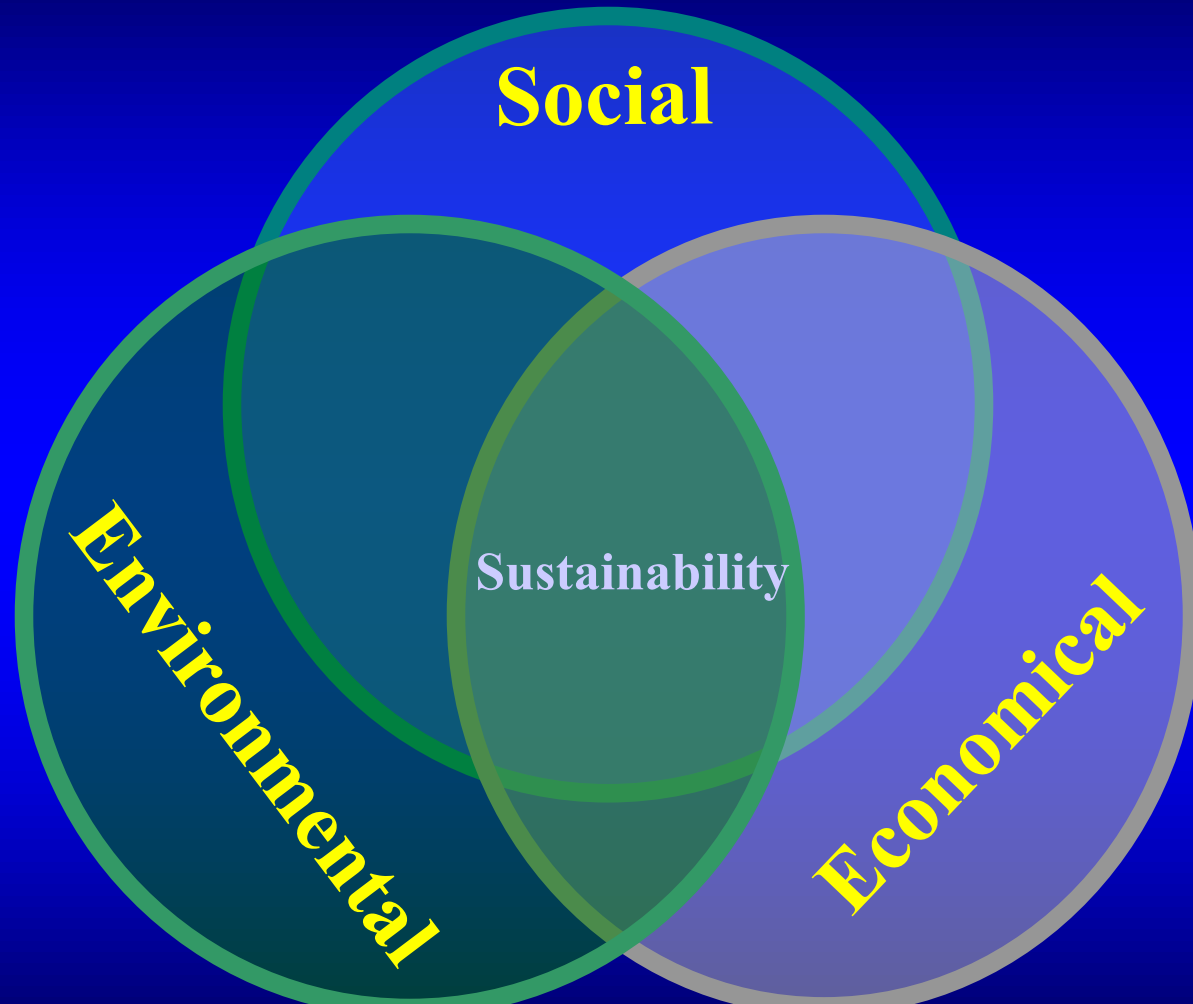


Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia

Satoyama systems Japan



GIAHS Contributions to Post 2015 Sustainable Development Agenda



Cultural

Values, traditions, behaviors, relationship

Mission

To identify, support and safeguard
**Globally Important Agricultural Heritage
Systems** and their livelihoods, agricultural
and associated biodiversity, knowledge
systems, cultures and landscapes
around the world

Strategic Objective

➤ At Global level

Identification, selection and recognition of GIAHS

➤ At National level

Capacity building in policy, regulatory and incentive mechanisms to safeguard these outstanding systems and use them as sustainability bench mark systems

➤ At Local Level

Empowerment of local communities and technical assistance for sustainable resource management, promoting traditional knowledge and enhancing viability of these systems through economic incentives

GIAHS CRITERIA



⇒ **Food and livelihood security**



⇒ **Biodiversity and genetic resources**

⇒ **Indigenous and Local knowledge of individuals and community**

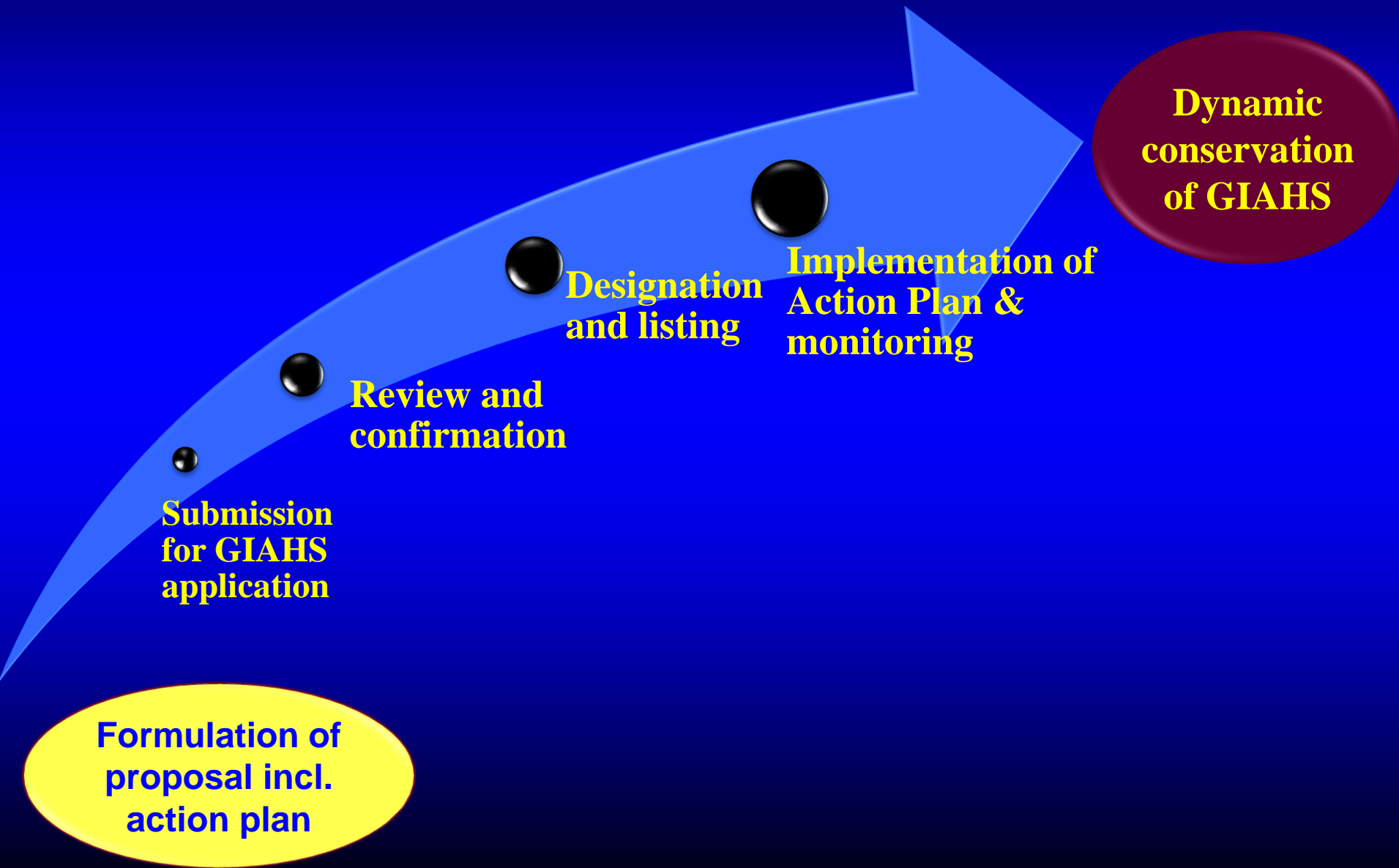


⇒ **Cultural Diversity of Agri-“Culture” including product and service diversity**



⇒ **Landscape diversity and aesthetic values**

Way to GIAHS recognition



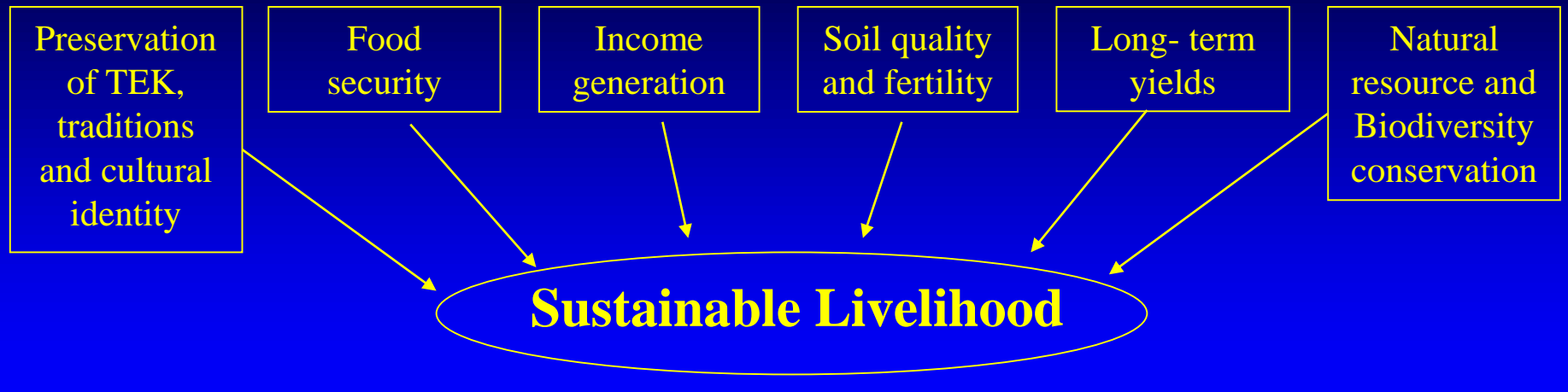
Dynamic Conservation

**HOW to convert
Good and Services of
GIAHS
into marketable incomes
and better livelihoods?**

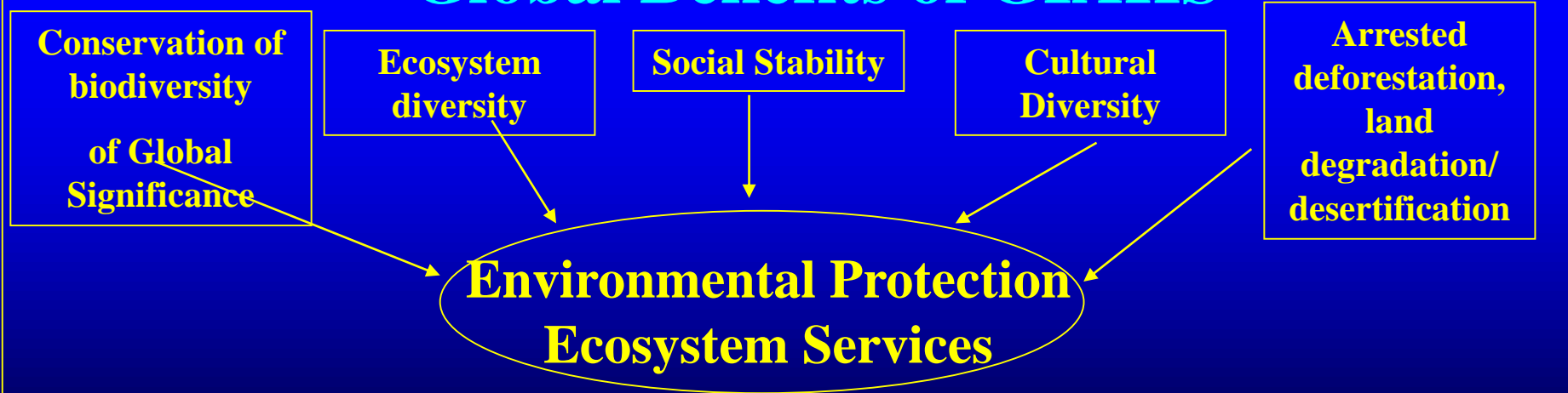


Recognition of Farmers, Recognition of their important contribution to their sustainable livelihood through GIAHS

Local benefits of GIAHS



Global Benefits of GIAHS



A world map with a blue background and satellite-style imagery of landmasses. Red pins are placed on various countries to indicate specific sites. The pins are concentrated in South America (Brazil, Argentina), Africa (Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibia, South Africa), Europe (Spain, France, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Russia), and Asia (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, China, Japan, South Korea, North Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, and Australia).

50 Sites Recognised by FAO in 25 Countries



Many others waiting the recognition

GIAHS sets up a new win-win model

Food labeling and niche market in China



Agri-Tourism (Attractions: Natural Resources)

the extent to which GIAHS sites are used as the basis of local, national or international tourism

Tourism activities related to agriculture, forestry, food processing and rural areas such as :

- Ecotourism
- Garden tourism
- Village tourism
- Wine tourism
- Dairy tourism
- **RURAL TOURISM**



NIAHS Policy

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农业部文件

农企发〔2012〕4号

农业部关于开展中国重要农业文化遗产 发掘工作的通知

各省、自治区、直辖市及计划单列市休闲农业行政管理部门，新疆生产建设兵团农业局：

我国悠久灿烂的农耕文化历史，加上不同地区自然与人文的巨大差异，创造了种类繁多、特色明显、经济与生态价值高度统一的重要农业文化遗产。这些都是我国劳动人民凭借着独特而多样的自然条件和他们的勤劳与智慧，创造出的农业文化典范，蕴含着天人合一的哲学思想，具有较高历史文化价值。但是，在经济快速发展、城镇化加快推进和现代技术应用的过程中，由于缺乏系统有效的保护，一些重要农业文化遗产正面临着被破坏、被遗忘、被抛弃的危险。为加强我国重要农业文化遗产的挖掘、保护、传承和利

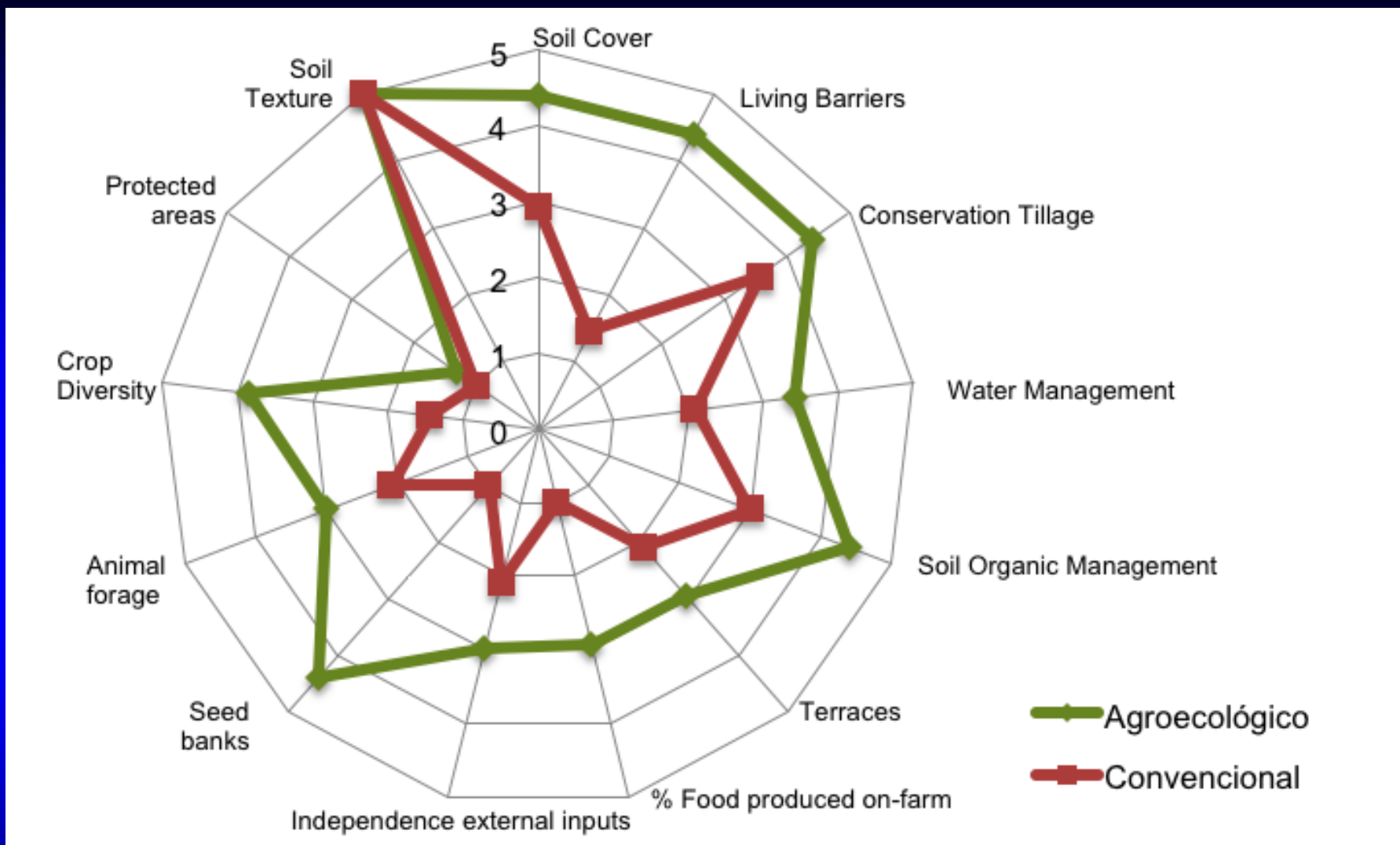
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重要农业文化遗产发掘工作座谈会



Geo-referencing and Geo-tagging Farmers' Heritage





Resiliency Comparason between GIAHS Agro-ecological and Conventional Farming

Crowd Sourcing



GIAHS is for Next Generation



Examples of linking modernisation with tradition



corn drill



harrow



disk plough



holeborer



ridger



harvester



trailer



mower



grader



thresher



raker



broadcaster



potato harvester



potato planter



rotovator

Thank you



Thank you



Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems
(GIAHS)

