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SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS



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FAO's Four betters

FAO is the custodian UN agency for 21 SDG indicators and a contributing agency for five more (out of a total of 230 SDG indicators)





FAO Regional Priorities - NENA

1

**Rural
transformation
and inclusive
value chains**

2

**Food security and
healthy diets for
all**

3

**Greening
agriculture,
water scarcity
and climate
action**

4

**Building resilience
to multiple shocks**



The Challenge

Achieving the transformation to sustainable agriculture is a major challenge. Changes will need to be made in a way that does not jeopardize the capacity of the agriculture sectors



A Global Transformation is needed now !

While climate change is but one driver of poverty and food insecurity, its impacts are expected to be substantial.

There is no simple “technological fix”. What is needed is a reorientation of agricultural and rural development policies that resets incentives and lowers the barriers to the transformation of food and agricultural systems.



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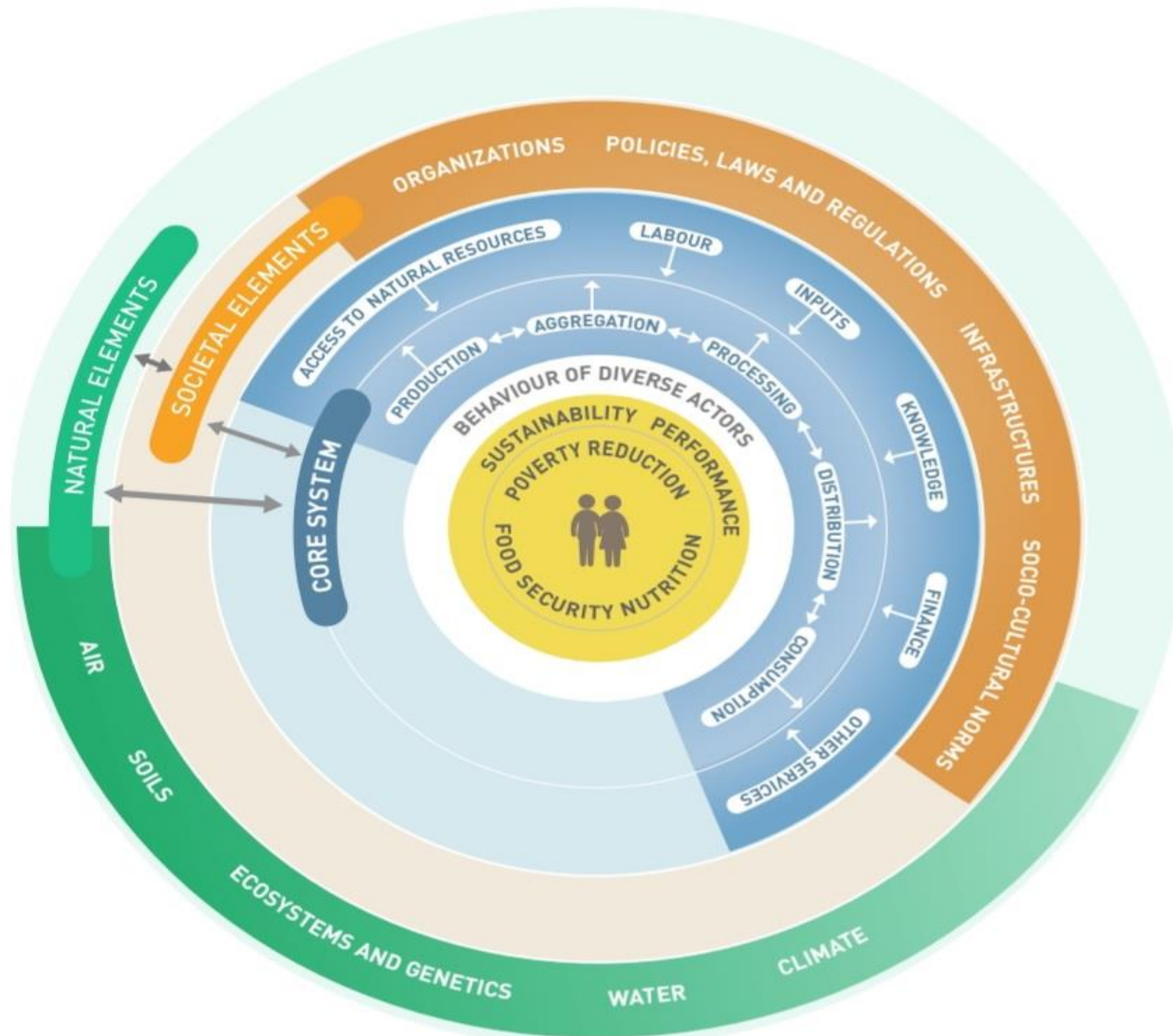
Sustainable food systems

SFS delivers food security and nutrition for all in such a way that the economic, social and environmental bases to generate food security and nutrition for future generations are not compromised





HOW IS THE FOOD SYSTEM STRUCTURED?



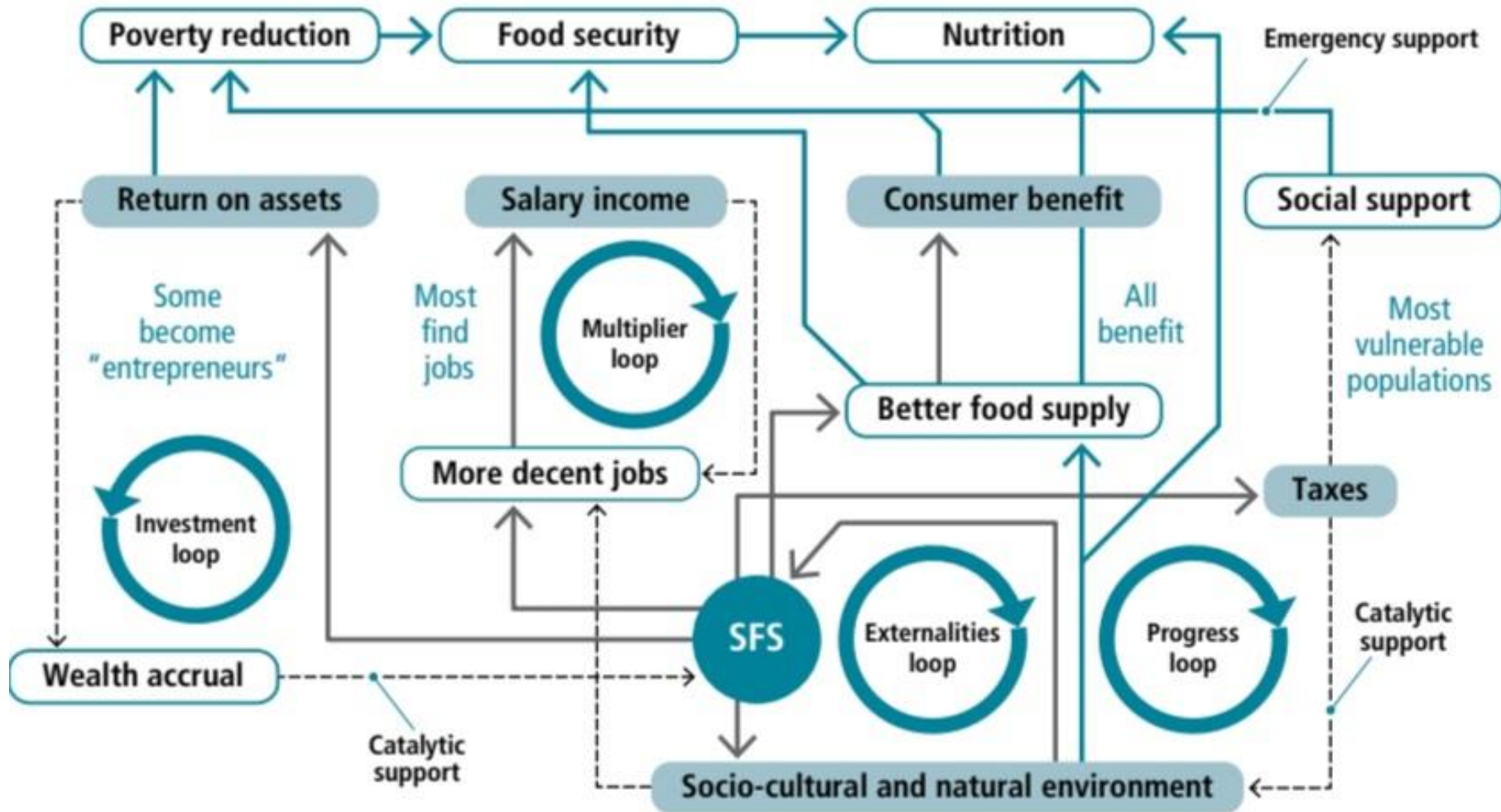


WHAT IS SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEM





THEORY OF CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT PARADIGM



→ Five pathways to value creation



HOW A FOOD SYSTEMS APPROACH CAN CONTRIBUTE TO FAO'S CORE ACTIVITY AREA

- AREA 1. Putting **data** within reach to support the transition to sustainable food systems
- AREA 2. Promoting evidence-based **policy** making and policy alignment
- AREA 3. Bolstering **public-private** collaboration in sustainable food systems development
- AREA 4. Facilitating local **knowledge**-building and knowledge-sharing
- AREA 5. Supporting countries in preventing and mitigating **risks**



NERC 37 Declaration 5 March 2024

- We note with concern the worsening challenges posed by climate change, water scarcity, soil erosion, and fluctuating climate patterns because of declining agricultural productivity.
- We acknowledge the need and increased focus on accelerating the transformation of our region's agricultural and food systems so that they become more efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable; It addresses the present and future challenges facing the region and accelerates progress towards achieving the sustainable development goals.
- We stress the importance and need to develop analytical systems for monitoring and reporting on food security and for making relevant policies based on evidence.



NERC 37 Declaration 5 March 2024

- We pledge to work towards transforming our agricultural and food systems through the adoption of comprehensive, multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder approaches with the participation of agricultural and food system actors and their representatives, civil society, academia and the private sector;
- We pledge to pursue integrated strategies for comprehensive rural transformation to promote decent rural employment opportunities, especially for youth and women, through regional development approaches and in view of the priorities of the Regional Action Plan for the United Nations Decade of Family Farming;



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Thank you