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Integrated Policy, SDGs, New change & Governance models

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Background

Report of the Secretary General on the Repositioning of the UNDS: the "muscle" for Resident Coordinators and a new generation of United Nations Country Teams to help countries to deliver the SDGs.

General Assembly Resolution on the Repositioning of the UNDS: takes note of the proposal to double inter-agency pooled funds to a total of $3.4 billion

General Assembly Resolution on the Repositioning of the UNDS: invites Member States to contribute, on a voluntary basis, to the capitalization of the Joint Fund for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at 290 million dollars per annum.

First Call for Concept notes / portfolio

Selected countries

LATIN AMERICA

- Argentina
- MCO Barbados
- Brazil
- Chile
- Costa Rica
- Ecuador
- Mexico

AFRICA

- Burkina Faso
- Congo - Brazzaville
- Gabon
- Kenya
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mauritania
- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- Sao Tome and Principe
- Somalia
- South Africa
- Tanzania

EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA

- Albania
- Georgia
- Montenegro
- Turkmenistan
- Uzbekistan

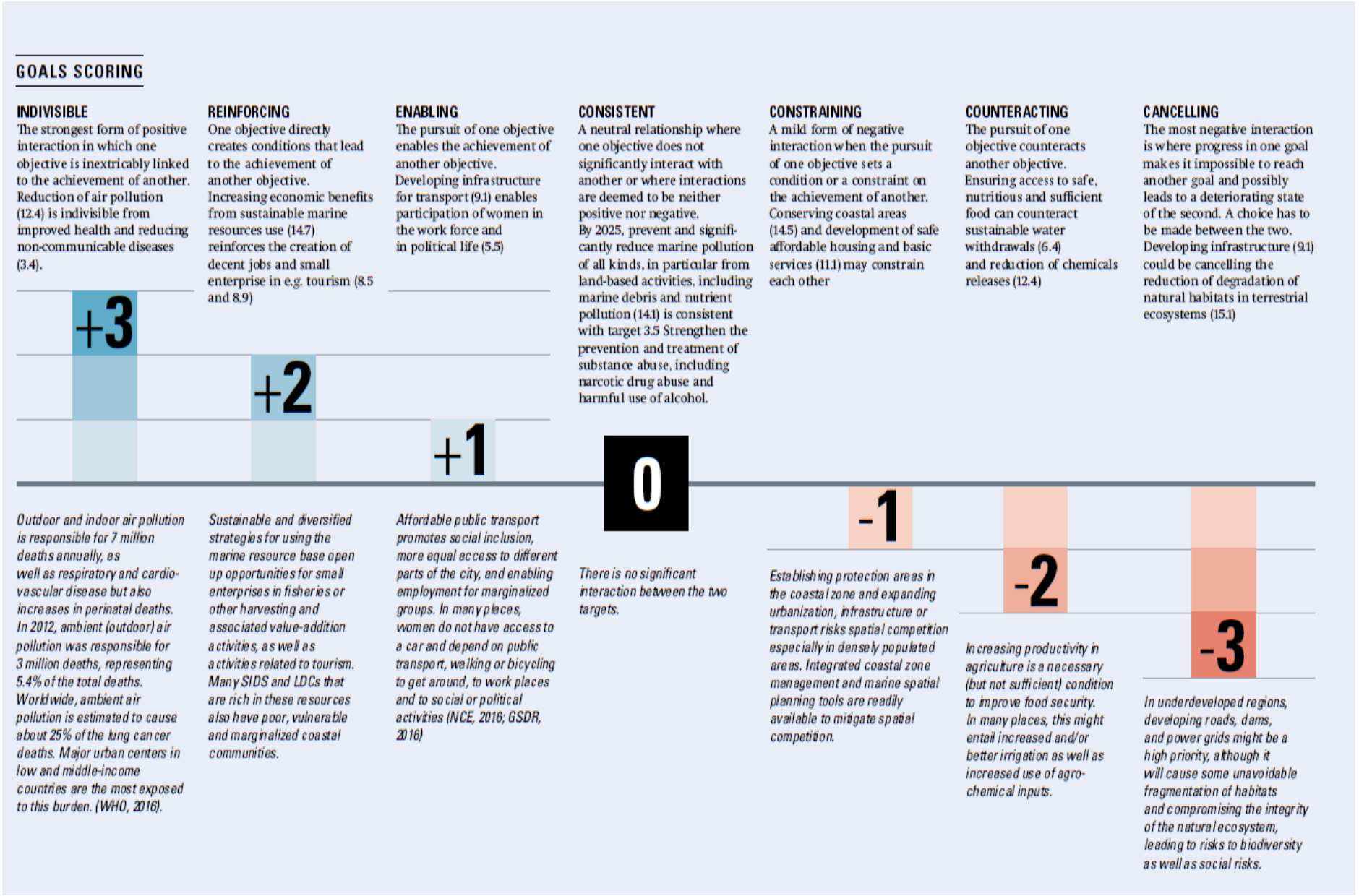
ARAB STATES

- Lebanon
- Palestine

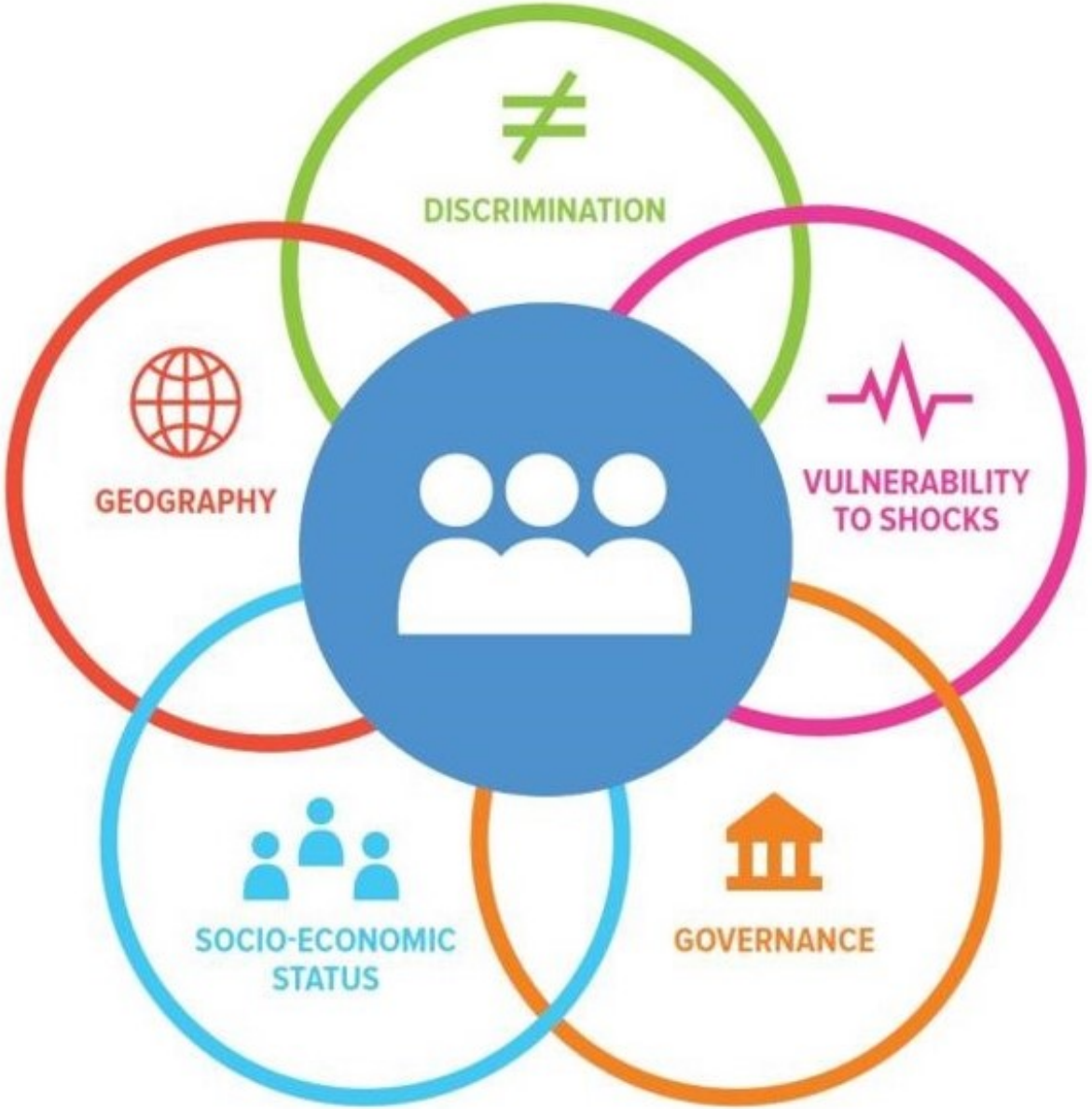
ASIA PACIFIC

- Bangladesh
- Cambodia
- Indonesia
- Laos
- Mongolia
- Philippines
- MCO Samoa
- Thailand
- Viet Nam

Integrated natures of the SDGs

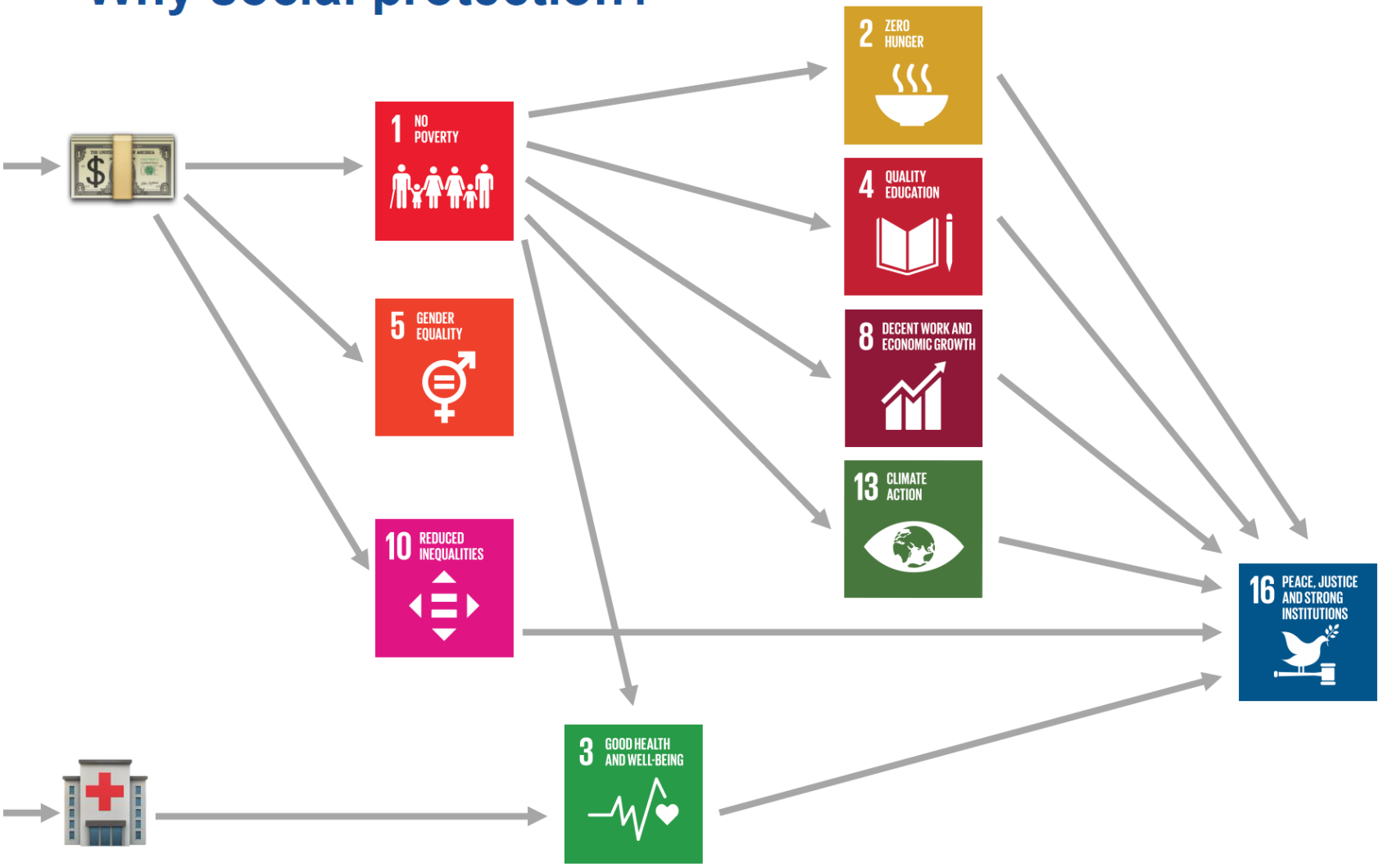


First portfolio: leaving no one behind

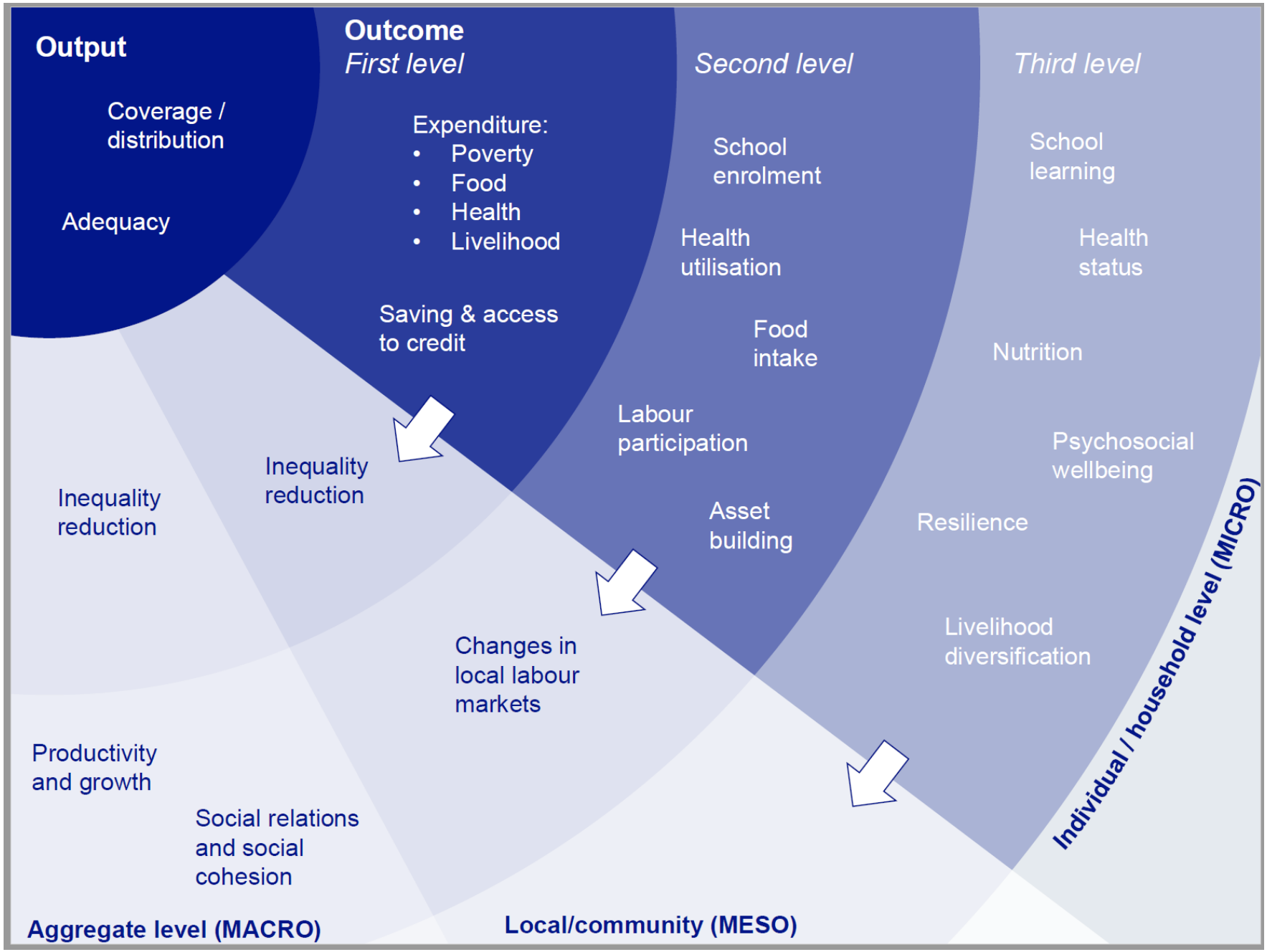


First portfolio: social protection as multiplier

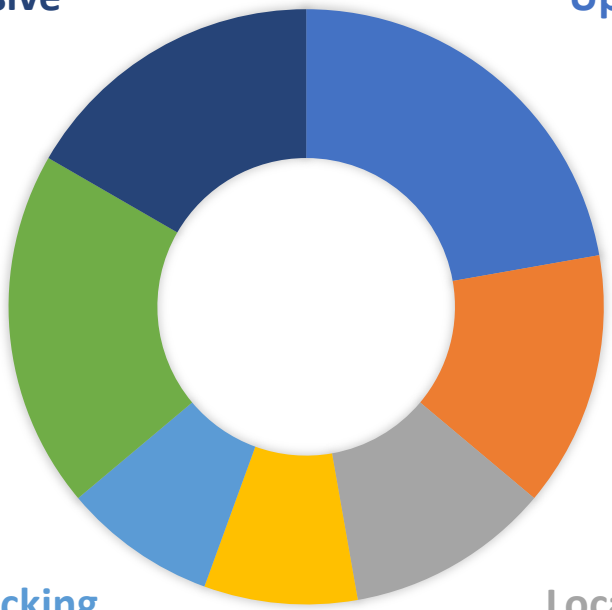
Social protection in the 2030 Agenda:
Why social protection?



First portfolio: catalytic effects of social protection



Tentative portfolio composition



Targets for extending social protection coverage

(in selected countries):

- Cambodia: 1.5 million elderly and 0.2 milllion pregnant women
- Vietnam: 1 million persons with disabilities
- Brazil: 1 million children

Innovation

- ❑ Climate change and social protection (adaptive, shock-responsive social protection): Barbados, Samoa, Malawi, Rwanda, Indonesia and Mongolia
- ❑ Integrating social protection with employment and decent work (e.g. Costa Rica, Ecuador, Montenegro, South Africa, Samoa, Mexico, Argentina, Thailand, Georgia)
- ❑ Developing platforms for private sector (Kenya) or elderly (Chile)

The research challenge:

- Processing the hundreds of very diverse events, policy papers, reports, regulations, and partnerships for country-based and comparative analysis

Access can be provided; making sense of developments and producing research requires partnerships and external research capacity.

Potential research questions

- How systemic/integrated is the work on policy across 36 countries, and how we can measure it?
- What are/might be catalytic effects and the specific contribution to SDG acceleration (including through the multiplier effect)
- What are the actual roles of stakeholders in co-design and co-implementation of policy that aims to have systemic impact?
- What capabilities are requires for the governments to convene and facilitated co-creative dialogue towards systemic impact?
- What new change and governance models emerge, and how are they different from conventional ones?

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