Putting nature and people at the centre of food system transformation

A capitals approach for business decision-making



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WHY

We are failing to tackle the global challenges of loss of nature, climate change & inequality because decisions are currently based on insufficient information that excludes people & nature.

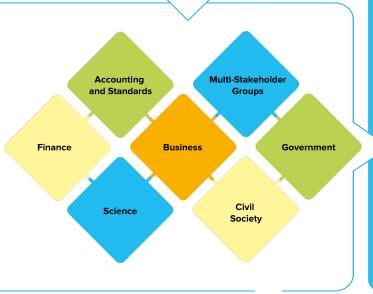
WHAT

We use a capitals approach to transform the way decisions are made so that they include the value provided by nature, people, society and the economy.

HOW

We work through collaboration with 370+ organizations at the core & thousands more engaged around the world.

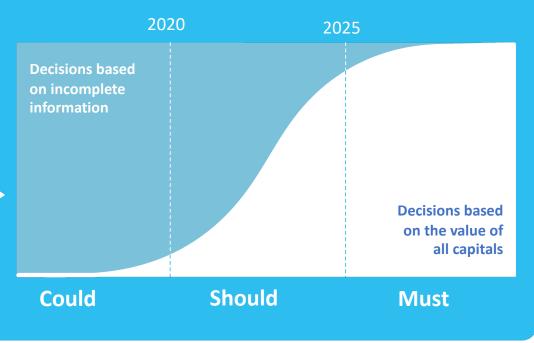
This systems approach means we have a unique oversight and provides inspiration, ideas and resources to get things done.



SO WHAT

Our shared ambition is that by 2030 the majority of business, finance and governments will include all capitals in their decision making, and that this will deliver a fairer, just and more sustainable world.

We are moving from we 'could' to we 'should' to we 'must' include all capitals in all decisions.



What is a capitals approach?

Impact & **Dependency**

A capitals approach highlights our dependency on nature and people making it critical and, therefore, embedded in all decisions.

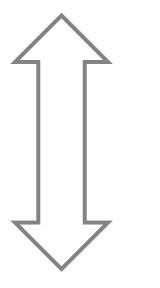
Measure & Value

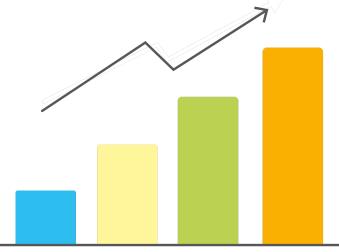
A capitals approach values impacts and dependencies so that we understand their relative importance and worth and are forced to transform the

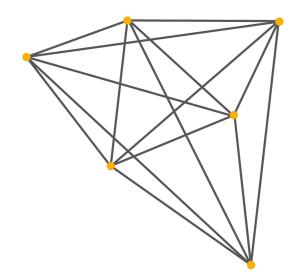
way we act.



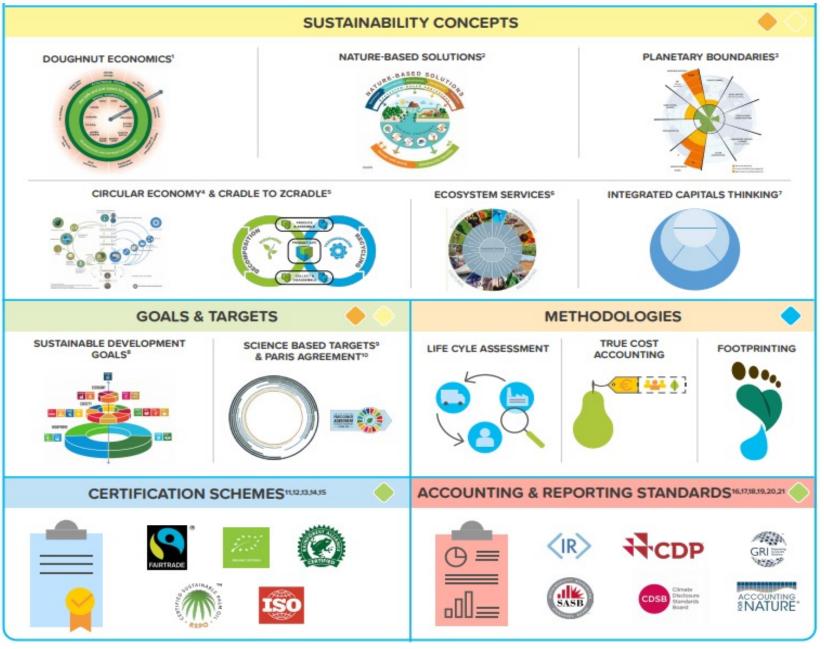
A capitals approach exposes the shared risks and opportunities, clearly indicating how everything is connected.







Through the Capitals lens



Adapted from We Value Nature, 2021

Who is doing it? How does it help?



Cut water use by 70% in coffee production at one site in India



Identified areas to improve positive social impact

Decided to focus investment on packaging in tomato sauce production



Established relationship with local community



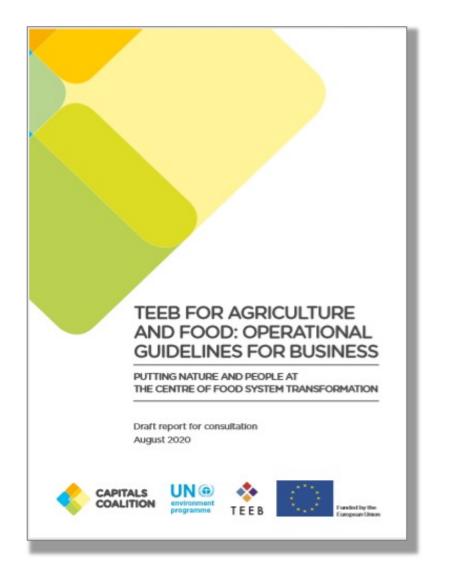
Created a framework for biodiversity with focused KPIs

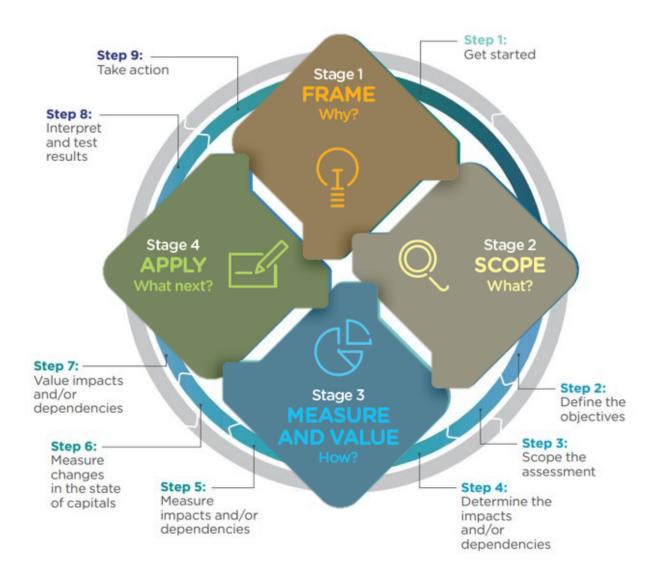


Identified risks in coffee supply chain and informed management

And many more.....

TEEBAgriFood Operational Guidelines for Business





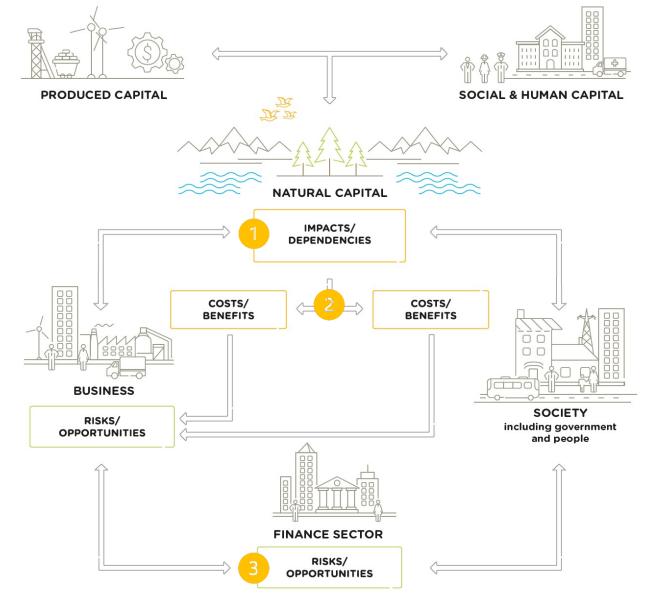
FRAME STAGE: Why?



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Capital impacts and dependencies: conceptual model for business and finance





FRAME STAGE: Why?

Potential business applications for your capitals assessment





Inform strategy, understand risk and opportunity



Compare options such as sites or sourcing



Estimate total value or **net impact**



Assess impact on **stakeholders**



Communicate internally or externally

SCOPE STAGE: What?



SCOPE STAGE: WHAT

Indicative Matrix of materiality for the agrifood value chain

DEPENDENCIES											VALUE CHAIN		IMPACT DRIVERS																							
NATURAL HUMAN SOCIAL							PR.		NATURAL									HUMAN							SOCIAL											
101-4-0-11-11.400			Regulation of physical environment	Regulation of biological environment	Regulation of waste and emissions	Skills and Knowledge	Experience	Workforce availability	Health of workers	Social networks and cooperation	Property rights	a a	Law and order	Accesibility to infrastucture and		Water use	Terrestrial ecosystem use	GHG emissions	Pesticide and herbicide use	Fertilizer use	Soil use	Solid waste	Livestock conditions	Nutritional content of food	Use of harm ful substances for consumers	Food safety practices	Employee health and safety conditions	Salaries and benefits	Workers living conditions	Labour rights	Gender rights	Worker's representation	Food security	Food loss or waste	tion of w	Benefit sharing with indigenous communities
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HIGH MATERIALITY

Measure & Value Stage: HOW?



MEASURE AND VALUE STAGE HOW?

Step 05 – HOW to measure the impact drivers and dependencies

Step 06 – HOW to measure the change in capital resulting from the change in capital or external factors

Step 07 – HOW to value the impacts and/or dependencies

MEASURE AND VALUE STAGE: How?

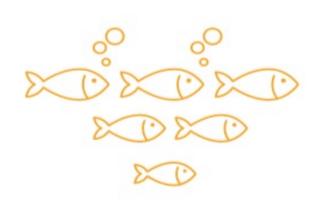
Impact pathway: an example for fertilizer use

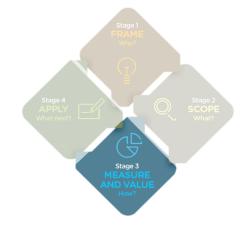
What? Kilograms of Phosphorus in fertilizers applied

How? Direct measurement from farm data

Step 05: Measure impact drivers







What? Change in concentration of nutrients in water (eutrophication)

How? Direct measurement of water quality

Step 6: Measure changes in capitals



What? Loss of fish stocks

How? Market valuation

Step 07: Value impacts



Apply Stage: Whats next?



APPLY STAGE: What next? Olam Sugar cane case study

Stage 4

WHAT NEXT

- \checkmark Overall productivity increased by 15%
- ✓ 62-billion-liter water saved over 3 years
- ✓ 20,500 farmers reached through Olam's smallholder program

HOW Measuring and valuing impacts and dependencies of **water indicators** and productivity

WHY In India, 1500 to 3000 liters of water are needed to cultivate 1kg of sugar cane. The assessment informs the sustainability strategy

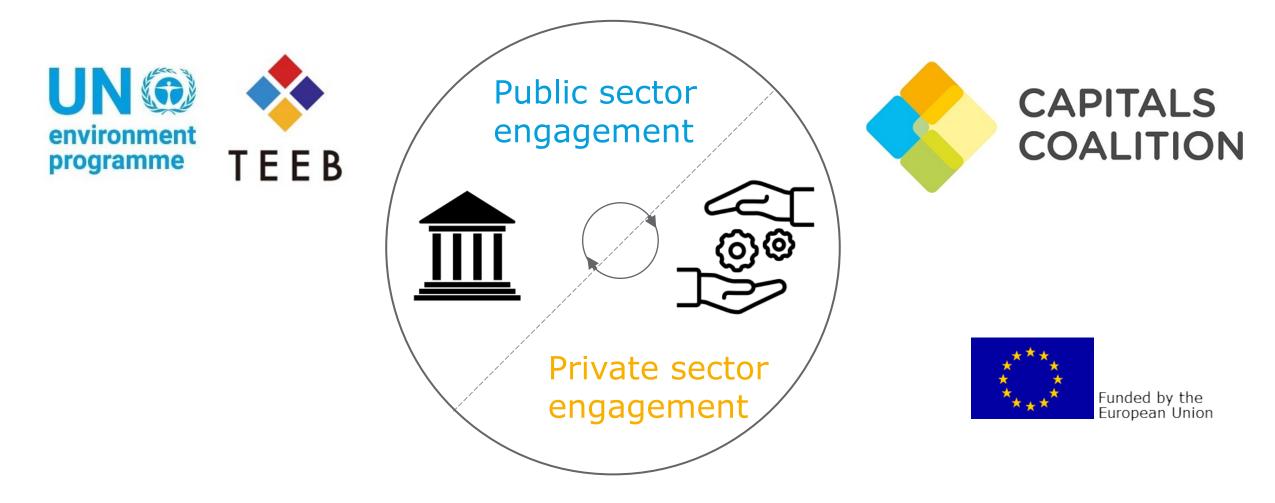
Natural capital assessment on sugar cane plantation in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh to assess material **water dependencies and impacts**



Business engagement

TEEBAgriFood for Business Project

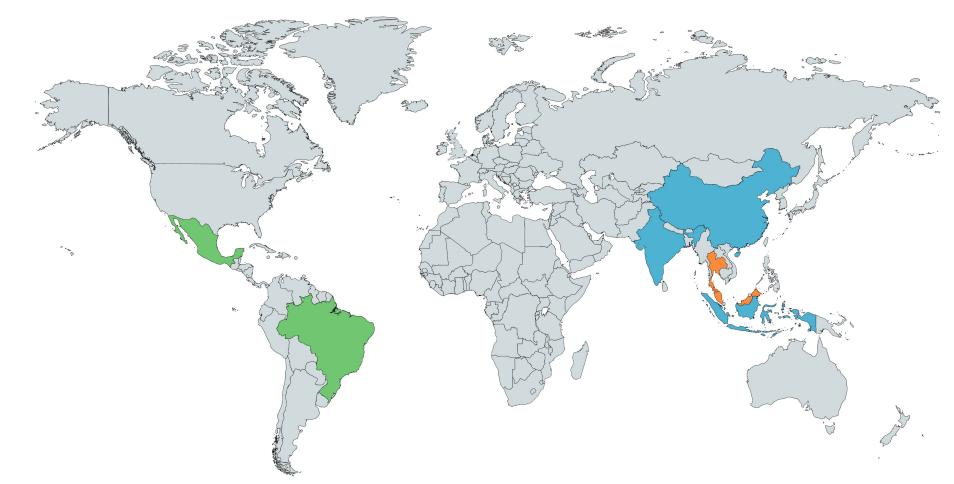
Promoting a sustainable agriculture and food sector



Applying the framework: TEEBAgriFood for business

Engaging with food businesses and governments in 7 countries:

- Brazil
- China
- India
- Indonesia
- Malaysia
- Mexico
- Thailand



Next steps for the TEEBAgriFood for business project



Scale up

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India China Roundtable 🔽 Roundtable 🔽

Indonesia

Roundtable

Training program starting 29th April running till November 2021

Case studies for publication Q3 2022

Training program starting in June running till November 2021

Case studies for publication Q3 2022

Training program starting 1st June running till November 2021

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Engagement in Malaysia and Thailand to follow in 2022

Continue the conversation

- \checkmark Global consultation
- \checkmark Building capitals approach evidence base
- \checkmark Curating collaboration on the Capitals Community Food System Transformation Group



Connect with the Capitals Community and join a network of professionals working together to redefine value and transform decision-making.

This online platform facilitates engagement and collaboration among the extensive Capitals Coalition network.

Join the conversation to share knowledge & experiences, events and opportunities.

https://community.capitalscoalition.org/

Write a post



Share your thoughts and plans...

About

It's evident that the food system strongly relies on the health of the natural ecosystems. It's also clear that current degradation impacts on food businesses but also on communities, biodiversity, public health, the economy, and the climate.

This group is a place to share thoughts, ideas, best