

**Towards
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International Nitrogen Management System & WMO-GAW cooperation

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Global N_r production & dispersion

**Human N_r
Production:**
(Tg yr⁻¹)

1860: 15

1995: 156

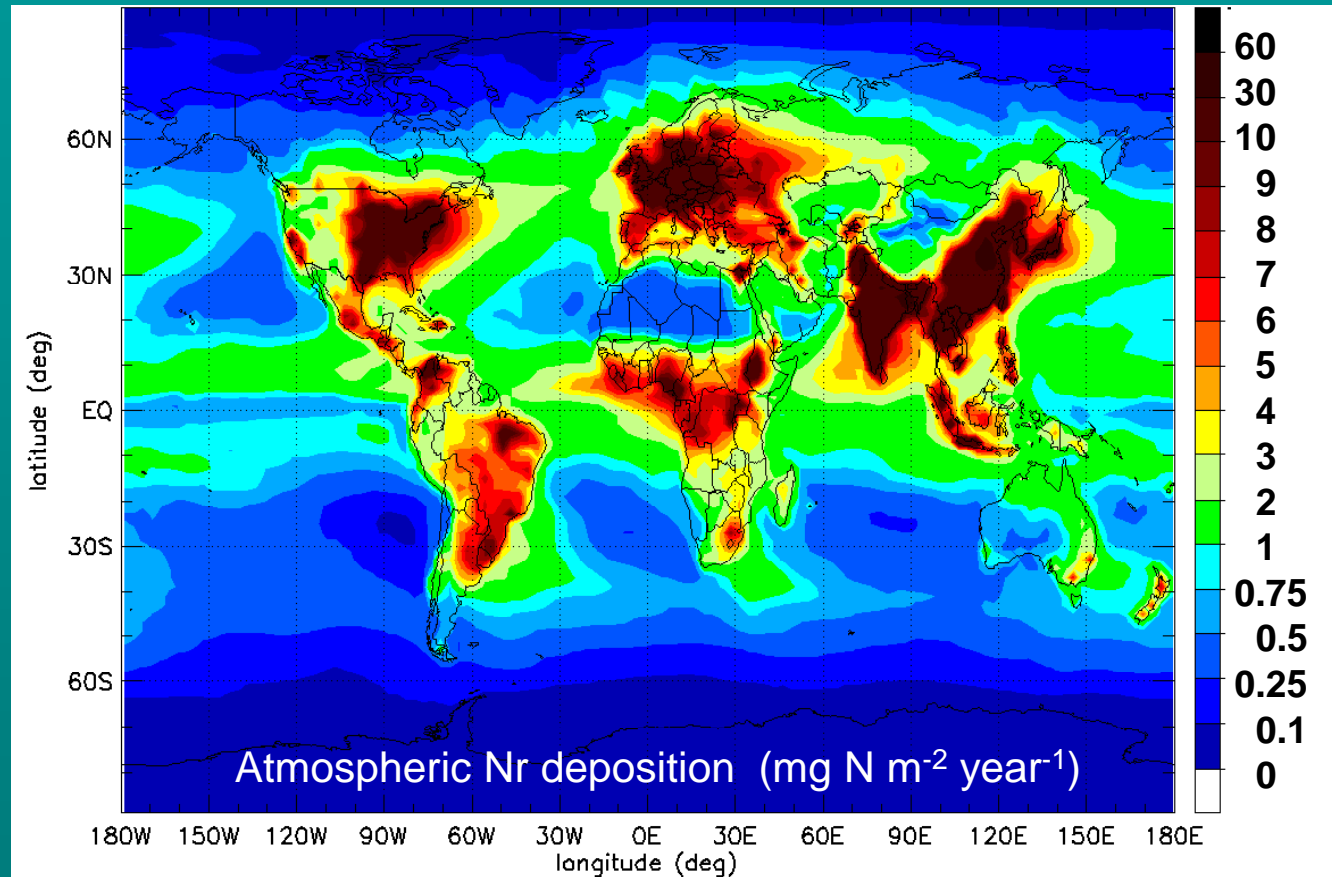
2005: 191

2005 sources:

Haber Bosch: 120

Biol N fixn: 50

NO_x emission: 40



Galloway et al. *Science*

The European Nitrogen Assessment

Sources, Effects and Policy Perspectives

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CAMBRIDGE

COMMENT

Vervuiling met stikstof kost miljarden

Nitrogen taint alert

Warning over nitrogen footprint

Pollution à l'azote : une lourde facture pour l'Europe

Too much of a good thing

Curbing nitrogen emissions is a central environmental challenge for the twenty-first century, argue Mark Sutton and his colleagues.

Nature 14 April 2011

Union defends use of nitrogen in high-octane climate change debate

www.nine-esf.org/ENA

The five key threats of excess Nitrogen

The WAGES of too much nitrogen

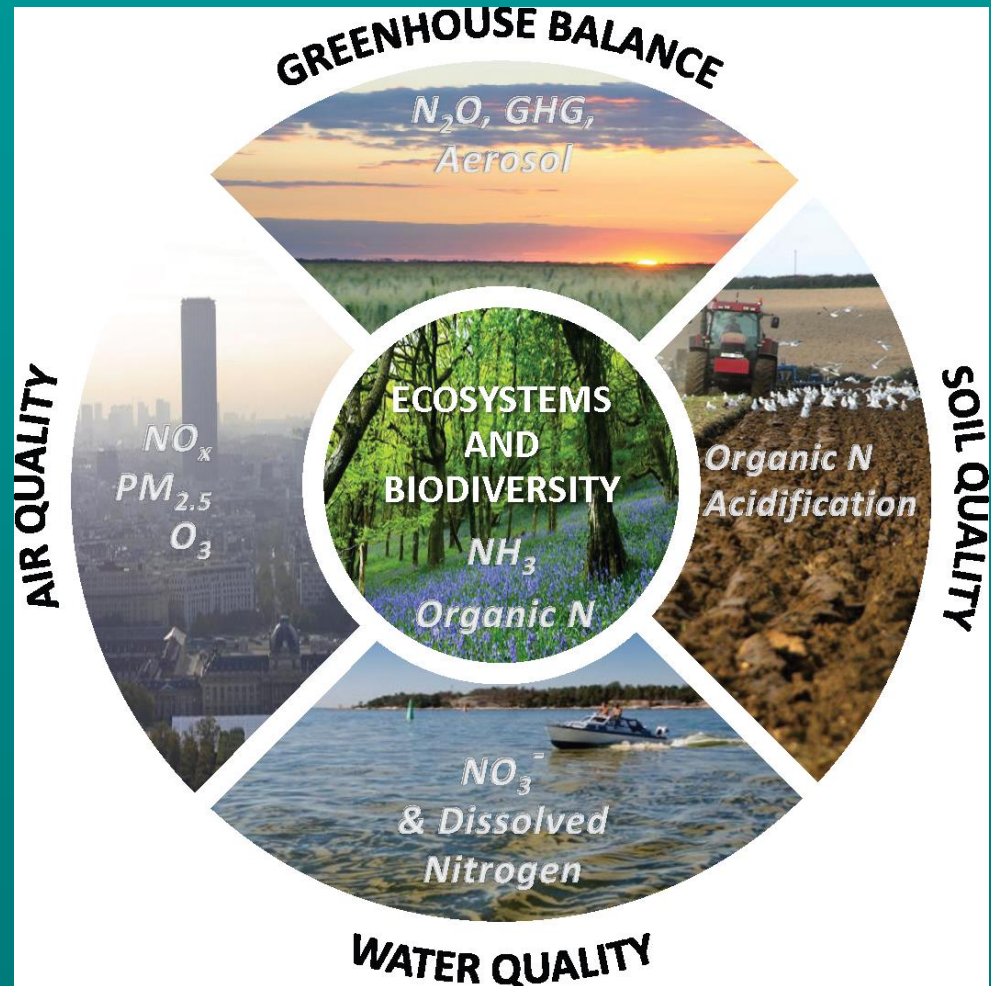
Water quality

Air quality

Greenhouse balance

Ecosystems

Soil quality

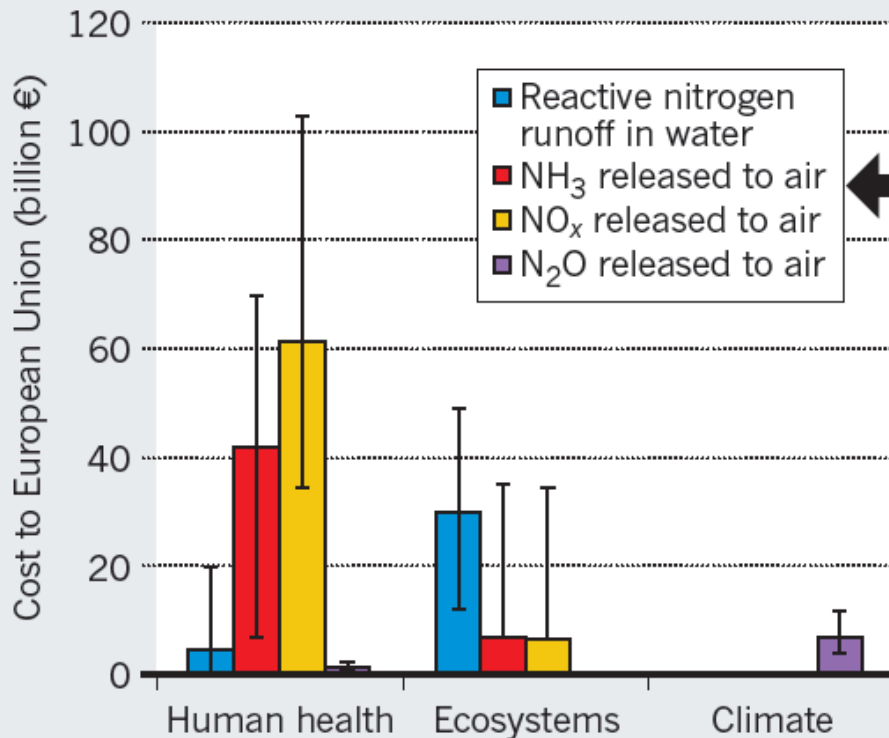


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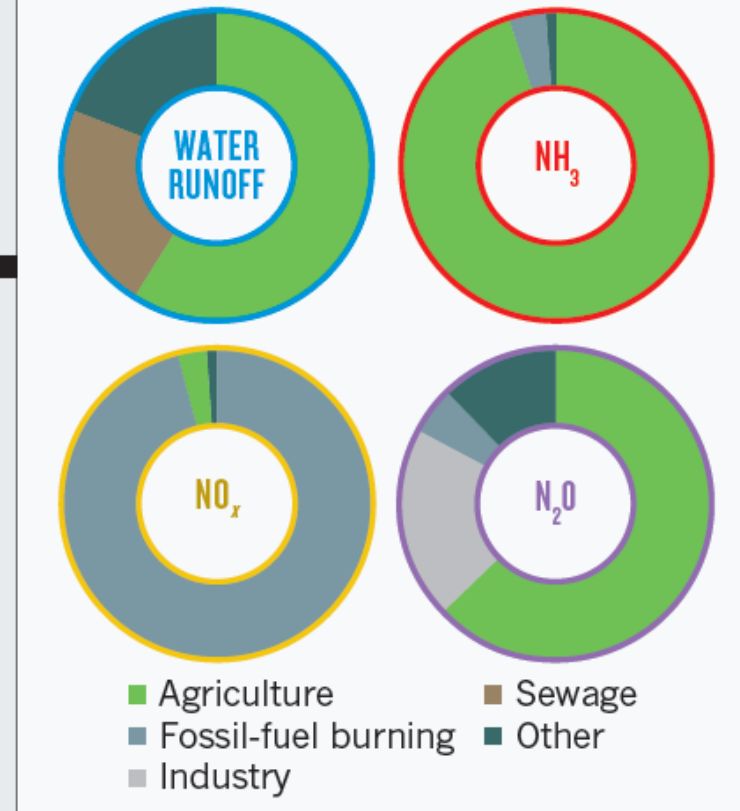
Nitrogen Damage Costs & Sources

DAMAGE COSTS OF NITROGEN POLLUTION

Agriculture and fossil-fuel burning load the environment with reactive nitrogen, affecting water, soils and air.



MAIN NITROGEN SOURCES



EU Damage cost: 70 - 320 billion € / year

Nature 14 April 2011

UNECE Gothenburg Protocol

Five Priorities for Ammonia

1. Low emission techniques for **land spreading** of cattle/pig/poultry manures and mineral fertilizers
2. **Animal feeding** strategies, inc phase feeding
3. Covers on new **slurry stores**
4. Farm **N balance** on demonstration farms
5. Low emission new pig & poultry **housing**

Options for Ammonia Mitigation

Guidance from the UNECE Task Force on Reactive

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
Framework Code for Good Agricultural Practice
for Reducing Ammonia Emissions



Report launched at European Parliament (January 2016)



Raise taxes on meat to turn us into demitarians, says UN

Nitrogen on the Table

The influence of food choices on nitrogen emissions and the European environment.



Special Report of the
European Nitrogen Assessment

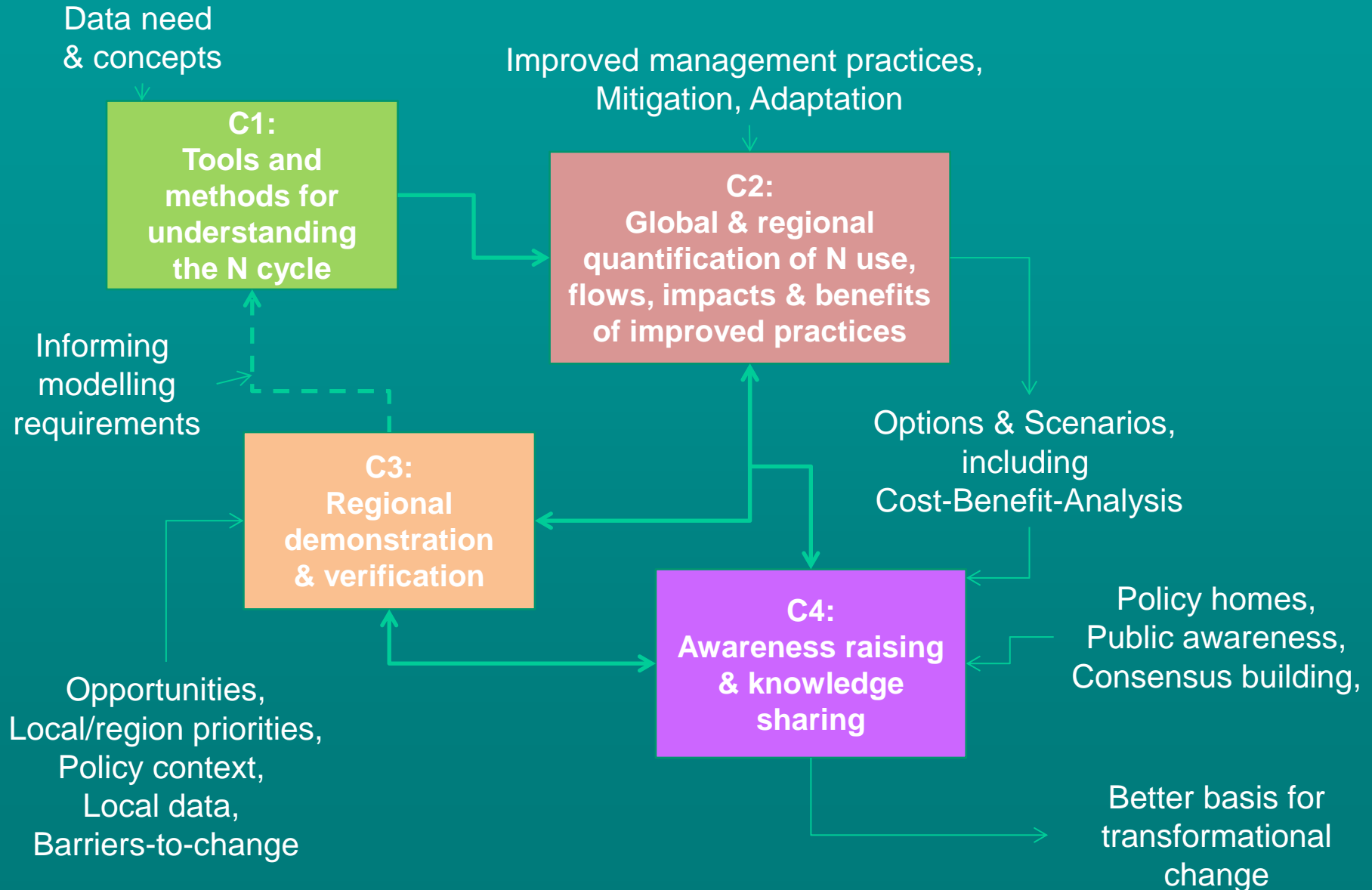


INMS in brief

- Bringing **scientific evidence** together to inform policies and the public on the multiple benefits and threats of reactive nitrogen
- Being developed as an international process with funding from the Global Environment Facility (GEF)
- Builds on and links together existing nitrogen networking activities



Towards the International Nitrogen Management System (INMS)



First Element of INMS

C1:
Tools and methods for
understanding the N
cycle

Development of N system
indicators

Threat assessment
methodology

**Methodology for N fluxes
and distribution**

Approaches for N threat-
benefit valuation

**Flux-impact path models
for assessment, scenarios
& strategy evaluation**

Barriers to achieving
better N management

National N
budgets

Farm N
budgets

NUE
approaches

Relating
different N
indicators

Second Element of INMS

Quantifying N flows, threats and benefits at global and regional scales

Preparation of **Global Nitrogen Assessment** flows, impacts, opportunities

Integrating methods, measures & good practices to address N_r issues

Future N storylines & scenarios with management / mitigation options & CBA

Collation & synthesis of experience & measures adopted by GEF and others

C2:
Global & regional quantification of N use, flows, impacts & benefits of improved practices

Third Element of INMS

Case 1: Developing areas with excess N_r .
Case 2: Developing areas with insufficient N_r .
Case 3: Regions with transition economies.
Case 4: Developed areas with excess N_r .

C3:
**Regional demonstration
& verification**

Design methodology & conduct demos
on **regional N_r assessments**

Workshop to synthesize outcomes from
demonstration activities

Build regional **consensus on
benchmarking** N indicators

Demonstrating the benefits of joined
up regional N management

INMS Regions & Partners

- **Country clusters:** Major N sources, N flows, opportunities, NUE, barriers, sharing successes in country clusters

South Asia: India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Nepal, Maldives

- *N. Raghuram, Tapan Adhya & INI South Asia*

East Asia: China, Japan (South Korea, Phillipines)

- *Xiaoyuang Yan & Kentaro Hyashi & INI East Asia*

Lake Victoria Basin: Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi

- *Cargele Masso & INI Africa*

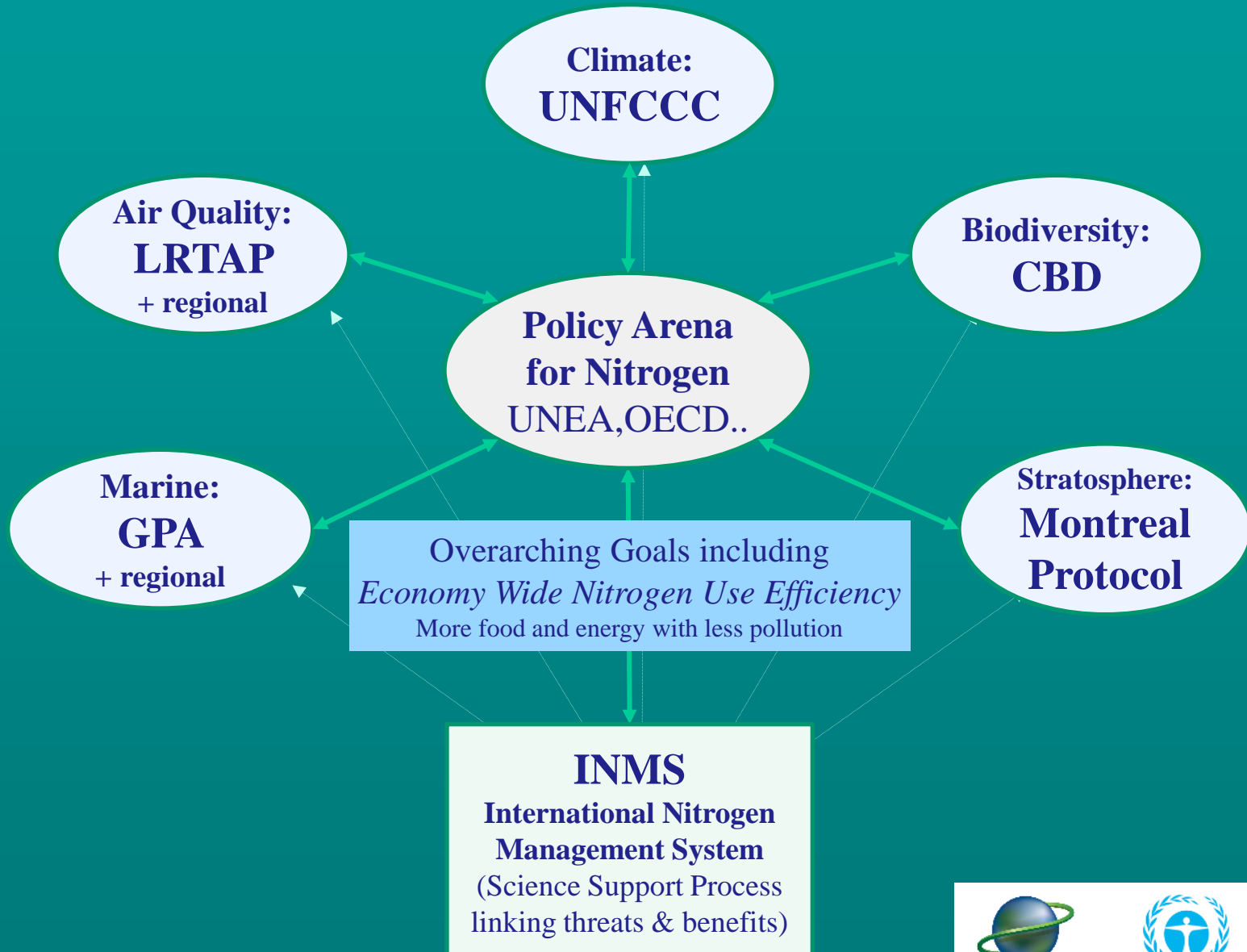
Latin America (La Plata): Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Argentina, Bolivia

- *Jean Ometto & INI Latin America*

Black Sea: Diester, Prut & Lower Danube

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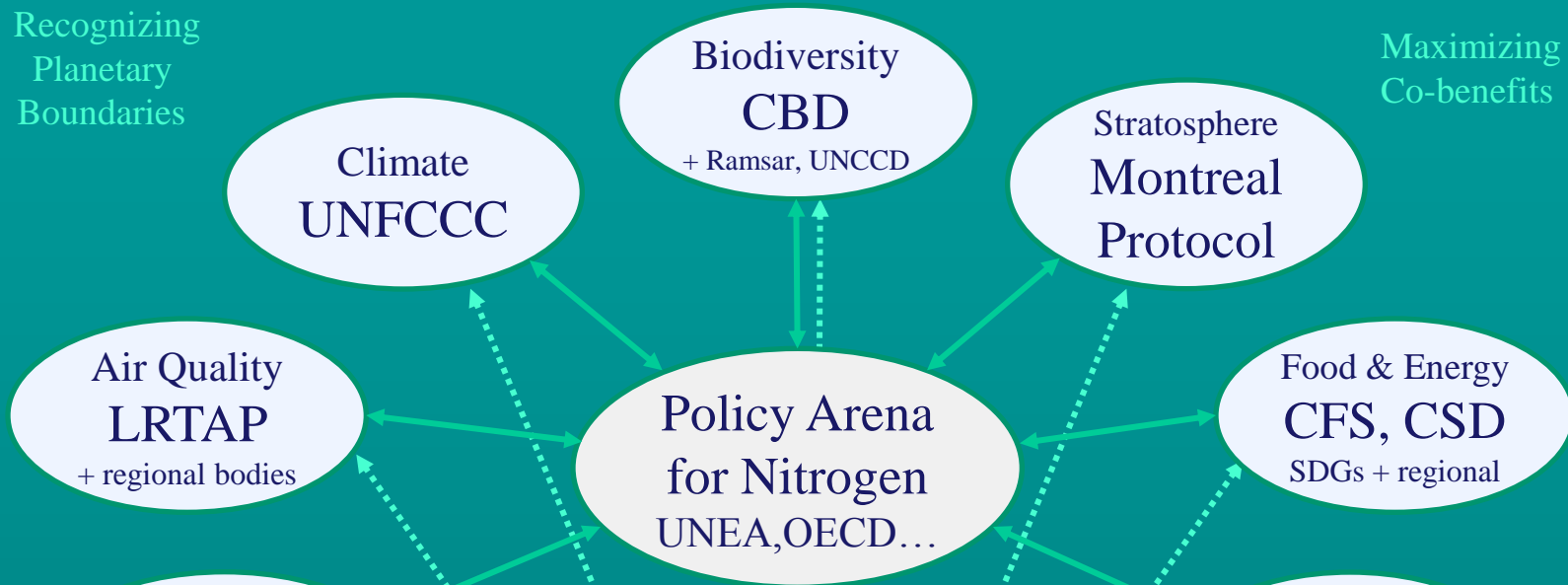
Linking International Nitrogen Policy Frameworks



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Recognizing
Planetary
Boundaries

Maximizing
Co-benefits



Overarching Goals including
Economy Wide Nitrogen Use Efficiency
More food and energy with less pollution

Addressing
key threats

Overcoming
Barriers

INMS
International Nitrogen
Management System
(Science Support Process
linking threats & benefits)

Intergovernmental Partners
GEF, UNEP, FAO, WMO,
GAW, WHO, UNDP, IEA,
OECD, UNECE, IPCC, IPBES

Specialist Partners
INI, GPNM, TFRN,
SCOPE, Future Earth, EU-
NEP, Business, Farmers,
CSOs etc

Documents and Next Steps

- **Completion of Documents.**
 - Annexes available for comment (inms@ceh.ac.uk)
 - **Welcome suggestions, reflections** (expertise, resource balance etc)
- **Letters of Support and Budgeting**
 - GEF grant: US\$ 6M; Partner co-finance US\$ 60M
 - Letters of Support (completed)
 - Encourage INMS further related proposals...
- **Next steps**
 - More review through Spring/Summer
 - Hopeful kick-off Autumn 2016.
 - 3 years to deliver: plus 1 year to publish

