



Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment in the Democratic Republic of Congo

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PROGRAMME





- **SESA objectives**
- **SESA: where we are and how it will be carried out**
- **SESA, the national REDD+ strategy and REDD+ projects**
- **SESA: approach, milestones and deliverables**
- **Roles and responsibilities**



- **« Assess the potential positive and negative impacts from the REDD+ strategic options as they are contemplated by the government and its partners, and contribute to building a sound national REDD+ strategy »**

- **« Establish an Environmental and Social Management Framework » for the National REDD+ Strategy, allowing eventually REDD+ carbon transactions at policy, programme and project levels**
 - **Basis for R-PP 4b component “MRV of REDD+ co-benefits”**
 - **Ensure compliance with safeguards**



DRC: REDD Readiness Plan (R-PP)		
<u>RESULTS FRAMEWORK</u>		
Objective: The DRC is equipped and ready to engage in the international REDD+ system		
Expected results	Key partners	Progress and performance indicators
1. A national REDD+ strategy in the 2030 horizon is constructed in a participatory manner and ready to take off	National Committee, Inter-ministerial Committee, CN-REDD, GTCR, UNDP, WB, FAO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A national REDD+ strategy of quality, ambitious and that represents the meeting point of the different stakeholders of REDD • The strategy relies on a decision tool (Reference Scenario) and on a robust Strategic Social and Environmental Evaluation (SESA) • An investment plan for REDD that is practical, multi-sectorial and budgeted
2. An institutional framework for REDD implementation is crafted and ready in 2013 on an interim basis	National Committee, MECNT, CN-REDD, WB, UNEP, UNDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A registry of Carbon projects and initiatives is functional • An interim national fund/mechanisms for Carbon finances' management is in place • The procedures for environmental and social assessment are in place
3. A comprehensive MRV system for REDD is built and operational	DIAF, CN-REDD, FAO, WB, UNEP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A MRV system for GHGs emissions (deforestation/degradation) is operational and managed at the country level • A MRV system on social, environmental, governance and economic dimensions is in place • The dual MRV system is adopted by the stakeholders of REDD

- **Such a result framework for REDD+ readiness process implies, among others, the following key objectives with close links to SESA:**
- Support alternatives for rural and urban population in the area of agriculture, forests, energy and employment.
- Establish an institutional mechanism to redistribute external resources (investment and compensation policies)
- Adapt the national legal framework (land tenure, forestry policies, etc.)
- Institutional capacity strengthening
- Large outreach on alternatives and the REDD+ mechanism



- **Preliminary ToRs included in R-PP (January/March, 2010)**
- **ToRs revised and improved under the leadership of the Government (GEEC, DSE), in partnership with civil society/GTCR, FCPF/World Bank, UNEP/UN-REDD and with facilitation by National Coordination**
- **Improvement of the global context to implement the core analytical work of the SESA (IEC, consultations, fund, linked studies...)**



- **Two key dynamics to SESA:**
 - **General mobilisation, coordination, consultations and capacity building**
 - **Core analytical work (by a consulting firm)**

- An «Overseeing Committee» to be established, with representatives from government, civil society and private sector and facilitation by NC-REDD
 - Completing ToRs
 - Supervising the core analytical work (meetings twice a month during the study)

- A consultancy team to be hired. Study for 4-5 months in close relation with OC

- A top-level supervision and progressive mobilisation with National REDD Committee and Interministerial Committee

Potential corpus of programmes as a preliminary illustration of the future national REDD+ strategy



Volet Transversal : 4 programmes prioritaires, facteurs clés de succès

- 1** **2.1 Développement et mise à jour stratégie REDD+, y.c. politique d'utilisation du territoire (zonage)**
- 2.2 Réforme légale et institutionnelle d'envergure**
- 2.3 Mise en place et animation d'un processus participatif (y.c. ancrage communautaire)**
- 3 Système national MRV (mesure, rapport, vérification) indépendant, efficace et transparent**
- 4 Mécanisme national transparent de partage des revenus** et mise en place de systèmes de paiement efficaces

Coordination nationale et mécanisme de pilotage d'ensemble

Volet I : Gestion, exploitation durable et accroissement du patrimoine forestier, sous la responsabilité du MECNT

- 5 Gestion des activités dans les "Forêts de production permanente" autour de l'exploitation indust. / artisanale durables, et lutte contre l'exploitation illégale**
- 6 Gestion, valorisation et accroissement des "Forêts classées" (y.c. préservation de la biodiversité et développement de PPP)**
- 7 Afforestation et reforestation pour la restauration de forêts dégradées/déforestées ou l'afforestation de zones marginales (puits de carbone)**
- 8 Ciblage et transfert de gestion de "Forêts protégées" aux communautés locales, (y.c. micro-zonage participatif)**

Volet II : Développement accéléré d'une agriculture performante en milieu rural-forestier, en coordination entre MECNT et Min. Agriculture

- 9 Hausse de productivité et sédentarisation des agric. vivriers** autour de programmes sociaux d'envergure
- 10 Hausse des rendements et augmentation de la valeur ajoutée pour l'agriculture commerciale des petits exploitants**, autour de l'agrégation et des techniques à faible impact sur les forêts (y.c. agroforesterie)
- 11 Dév. maîtrisé de l'agric. intensive**, par la réhabilitation des anciennes plantations et nouvelles plantations en savane
- 11 Développement socio-économique rural et urbain intégré – programme d'impulsion ciblé** pour la création d'activités génératrices de revenus alternatives

Volet III : Limitation de l'impact de la croissance urbaine et des secteurs industriels sur la Forêt, autour d'une forte coordination interministérielle

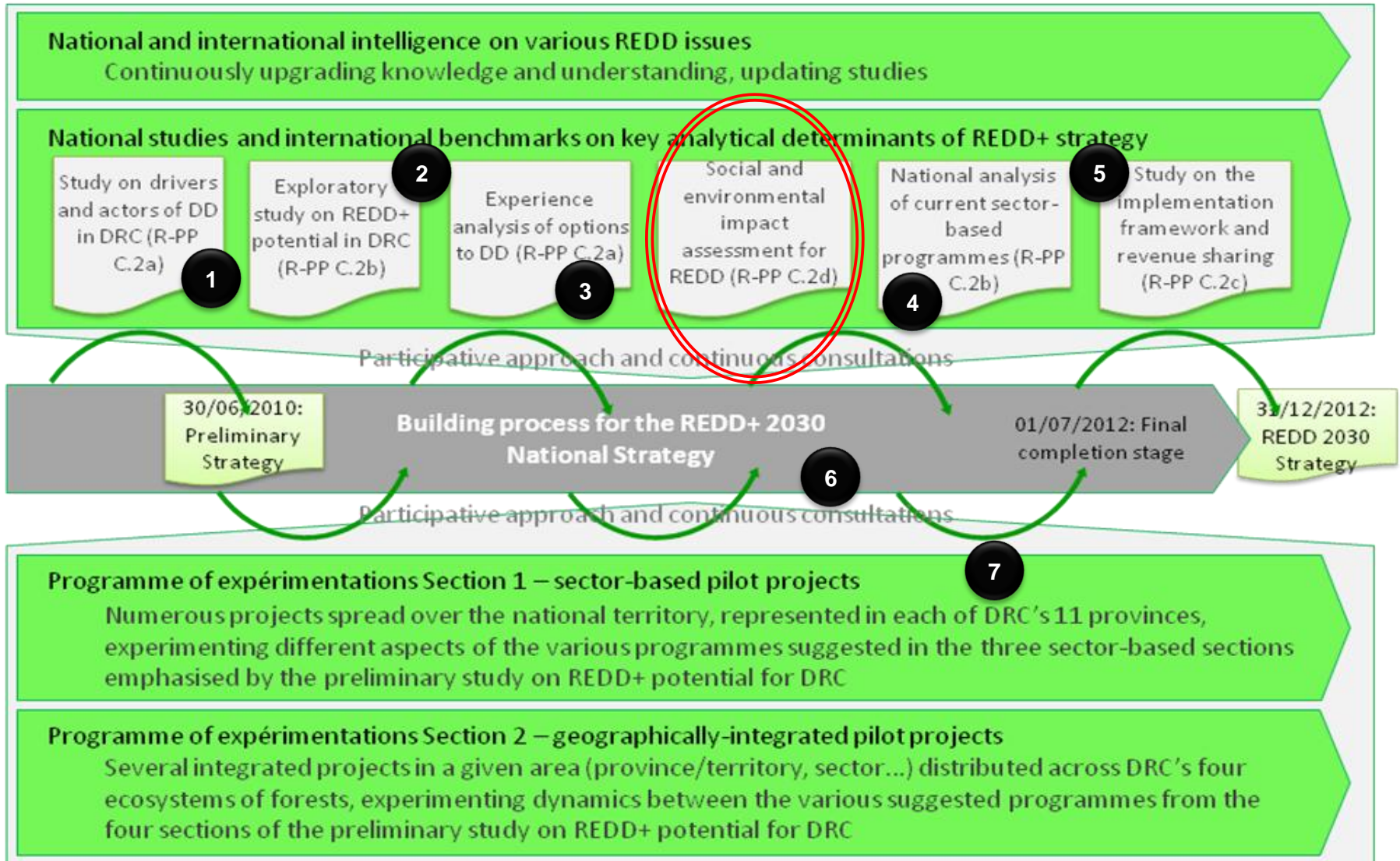
- 12 Réduction de la demande de bois de chauffe et augmentation de l'approvisionnement** par des sources afforestation/reforestation durables, dans le cadre d'une stratégie énergétique nationale cohérente
- 13 Limitation des impacts direct et indirect des secteurs extractifs et industriels sur la Forêt**, en particulier mines et hydrocarbures

1 PPP: partenariat public-privé (e.g., concessions) avec des investisseurs nationaux et internationaux

2 HVA : Haute valeur ajoutée e.g., arboriculture fruitière + Haute productivité e.g., céréales

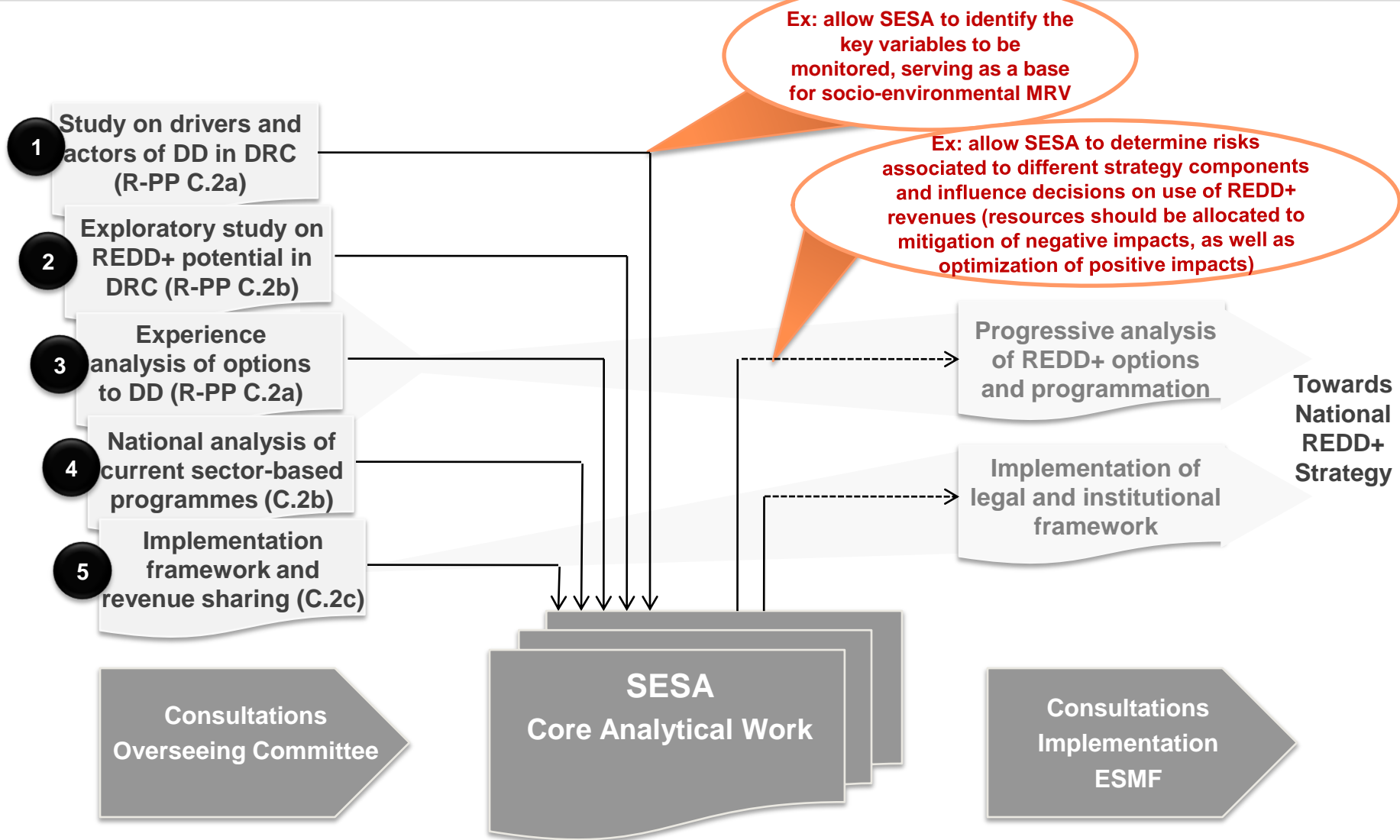
3 AGR : activités génératrices de revenus

Building process for the REDD+ 2030 National Strategy



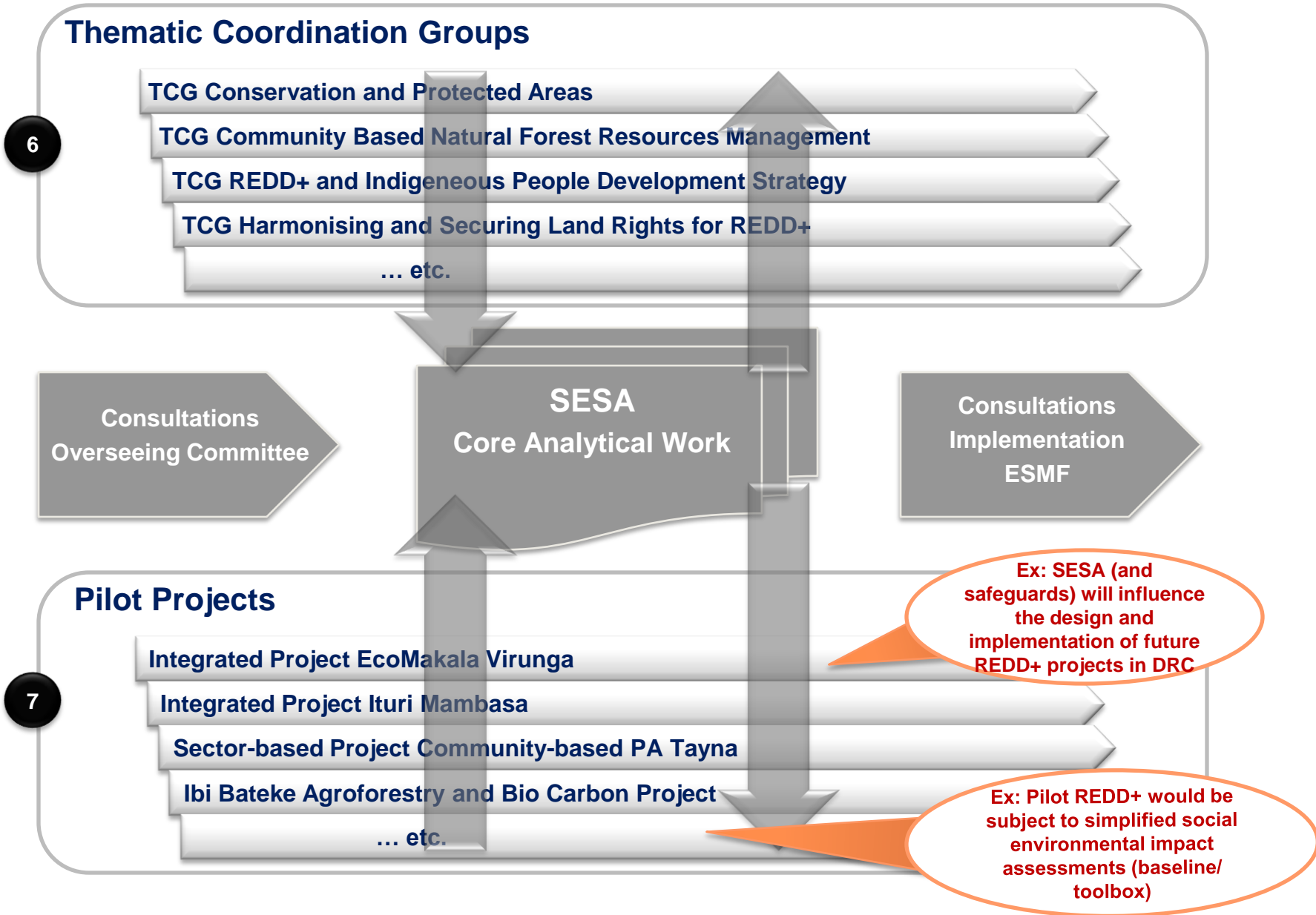
SESA and the national strategy

Illustration of interconnexions (1/2)



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Illustration of interconnexions (2/2)

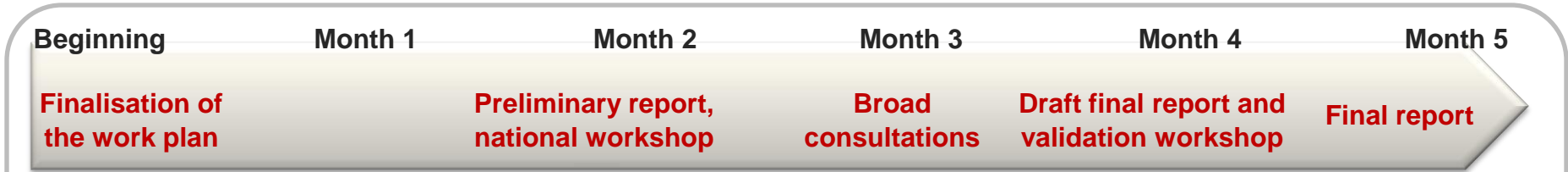
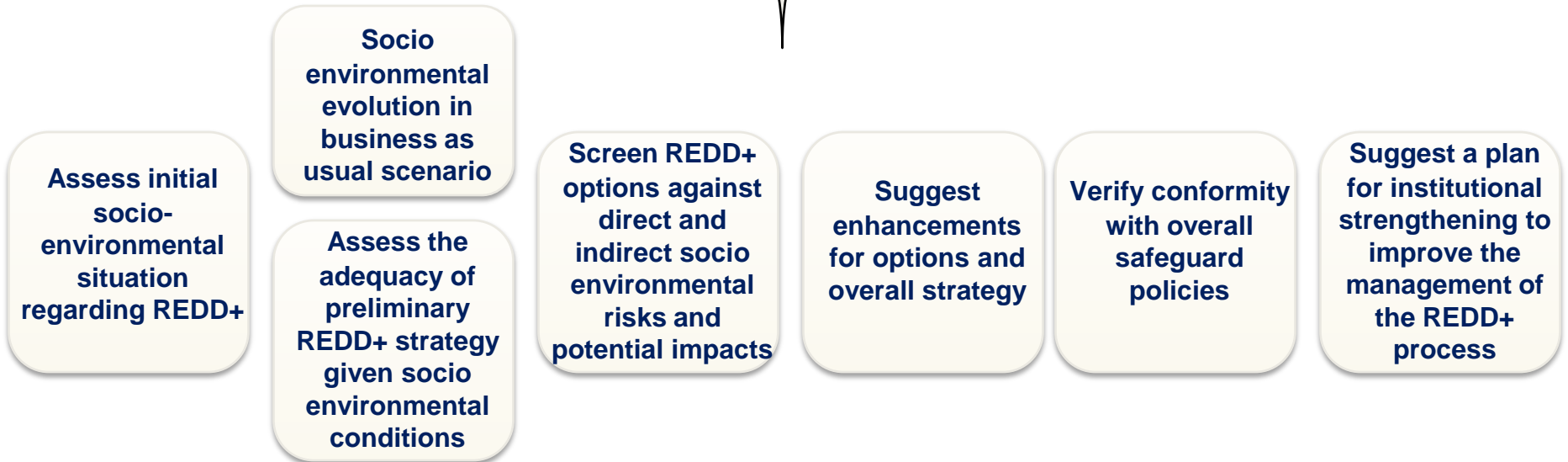


SESA: approach, milestones and deliverables of the core analytical work



Five key areas of study

- Sector-based development policies**
- Institutional enabling framework**
- Legal and financial enabling environment**
- Pilot projects and programmes**
- Communication and outreach**



- Reports from meetings with OC and national workshops
- Public consultations reports
- General document/final report, including Environment and Social Management Framework, with safeguard policy frameworks (IPPF, EMF, etc.), budget and execution planning



- ❑ **National REDD Coordination (MECNT)**
 - Facilitation and leadership (consultancy contracts, organization of validation, workshops, etc.)

- ❑ **Division des Services Environnementaux (MECNT)**
 - Establish the institutional framework to value environmental services in DRC
 - Maintain the registry of REDD+ projects and initiatives

- ❑ **Groupe d'Étude Environnementale du Congo (GEEC) / Agence Nationale de l'Environnement**
 - Validates all EIA carried out in the country
 - Supervises the implementation of management frameworks

- ❑ **Civil society (GTCR already created a working group on SESA and co-benefits)**
 - Active participation in the preparation of ToRs
 - Participate in the debates and guidelines of the Overseeing Committee
 - Actively monitor the implementation of the ESMF

Thank you very much!



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