

The Assessment of Co-benefits in IPCCs Sixth Assessment Report

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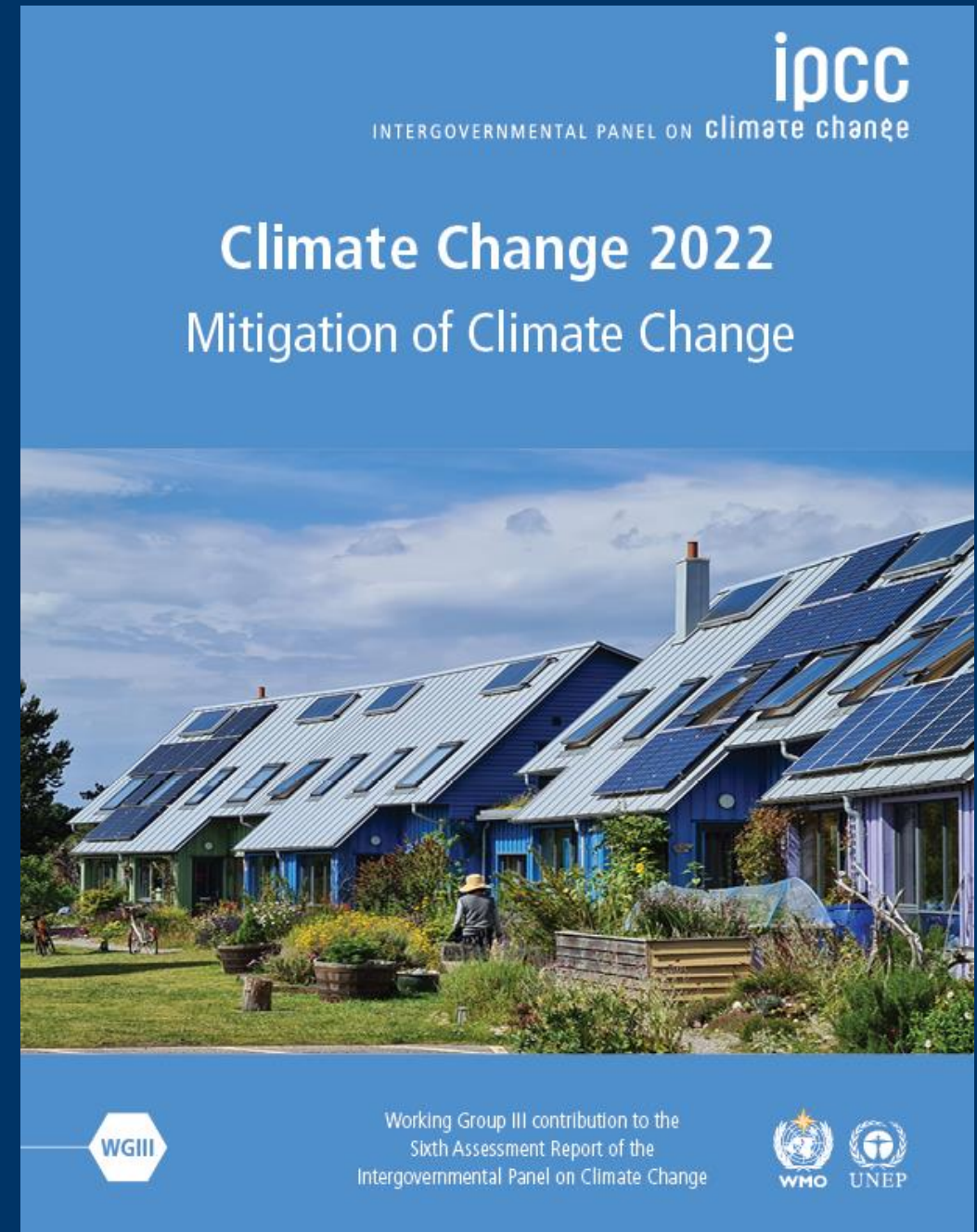
Examples of co-benefits in various sectors

Progress on mainstreaming co-benefits

Policies and enabling conditions

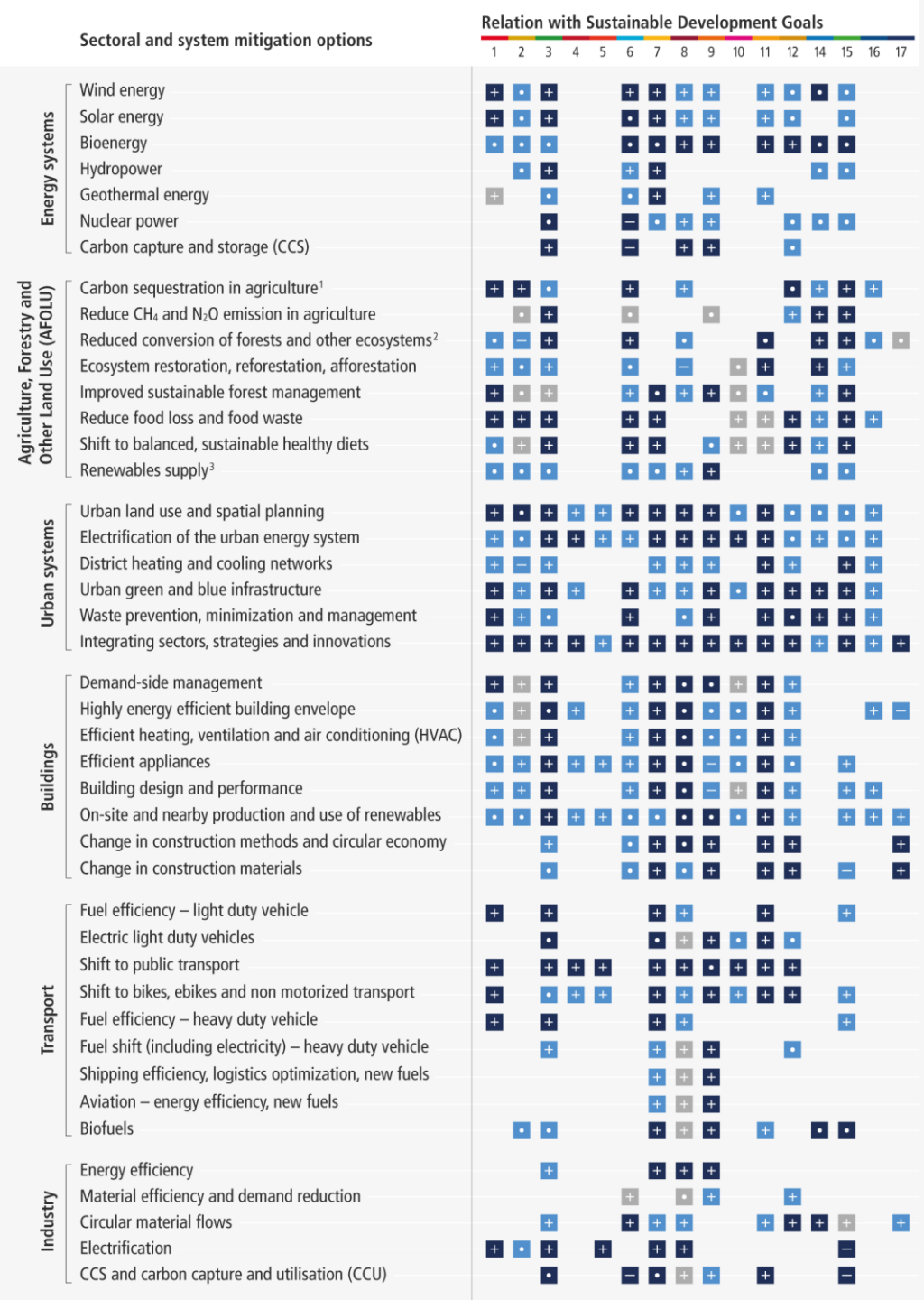


Co-benefit: A positive effect that a policy or measure aimed at one objective has on another objective, thereby increasing the total benefit to society or the environment.
(IPCC AR6 Glossary)



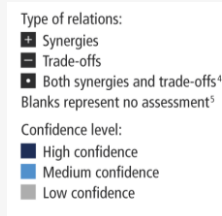
Framing Co-benefits

- **Mitigation** actions that have social and environmental co-benefits
- **Actions that reduce climate risk and support adaptation** have strong co-benefits with development goals (e.g. Social safety nets, flood-risk measures)
- Synergies that come from **coupling adaptation and mitigation** (e.g urban green and blue infrastructure)
- **Synergies** between climate actions and **SDGs** (e.g. clean energy access, water use efficiency)
- Potential **trade-offs** between climate actions and SDGs (e.g. land-based mitigation measures)
- Alternate framing: **development as an entry point**



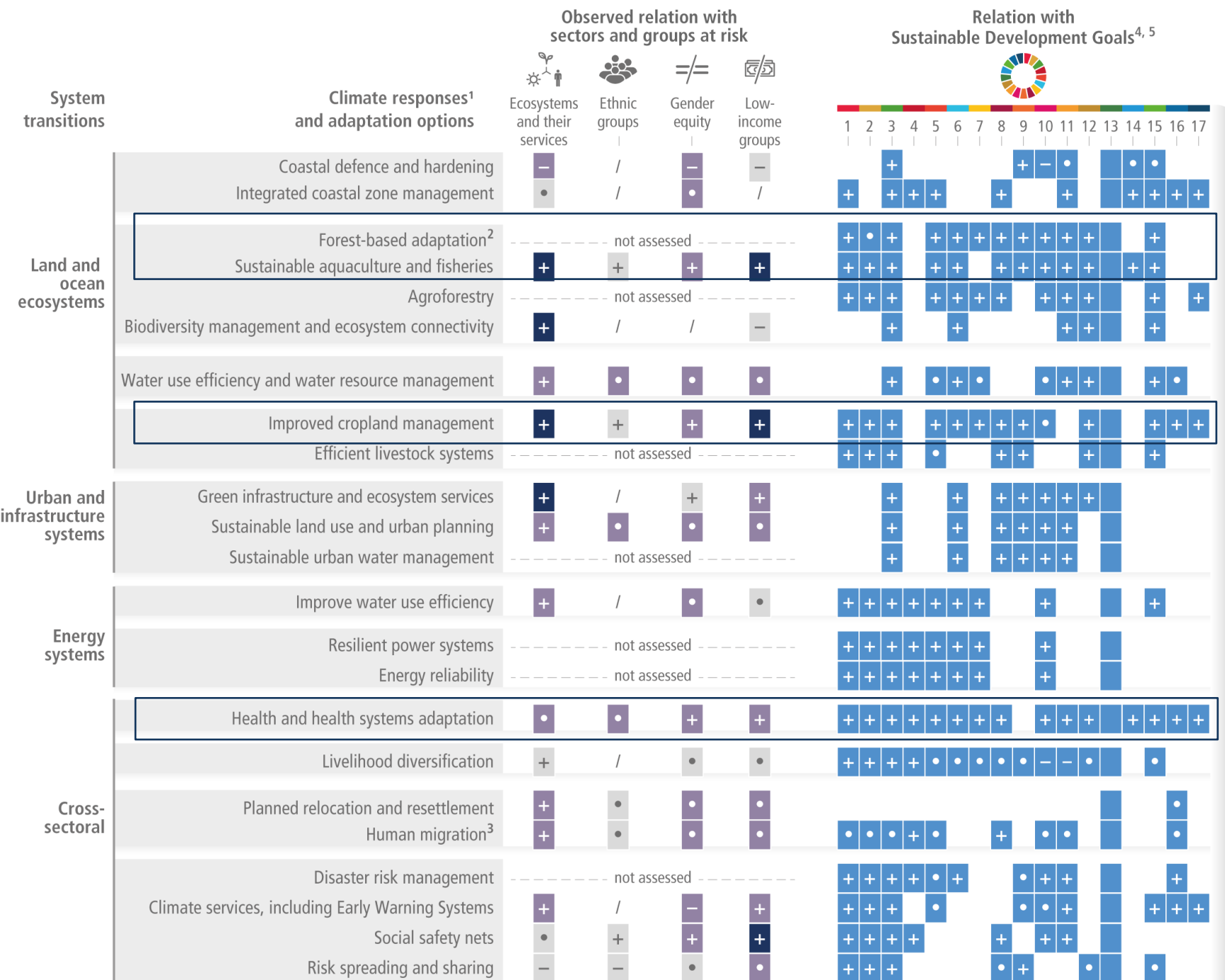
Mitigation options and their synergies and trade-offs with SDGs

- Synergies and trade-offs depend on
 - the development context,
 - scale of deployment
 - timing and management of the action



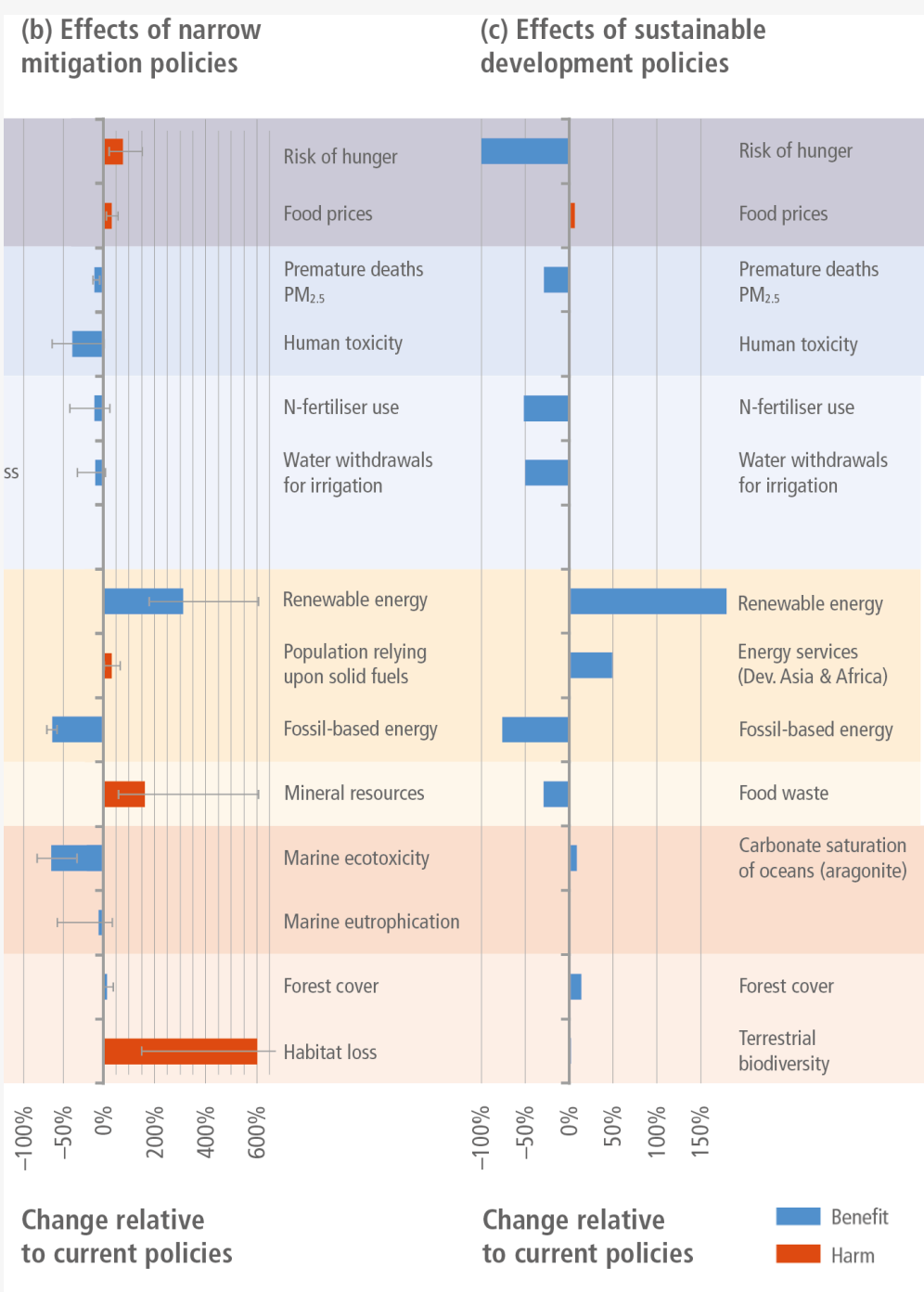
Examples: Mitigation options in urban areas

Relation with Sustainable Development Goals	
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Urban land use and spatial planning	+•+ + + + + + + + • + • • +
Electrification of the urban energy system	+ • + + + + + + + + + • + • +
District heating and cooling networks	+ - + + + + + + + + + + + +
Urban green and blue infrastructure	+ + + + + + + + • + + + + +
Waste prevention, minimization and management	+ + • + + + • + + + • + + +
Integrating sectors, strategies and innovations	+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + +



Relationship of climate responses and adaptation options with SDGs

- Protecting and restoring nature, avoiding deforestation, agroforestry, and diversified farming
- Shift to sustainable healthy diets
- Strengthening the health system
- Water conservation and rainwater harvesting
- Social protection



Sustainable development effects of mitigation to 1.5°C

- Macroeconomic implications of mitigation co-benefits and trade-offs are not quantified comprehensively across many global scenarios
- Policies integrating sustainability and mitigation (right) have far fewer trade-offs than narrow mitigation policies
- Improved air quality, and associated health effects are extensively studied followed by health impacts from dietary change and biodiversity
- Regarding health, co-benefits are shown to be of the same order of magnitude as mitigation costs

Progress and mainstreaming



Identifying and advancing synergies and co-benefits has occurred slowly and unevenly

Many plans have a narrow focus, missing opportunities to advance co-benefits

There is evidence that development strategies and pathways can be designed to align towards multiple priorities and achieve greater synergistic benefits (e.g. NDCs)

The awareness of co-benefits for the public increases support of climate policies

Maximising co-benefits involves



...Integrated approach to policy making

Qualitative and quantitative methods; aligned actions- integration across sectors, benefits and trade-offs, attention to justice and equity



... attention to integrated and economy-wide approaches

agricultural and food policies, packages for sustainable urbanisation, green industrial transition



...targeted SDG policies, incentives and investments

around stringent air quality; efficient demand-side technologies, investments in innovation



...Putting in place enabling conditions

governance, cooperation between countries and regions, strengthening institutions to reduce silos, and finance

Thankyou.

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