



Resilience to Disasters and Conflicts

Programme Performance Report
Programme of Work 2020-21

5th Annual Subcommittee Meeting, Friday 26 Oct 2018



Medium Term Strategy 2018-2021

- 2030 vision aligned to SDGs
- Overall strategic direction

Programme of work 2018-2019

First biennial plan -
6 Month Performance

Programme of work 2020-2021

Second biennial plan –
revisions & design



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January - June 2018: Major natural disasters and industrial accidents **in 10 countries**





January - June 2018: Major conflicts **in 17 countries**



Resilience to Disasters and Conflicts Outcome Map

Objective:

Countries increasingly prevent and reduce the environmental impacts of disasters and conflicts, while building resilience to future crises*

2030 IMPACT



Best practice environmental management approaches prevent and reduce the impacts of disasters and conflicts*

Indicator:

- 1 Resilience of the poor and those in vulnerable situations to disasters and conflicts.*



Countries rapidly respond to and recover from the environmental impacts of disasters and conflicts*

Indicators:

1. Improvement in Environmental Performance Index score for countries in the first five years post-crisis;
2. Number of countries with defined institutional responsibilities and multi-stakeholder coordination mechanisms for crisis response and management.



Overview of Portfolio

Service areas by Expected Accomplishment

Expected Accomplishment A

Risk Reduction

- Conflict & disaster risk assessments
- Policy guidance & best practices
- Training & capacity-building
- Preparedness for environmental emergencies, including industrial accidents

Reduce disaster and conflict risk

Expected Accomplishment B

Response

- Emergency response
- Field-based scientific assessments
- Environmental mainstreaming (humanitarian)
- Network of experts

Identify risks and priorities for recovery

Expected Accomplishment C

Recovery

- Policy & institutional support
- Clean-up & ecosystem restoration projects
- Sustainable building
- Environmental mainstreaming (peace-building & recovery)

Ensure sustainable use of natural resources



Overview of Portfolio

Expected Accomplishment and indicators

EA1 Risk Reduction:

Reporting against 2 indicators:

- Increase in proportion of countries in which environmental issues are addressed in national disaster risk reduction strategies
- Increase in no. of international partners' policies on risk reduction that integrate best practices in sustainable natural resource management with support from UNEP

EA 2 Response:

Reporting against 2 indicators:

- % of country/ international partner requests for emergency response assistance met by UN Environment
- % of emergency response and post-crisis recovery plans by governments or international partners that integrate UNEP's recommendations

EA 3 Recovery:

Reporting against 1 indicator:

- Countries emerging from crisis progress along the Country Capacity Framework with UNEP's support

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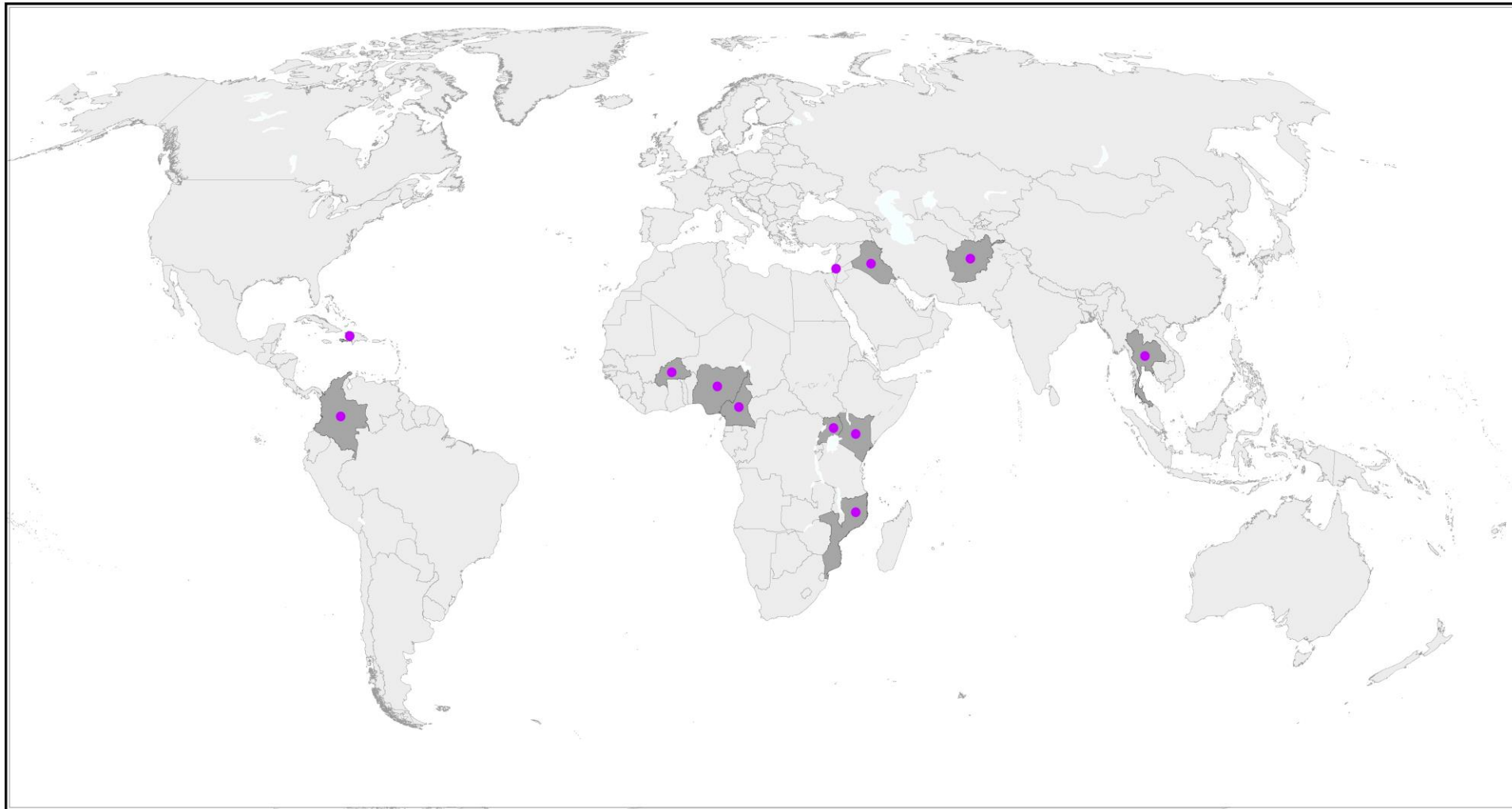
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RISK REDUCTION: Support in 12 countries

Risk reduction activities Jan-June 2018





Massive Open Online Course: 10,000 students learn about environmental security



- March-May 2018
- 9,895 participants from 170 countries
- MOOC with video lectures, videos from students, mapping exercises, facilitated discussions, and office hours
- Case studies from 60+ countries
- 90% of participants surveyed found the course to be relevant, valuable and high quality
- Next offered in February 2019



Empowered lives.
Resilient nations.



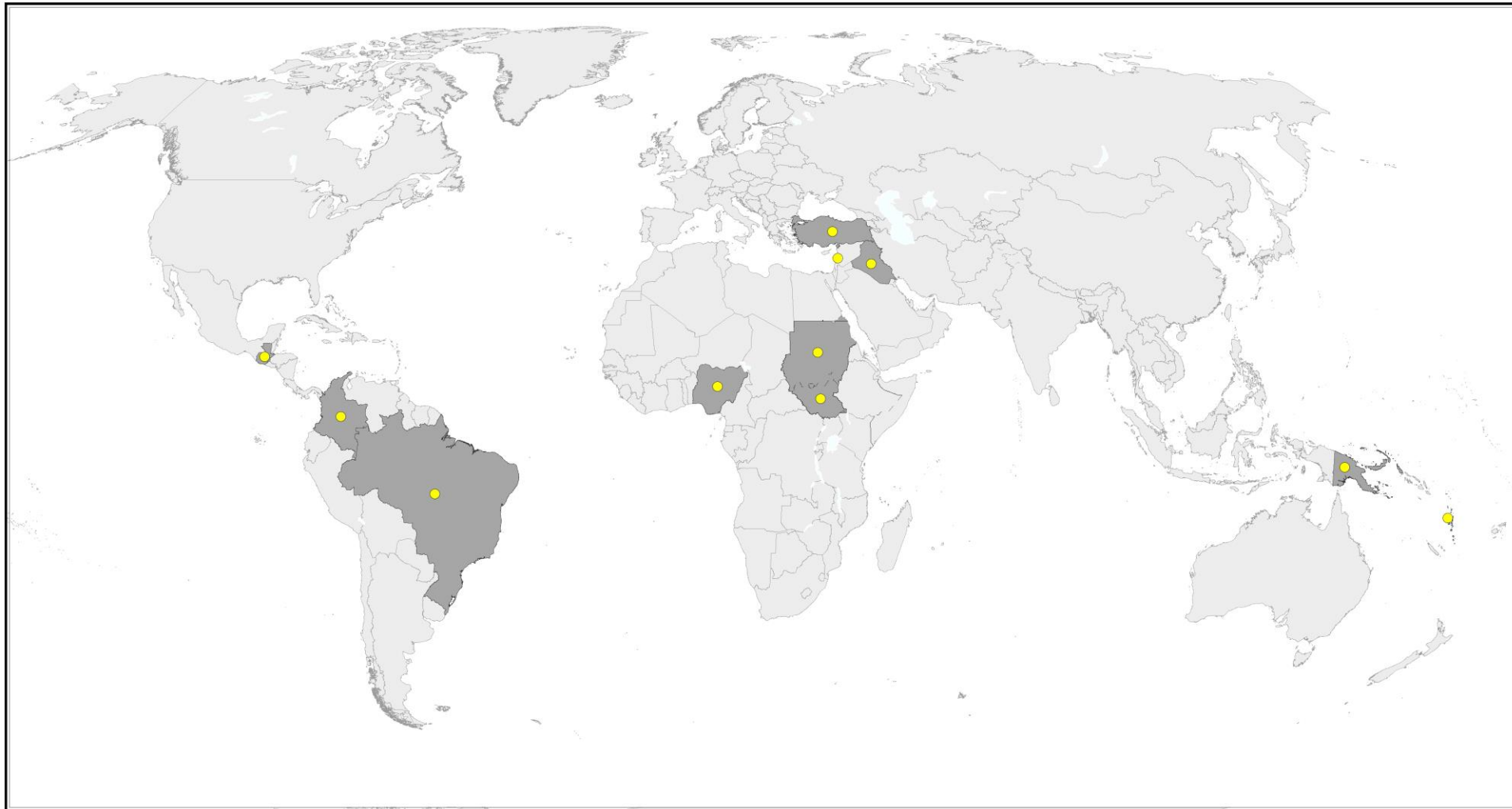
environmental
PEACEBUILDING



ENVIRONMENTAL
LAW INSTITUTE

RESPONSE: Support in 11 countries

Response activities Jan-June 2018



100% response rate



Response example: Colombia oil spill



March – April 2018 – Burst oil well in northern Colombia spills oil into Magdalena river



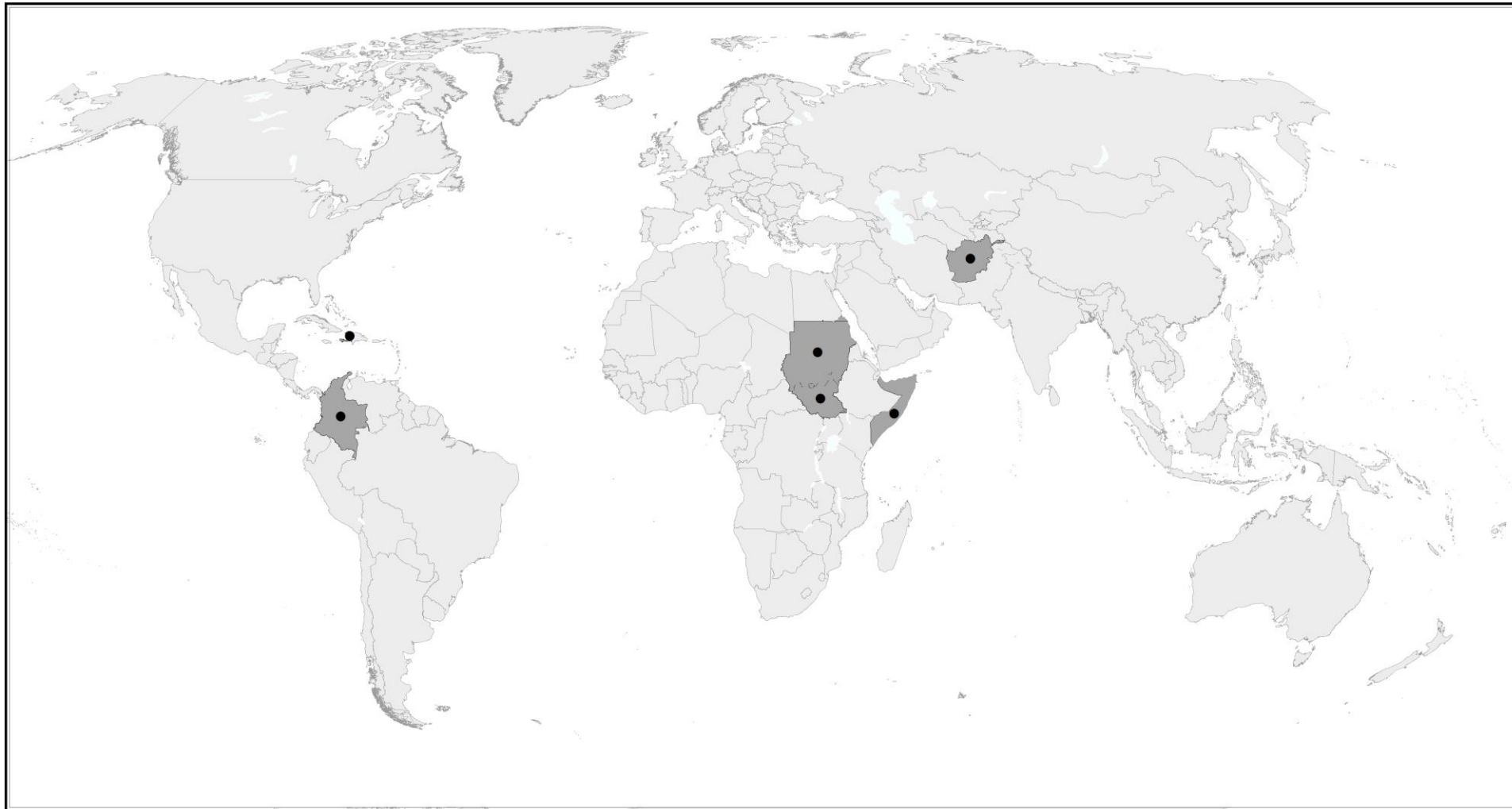
Kills at least 2,400 animals and forces 1,600 people from their homes.



UN Environment lead an assessment mission comprising of experts from Mexico, Guatemala, Spain and France through the EU's Civil Protection Mechanism to advise on response and recovery

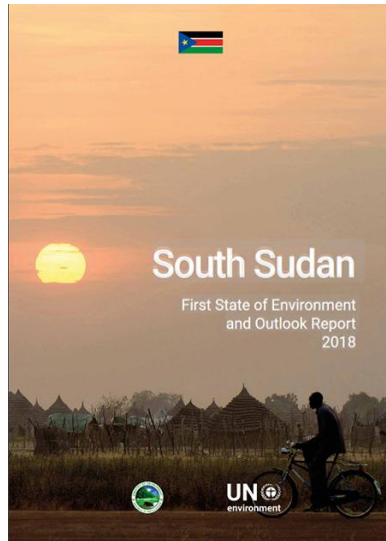
RECOVERY: Support in 6 countries

Recovery activities Jan-June 2018





Recovery example: South Sudan



UN Environment supports South Sudan's first ever State of the Environment report

Released on 5th June 2018, World Environment Day

Attended by Vice President and several Ministers

Identifies priorities and benchmarks current environmental status.

Vital stepping to enable future planning and sustainable management of South Sudan's vast natural resources





2/15 Protection of the environment in areas affected by armed conflict

- Enhanced assistance to countries affected by conflict
- Work with International Law Commission
- Work with UNESCO on Natural World Heritage Sites at risk of conflict

Challenges

- Large part of the resolution relies on member states implementing their own commitments – not possible to track implementation across all member states.

Progress to date

- Creation of standing capacity to deploy environmental expertise quickly on demand.
- Creation of new Nairobi-based environment and security unit
- Massive Open Online Course on environmental security and sustaining peace
- Ongoing assistance to countries affected by armed conflict – eg Mosul, Iraq



3/1. Pollution mitigation and control in areas affected by armed conflict/ terrorism

- Field visits
- Assistance missions
- Work with International Law Commission

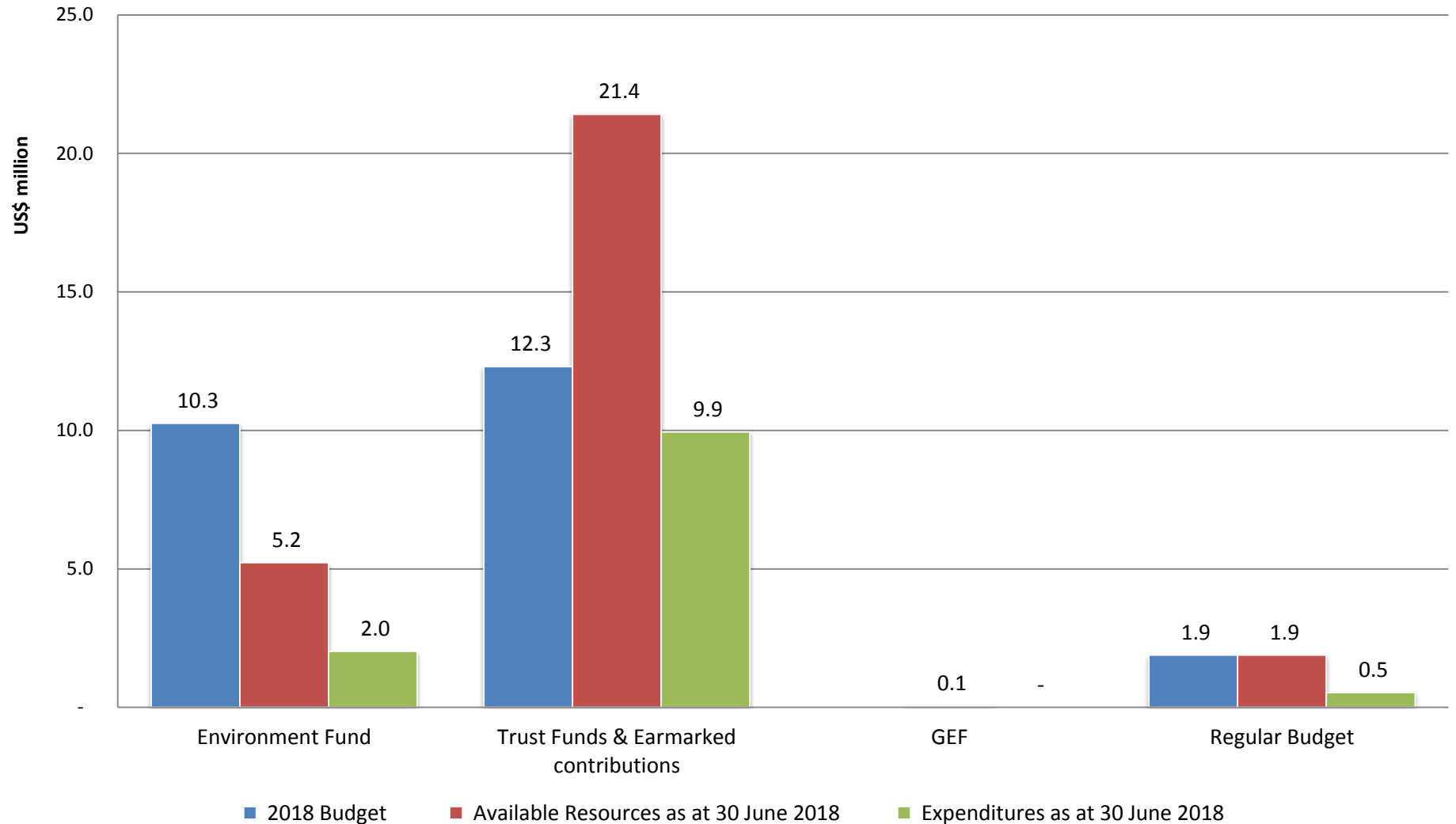
Progress to date

- Ongoing support to countries affected by conflict pollution (Iraq) or conflict related displacement (Bangladesh, Turkey, Jordan and Lebanon)
- On-going collaboration with
- International Law Commission

Challenges

- Missions are reactive and difficult to plan, staff and fund.
- On-going challenges with access and staff safety and security

Jan - June 2018 Expenditure



Opportunities and Challenges



Challenges

- Staff safety and security
- High dependence on earmarked funding – particularly hard to fund risk reduction work
- Limited resources hampers implementation at the regional level

Opportunities

- Growing recognition of multiple links among crisis and environmental management – emergency response raises awareness for need for more systemic work on risk reduction
- Important partnerships with African Union, Department of Political Affairs, and UNDP (e.g. tripartite effort to provide Security Council with information on climate risks)
- Revamp of the Resident Coordinator system provides an opportunity to increase engagement in countries.

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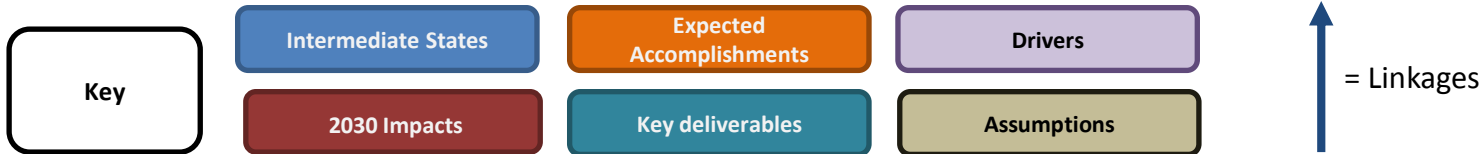
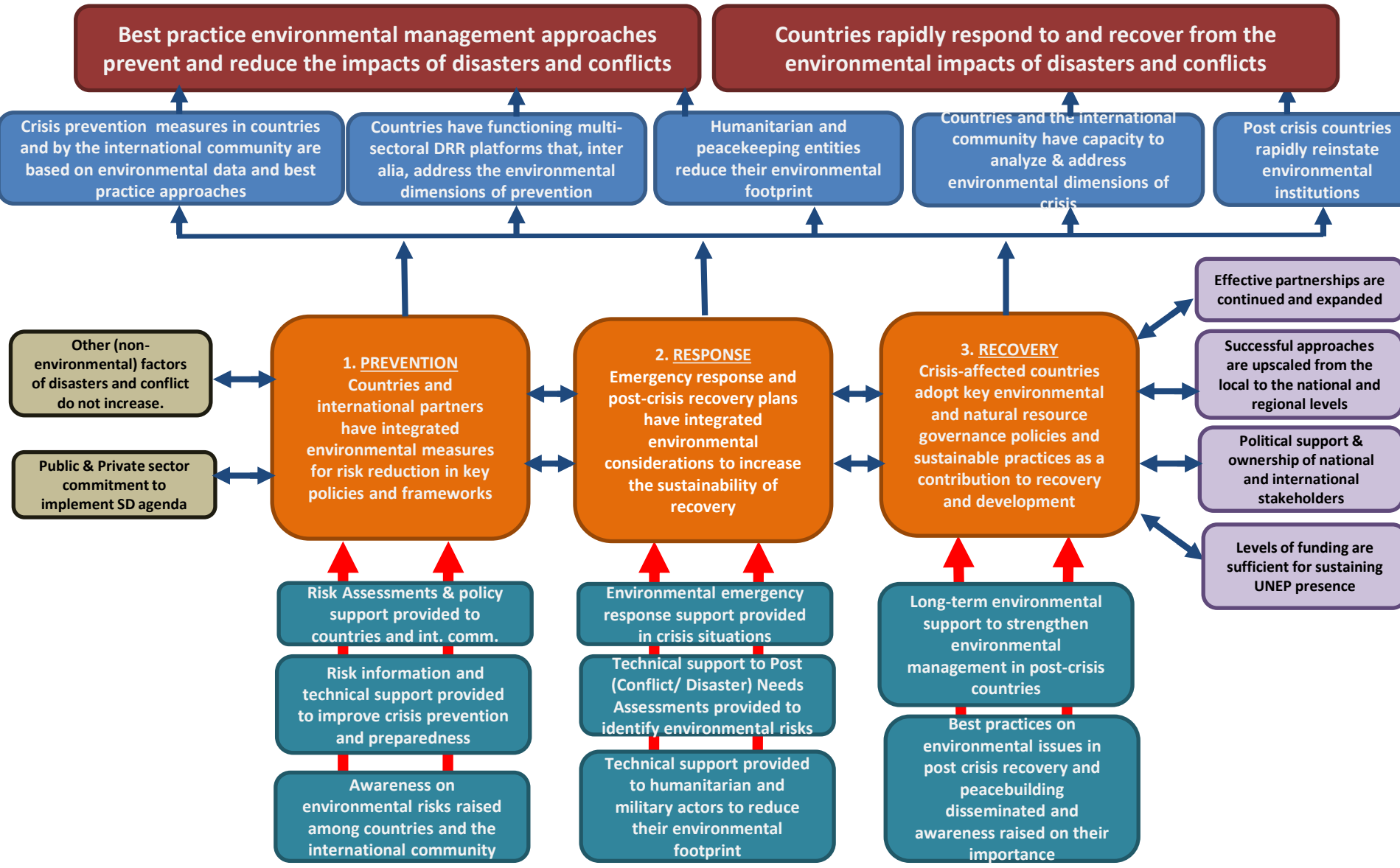


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Theory of Change – SP 2: Resilience to Disasters and Conflicts



2020-21 Programme of Work



- **SDGs**: Greater alignment to Sustainable Development Goal and Sendai Indicators.
- **RESILIENCE**: Increased focus on resilience and livelihoods as a defining objective and guiding principle.
- **COMPLEX “NEXUS” ISSUES**: Developing new forms of integrated projects tackling complex ‘nexus’ issues such as environmental diplomacy, freshwater management, climate change in fragile states etc.
- **MIGRATION**: Increased focus on links among environment, migration and displacement – a growing issue in many regions
- **UNEA RESOLUTIONS**: More explicit focus on delivering.

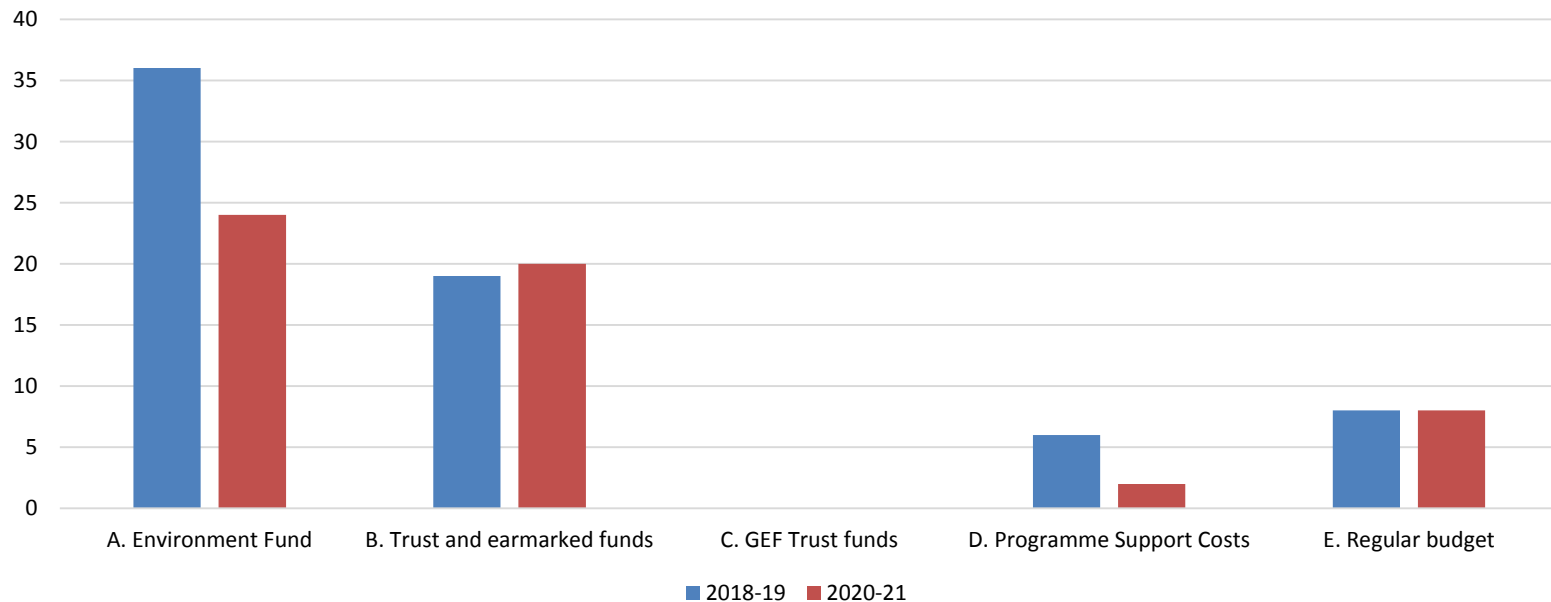


	Financial Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		
Category	2018-2019	Changes	2020-2021
A. Environment Fund			
Post	10,000	(1,800)	8,200
Non-post	11,500	(4,900)	6,600
Subtotal A	21,500	(6,700)	14,800
B. Trust and Earmarked Funds			
Trust and Earmarked Funds	24,600	(4,400)	20,200
Subtotal B	24,600	(4,400)	20,200
C. GEF Trust funds			
GEF Trust funds	-	-	-
Subtotal C	-	-	-
D. Programme Support costs			
Programme Support costs	2,400	(1,400)	1,400
Subtotal D	2,400	(1,400)	1,400
E. Regular budget			
Post	2,453	-	-
Non-post	166	-	-
Subtotal E	2,619	-	2,619
Total (A+B+C+D+E)	51,119	(12,500)	38,619

Staffing Resources 2020-21



Staffing resources (number of posts)			
Category	2018-19	Changes	2020-21
A. Environment Fund	36	(12)	24
B. Trust and earmarked funds	19	1	20
C. GEF Trust funds	0	-	0
D. Programme Support Costs	6	(4)	2
E. Regular budget	8	-	8
Total	69	(15)	54





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