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PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE REVIEW JANUARY 2018 TO JUNE 2019



Resource Efficiency

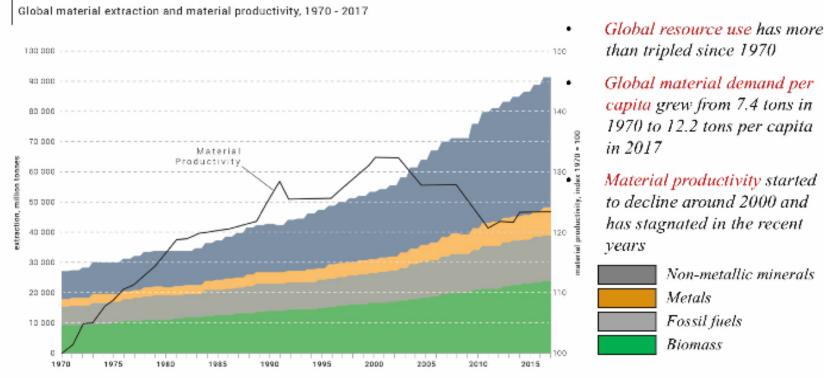
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Relentless demand: Global resource use, material demand per capita and material productivity







- capita grew from 7.4 tons in 1970 to 12.2 tons per capita

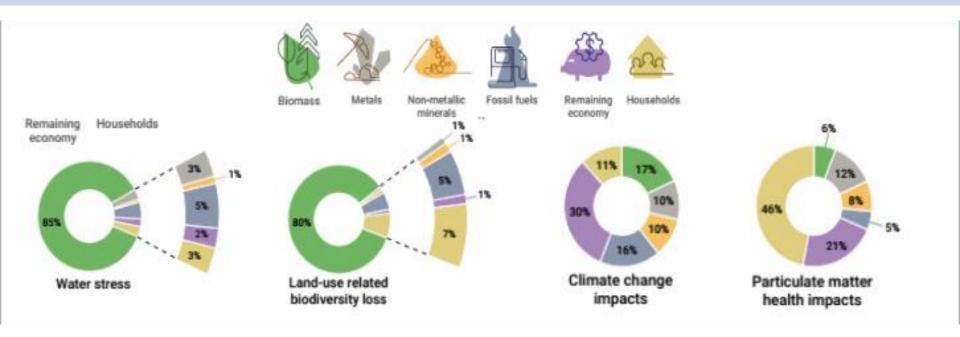
to decline around 2000 and has stagnated in the recent

Making the link: Resource efficiency, climate, and biodiversity loss

Environmental impacts in the value chain

Resource extraction and processing phase

90% of global biodiversity loss and water stress
50% of global climate change impacts
1/3 of air pollution health impacts







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Overview of Portfolio

Focus Areas by Expected Accomplishment



Expected Accomplishment A Enabling Policy Environment

- Green Economy Research, Modelling, Advisory
- Partnership for Action on Green Economy
- One Planet Network
- Regional Programmes promoting Sustainable Consumption and Production, Green Econ.
- Environment and Trade Hub
- Resource Efficient Cities

Expected Accomplishment B Sustainability in Businesses

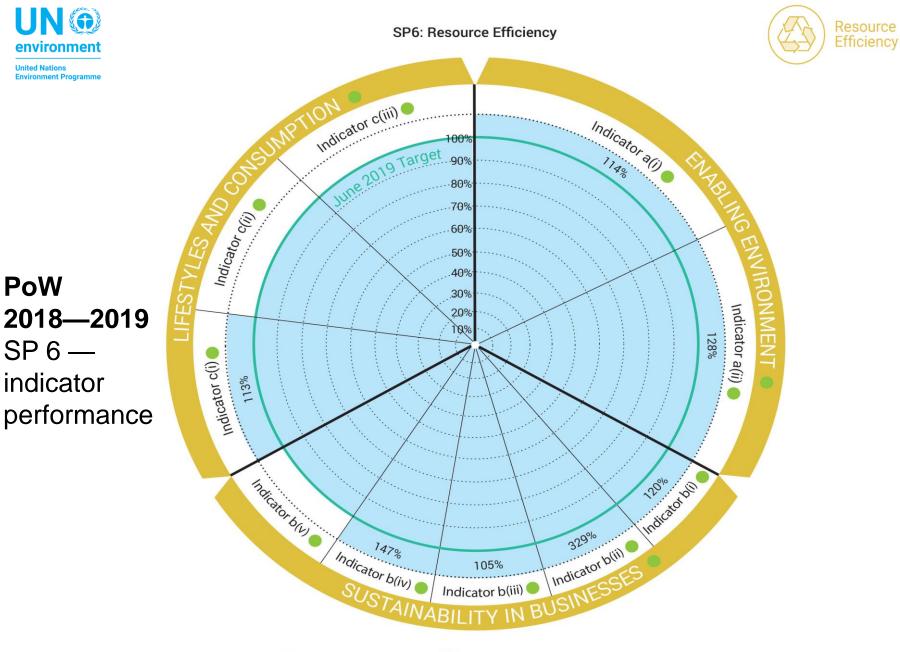
- Green and Sustainable Finance: UN Environment Finance Initiative
- Circular Economy and Value
 Chains
- Sustainability Reporting
- Eco-innovation
- Cleaner Production
- Sustainable Tourism
- Buildings & Construction
- Sustainable Food Systems

Expected Accomplishment C Lifestyles and Consumption

- Sustainable Lifestyles and Education
- Food Waste
- Sustainability Campaigns
- Consumer Information & Eco-labeling
- Sustainable Public
 Procurement
- Behavioral Change

Science-Policy Interface:

International Resource Panel - Green Growth Knowledge Platform - Life-Cycle Initiative





SP6 EA A Jan 2018- June 2019 Progress



Reporting against 2 indicators:

- Countries transitioning to sustainable development through multiple pathways:
 8 countries implemented policies for a green economy and sustainable production and consumption pathways, for a cumulative total of 26 countries supported by UNEP
- Local governments and cities that measure their resource profile: 14 cities have started measuring their resource profiles and report on the sustainable management of resources

PAGE PARTNERSHIP FOR ACTION ON GREEN ECONOMY

Expected

Accomplishment A:

Enabling Policy

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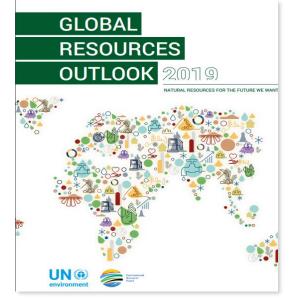


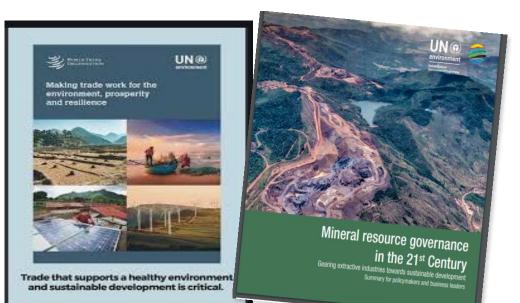




SP6 EA A: highlights enabling environment









Camp One Planet: SCP Lives Here







SP 6 EA B Jan 2018 – June 2019 Progress



Reporting against 5 indicators:

- Life-Cycle Thinking based decision making: 6 public and private stakeholders using LCA
- Adoption of Sustainable Finance Principles: 8 financial institutions, 1 insurance company, 10 countries and 1 European supervisory authority adopted the principles
- Sustainable Tourism Policies: 28 tourism businesses and 8 countries adopted new policies
- Sustainable Management Practices: 14 businesses improved their sustainability reporting with UNEP support.
- Sustainable Buildings and Construction: 11 countries and 13 businesses implemented policies in the building and construction sector.

Expected Accomplishment B: Sustainability in Businesses



SP6 EA B: highlights – sustainable business



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SDGs and Tourism: focus on culture equitable economic development, footprint reduction



Goal 8.9: By 2030, devise and implement policies to promote sustainable tourism that create jobs and promotes local culture and products.

goals.



Goal 12b: Develop and implement tools to monitor sustainable development impacts for sustainable tourism, that creates jobs and promotes local culture and products.

14 LIFE BELOW WATER

Goal 14.7: By 2030, increase the economic benefit to small island developing states and least developed countries from the sustainable use of marine resources, including through sustainable management of fisheries, aquaculture and tourism.

- Principles for Responsible Banking: UNEP Finance Initiative mobilized CEOs of over 130 banks across the world with USD 47 trillion in assets to commit to 6 principles.
- Plastics Economy Global
 Commitment –uniting 400 organisations on circular economy for plastics.
 Industry and government commits to tackle plastic pollution – Joint UNEP and Ellen MacArthur Foundation Initiative
- National tourism roadmaps aligned to SDG targets developed in Dominican Republic, the Philippines, Mauritius and Saint Lucia. Over 80 companies in these countries align business operations to SDG targets and NDCs



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Reporting against 3 indicators:

- Sustainable public procurement: 4 additional countries and 1 city adopt new policies
- Sustainable lifestyles campaigns and outreach, consumer information: 13 countries and government institutions participated in awareness-raising, advocacy and educational initiatives.
- Food waste: 6 additional countries have initiated assessments across the value chain using the Food Loss & Waste Protocol.

Expected Accomplishment C: Sustainable Lifestyles & Consumption



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SP6 EA C: highlights lifestyles and consumption

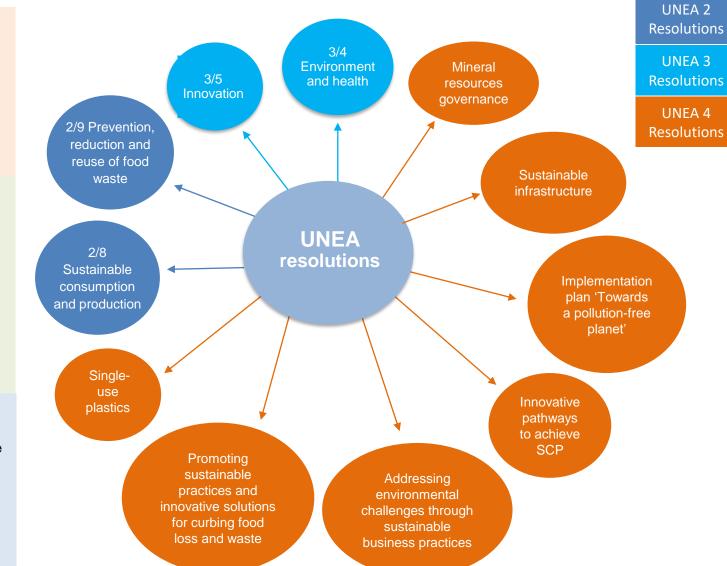






UNEA Resolutions relevant to the Sub-Programme





Strengthening the Science-policy interface:

- IRP-OPN task froce
- LCA in associated agendas
- Eco-innovation and value retention processes
- Measurement tools to reduce Food waste

Tools and approaches:

- Product design, labelling and Consumer Information and SPP
- Integrated approaches to sustainable and naturebased infrastructure
- Circular approaches in sectors such as plastics, textile construction and food

Sharing Good practices:

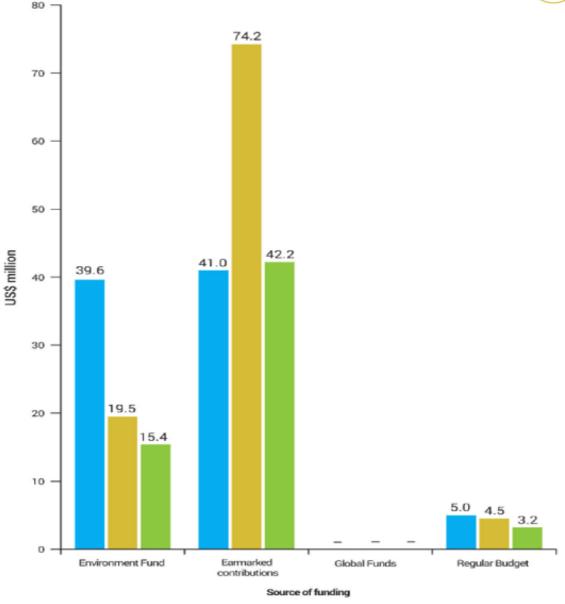
- Online hub of info on Sustainable Infrastructure
- Improved governance of mineral resource use and sharing of good practices
- Mechanisms to support micro and SMEs on good practices



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



Financial Performance: Resource Efficiency





Challenges and Risk management



- Accelerating circularity and resource efficiency: Mind sets, committed investments in current economic model and technical capacity
- Harnessing the science better : strengthening the science- policy- action interface to sustainably manage natural resources (UNEA4 Resolution Task Group)
- **Broaden the SCP action agenda**: SCP is transversal; recognize the centrality of sustainable consumption and production in delivering on SDGs
- **Diversify funding**: beyond traditional core, engaging finance and business in circularity/SCP outcomes.



Looking Ahead



- Integrate further: work across initiatives and other workstreams e.g. climate change, chemicals, waste and air quality and healthy and productive ecosystems
- Leverage UN reform: to deliver at country level through regional platforms, capacity, leadership and knowledge sharing
- Enhance collaboration: with other UN agencies to localize resource efficient practices in cities
- Sharpen focus: on consumer and behavioral change (and education) for sustainability



Possible Points for Discussion



- What are the **opportunities** in engaging more strongly with the science?
- How can we mobilize financing for SDG12 at global, regional and national levels?
- How can we best **support** country capacity on life-cycle and circular approaches to advance resource efficiency?





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Additional resources



Partnership for Action on Economy <u>www.un-</u> page.org/files/public/20171121_page_tools_services_preview.pdf

SCP-Hot spot analysis tool: http://scp-hat.lifecycleinitiative.org/

Climate Technology Centre and Network: www.ctc-n.org/

Special Programme on Chemicals and Waste: <u>www.unenvironment.org/explore-topics/chemicals-waste/what-we-do/special-programme</u>

Electric Mobility: www.unenvironment.org/explore-topics/transport/what-we-do/electric-mobility

Climate and Clean air Coalition: www.ccacoalition.org/en/solutioncenter/expert-assistance

International Environmental Technology Centre: www.unenvironment.org/ietc/

Green Growth Knowledge Platform: www.greengrowthknowledge.org/

One Planet Network: www.oneplanetwork.org

Green Fiscal Policy Network: <u>www.greenfiscalpolicy.org/</u>

Sustainable Infrastructure Partnership: <u>www.unenvironment.org/explore-topics/green-</u> <u>economy/what-we-do/economic-and-fiscal-policy/sustainable-infrastructure</u>