



Forest Carbon Partnership Facility

SESA(Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment) **and** **ESMF**(Environment and Social Management Framework) **for** **REDD+ Readiness**

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Outline

1. Rationale and outcomes of SESA/ESMF in REDD+
2. FCPF approach to sustainability
3. SESA: Strategic dimension and ESMF

A central challenge of the Readiness Preparation process:

- REDD+ Readiness Preparation mainly consists of strategic planning leading to development of policies, programs, institutions and a set of actions to be implemented in the future
- The agreed solution for the FCPF: SESA
- SESA: Two-tiered approach for managing E&S impacts
 - ***Strategic dimension*** to incorporate E&S consideration in the formulation of the REDD+ Strategy
 - ***ESMF*** to manage residual impacts of REDD+ strategy implementation

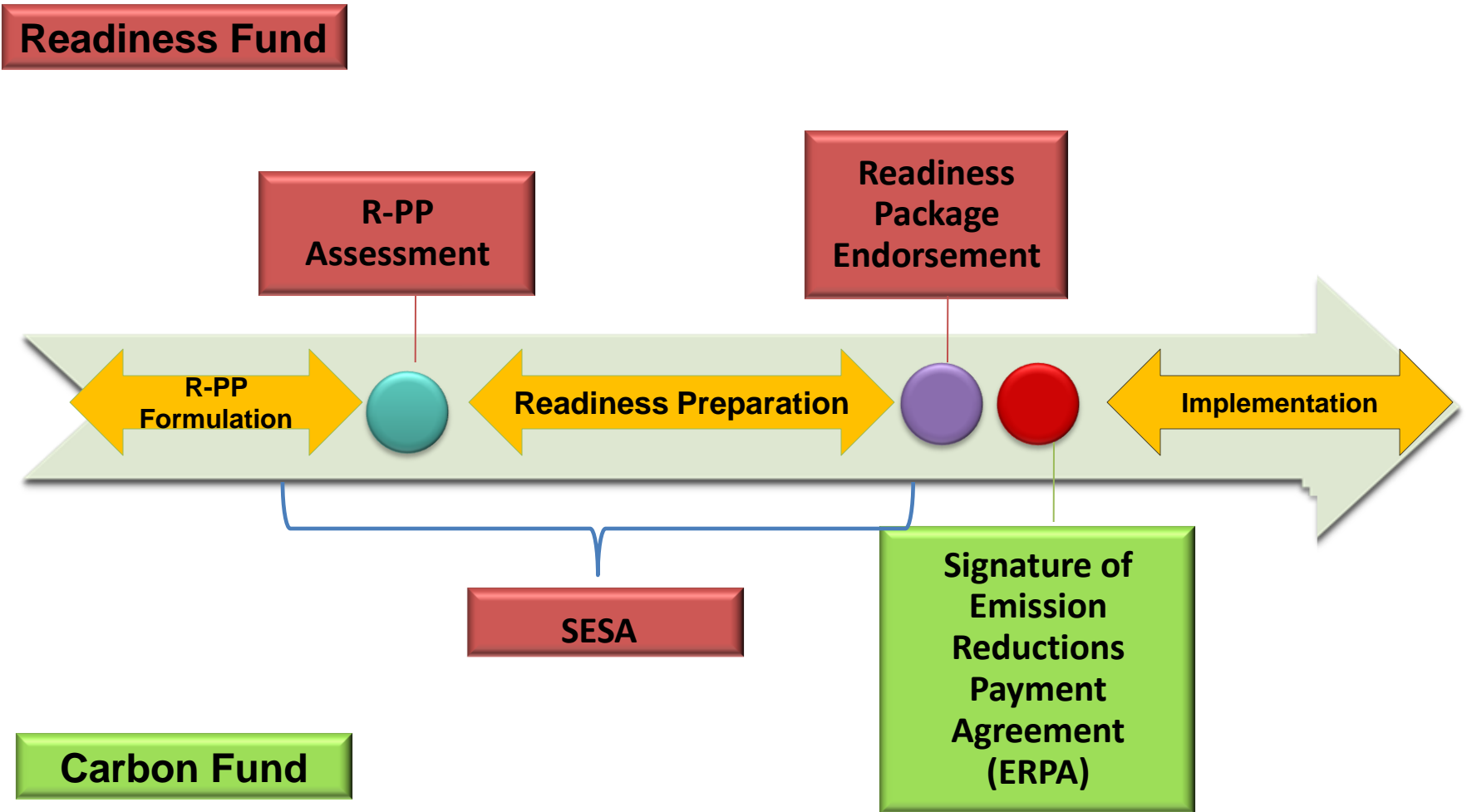
SESA/ESMF in REDD+ Rationale

- SESA strategic dimension helps in refining the REDD+ strategy by assessing the responsiveness of the strategy options to E&S priorities in the forestry sector and the opportunity cost of conserving forests
- ESMF establishes the framework for E&S management of future projects, policies and activities through which the refined REDD+ strategy is implemented
- ESMF is prepared when REDD+ strategy has been refined
- SESA/ESMF ensures that REDD+ maximizes social, cultural, economical and environmental good whilst avoiding or mitigating harm

SESA/ESMF in REDD+: Expected Outcomes

- **Rights.** REDD+ strategy recognizes and respects rights to forest resources (including customary claims by forest dependent peoples)
- **Compliance.** REDD+ strategy adheres to relevant international environmental and social safeguards
- **Good governance.** REDD+ strategy is implemented in the context of broader good governance objectives including transparency and accountability
- **Land-use planning.** Land use plans are responsive to the opportunity costs of forests and E&S sustainability
- **Participation and adequate information.** All relevant stakeholders have the opportunity to participate fully and have timely access to appropriate and accurate information

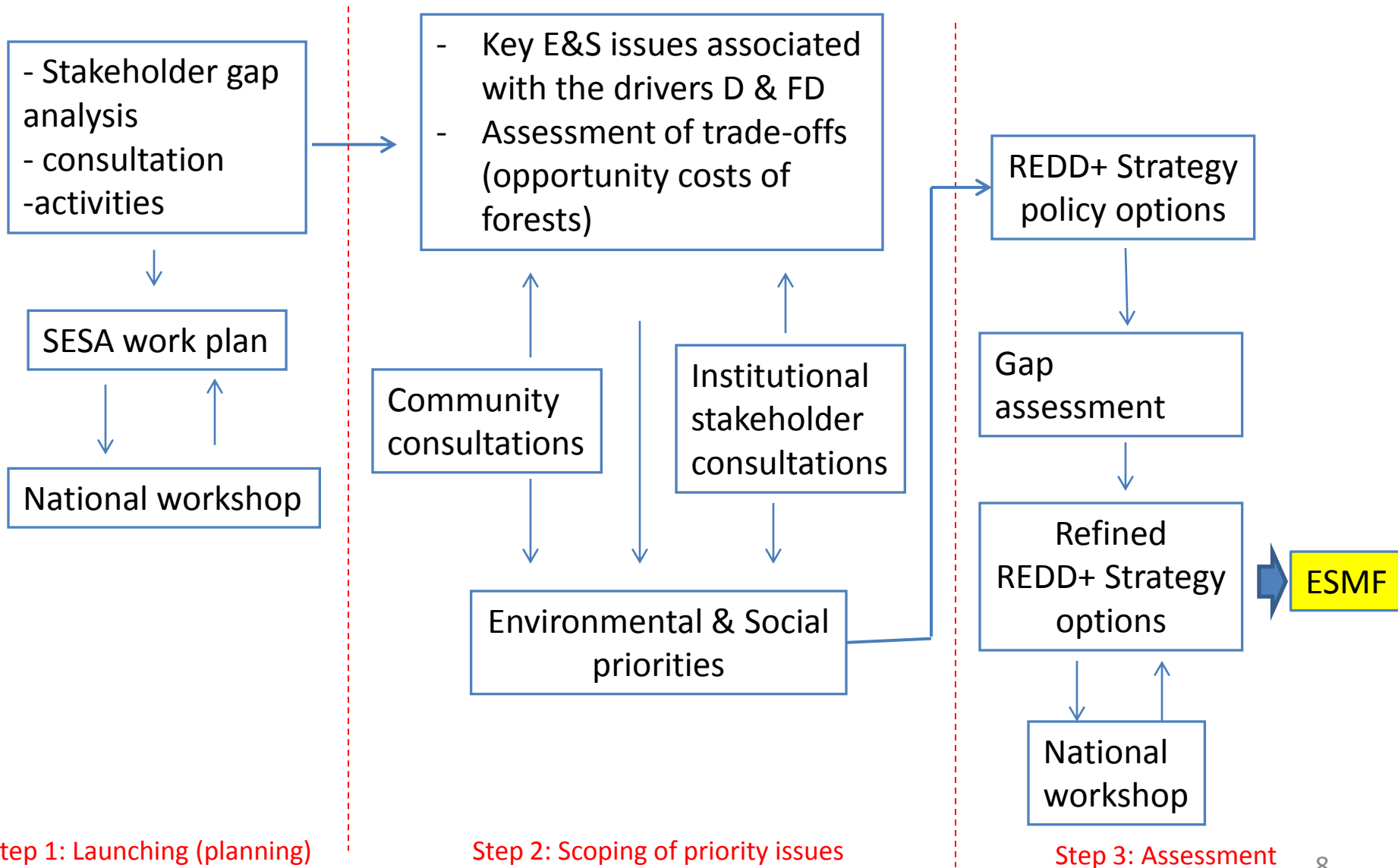
The FCPF Approach to E&S Sustainability



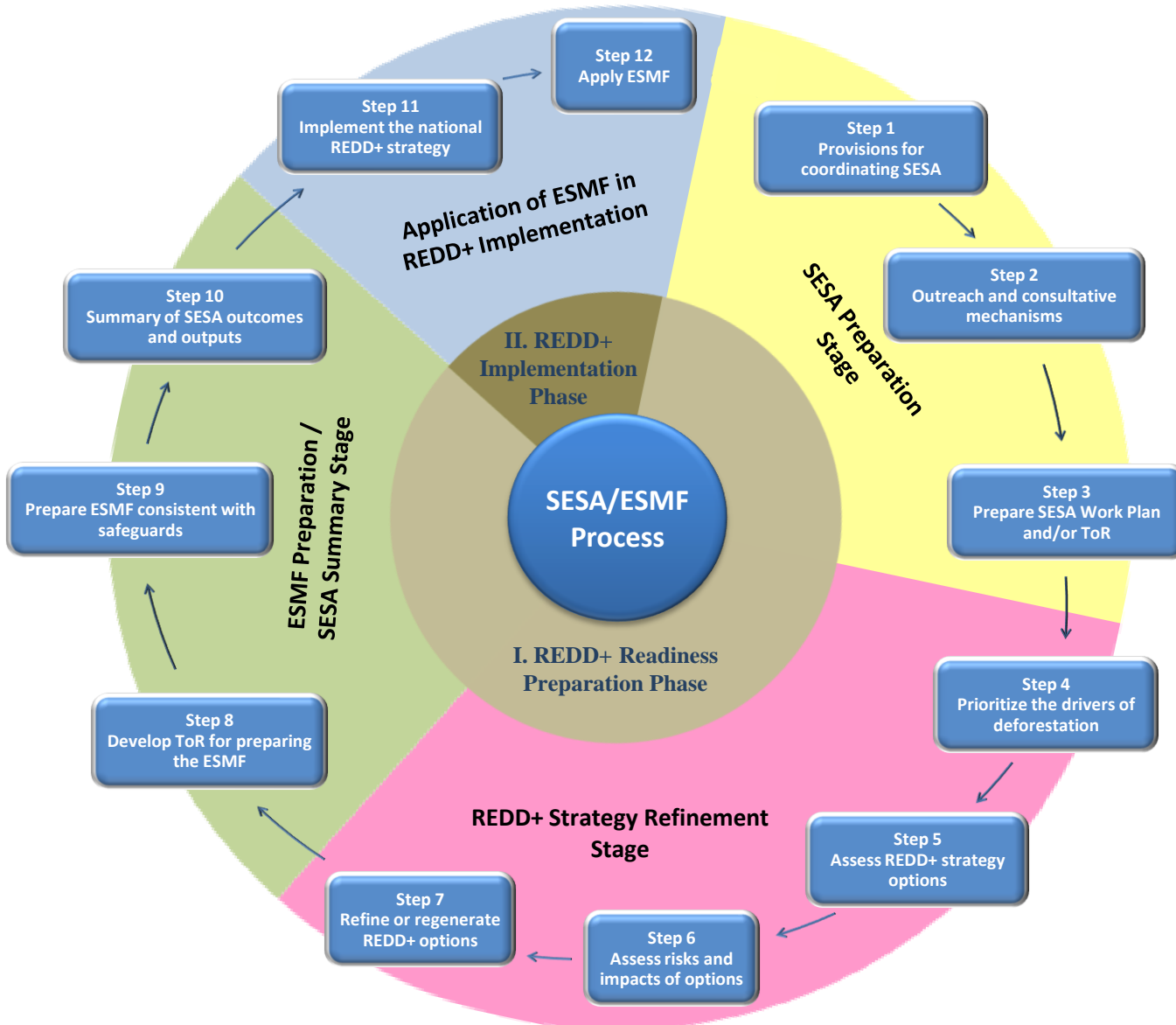
Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF)

- Discusses the legal, regulatory and policy regime within which the strategy will be implemented
- Discusses potential E&S impacts of the implementation of the REDD+ strategy
- Describes the arrangements to manage these impacts and the requirements for their implementation
- Should be widely consulted, refined through the consultations and disclosed

Overview of SESA-ESMF Process I



Overview of SESA-ESMF Process II



An aerial photograph of a vast, dense forest. The trees are mostly green, with some brownish patches indicating dead or dormant trees. In the upper right corner, a body of water is visible, possibly a lake or a wide river. The overall scene is a lush, green landscape.

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