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# **Greenhouse Gases don't respect borders**

## **Global Cooperation on in situ GHG observations**

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# 2018 – a year to see Climate Change at work:

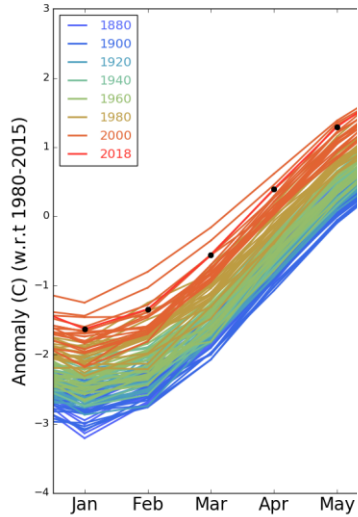
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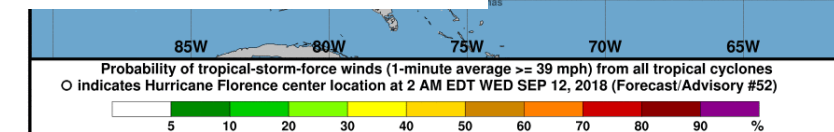
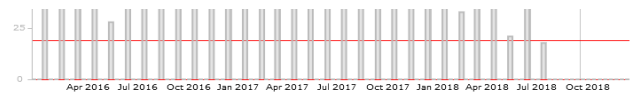
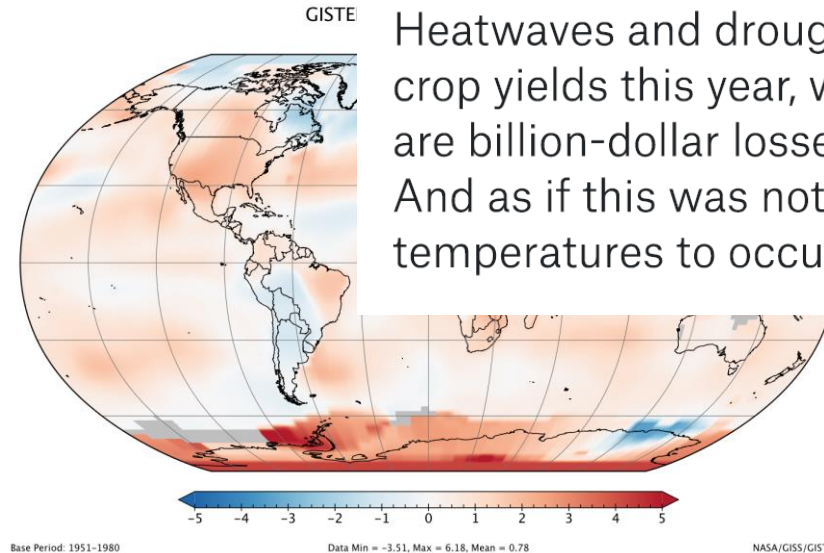
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Climate Change

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## Heatwaves, drought and forest fires in Europe: Billions of dollars in losses for agricultural sector

Heatwaves and drought across large parts of Europe are causing massive reductions in crop yields this year, while forest fires are burning in Scandinavia. The consequences are billion-dollar losses for agriculture. In some cases, entire harvests have been lost. And as if this was not enough, scientists expect summer dry spells with high temperatures to occur more often in the future.



EDO - European Drought Observatory  
Emergency Management Service





# Fate of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (2006-2015)



34.1 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr

91%

Sources = Sinks



9%

3.5 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr

16.4 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr

44%



31%

11.6 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr



26%

9.7 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr



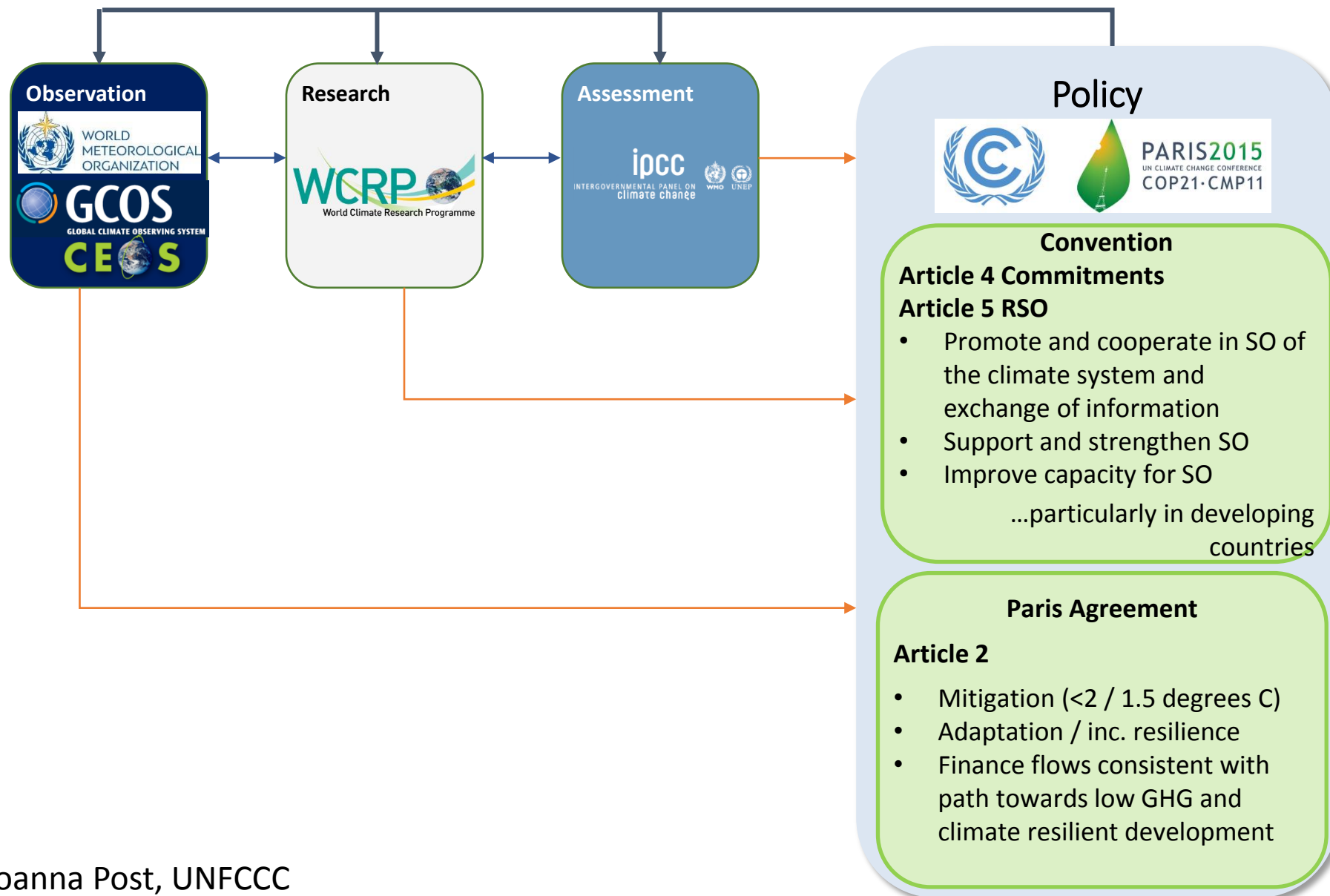
Source: [CDIAC](#); [NOAA-ESRL](#); [Houghton et al 2012](#); [Giglio et al 2013](#); [Le Quéré et al 2016](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2016](#)

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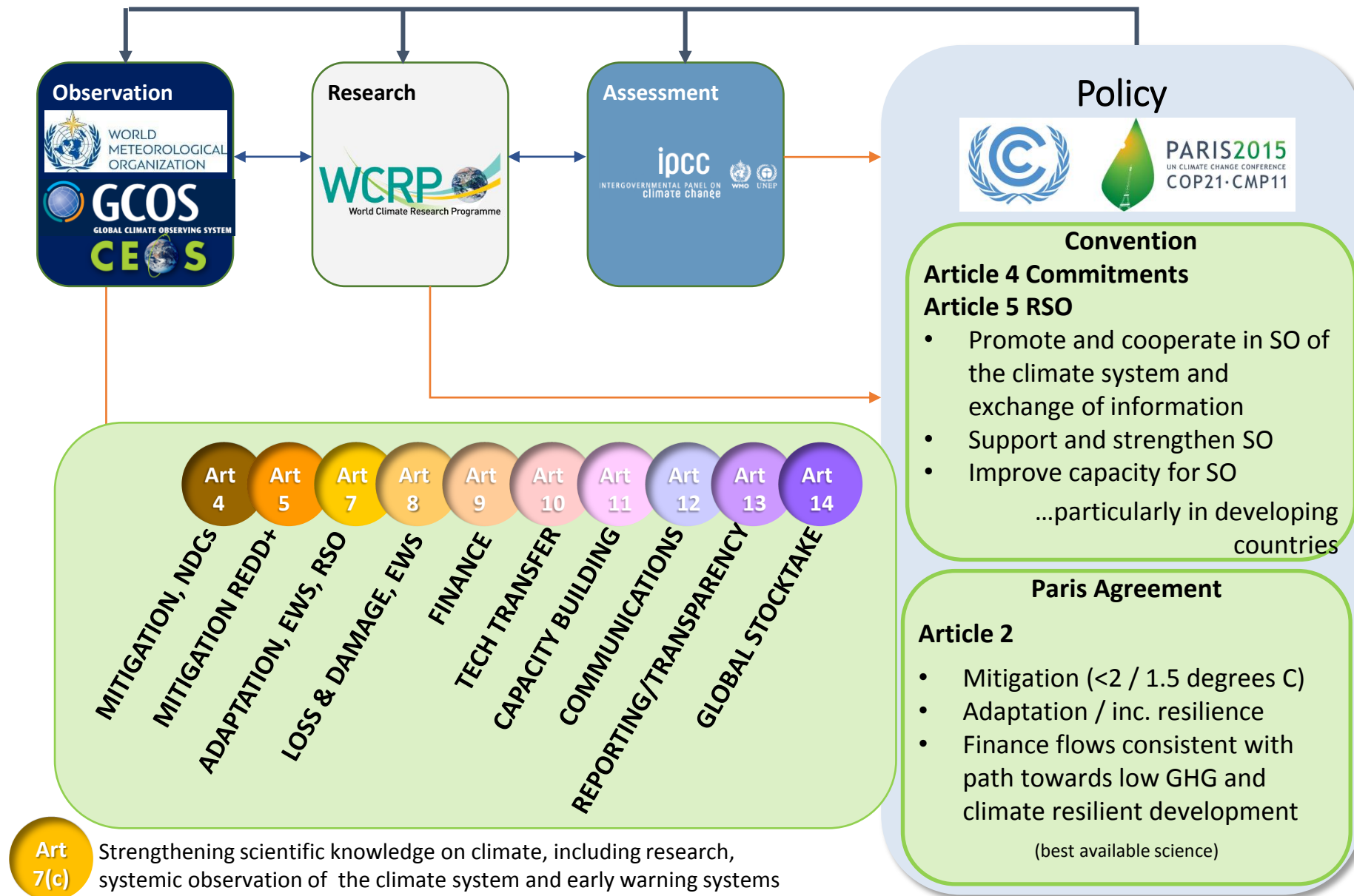


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# The new Paris paradigm | Driving the climate agenda – closing the loop

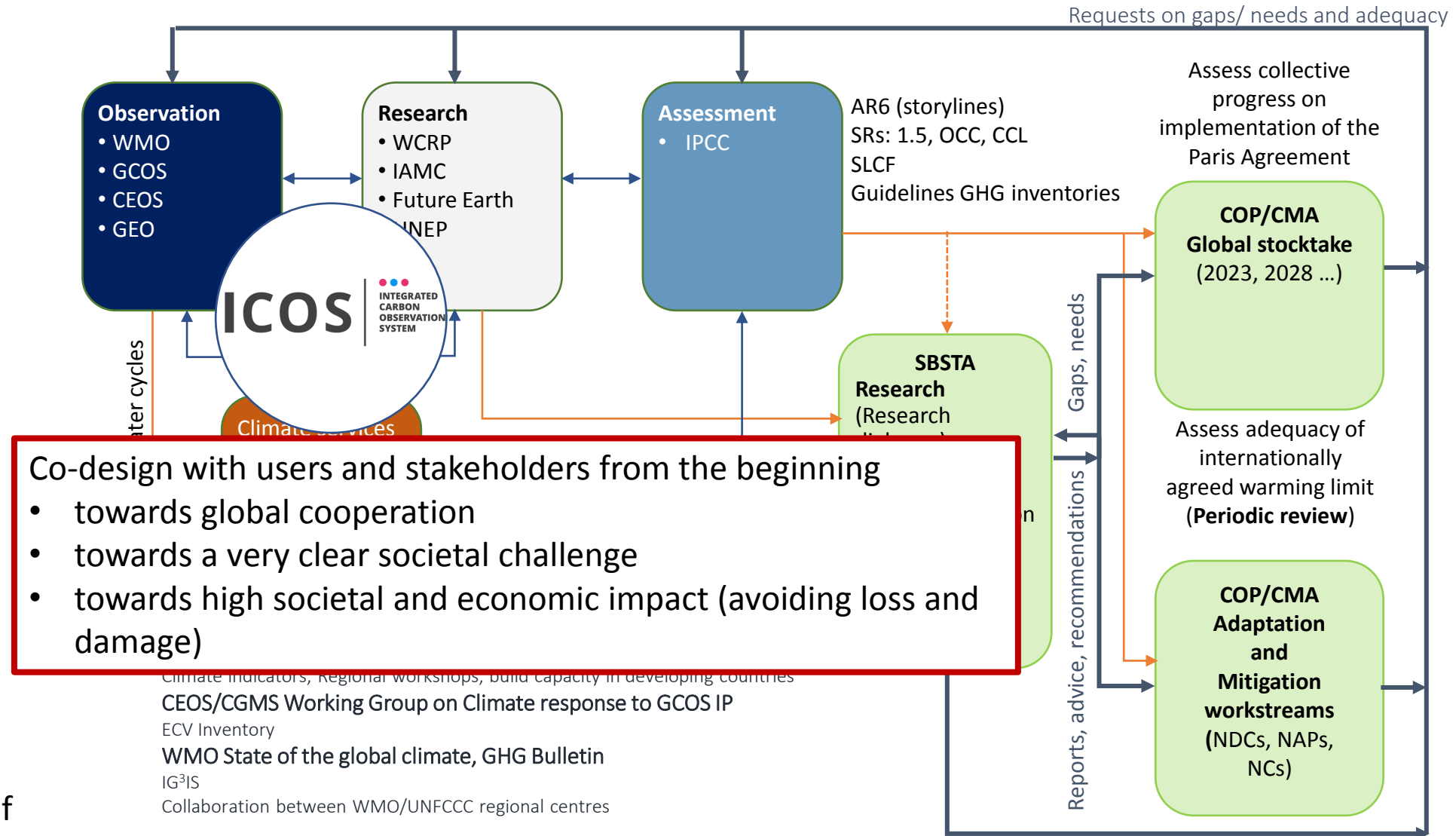


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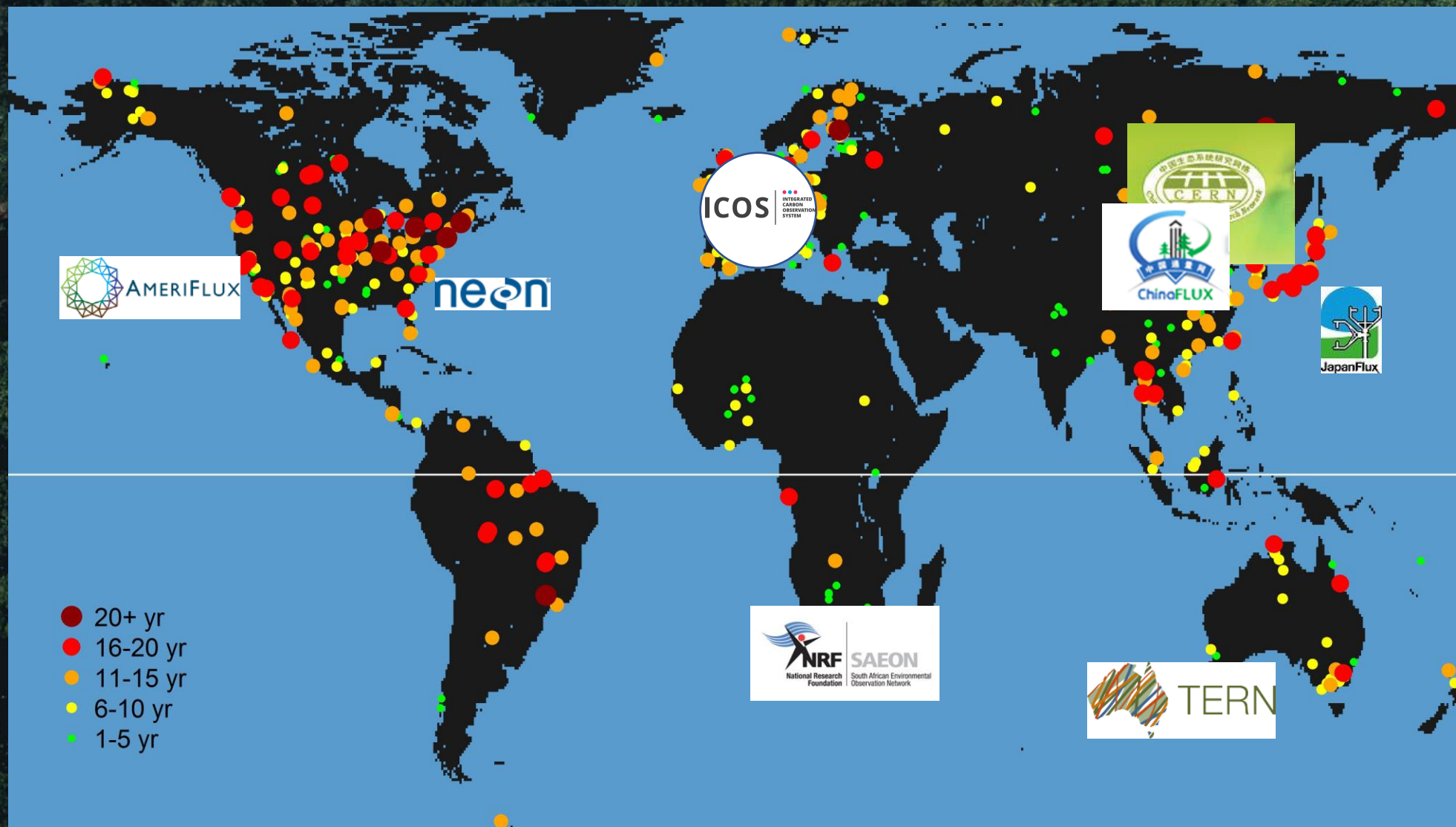
# The new Paris paradigm: From “policy driving policy” to “science driving policy” and “policy driving science”



NDCs: Nationally Determined Contributions  
NAPs: National Adaptation Plans  
NCs: National Communications

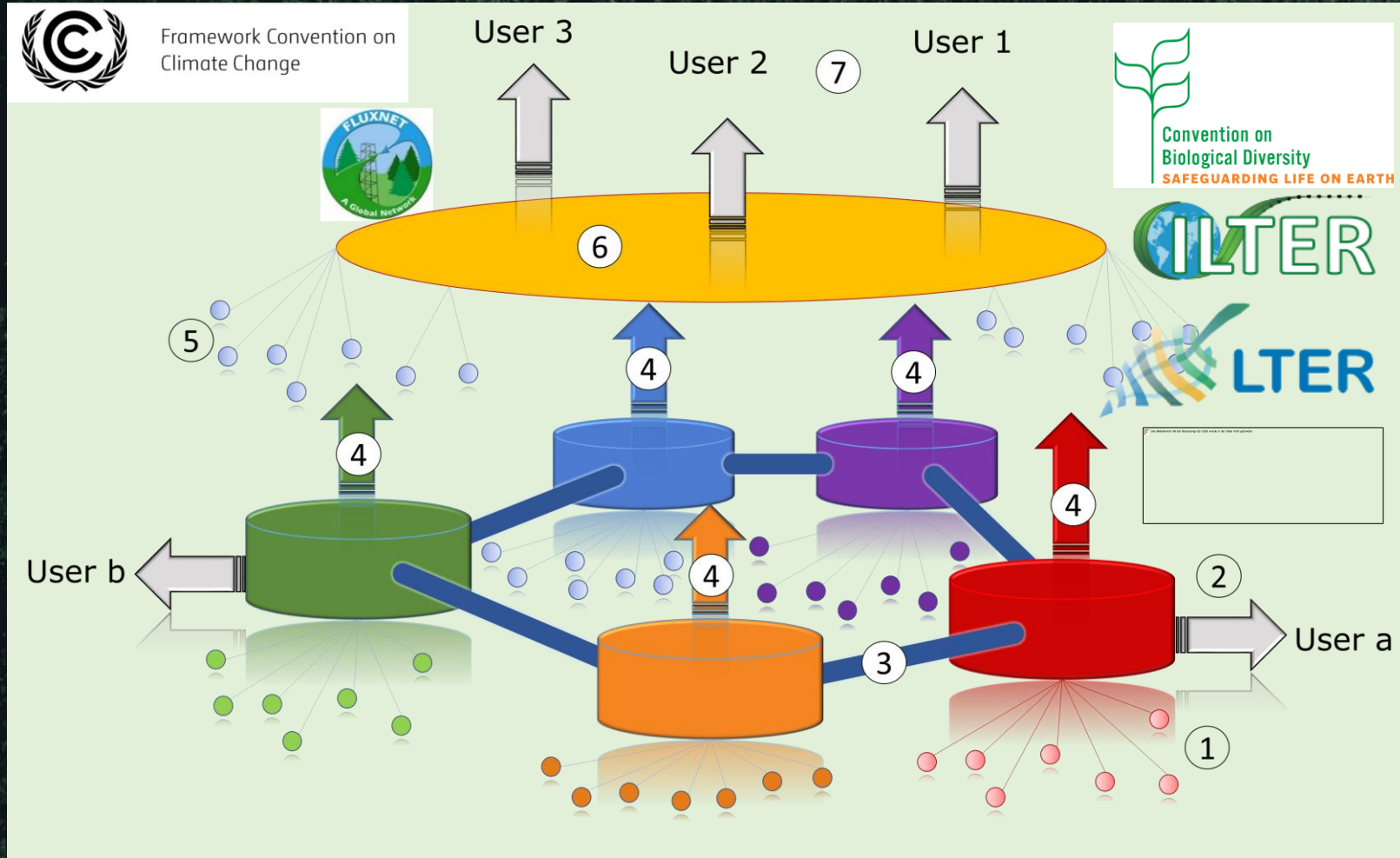


# Mechanisms for global cooperation, example 1: Ecosystems





# Global cooperation is organized along societal challenges and international conventions

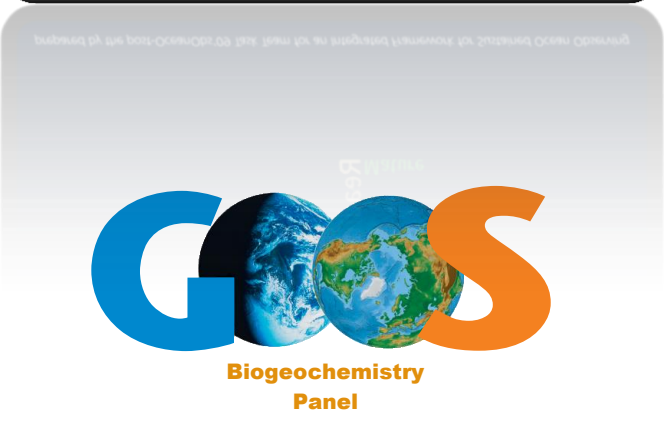
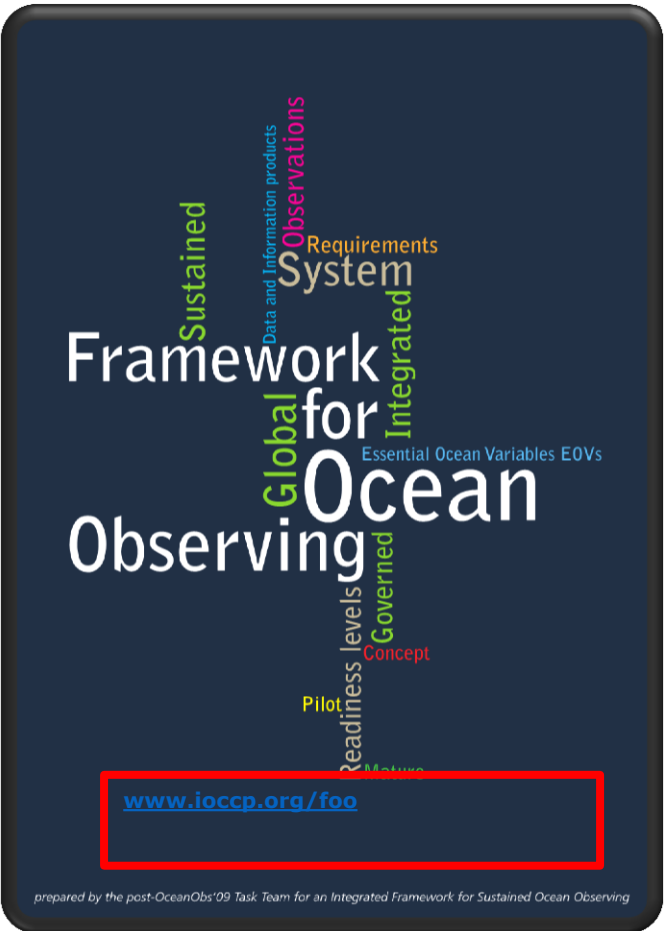
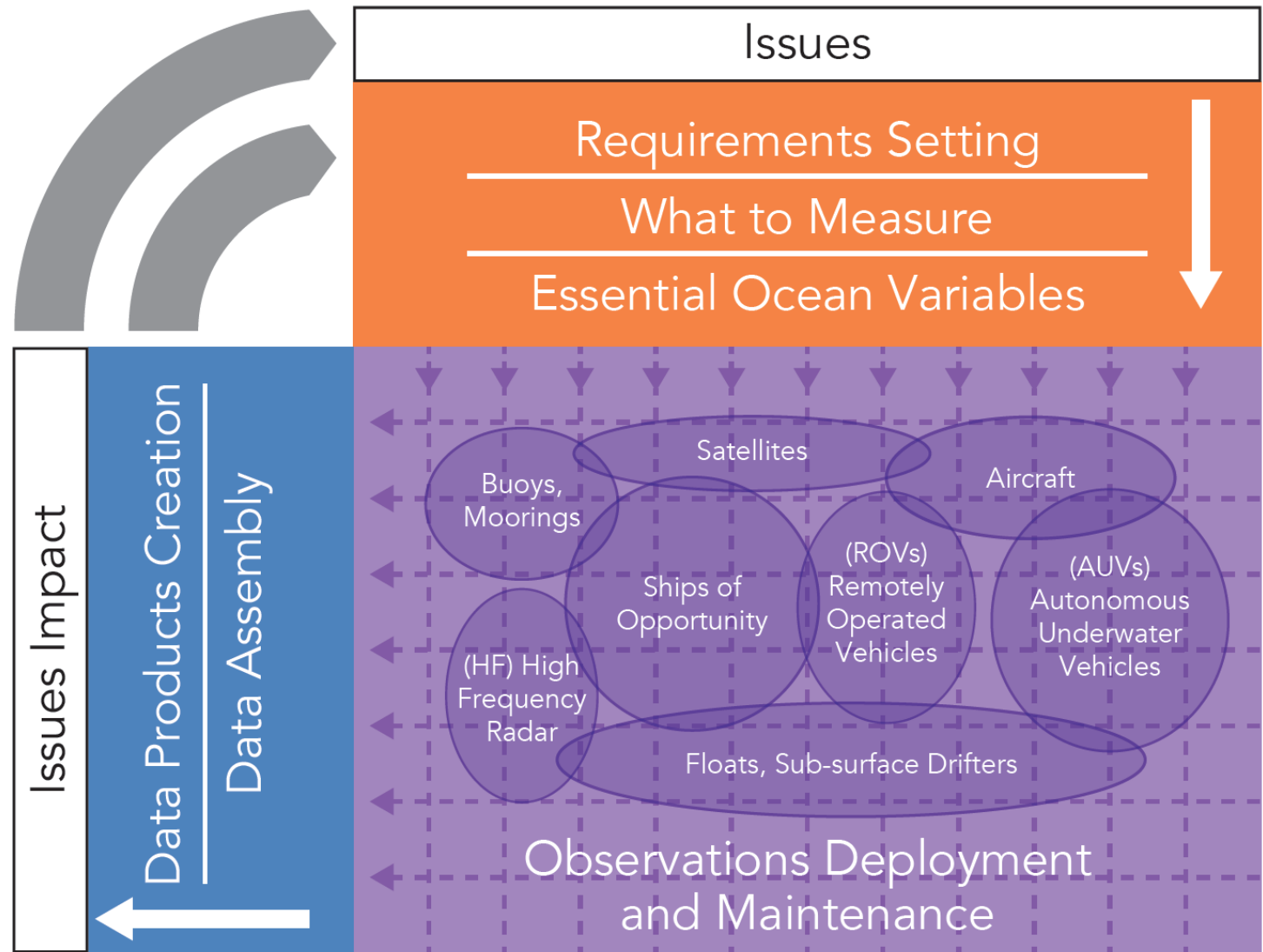


## Cooperation between major global Rs

- essential variables for ecological observations;
- coherent standards
- site registration system
- open data policies
- metadata cataloguing and data citation
- support existing global data efforts (e.g. FLUXNET);
- capacity-building and human resource management;
- towards a global ecosystem research infrastructure

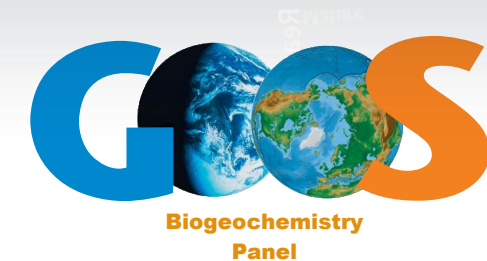
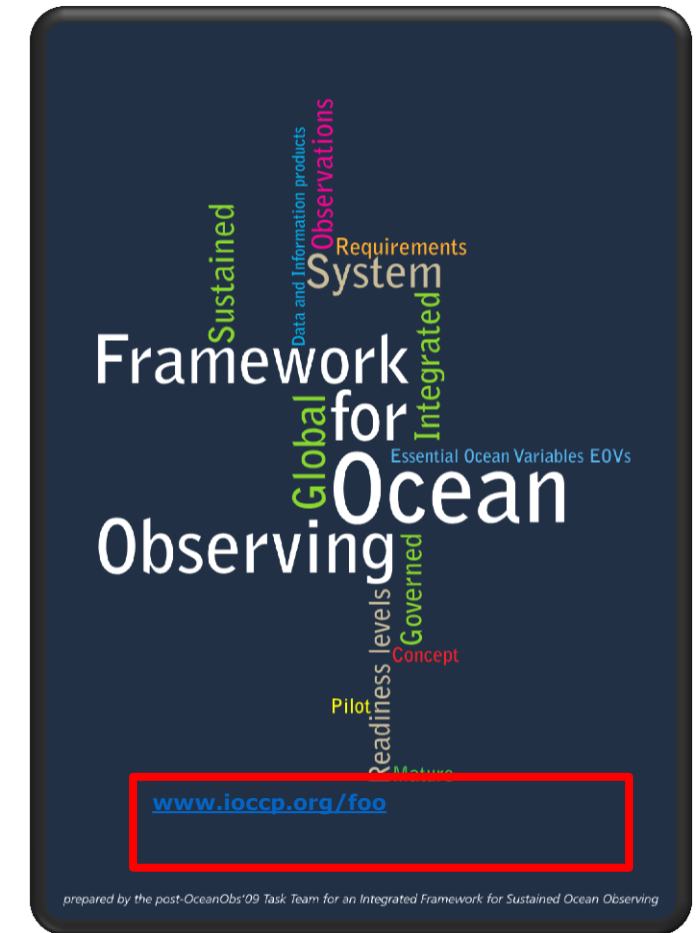
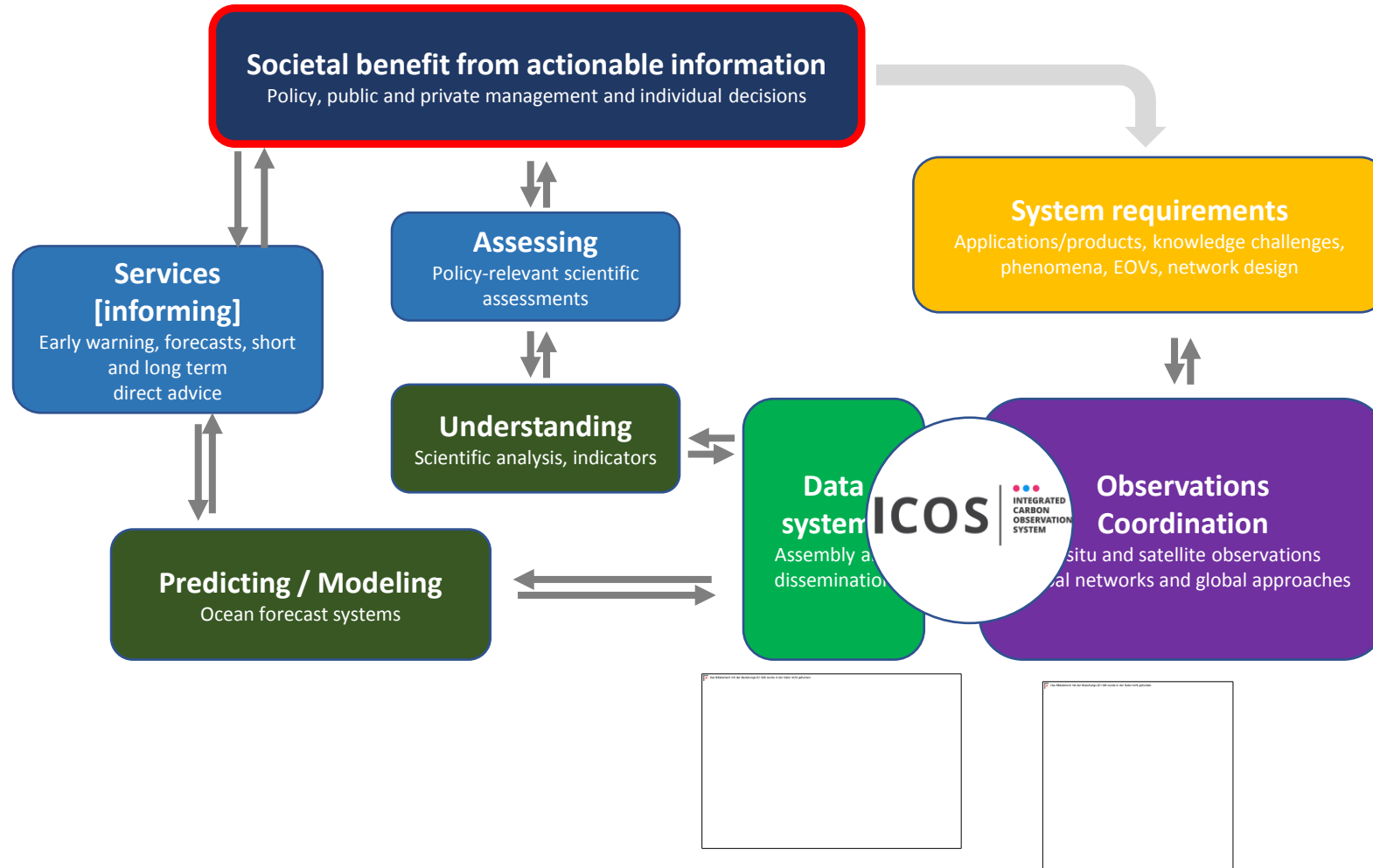
A broad schematic of a full value chain in sustained ocean observing programs

Framework for Ocean Observing Process Diagram

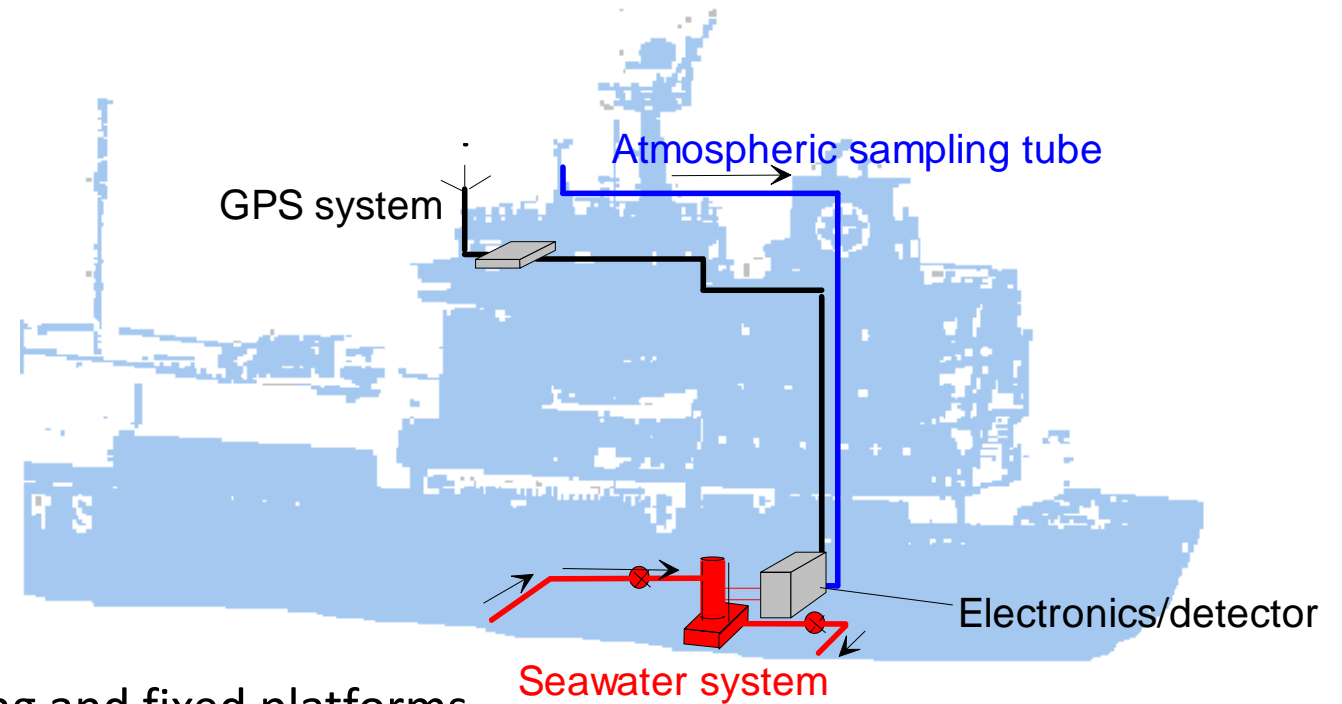
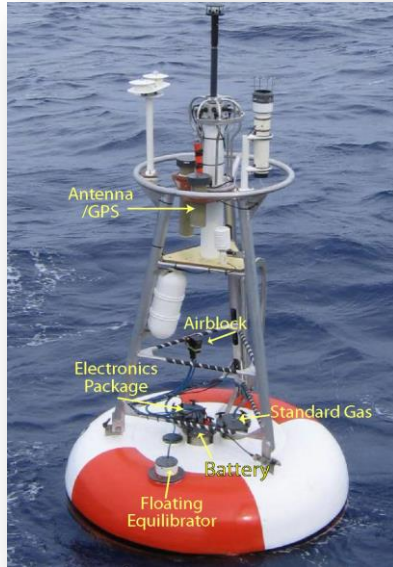


# System

A broad schematic of a full value chain in sustained ocean observing programs







## SOCONET:

- **Surface ocean CO<sub>2</sub> measurements** from moving and fixed platforms (With other parameters in concept and pilot phase pH, TA, DIC);
- **Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>** from some data originators (discussions with GAW);
- Checked sea surface temperature and salinity as well as other BGC parameters (oxygen, nutrients)

# In Earth Science international collaboration is not a ,nice to have', it's a questions of

## Summary

International cooperation is requested and guided by UN convention related to Grand Challenge.

There are extremely high values at stake.

Co-design with users and stakeholders from the beginning

- towards global cooperation
- towards a very clear societal challenge
- towards high societal and economic impact (avoiding loss and damage)

## 2° be or not 2° be

And what does the Higg's Boson for it?

# Thank you for your attention!











Framework Convention on  
Climate Change

Global policy making and societal challenge definition



Convention on  
Biological Diversity  
SAFEGUARDING LIFE ON EARTH



GLOBAL CLIMATE OBSERVING SYSTEM



Harmonisation



GLOBAL TERRESTRIAL OBSERVING SYSTEM

Harmonisation

„GBOS“

ECVs

Global cooperation, coordination and open data integration

EBVs



Branch towards UNFCCC

Branch towards CBD

Requirement  
definition

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Other  
requirements

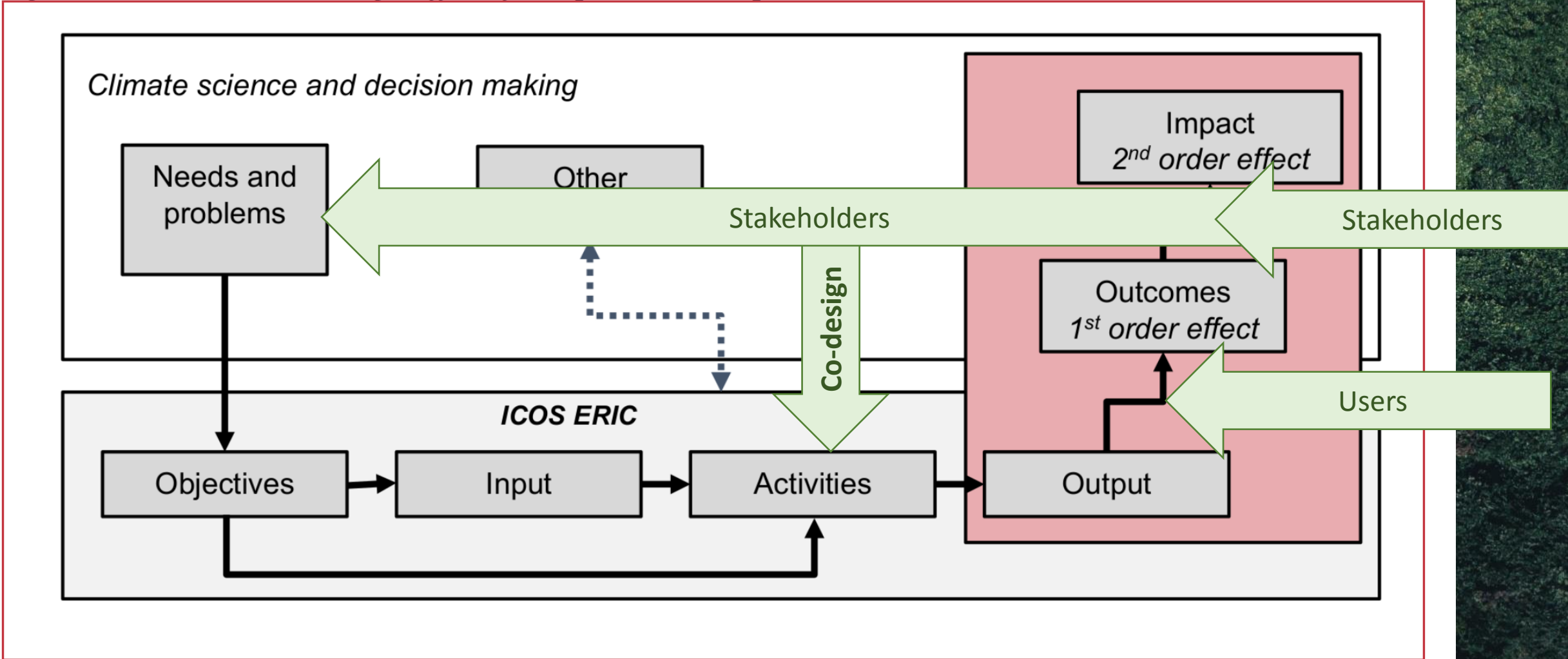
Other  
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Integrated  
long-term, standardized  
in-situ Research Infrastructures  
on terrestrial ecosystem  
research



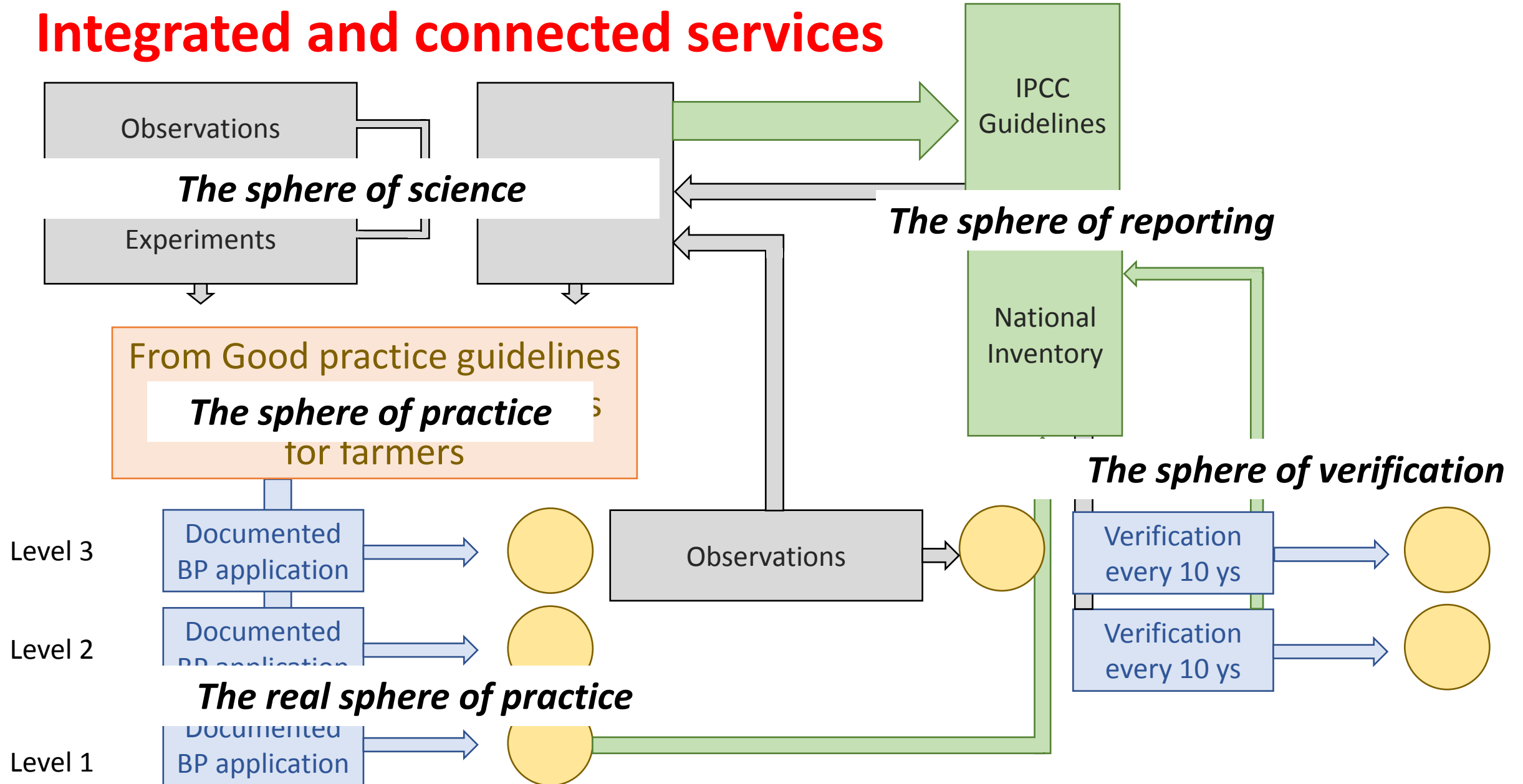
# A basic concept for impact assessment of ICOS

Figure 2: Framework to analyse effects from problem to impact



# Innovative approaches in GHG measurements in agriculture

## Integrated and connected services





# In-situ atmosphere measurements – Global Atmosphere Watch

