

Environmental Governance

Programme Performance Review January 2018 to June 2019



(6th Annual Subcommittee – 08 October 2019)

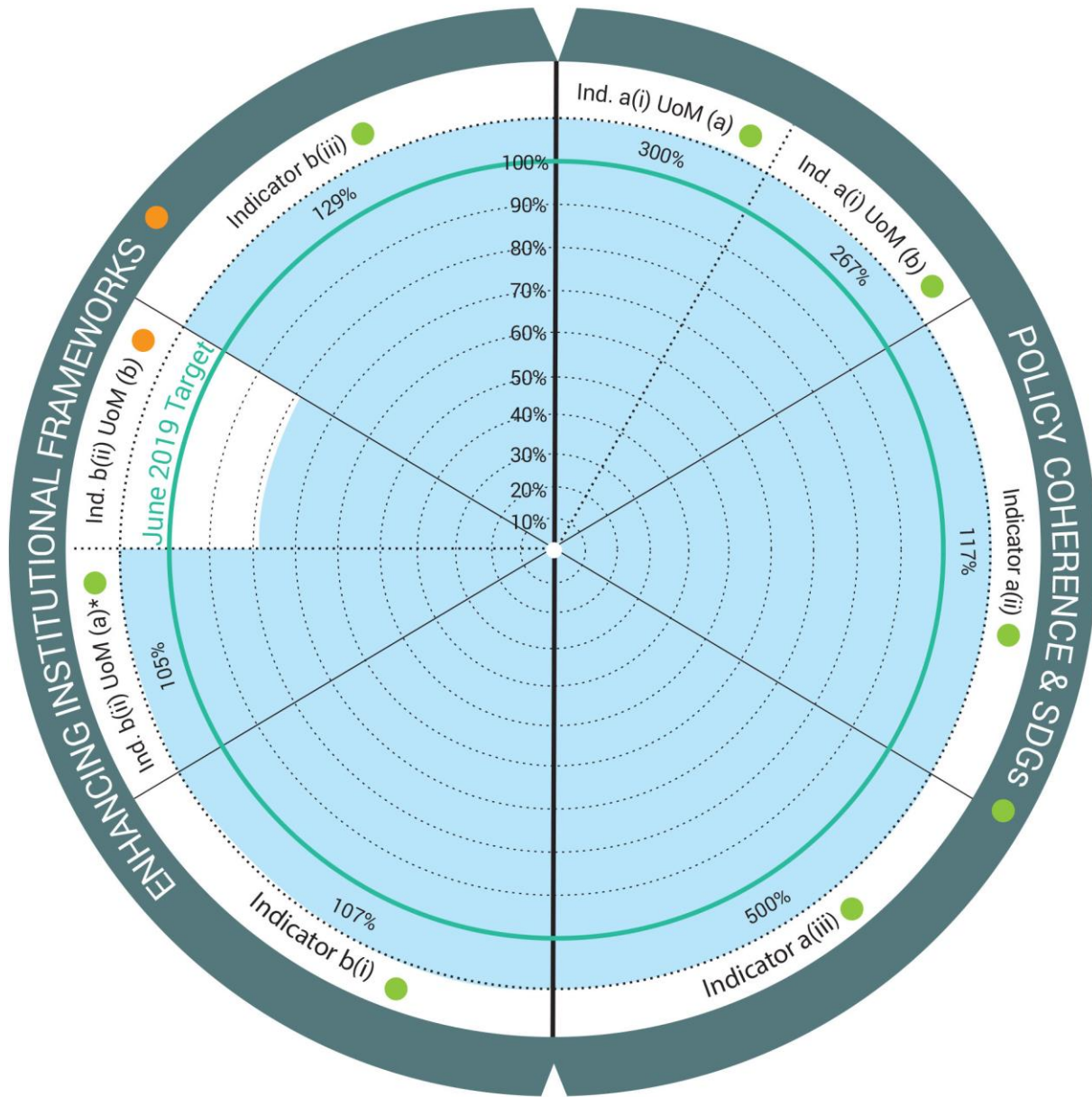
PoW 2018-2019

SP 4 - Expected Accomplishments

Expected Accomplishment A : The international community increasingly converges on common and integrated approaches to achieve environmental objectives and implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: **POLICY COHERENCE**

Expected Accomplishment B : Institutional capacities and policy and/or legal frameworks enhanced to achieve internationally agreed environmental goals, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals: **INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING**

SP4: Environmental Governance



● Achieved ($\geq 100\%$) ● Partially achieved (60%–99%)

Ind: Indicator UoM: Unit of measure

* No of UNDAFs planned for the POW 2018-2019 = 40

SP 4 EA A

Jan2018 - Jun2019 progress

Interagency Initiatives



E Waste coalition, Sand and Dust Storms, Environment in Humanitarian Action.



Strategy for Sustainability Management in the UN System, Harmonized United Nations-wide sustainable procurement indicators, WTO procurement policy.



MOU between UNEP and OHCHR to promote and protect environmental and human rights Resolutions on Human Rights and the Environment, Environmental Defenders.

SP 4 EA A

Jan2018 - Jun2019 progress

Global and Regional Interagency Fora

Various meetings:

- Regional ministerial fora on Environment, Health & Environment.
- Regional Economic Commission forums for sustainable development.

Resulting in: ministerial decisions, regional specific positions on environmental issues and strengthening the implementation of Agenda 2030. The meetings have also served as pre – UNEA preparations pre-HLPF preparations,

Uptake of UNEA messages, consensus on emerging issues, capacity building through SDG Issue Briefs.



MEAs and International Instruments

Global Pact: Ad hoc Open-ended Working Group Concluded its work on 22 May 2019. Recommendations to be considered at UNEA 5

Montevideo Programme : Model Law on Lead Paint; Roadmap to Montevideo Programme V starting in 2020

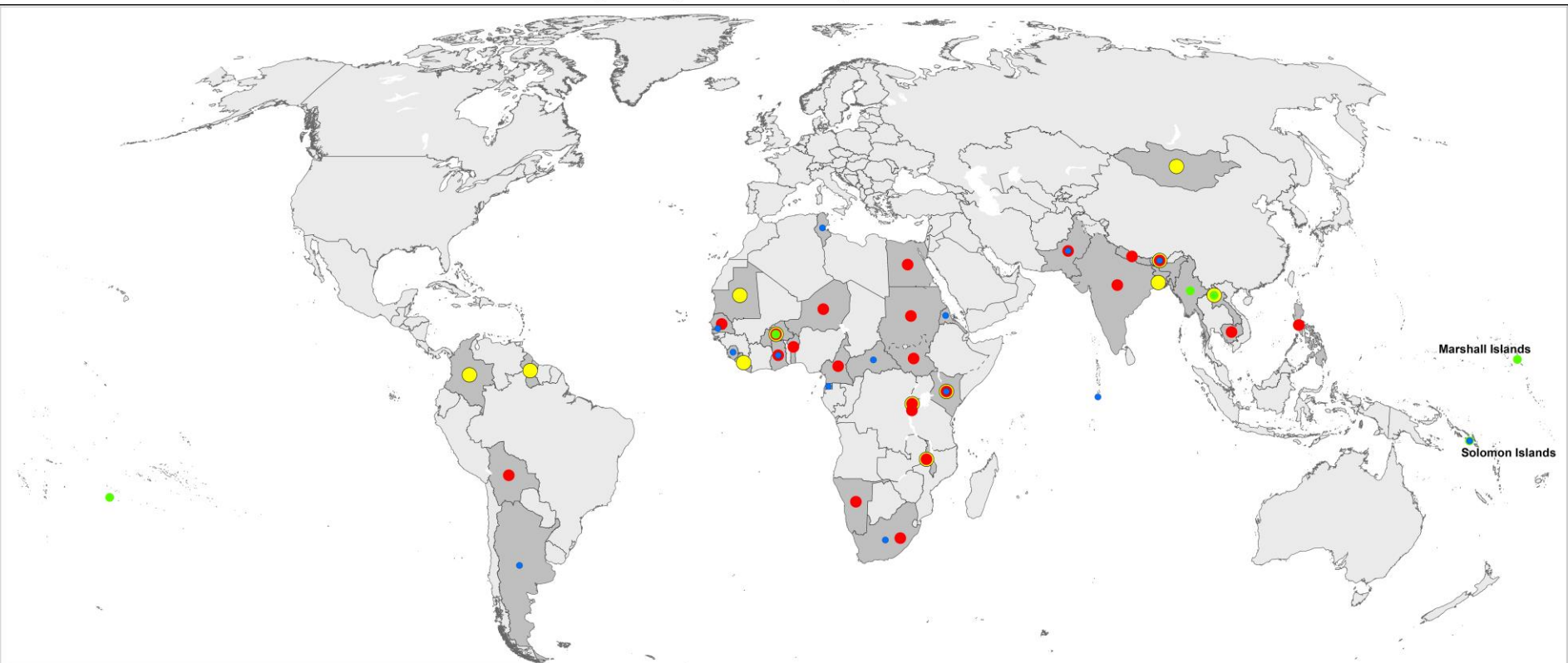
MEAs implementation: Myanmar, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Solomon Islands, Burkina Faso, Marshall islands and Cook Islands take action to strengthen synergies with a focus on biodiversity, 2 UNCCD National Action Programmes from Tunisia and South Africa

Pacific Island Countries and Territories: Regional Environmental Impact Assessment Guidelines for Coastal Tourism Development

Enhanced MEA cooperation through: MEA Resolutions leading to increased synergies in the biodiversity synergies portfolio

UNEP Presence on Institutional Strengthening

Strengthening environmental governance



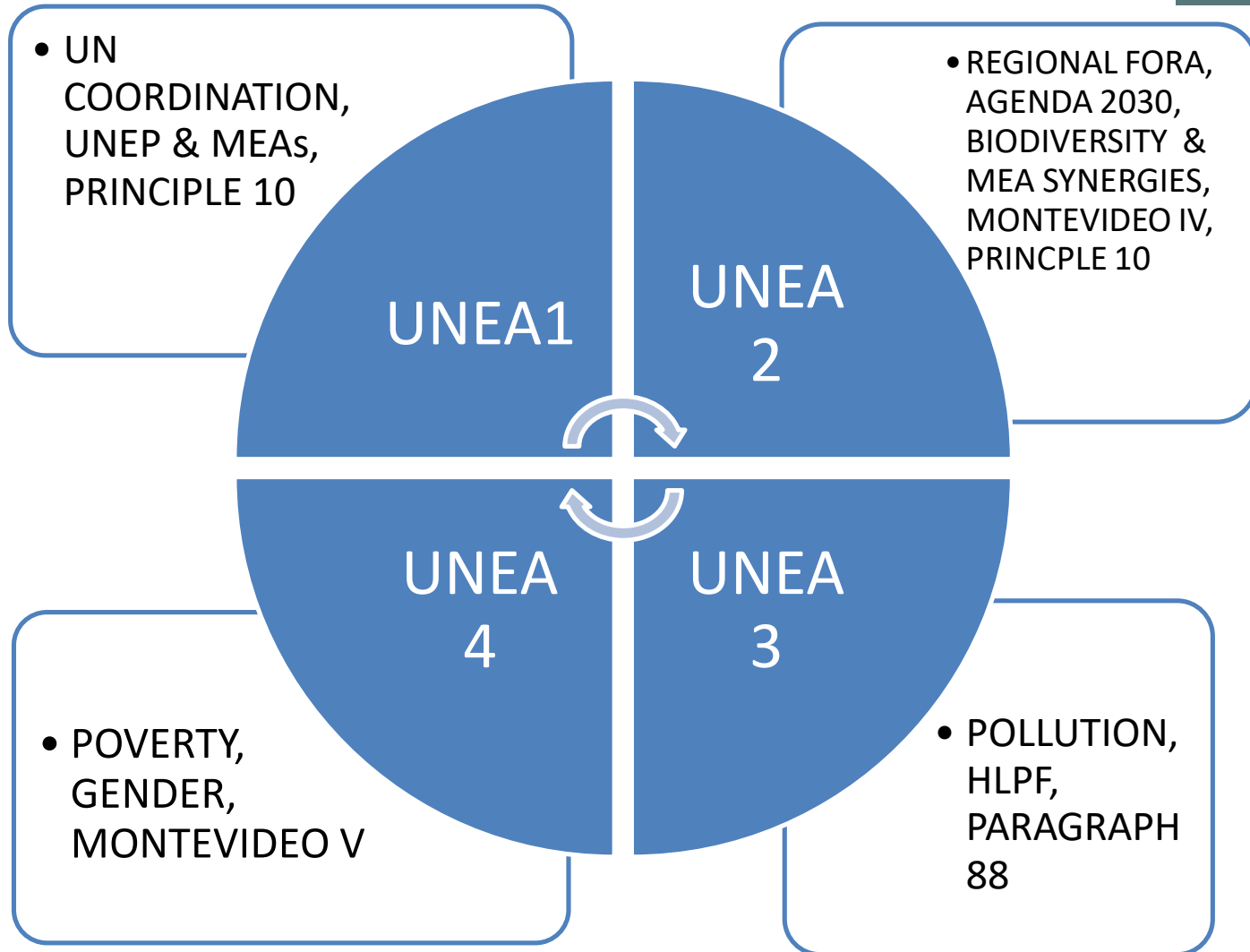
Marshall Islands

Solomon Islands

Countries strengthening environmental governance as a result of UN Environment Programme support, June 2019

- Strengthening laws and institutions
- Coherent Implementation of MEAs
- Greening UN country frameworks
- Mainstreaming environment into sustainable development planning

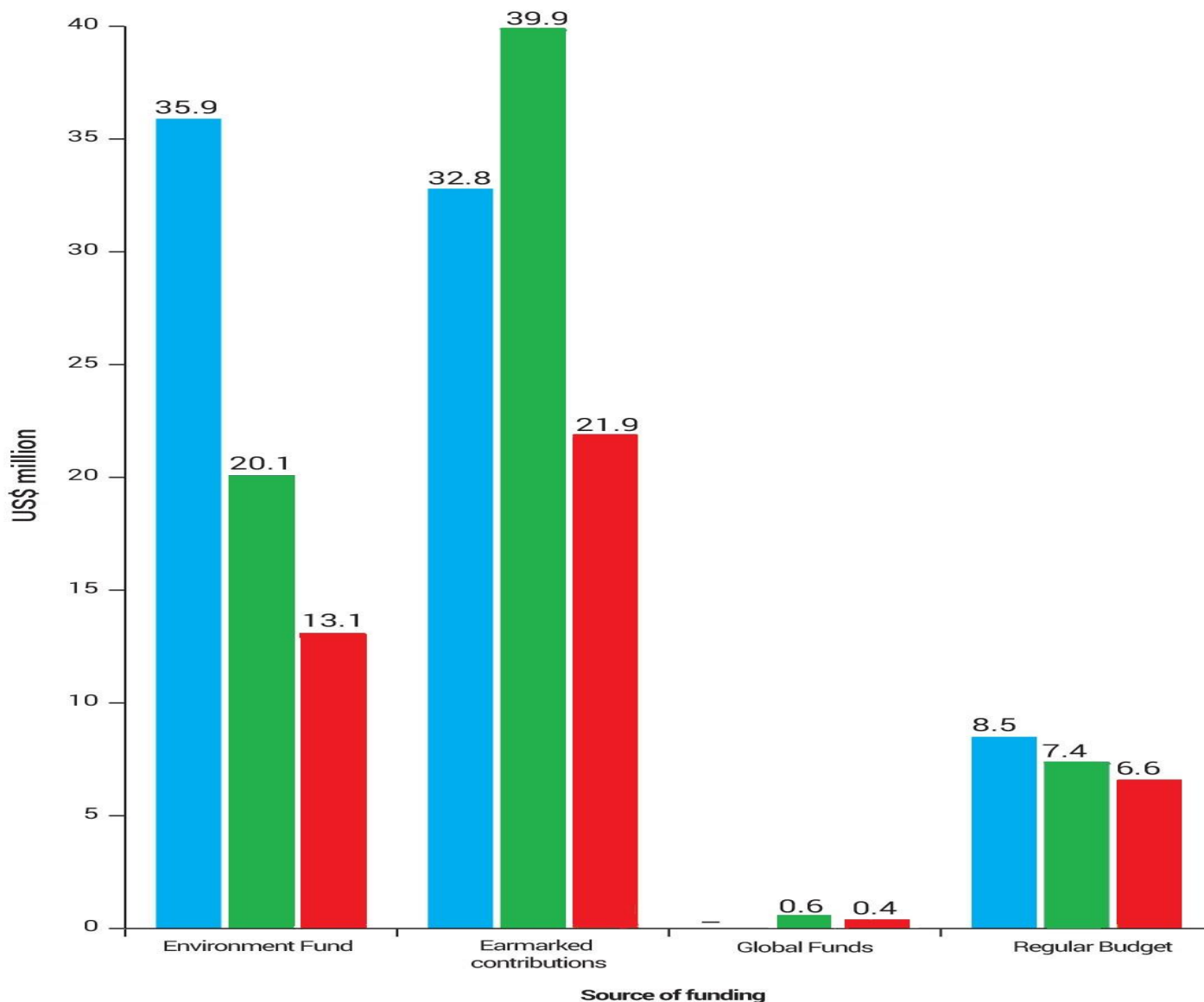
Linkages to UNEA Resolutions





FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Financial Performance: Environmental Governance



■ 2018–2019 Budget ■ Available Resources as at 30 June 2019 ■ Expenditure as at 30 June 2019

Challenges and Opportunities



Challenges

- Synergistic Implementation at National Level to promote an integrated approach in SDG implementation
- Integrating the UN Reforms into UNEP Strategic Planning

Opportunities

- Integrating the UN Reforms into UNEP Strategic Planning e.g. MTS and POW development
- Leveraging of global governance processes: Kigali Amendment, Escazu Agreement, Montevideo V, the post 2020 biodiversity framework, climate finance, Amendment to the Bases Convention

Looking Ahead



- Align the Support of countries in national legislation / policy development with the new Resident Coordinator's office to ensure coherence in the context of UN Reform.
- Framing of the MTS to focus on cross-cutting programmes & reduce overlapping mandates across UN development system and increasing efficiencies for UN wide thematic issues, including environment.

Possible Points for Discussion

- How do we catalyze UN reform to establish country/regional presence for UN Environment?
- How do we maintain institutional memory in countries to ensure we have long term results?
- What are the emerging issues that should be included in the sub programme?



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