

# Reflecting on the Past Imagining the Future

A contribution to the dialogue on the Science Policy Interface

UNEP@50

23 November 2021

# About the Report

- In Its 50<sup>th</sup> year UNEP has the opportunity to reflect on its successes and where it needs to focus its efforts to achieve impact in an increasingly complex world.
- The publication will propose opportunities to strengthen the science-policy interface to support global environmental governance, ensuring processes that are socially relevant, economically robust and contribute to inter-generational equity.
- It will introduce a select number of issues that need consideration by UNEP and its stakeholders in securing the future of the Planet.
- The report will focus on proposals for a more effective science-policy interface; the role of technology; behavioural change; equity; and people's participation in enhanced management of our environment.

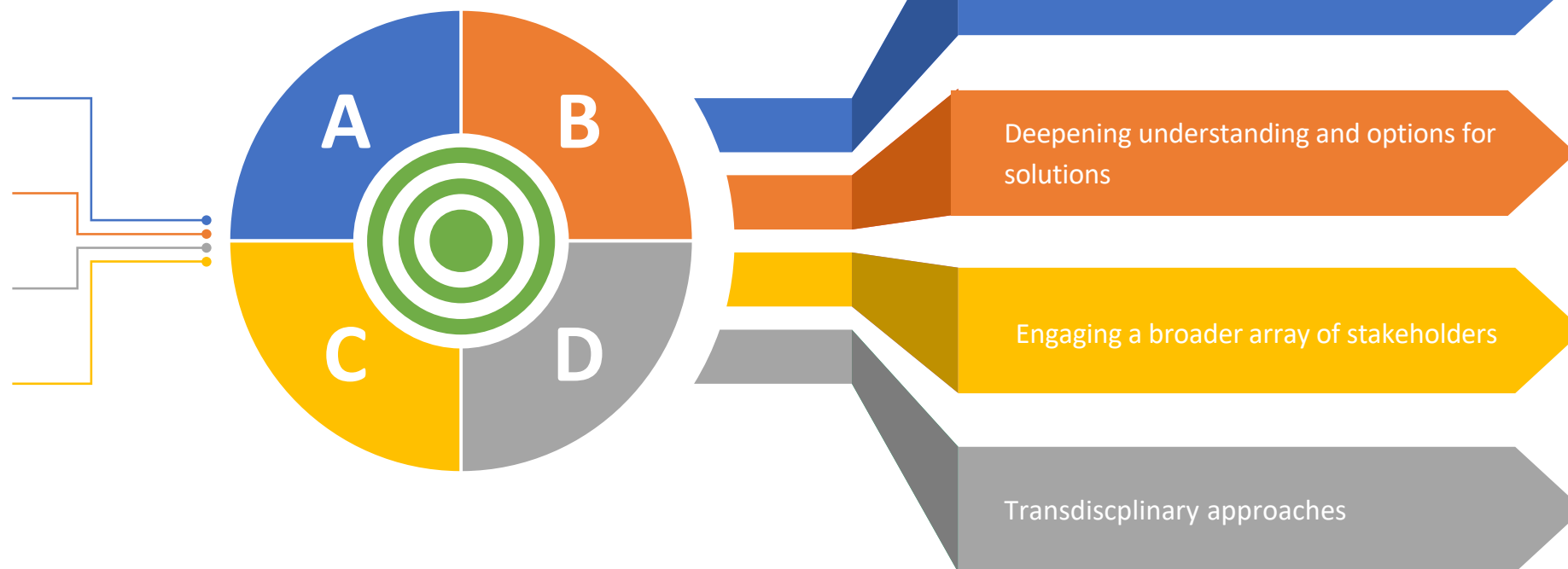
# Our Common Agenda: Quintet of Change



# Science-Policy Interface

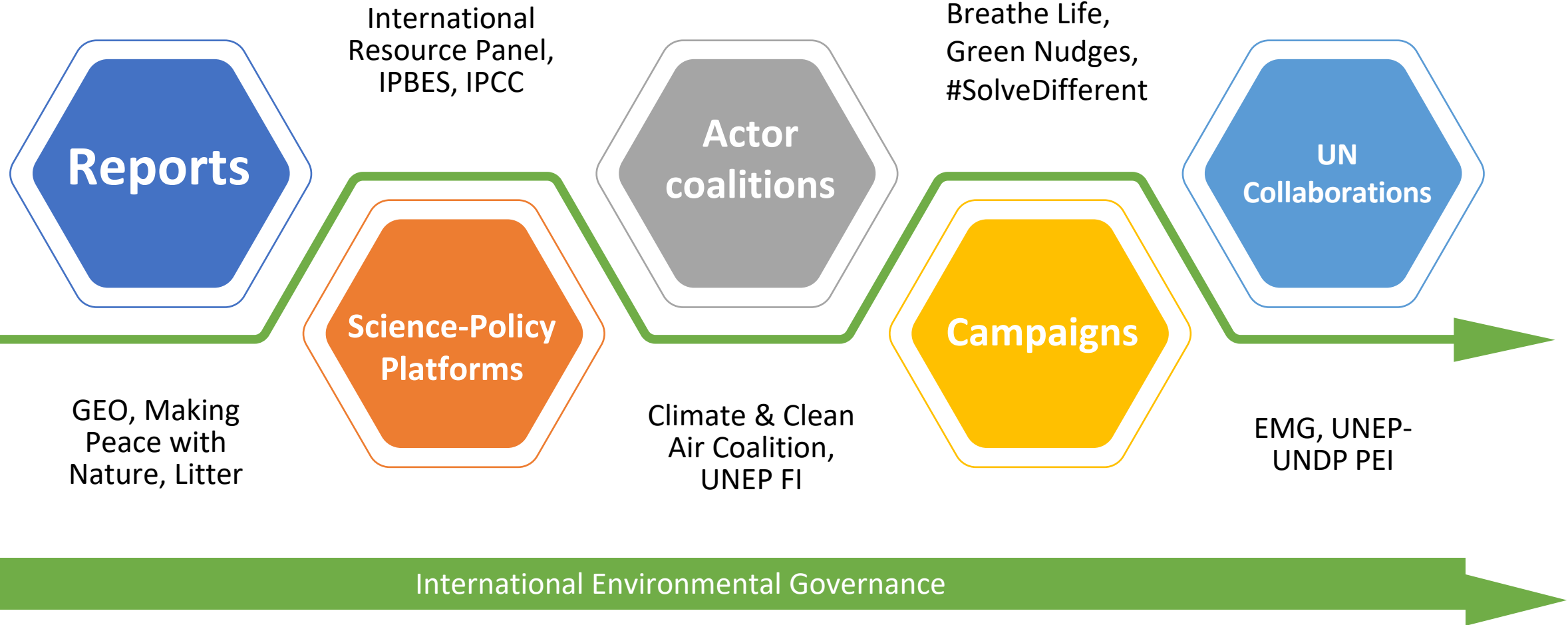
*Science–policy interfaces are defined as social processes which encompass relations between scientists and other actors in the policy process, and which allow for exchanges, co-evolution, and joint construction of knowledge with the aim of enriching decision-making\**

- Impact
- Trends
- Influence
- Response

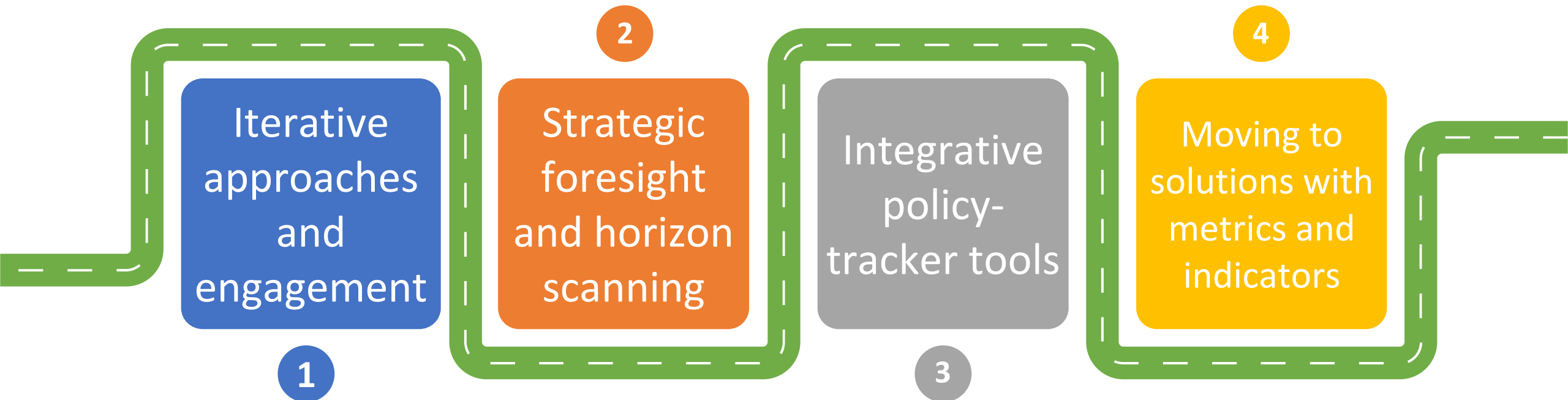


*\*(see Van den Hove et al. 2007; UNEP 2017; Gluckman et al. 2021; UN DESA, 2021)*

# Multiple mechanisms



# Opportunities to enhance SPI @UNEP



The report will be the starting point for wider engagement on designing new, impactful science policy interface options