

Emerging Priorities of the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Program

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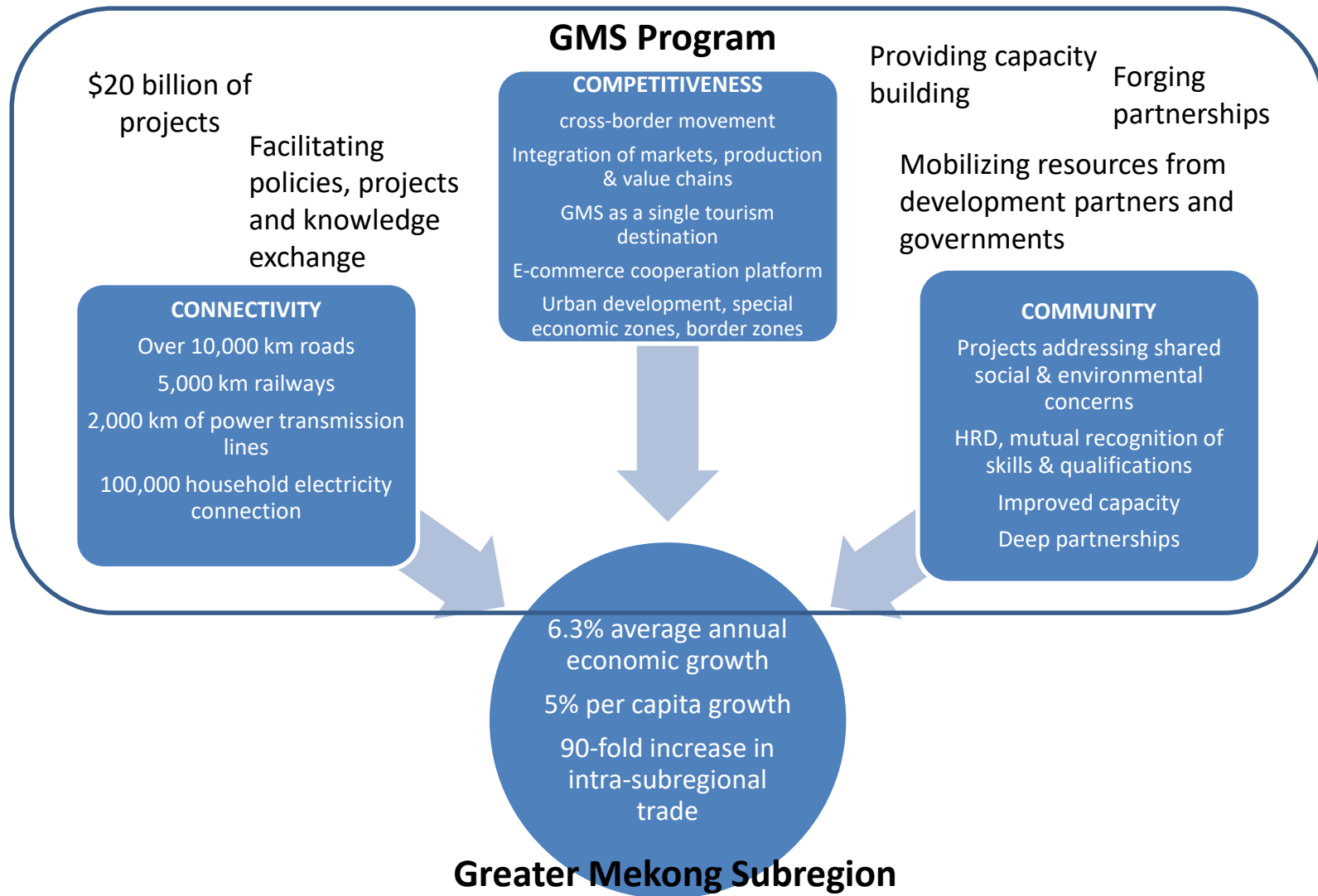
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Outline of Presentation

- I. GMS Program: 25 years of Cooperation**
- II. Results of the Midterm Review (MTR) of the GMS Strategic Framework 2012-2022**
- III. The Proposed Ha Noi Action Plan (HAP) 2018-2022**
- IV. Proposed Regional Investment Framework (RIF) 2022**
- V. Summary**



The GMS and the GMS Program @ 25



GMS Program: 25 Years

Vision

Prosperous, Integrated and Harmonious Subregion

Building Blocks

Connectivity

Competitiveness

Community

Goals

Strengthen
infrastructure
linkages

Facilitate
cross-border
trade,
tourism,
investment

Enhance
private sector
participation

Develop
human
resources

Protect
environment
& promote
shared used
of natural
resources

Strategic
Documents

2002

**GMS Strategic
Framework (SF)
2002-2012**

2012

**GMS SF 2012-
2022**

2017 Mid-term Review

**PROPOSED
Hanoi Action
Plan 2018-2022**

Planning
Framework

Regional Investment
Framework (RIF) 2013-
2022

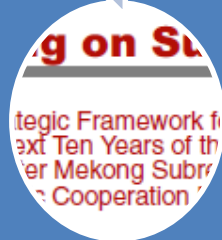
RIF Implementation Plan
2014-2018, 2020

PROPOSED RIF 2022



GMS Program @25: Responding to Changes

Vision: Prosperous, Integrated and Harmonious Subregion



**GMS
SF-I
2002-
2012**

Formulated to respond to the changing global and regional context, and build on the success of the past 10 years of the GMS Program

Highlights 11 flagship programs, which are multisector, large-scale initiatives representing major advances in subregional cooperation.



**GMS
SF-II
2012-
2022**

More focus on software aspects

Greater selectivity and prioritization within sectors

Closer link to broader regional integration agenda

Strengthen cross-sectoral linkages

Rebalance focus and resources

Strengthen monitoring of Program results and impact



**Proposed
HAP
2018-
2022**

Spatial strategy focused on economic corridors

Refinements in sector strategies and operational priorities

Improvements in planning, programming and monitoring systems and processes

Enhancements in institutional arrangements and partnerships

Connectivity, Competitiveness, Community



GMS Vision

Prosperous, Integrated, and Harmonious Subregion

GMS Strategic Framework (2012-2022)

2012-2016

**Proposed Hanoi Action Plan
(2018-2022)**

Mid-term Review

Assessment Areas

- Relevance to national development agenda
- Program, sector and project alignment
- Planning and programming process
- Implementation performance
- Institutional performance

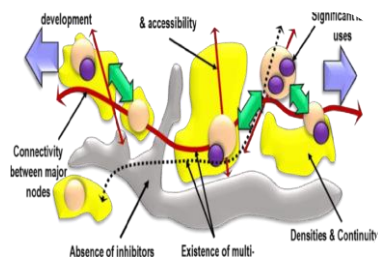
**Sector assessments, country consultations, sector FGDs,
questionnaires**

Proposed HAP 2018-2022: Guiding Framework



Proposed HAP 2018-2022: Key Elements and Enablers

Key Elements



Spatial strategy focused on economic corridors



Improvements in planning, programming and monitoring systems and processes



Refinements in sector strategies and operational priorities



Enhancements in institutional arrangements and partnerships

Enablers



Proposed HAP 2018-2022: Shifts and Refinements in GMS Sector Strategies

Sector	GMS SF-II (2012-2022)	MTR 2017	HAP (2018-2022)
Transport	Multimodal links, transport services, transport efficiency		Intermodal links, logistics development, transport facilitation, road safety & road asset management
Energy	Bilateral cross-border connections through PPAs (Stage 1)		Grid-to –grid power trade between any two countries & later thru transmission lines of third countries
Agriculture	Food safety, agriculture trade, climate friendly agriculture & bioenergy		Value chain approach to safe and environment friendly agro-based products
Environment	Geographic-based focus interventions on transboundary landscapes		Ecosystem-based service approach to landscapes in the GMS Program & RIF and international frameworks
HRD	Subregional HRD issues in health, social development, labor & migration, education		Focus on subregional health issues; engage other development partners in other subsectors (TVET labor migration, social development)
Tourism	Increase tourist arrivals, develop primary destinations, capacity building for HRD		Improve quality & visitor experience, develop secondary destinations, competency based training linked to ASEAN standards
Urban Development /Border Zones	Plan & develop key urban centers & border areas		Focus on urban systems as part of spatial planning on a GMS wide basis linking urban areas
Trade Facilitation	Customs reforms, SPS capacity enhancements		Customs modernization, coordinated border management, risk-based approaches to SPS
ICT	Develop ICT infrastructure (Information Superhighway)		Promote ICT applications (e.g. in sectors & e-commerce), bridge digital divides & foster ICT innovations

Proposed HAP 2018-2022: Shifts and Refinements in GMS Environment Sector Strategy

<div>CEP I, 2006-2011 Pilot Phase</div> <div>CEP II, 2011-2017 Scaling-up Phase</div> <div>CEP, 2018-2022 Consolidation Phase</div>		
Item	CEP I and II, 2006-2017	CEP SF, 2018-2022
Regional focus	Transboundary landscapes	areas of high ecosystem service values within the GMS economic corridors and the projects in the RIF pipeline
Approach	Geographic approach to landscapes, basin boundaries	Ecosystem-based service approach to landscapes in ECP, RIF, international frameworks
Projects	Wide range of small projects	Fewer but high impact
Technical advice and policy support	Stand alone pilots	National environment management systems
Capacity development	Individuals	Institutions and organizations based on demand
Knowledge focus	Broad thematic areas	Project readiness and development
Financing	Donor cofinancing through ADB regional technical assistance projects	Larger projects funded by development banks, private sector, donors and financing facilities Smaller projects funded by ADB

Highlights of Proposed RIF 2022

Features

- Near to medium term pipeline
- Operationalize GMS Strategic Framework II and Hanoi Action Plan
- A living document

Purpose

- Instrument to align national and regional planning and programming
- Monitor implementation
- Marketing tool
- Mobilize resources

Revisions/New Areas

- Concept, process and principles improved to enhance effectiveness as a programming document
- Intersectoral linkages more prominent
- Increase in transport subsectors (rail, ports)
- Inclusion of projects in border zone and areas

Currently includes 226 projects for nearly \$67 billion

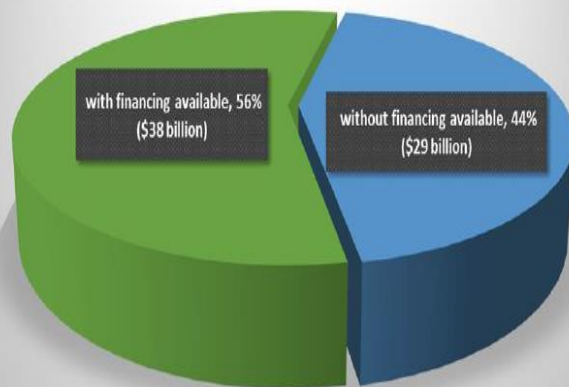
142 investment projects (\$66.3 billion)

84 TA projects (\$292 million)

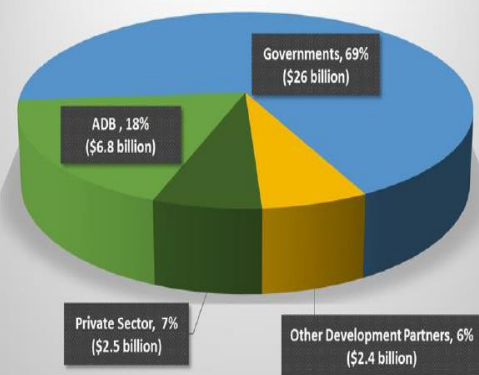
Proposed RIF 2022

Sector	Number of Projects			Cost Estimates (\$ million)		
	Investment	TA	Total	Investment	TA	Total
Transport	85	12	97	56,130.5	10.4	56,140.9
Energy	11	8	19	2,230.1	14.5	2,244.6
Agriculture	9	10	19	1,695.2	95.8	1,791.0
Environment	3	4	7	560.0	10.3	570.3
Health & Other HRD	4	7	11	702.2	21.5	723.7
Urban Development	6	6	12	997.1	9.7	1,006.8
Others/BEZ	6	6	12	2,462.9	8.0	2,470.9
Tourism	12	17	29	1,430.0	83.2	1,513.2
TTF	3	9	12	91.3	16.6	107.9
ICT	3	5	8	28.0	22.3	50.3
Total	142	84	226	66,327.3	292.3	66,619.5

Percentage of Cost Estimates by Financing Status



Breakdown of Available financing, Cost Estimates by Source of Fund



Proposed RIF 2022: Indicative Investment Pipeline in GMS Environment Sector

2015 (ongoing): Global Environment Fund Regional Biodiversity and Forestry Program (all GMS countries)

- Cost: \$20 M
- Funding Source: Global Environment Facility

Proposed 2022: Rural Environmental Management, Pollution Control & Waste Management (all GMS countries)

- Cost estimate:\$300 M
- Potential Funding Sources: ADB, Green Climate Fund (project seeking cofinancing partners)

Proposed 2022: Integrated Land Use Management for Sustainable Development (all GMS countries)

- Cost estimate: \$240 M
- Potential Funding Sources: ADB, Green Climate Fund (project seeking cofinancing partners)

Proposed RIF 2022: Indicative TA Pipeline in GMS Environment Sector

Proposed 2018: GMS Environment
Service Facility (all GMS countries)

Cost estimate: \$8 M

Potential Funding Sources: ADB,
Regional Cooperation & Integration
Fund (RCIF)/ PRC Regional
Cooperation and Poverty Reduction
Fund

Proposed 2018: Capacity Building for the
Management on Environmental Laboratory
and Environmental Monitoring (all GMS
countries)

Cost estimate \$0.3 M

Potential Funding Source: *to be determined*

Technical Assistance

Proposed 2019: Rural Environmental
Management Quality, Pollution Control,
and Waste Management (all GMS
countries)

Cost estimate \$1 M

Potential Funding Source: ADB

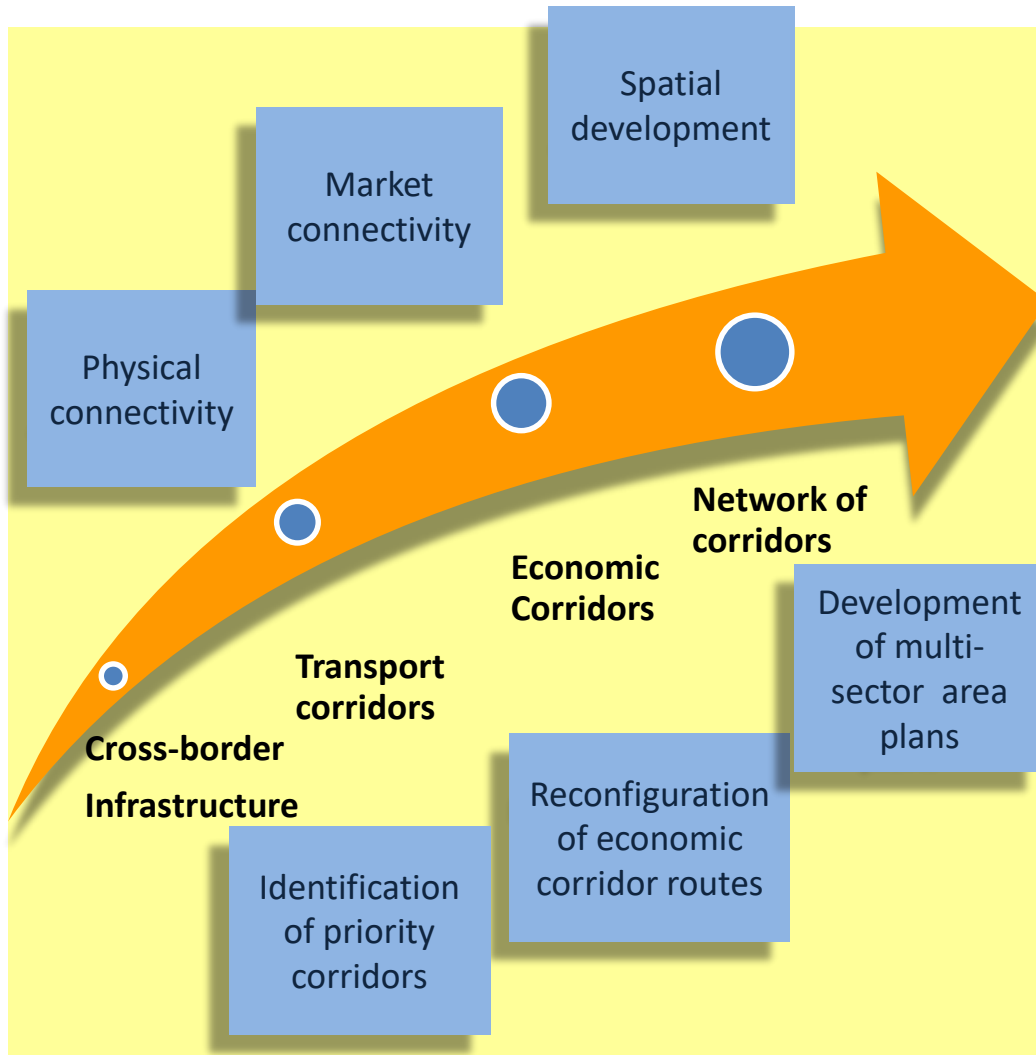
Proposed 2020: : Integrated Land Use
Management for Sustainable
Development (all GMS countries)

Cost estimate \$1 M

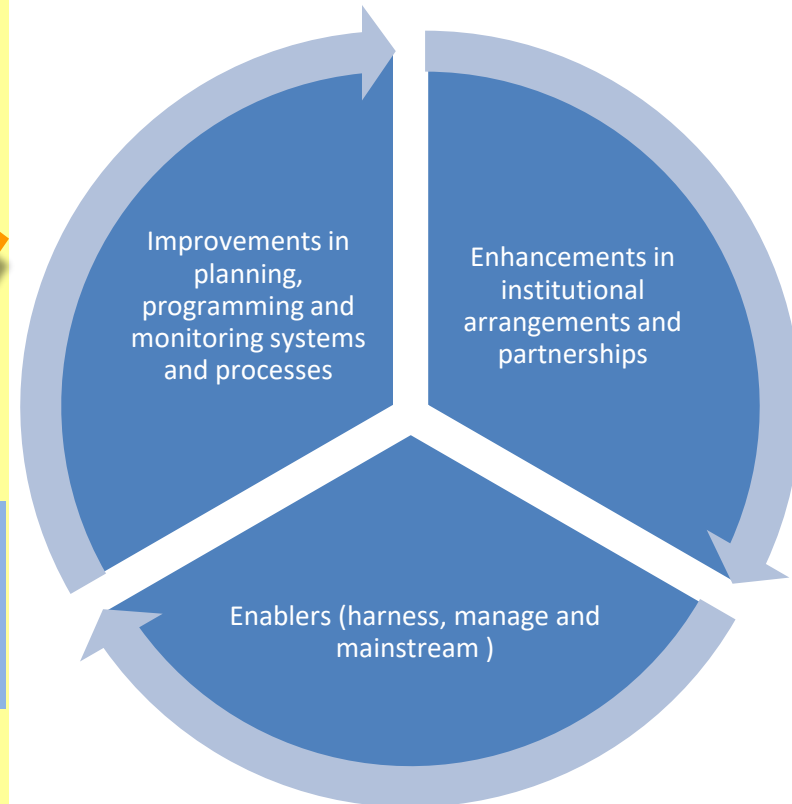
Potential Funding Source: ADB

Summary: GMS Program's Emerging Priorities

Strategic and Operational Thrusts



Business Process



Summary : Proposed HAP & CEP Frameworks

– Reinforcing Approaches

Figure 2: The Hanoi Action Plan Guiding Framework

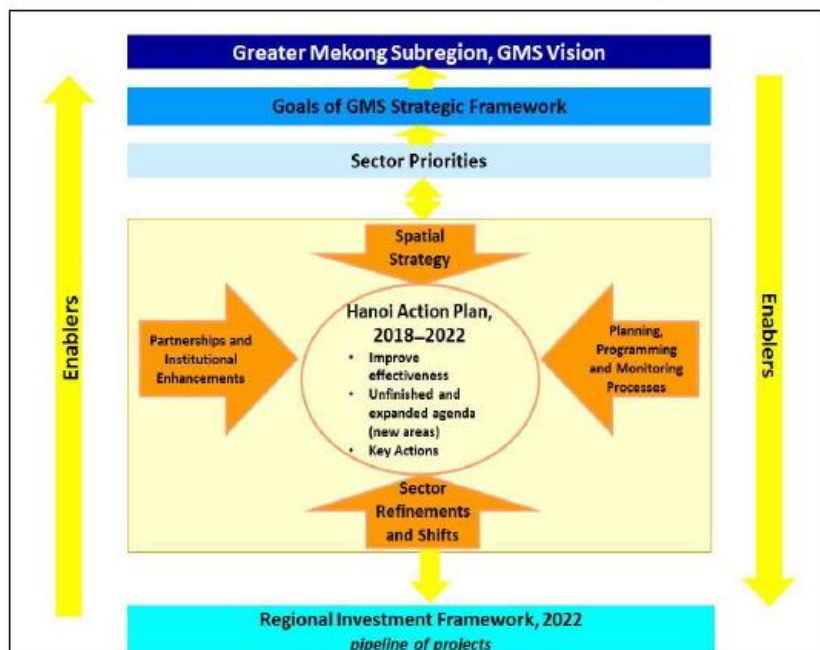
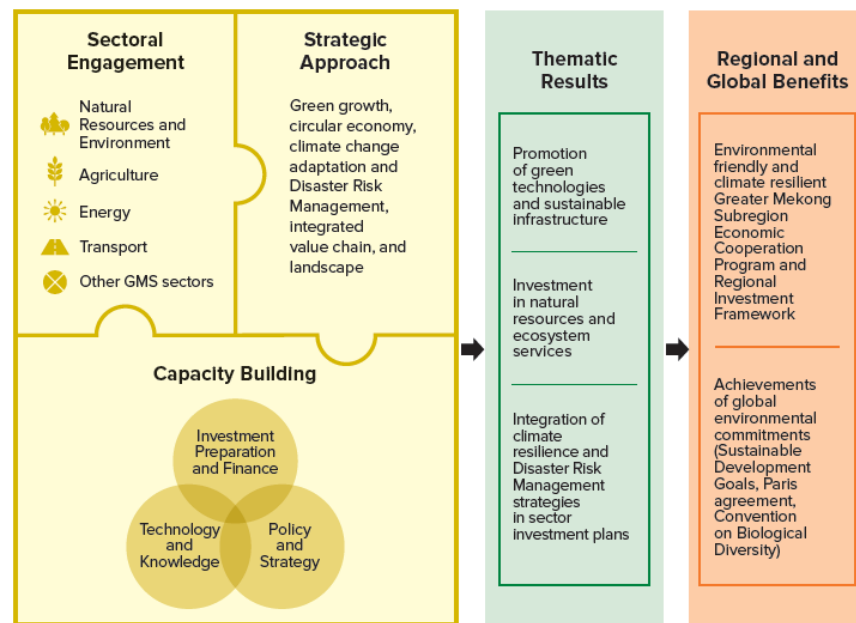


Figure 1: Core Environment Program Strategic Framework Architecture



Emphasis on intersectoral linkages
 Forging more partnerships
 Need for innovation (e.g. project preparation, business development and institutional arrangements)
 More use of technology-enabled processes
 Enhancing knowledge linkages and use

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