

Regreening Africa overview

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Land degradation is affecting 3.2 billion people globally (IPBES, 2018)

Africa context

> Over 65% of Africa's agricultural land is degraded









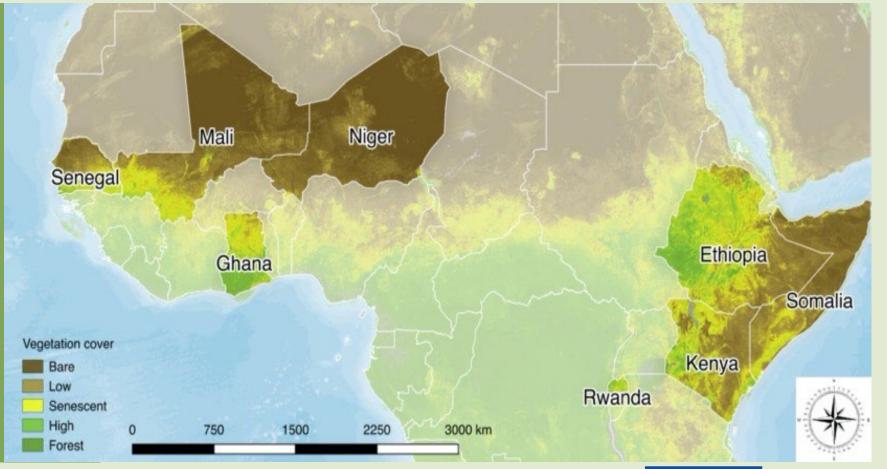
Regreening Africa (2017-2023)



500,000 households, across 1 million hectares



Incorporating trees into croplands, communal lands and pastoral areas with S&W conservation and other practices

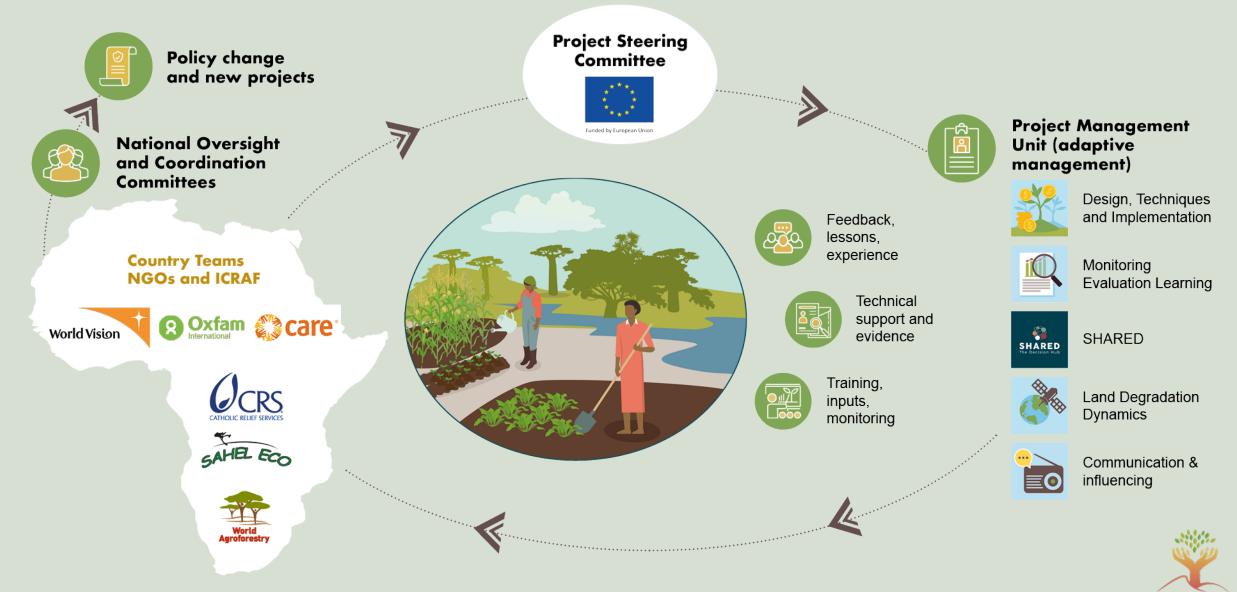






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A unique programme structure



Regreening Africa

Achievement on targets by September 2021



00,000	HHs: target
01,297	HHs: reached to date
27,073	HHs: verified (uptake surveys)



1,000,000 Ha: target
665,924 Ha: reached to date
311,199 Ha: verified (uptake surveys + App)



399,040 hectares 157,250 households

Captured with the Regreening App by October 2022



Lesson 1

Practices are varied and must match present and future local contexts

Nurseries (including indigenous trees)

Tree growing + grafting + direct seeding

FMNR, ANR + (big return on investment)



Ethiopia: exclosures +

Niger: soil & water conservation +

Lesson 2

Address drivers of degradation and incentives for restoration



Addressing drivers of degradation and creating an enabling environment, grazing management



Equitable value chains and livelihoods









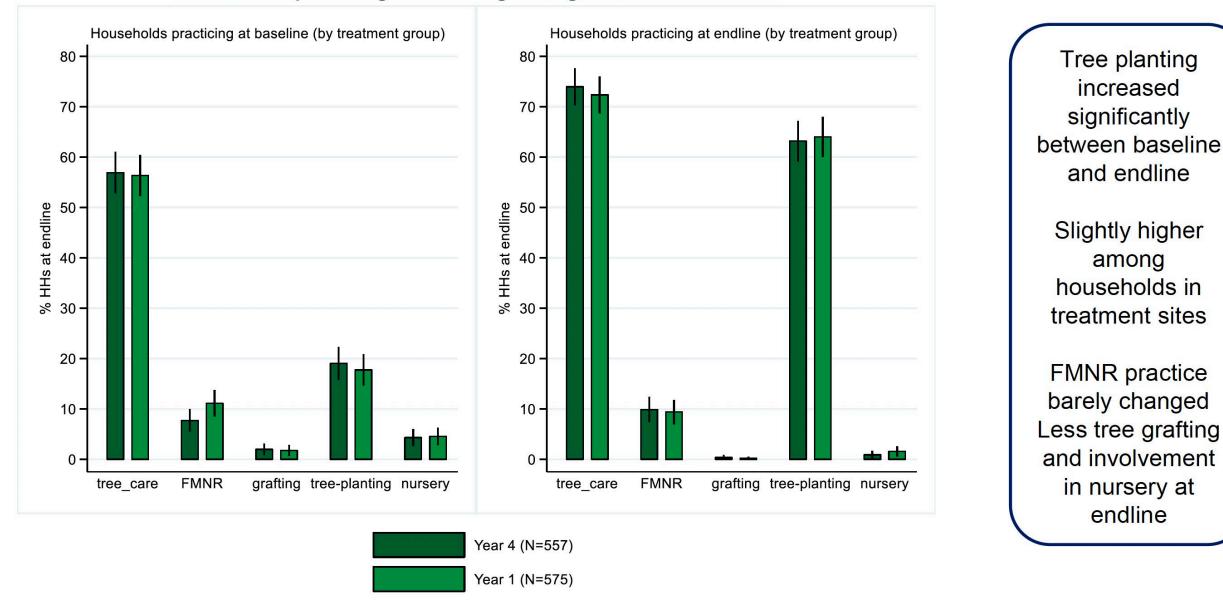
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Bringing science, evidence and monitoring to the global and local restoration agenda accelerates

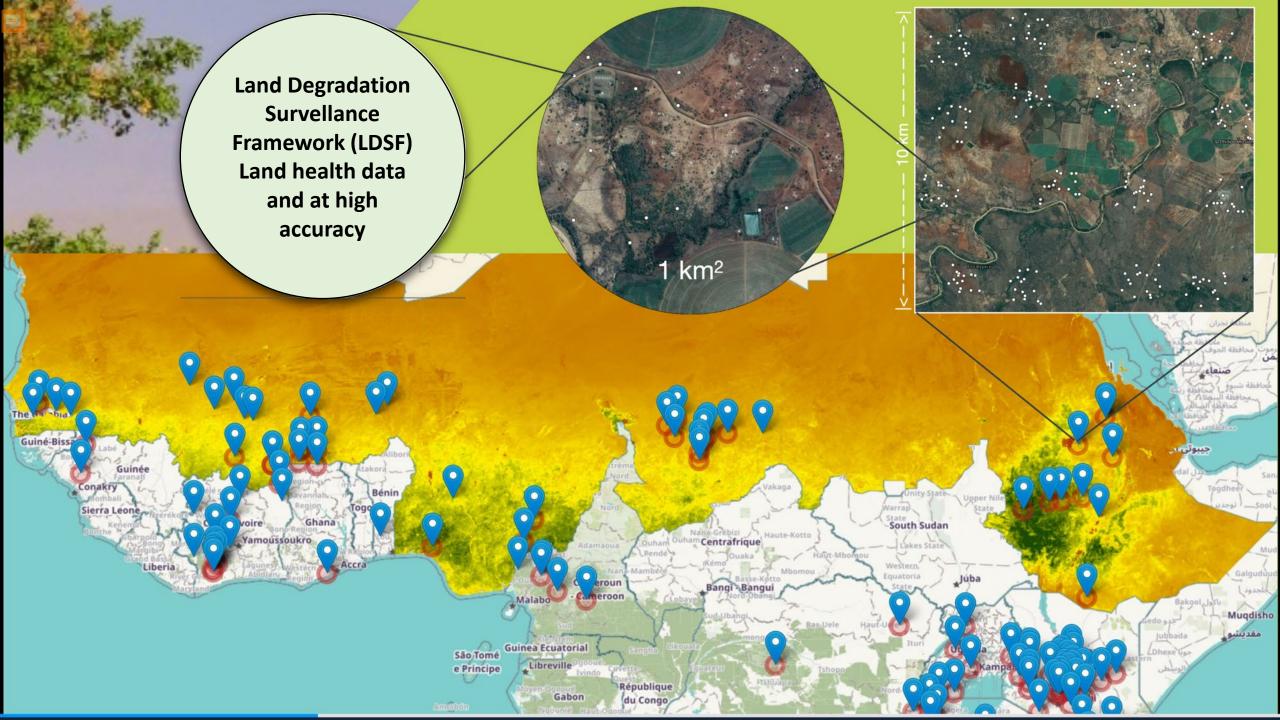


Practice of regreening initiatives at baseline by treatment group

Households practicing different regreening activities at baseline



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FMNR - species

Faidherbia albida Piliostigma spp Guiera senegalensis Combretum glutinosum Ziziphus mauritiana **Balanites** aegyptica Acacia nilotica Adansonia digitata Cordyla pinata Combretum micranthum Scientific name Piliostigma reticulatum Borasus ethiopium Combretum reticulatum Mangifera indica Combretum glutonosum Nguirea senegalensis Sclerocarya birrea Bauhinia rufescens Azadirachta indica Anacardium occidentale Vitelaria paradoxa Diospyrus mespiliformis Eucalyptus spp Combretum collinum Annona senegalensis

- Users walk the boundary of fields with tree planting or FMNR interventions and submit geo-tagged field polygons.
- Farm polygons can then overlaid onto maps of land cover and land health allowing us to assess the effectiveness of these interventions on multiple aspects of land health.
- Potential applications of these assessments include soil carbon monitoring, relating directly to climate neutrality goals, etc.
- Also, biodiversity within farming systems can be assessed and tracked.



Number of trees

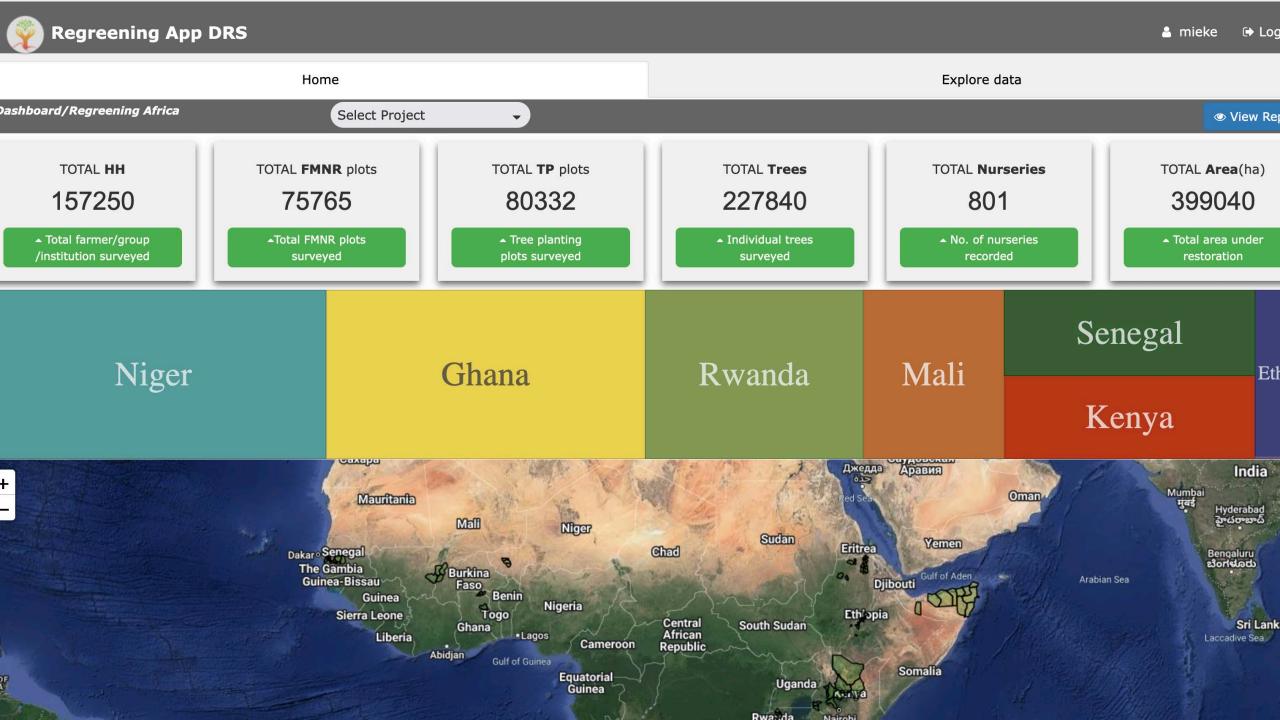
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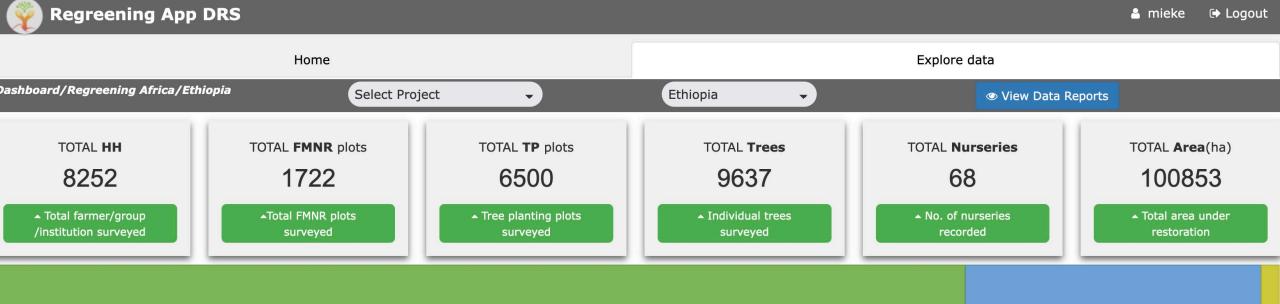
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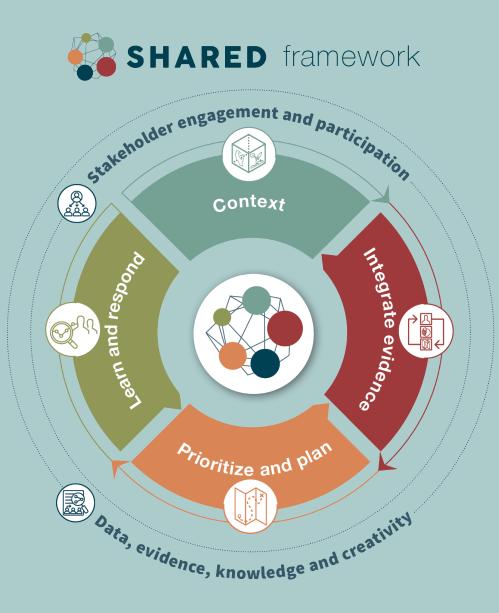


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Tree Planting

Al Qadarif القضارف V El Obeid الأبيض Gulf of Aden yala Ad-Damazīn Bahir Dar ባሕር ዳር الدمازين Djibouti man Bari Bosaso Show TP polygons Kadugli کادوقلی الصعيق Berbera Bari Bari Sanaag Sanaag Dire Dawa ድሬዳዋ Jijiqa ድድጋ Show FMNR polygons Burco Aalakal **P** Radom National Park Addis Ababa Nekemte ነቀምት Bari Harar አዲስ አበባ Garow Ethiopia Show Nurseries Laascaanoo Jimma 호·ማ Wau South Sudan





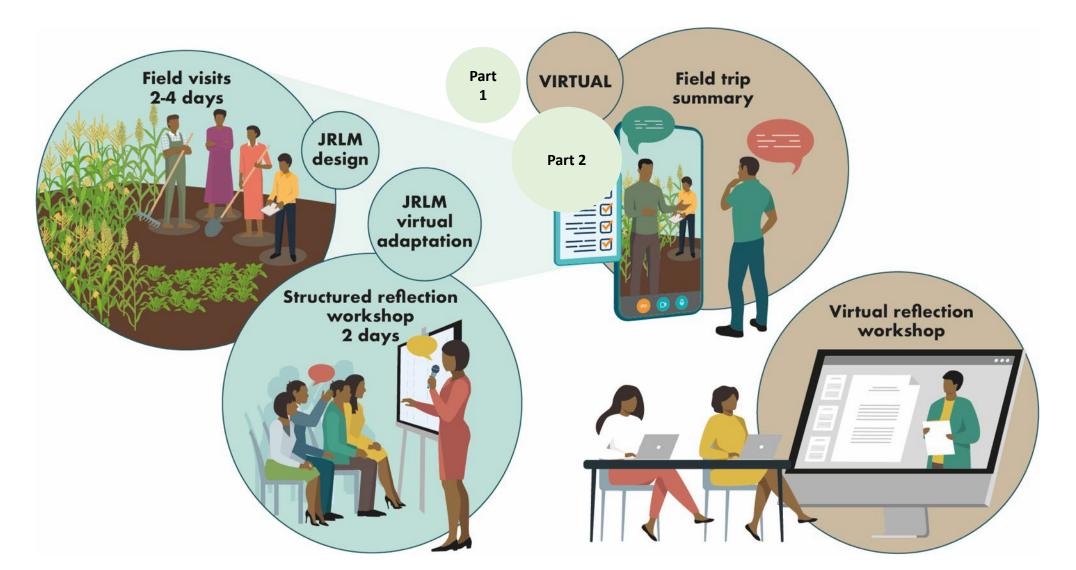
Lesson 4

Data should be accessible and available for adaptive management



Joint Reflective Learning Missions: Integrating evidence, supporting adaptive management





Lesson 5 Partnerships and inclusion





Strong partnerships between government, community, development actors, research and donors are critical and must be nurtured.

Including and empowering youth and women



🚰 Phase 3. Prioritize Implementation A roadmap for Regreening Ethiopia

Design integrated approaches that incentivise farmers

Who: MoALR, smallholder farmers, policy makers, through the Agroforestry Platform, scientific community, international think tank group

Policies and strategies scanned and then strengthened or new ones develop to fill gaps

> Review and strengthen the existing agroforestry draft strategy

Strengthen the Agroforestry Platform Who: Government bodies and ministries from different levels, MoALR, NGOs, development agencies, Agroforestry Platform, ICRAF

Develop a mechanism to link agroforestry extension and research

Who: MoALR and MEFCC with national council for linkages

Dedicated staff and capacity for those staff for monitoring

Develop policies and procedures for the monitoring themes with dedicated resources

Define a monitoring and evaluation working group and a protocol for information dissemination

Identify tools of information dissemination by the project team

Capture lessons and develop policy briefs Who: MoALR, NGOs, researchers

The Agroforestry Platform has been established to accelerate the scaling up of the adoption of agroforestry through technical capacity development, and coordination across sectors, public and private actors,

Create market linkages and

selection of seed led by NGOs

Farmers producing and

utilization in watersheds

ICBAE

IGOs

and Government

collecting seed

Farm Enclosures: On farm sustainable grazing systems Agroforestry Strategy and Policy Agroforestry Platform -Coordination and leveraging for Hillside/Mountain Exclosures: sustainable management and

scaling up in Ethiopia

Acronym glossary:

Key:

CBOs Community Based Organizations CSOs

- Civil society organizations
- FBOs Faith Based Organizations

Coordinate between upper and lower catchment Who: Farmers, NGO, Government

Characterise the existing grazing system and if best practices exist then document and synthesize them. Led by MoALR and NGOs

Policy advocacy on land use and

Awareness creation led by Government, CSOs, NGOs

agroforestry 2019-2020 led by MoALR, NGOs. Universities and research Pilot new farm exclosures on model farms led by MoALR and NGOs

Gather best practices led by MoALR and research

Train farmers to produce quality seeds so they can sell and raise trees for seed purpose

Who: Government, NGOs, farmer associations, seed enterprise, research and universities can give some training based on the research outputs

Develop an agroforestry policy Influence the Agroforestry Task Force and boost the Agroforestry Think Tank to: contextualize local plans; embed in all agricultural efforts; focus on common pool resources; effective, ambitious outreach; markets and infrastructure

Farmer driven advocacy for agroforestry policy and strategy

Start the Evergreening Academy.) Define a specific mandate within agroforestry and assign appropriately to MoALR and MEFCC

Establish a learning forum with deliberate learning by the project management team Use of technology such as dashboards and tablets

> Redistribute mountain areas for individuals and youth groups and consider areas for non-business

investment After 2022 - Diversification and intensification of hillside / mountain

activities

Who: Farmers, NGO, Government, Universities and research institutions private companies

Fodder trees, germplasm distribution, access to alternative feed supply led by MoALR, NGOs, Universities and research

Scaling-up of learnings led by MoALR, NGOs

By-law development led by MoALR and local administration

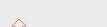
Strengthen market and linkages

and extension

World Agroforestry Centre

Intergovernmental Organizations

MEFCC Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change



Agroforestry products and value chains- seed supply and markets

Resource

2022



MoALR Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock

Non-governmental organizations

SHARED workshop in late 2018 at the start of the project



Monitoring and learning Capacity of agricultural innovation systems: research, development

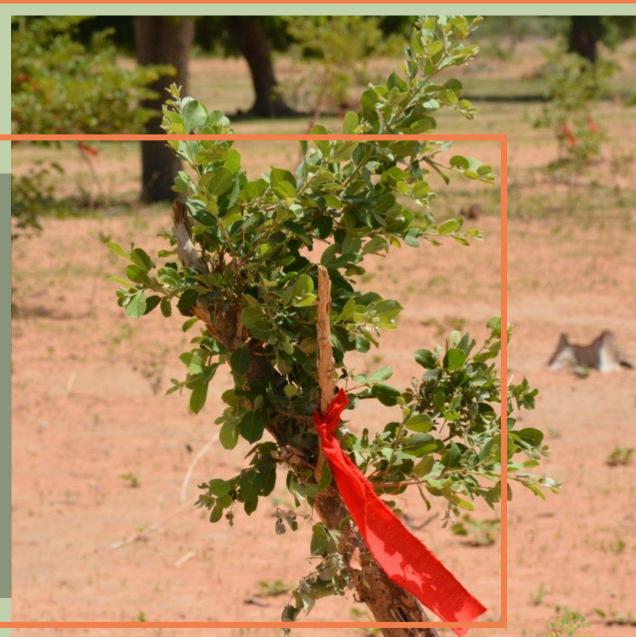
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Summary

Lessons from Regreening Africa

- **1.** Match practices to context
- 2. Drivers and incentives
- 3. Monitor
- 4. Data based decisions and adaptation
- 5. Partnerships and inclusion

We are building on the work from the past 5 years (and more)





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