

# The UN Programming Cycle

“Transforming Food Systems towards delivering healthy and sustainable diets for all” – CLINICS for the UN Country Teams



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# The Cooperation framework cycle

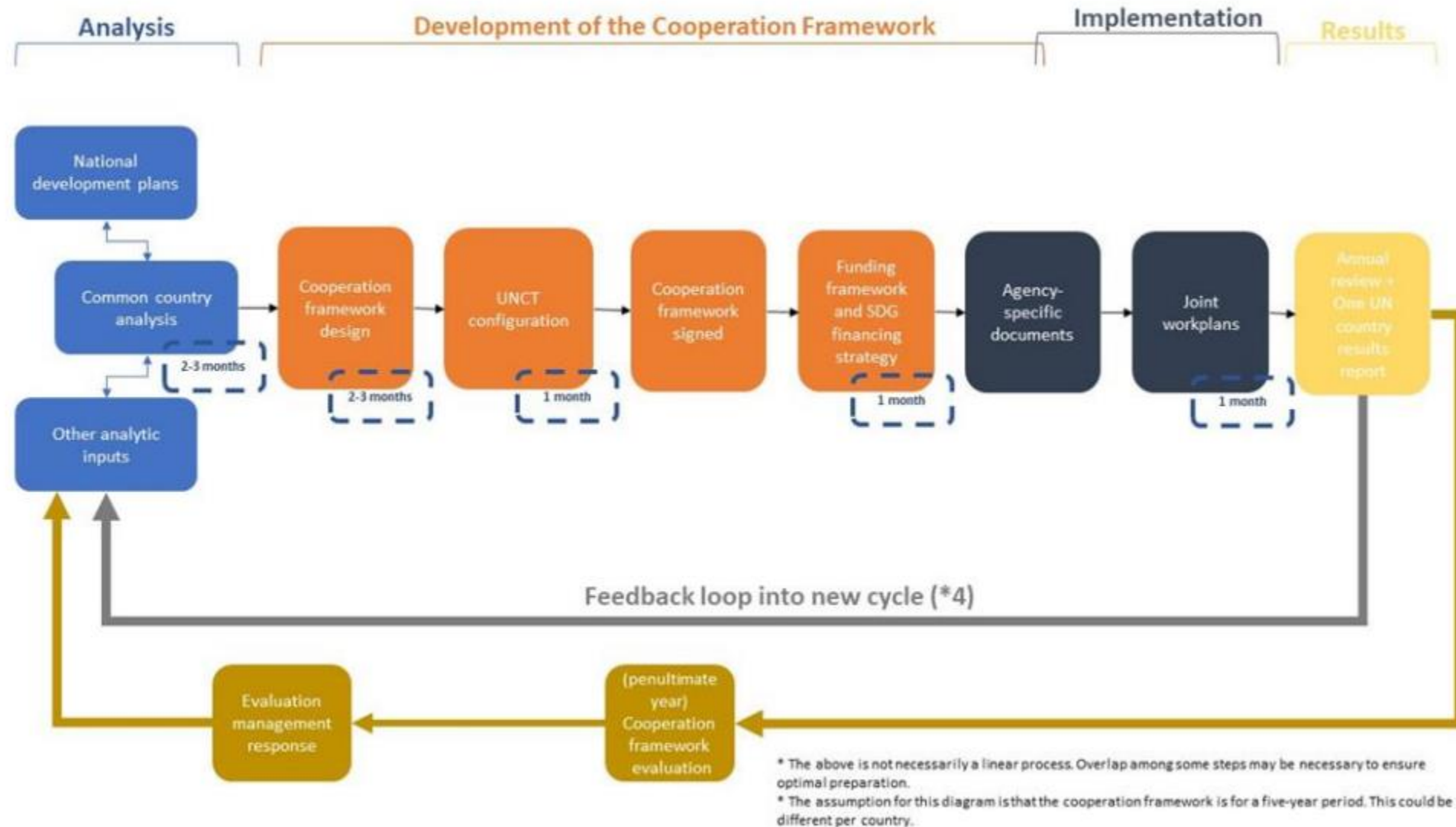


Figure 1: The Cooperation Framework cycle

# The UNSDCF principles, design and steps of implementation (1)

## Guiding principles...

- Holistic programming
- 5 P
- Leaving no one behind
- HRBA to development
- Gender equality
- Resilience
- Sustainability
- Accountability

## Design and preparation...

- ✓ Understanding country development landscape: alignment to national strategies, CCAs, the SDG analytical toolbox, ...
- ✓ Theory of Change - adaptable, drawing on the ongoing monitoring and evaluation of findings
- ✓ Strategic priorities
- ✓ Outcomes, outputs, **indicators**

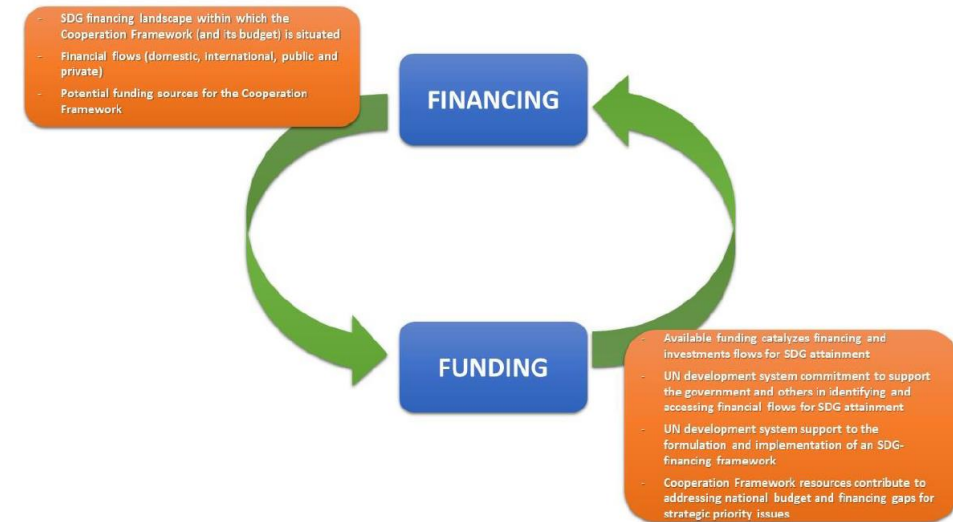


Figure 2: Cooperation Framework financing and funding strategy

## Financing...

- ✓ Financial landscape analysis
- ✓ The funding framework
- ✓ Linking the UNSDCF with SDG financing

# THE UNSDCF PRINCIPLES, DESIGN AND STEPS OF IMPLEMENTATION (2)

## Implementation...

- ✓ Through UN development system entity development programs – **UN joint programming**: various possible mechanisms, depending on level of prioritization of some country development issues at national level
- ✓ Through **results group**
- ✓ Through **joint work plans**

## Monitoring & evaluation...

- ✓ **CCA is the baseline for adaptive programming, and benchmark for evaluation along the cycle**
- ✓ Joint monitoring
- ✓ The RC and UNCT must issue an evaluation management response and action plan as a key accountability tool

# Leveraging the power of nutrition to achieve the SDGs



# THE UN-NUTRITION CHECK LIST TO INTEGRATE NUTRITION IN UNSDCF

- *Ensuring UNSDCF situational analyses fully incorporate nutrition*
  - ✓ does CCA fully identify nutrition outcomes, trends, challenges and nutrition determinants, does it address needs of most vulnerable, does this focus on women and child nutrition
  - ✓ does CCA describe multi sectoral governance arrangements making use of available nutrition platforms/nutrition focal points
- *Integrating nutrition throughout UNSDCF development*
  - ✓ does the UNSDCF takes into account **SMART policy commitments and documents** (Malabo 2030, N4G, FSS...)
  - ✓ Has a nutrition investment case been conducted in the country to inform policy, planning, programming?
  - ✓ Does the TOC identify nutrition challenges and tackle nutrition determinants?
  - ✓ Have measures been identified to address nutrition across the HDPN?



# THE UN-NUTRITION CHECK LIST TO INTEGRATE NUTRITION IN UNSDCF

- *Incorporating nutrition into the UNSDCF implementation strategy and finance*
  - ✓ Does the UNSDCF describe how the **mechanisms for ensuring operational plans** – such as sub-national plans, nutrition-relevant sectoral program plans and plans for agencies –do they integrate **mutual accountability mechanisms**?
  - ✓ Does the UNSDCF outline approaches to meet technical assistance requirements to implement planned actions?
  - ✓ Can you clearly identify how using a **food system and nutrition lens** helps your UNCT prioritize national and sector development initiatives that it should support as a matter of priority in the UNSDCF?
- *Monitoring and evaluation*
  - ✓ Does the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) framework specify how the **nutrition information systems** (routine and survey) should be strengthened and used to inform decision-making?
  - ✓ Does the M&E framework describe the processes for documenting and **disseminating best practices and lessons learnt** to support iterative management?
  - ✓ Does the M&E framework describe the types of data analysis that will be performed, including data quality issues and the mechanisms in place to support rigorous data analysis and evaluation? Does this reflect nutrition in a comprehensive way?
  - ✓ Are **nutrition-related SDG indicators and relevant national nutrition targets** integrated into the UNSDCF or UNDAF monitoring framework at relevant result levels?

# Integrating nutrition in UNSDCF and other country frameworks

## A systems approach to nutrition

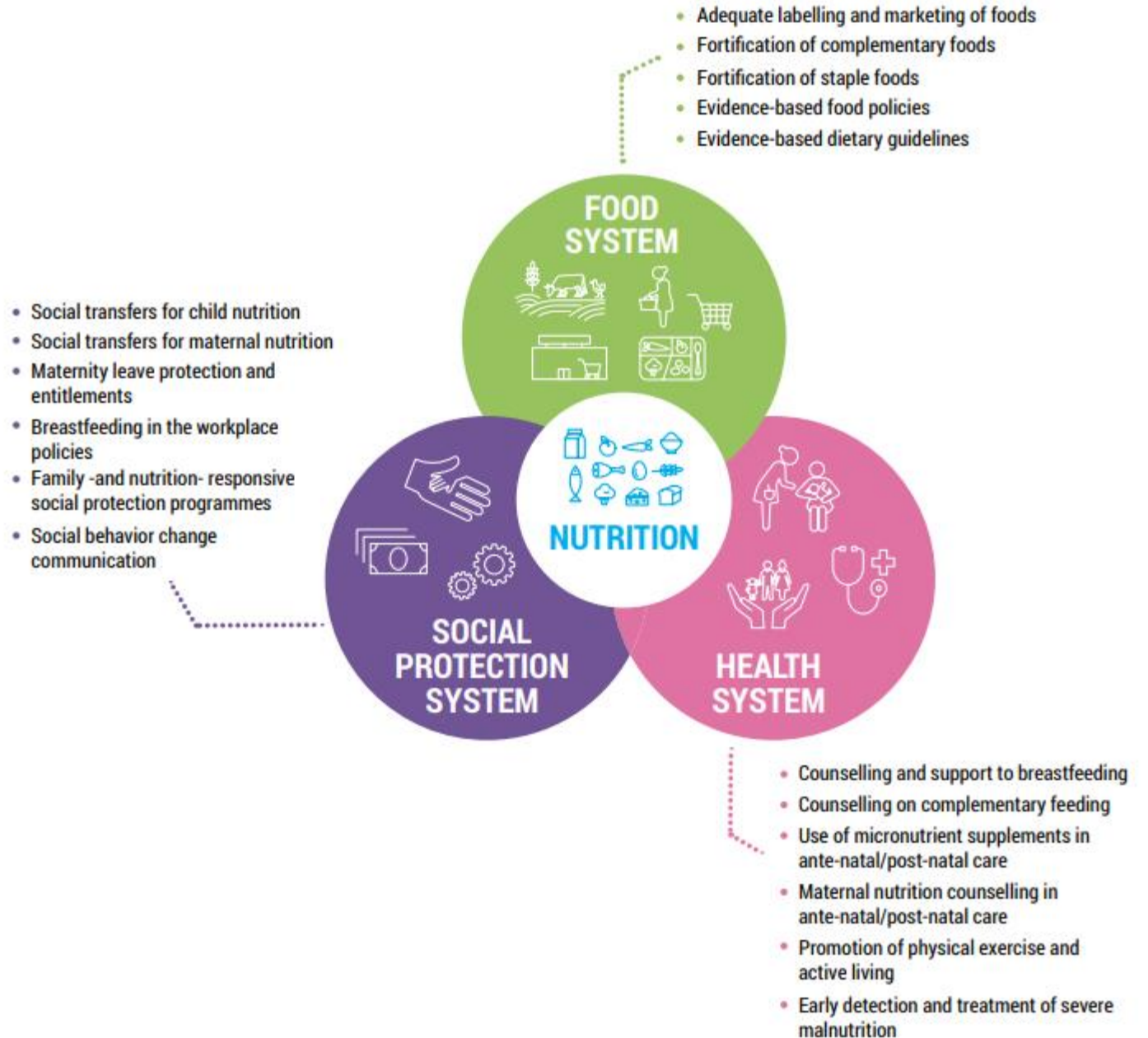
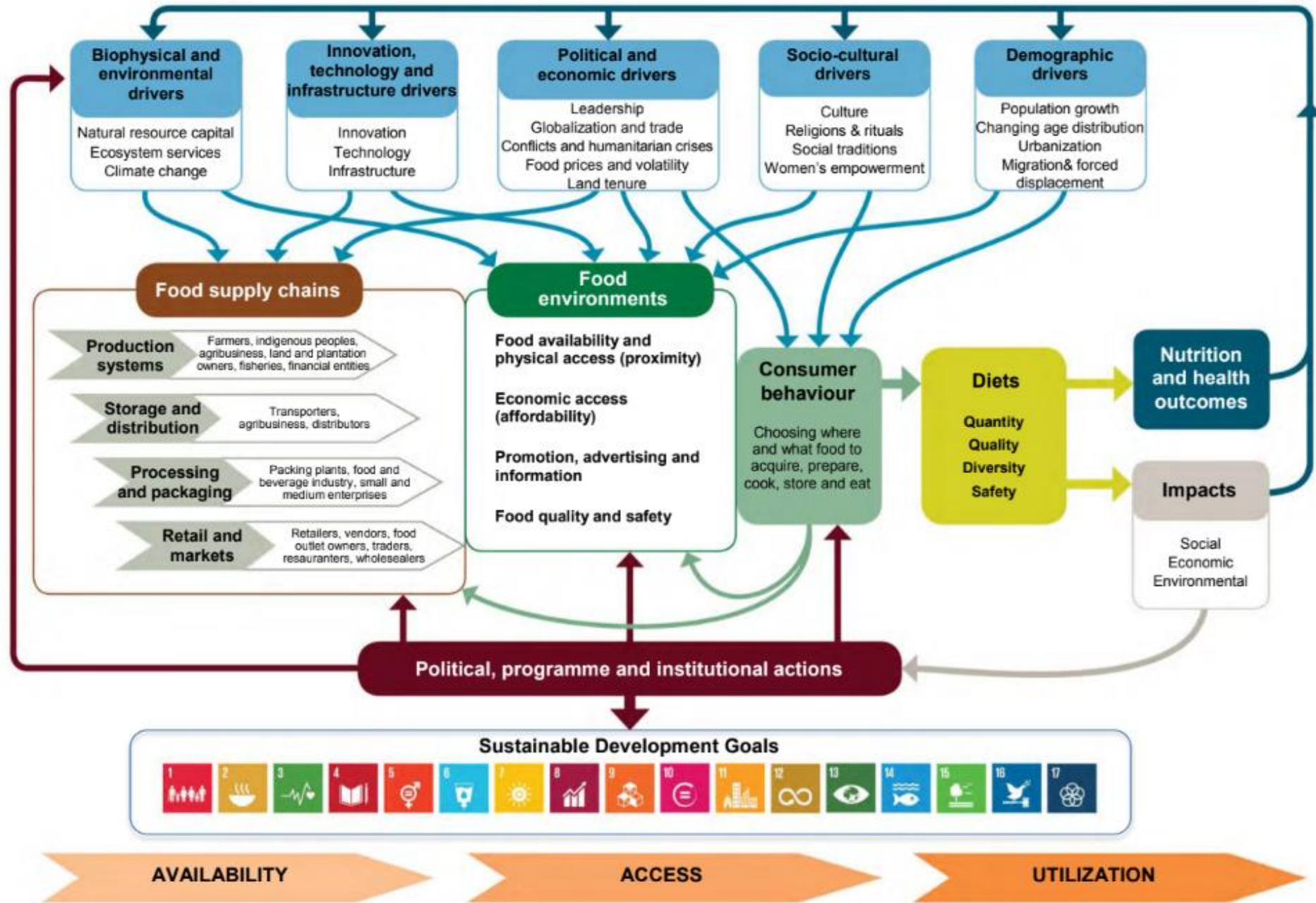







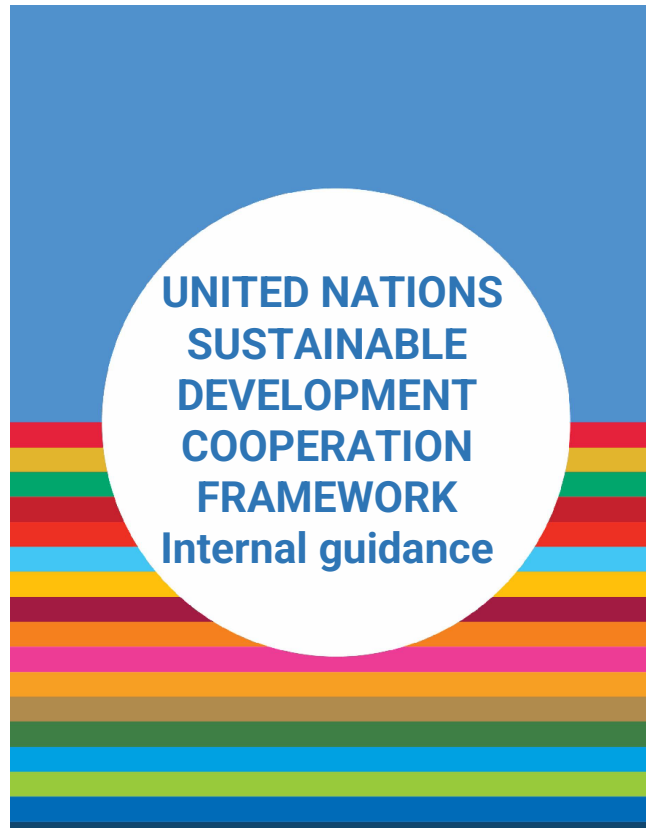


Figure 1 Conceptual framework of food systems for diets and nutrition




# Resources


for the integration of nutrition & food systems into UN development frameworks



**A guidance note on nutrition**  
for United Nations country teams,  
their government counterparts and  
other stakeholders




**TECHNICAL NOTE ON SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS**  
Issue-based Coalition on sustainable food systems  
for Europe and Central Asia



Regional guidance



**FOOD SYSTEMS PROFILE - SOMALIA**  
Catalysing the sustainable and inclusive  
transformation of food systems



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Thank you

