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Collaborative Partnership  
on Forests

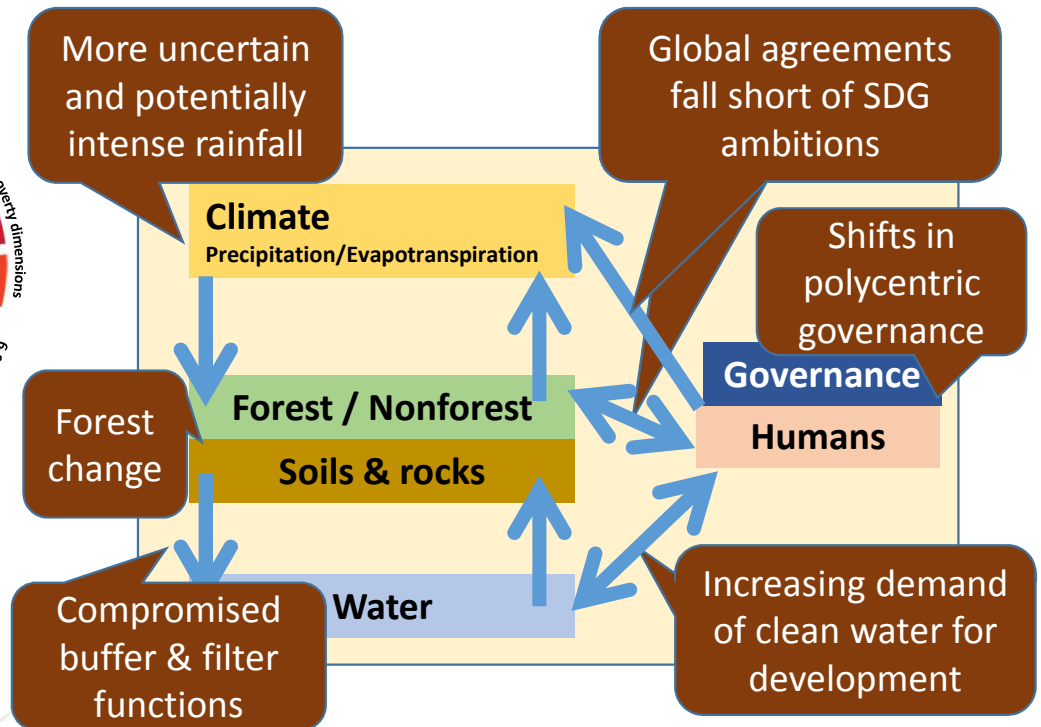


# GFEP

The Global  
Forest Expert Panels

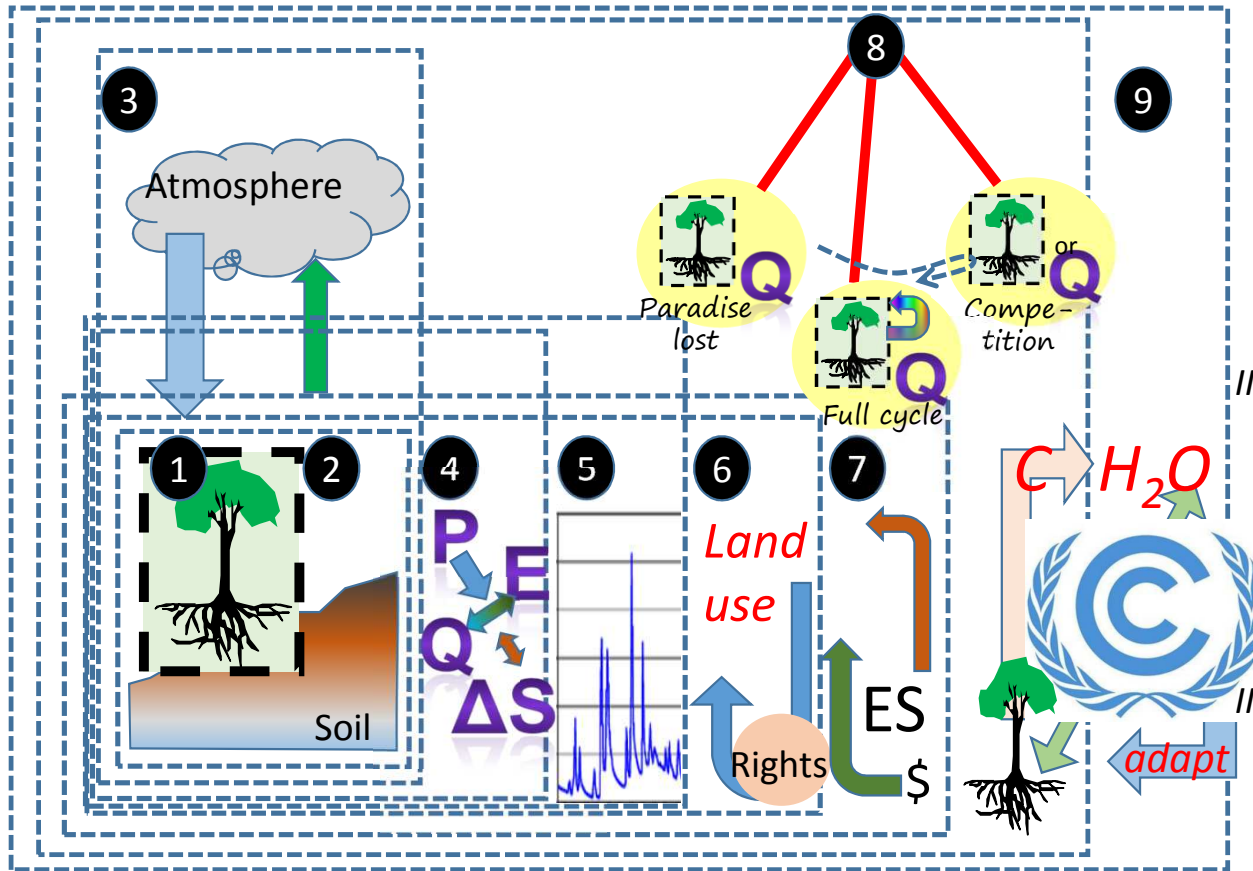
Interconnecting Science and Policy

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Launch of the report and policy brief during UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF 2018) in New York, USA (9-18 July 2018)

The report reviews recent science for ten nested scales, with increasing levels of complexity, to ultimately answer three questions:



Forests modulate **supply** (quality) of **blue** water, but also influence **demand** for (use of) **green** water, and this implies recycling of **atmospheric** moisture.

I. "Do forests matter?": To what degree, where and for whom, is the ongoing change in forests and trees outside forests increasing (or decreasing) human vulnerability by exacerbating (or alleviating) the negative effects of climate variability and change on water security?

II. "Who is responsible and what can be done?": What can national governance systems do to meet global commitments on changes in water security?

III. "How can progress be made and measured?": How can the UN SDGs framework of Agenda 2030 be used to increase the coherence and coordination of national responses in relation to forests and water security sectors in order to meet national and international scales?



Regional followups