



Strategic engagement in climate change mitigation and adaptation

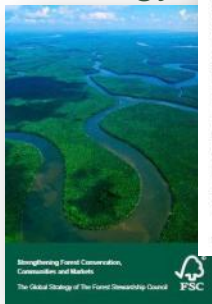
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Steps towards a strategic engagement

2007 Global Strategy



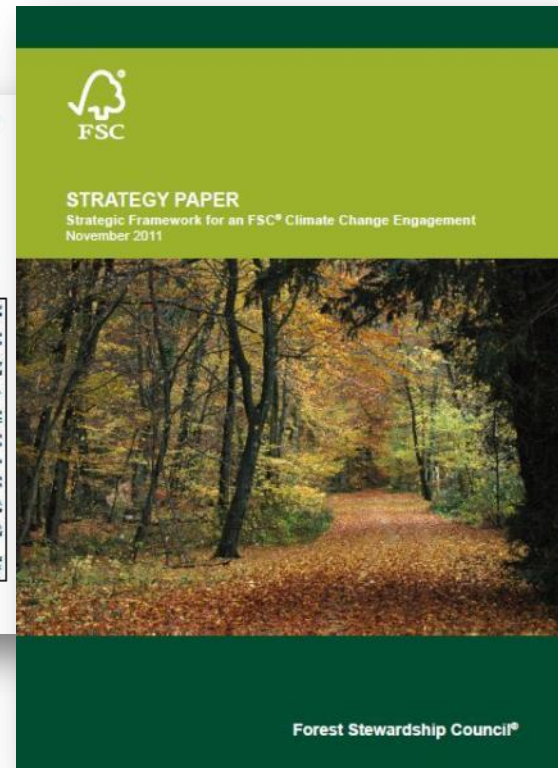
2008 Board Paper



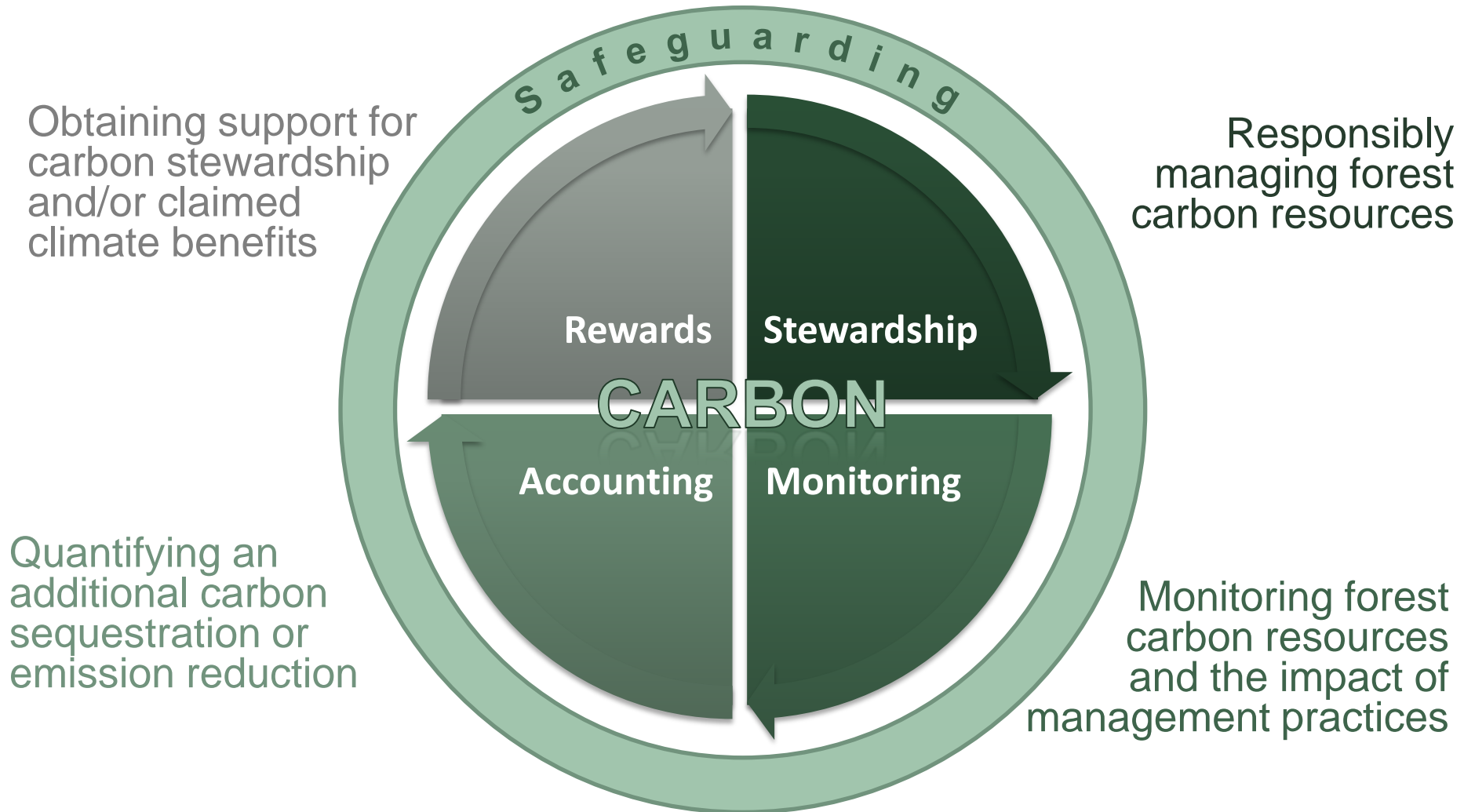
2008 Policy Motion



2011 Strategic Framework



Identifying areas of engagement



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Types of engagement

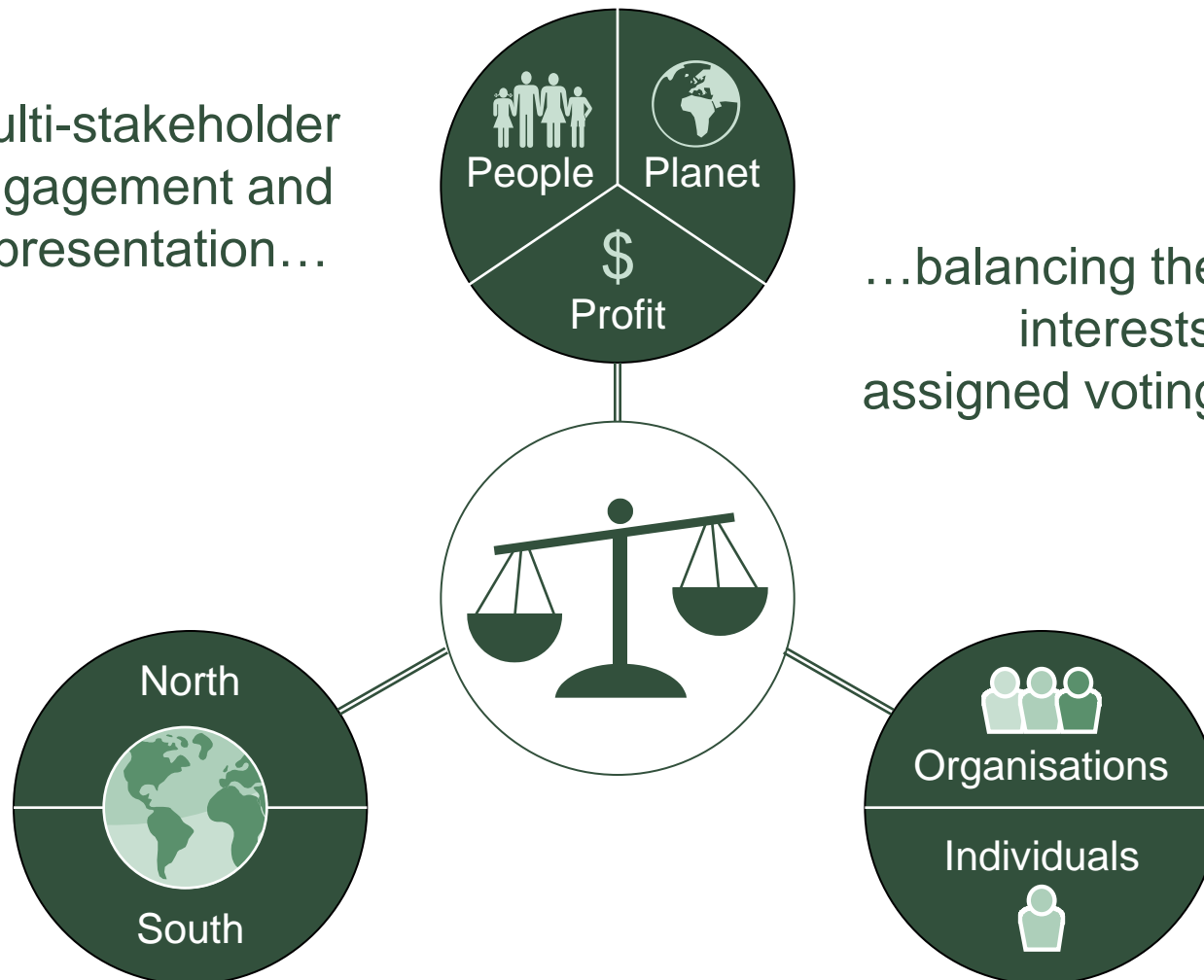


Types of engagement



‘Safeguarding’ includes governance: Fair representation of global interests

Multi-stakeholder
engagement and
representation...



...balancing the various
interests through
assigned voting powers



‘Safeguarding’ includes standard-setting: **Globally consistent, locally adaptable**

The "FSC Principles & Criteria" provide the global normative framework...

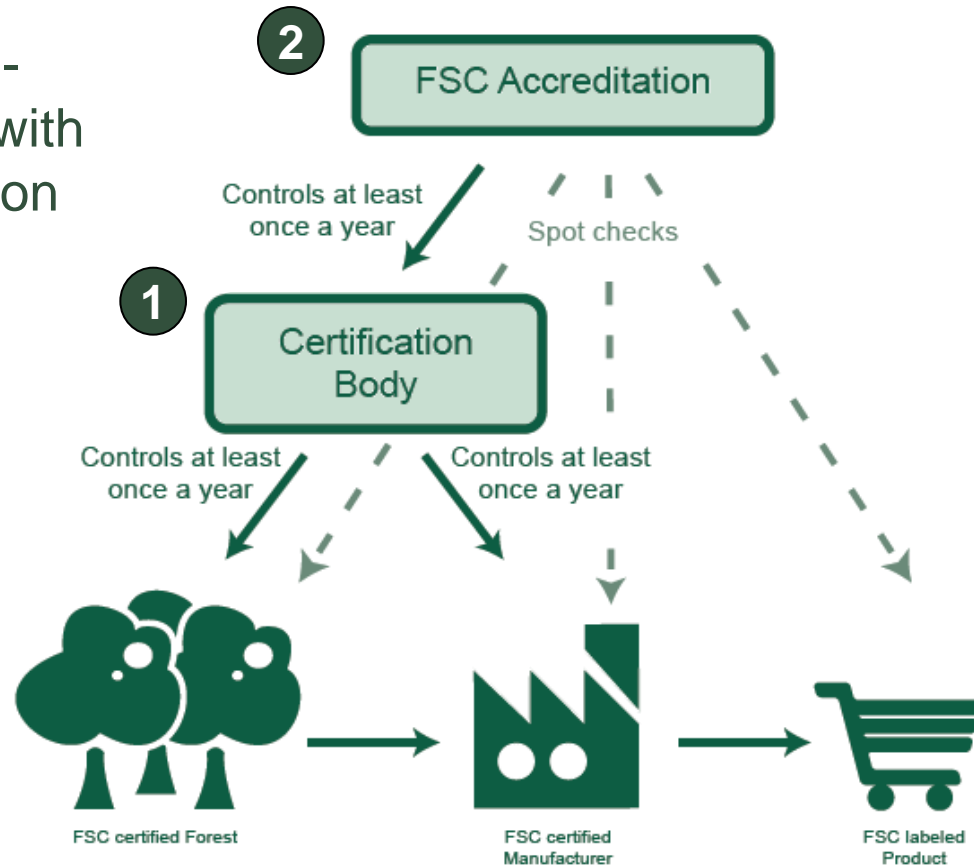


...for adaptation processes developing regional, national, or sub-national “indicators”

'Safeguarding' includes accreditation:

Two-tier MRV system

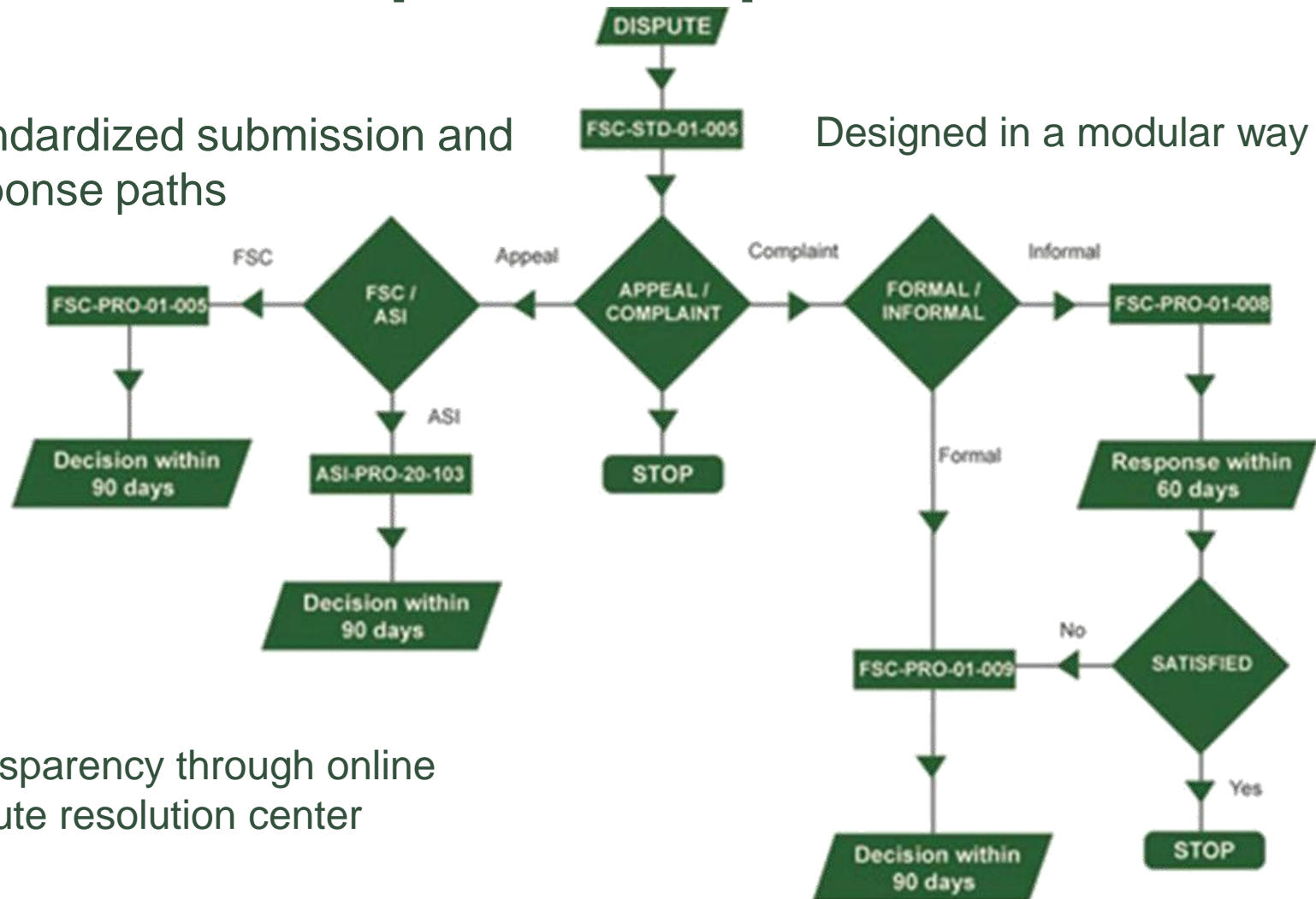
Combining 3rd party on-the-ground verification with independent accreditation



‘Safeguarding’ includes: Transparent dispute resolution

Standardized submission and response paths

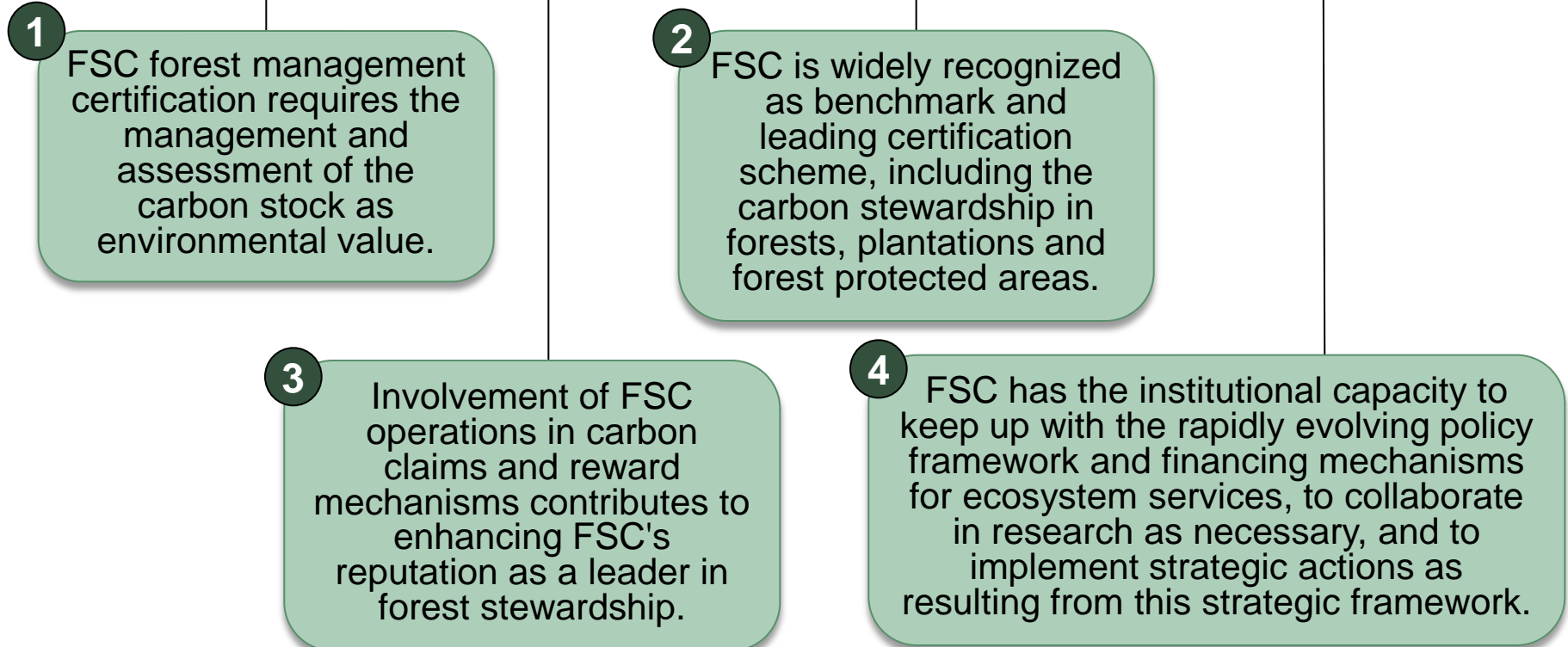
Designed in a modular way



Transparency through online dispute resolution center

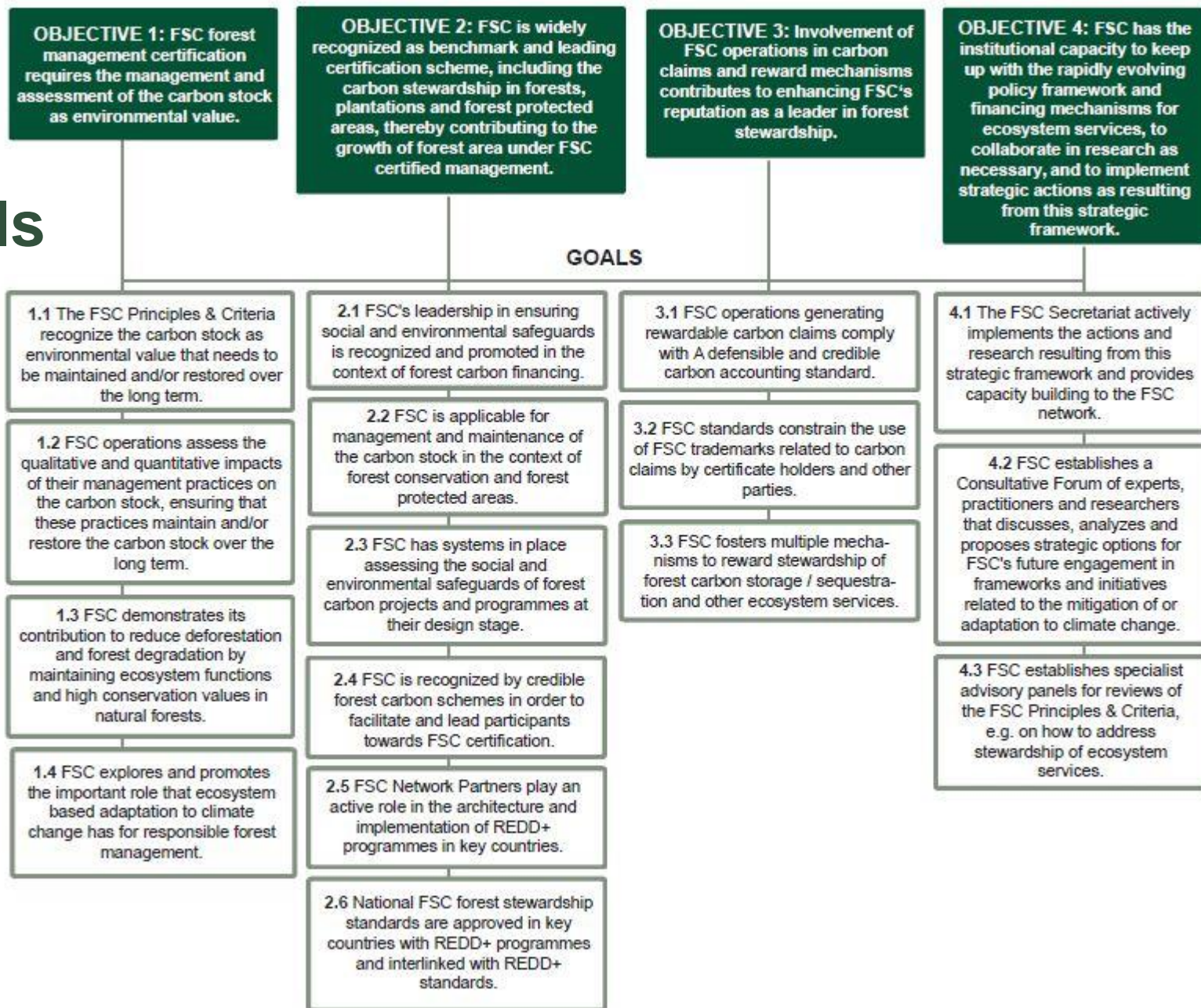
Objectives for FSC engagement

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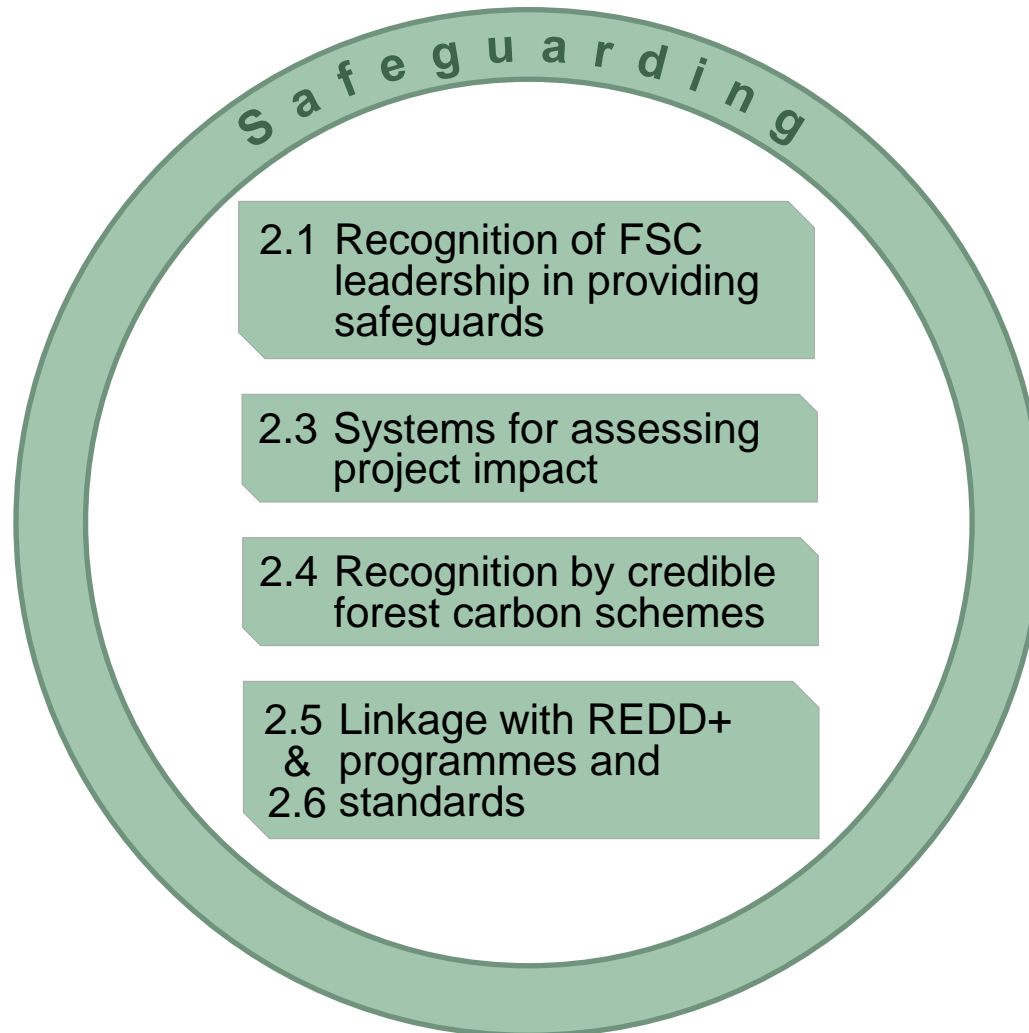




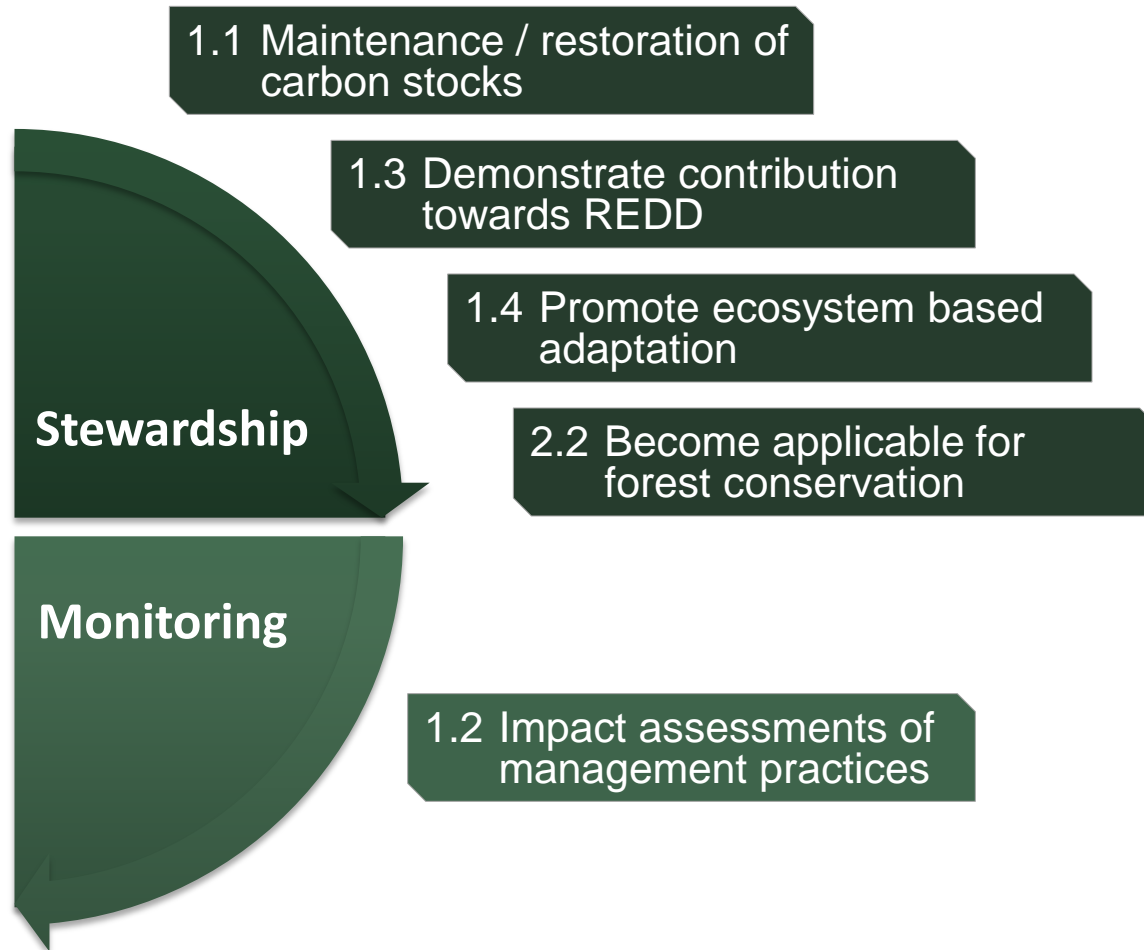
Goals



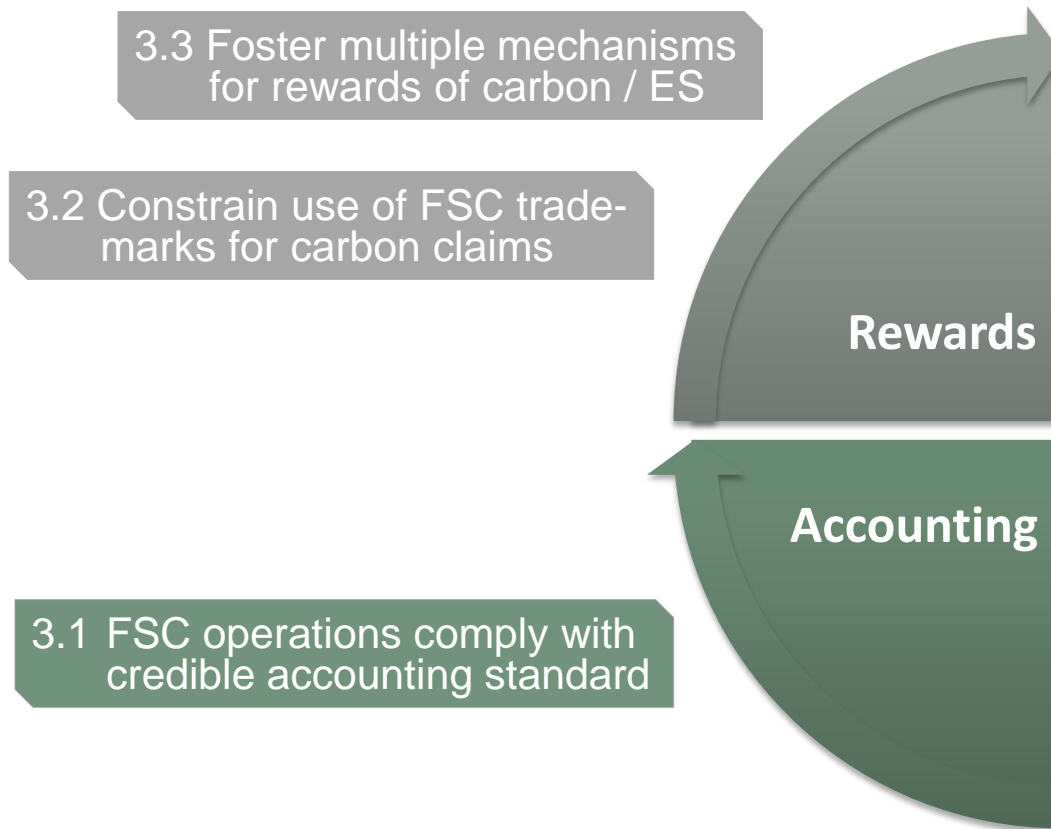
Goals for **safeguarding**



Goals for Carbon Stewardship & Monitoring



Goals for Carbon Accounting & Rewards



Implementation schedule (1)

		2011	2012	2013
	FSC contributes to the mitigation of and adaptation to climate change and demonstrates the positive impact of the forest area under FSC certification.	[Amendment to Statutes & By-Laws]		
1	FSC forest management certification requires the management and assessment of the carbon stock as environmental value.			
1.1	The FSC Principles & Criteria recognize the carbon stock as environmental value that needs to be maintained and/or restored over the long term.	Publication of Version 2, Draft 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of V2 • Generic Indicators • Guidance on best practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of V2 • Generic Indicators
1.2	FSC operations assess the qualitative and quantitative impacts of their management practices on the carbon stock, ensuring that these practices maintain and/or restore the carbon stock over the long term.		FSC Guidance on best practice	First data collection
1.3	FSC demonstrates its contribution to reduce deforestation and forest degradation by maintaining ecosystem functions and high conservation values in natural forests.		FSC Position paper	
1.4	FSC explores and promotes the important role that ecosystem based adaptation to climate change has for responsible forest management.			FSC Guidance on best practice

Implementation schedule (2)

		2011	2012	2013
2	FSC is widely recognized as benchmark and leading certification scheme, including the carbon stewardship in forests, plantations and forest protected areas, thereby contributing to the growth of forest area under FSC certified management.			
2.1	FSC's leadership in ensuring social and environmental safeguards is recognized and promoted in the context of forest carbon financing.	Promotional activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion • Generic Indicators • Gap analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion • Generic Indicators
2.2	FSC is applicable for management and maintenance of the carbon stock in the context of forest conservation and forest protected areas.		Feasibility study (Motion 44/2008)	Implementation of study results
2.3	FSC has systems in place assessing the social and environmental safeguards of forest carbon projects and programmes at their design stage.			Needs assessment Technical develop.
2.4	FSC is recognized by credible forest carbon schemes in order to facilitate and lead participants towards FSC certification.		Gap analysis	
2.5	FSC Network Partners play an active role in the architecture and implementation of REDD+ programmes in key countries.		Capacity building and advocacy	Capacity building and advocacy
2.6	National FSC forest stewardship standards are approved in key countries with REDD+ programmes and interlinked with REDD+ standards.			Technical support and advocacy

Implementation schedule (3)

		2011	2012	2013
3	Involvement of FSC operations in carbon claims and reward mechanisms contributes to enhancing FSC's reputation as a leader in forest stewardship.			
3.1	FSC operations generating rewardable carbon claims comply with a defensible and credible carbon accounting standard.		Risk assessment re. claims + rewards	Guidance and policy
3.2	FSC standards constrain the use of FSC trademarks related to carbon claims by certificate holders and other parties.			Standard amendments
3.3	FSC fosters multiple mechanisms to reward stewardship of forest carbon storage / sequestration and other ecosystem services.		Inventory of reward mechanisms	Field testing



GEF co-funded project activities:
ForCES – Forest Certification for Ecosystem Services)

Thank you!



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