



# **PROGRESS BY SAMOA ON A LOW CARBON DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND NAMA PROGRAMME**

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# INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT FOR SAMOA

- In developing NAPAs, NAMAs and a strategy for low carbon development, Samoa's approach is consistent with AOSIS group's deep concerns about climate change and its international positions

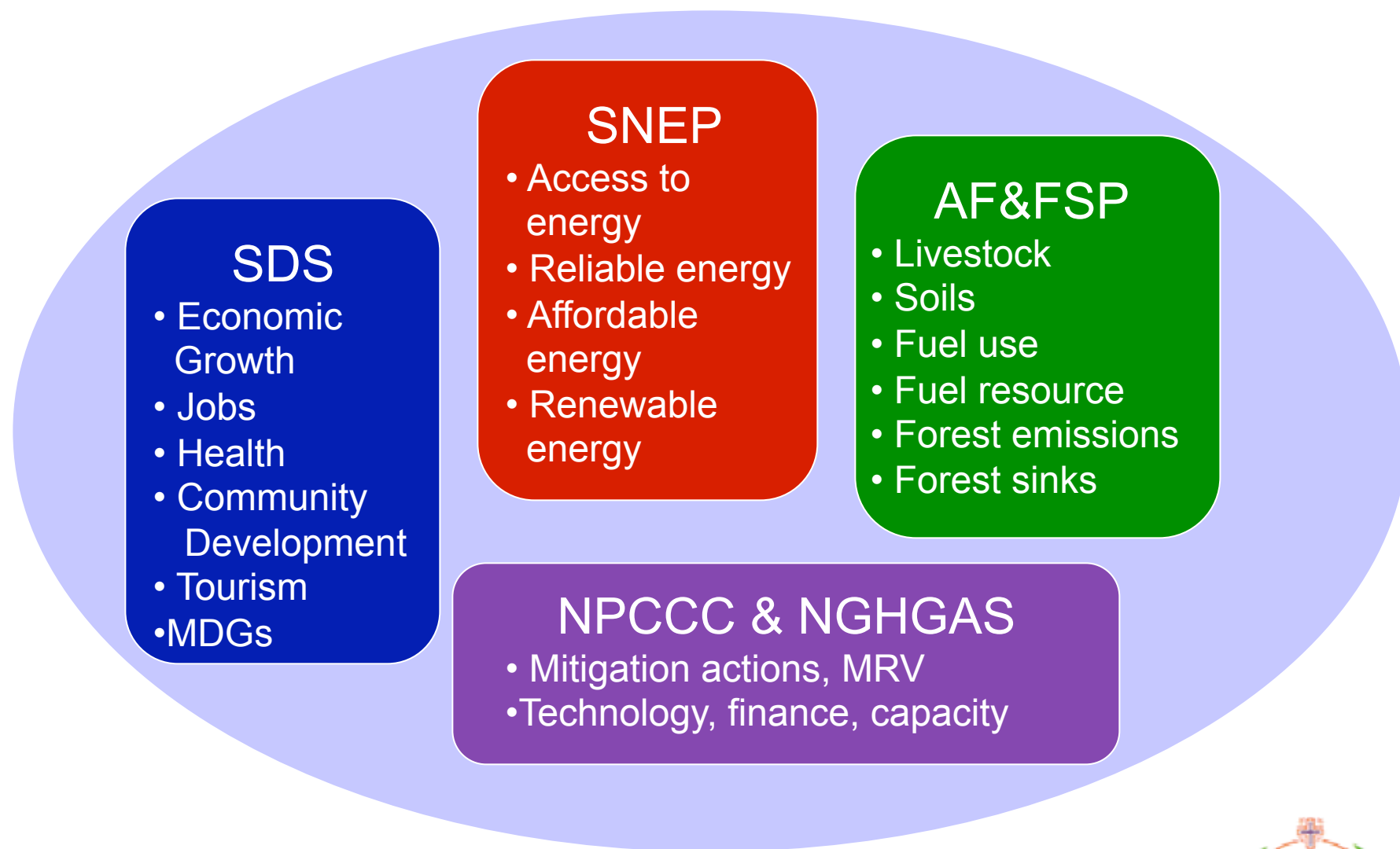


# MAINSTREAMING LOW CARBON DEVELOPMENT

- Not a new strategy
- Rather, mainstreaming “low carbon” by identifying and strengthening points of connection in existing national strategies, plans and policies, e.g.
  - Samoa Development Strategy (SDS) and Samoa National Energy Policy (SNEP) being reviewed and updated in 2012
  - National GHG Abatement Strategy
  - Climate Change Policy
- “Infuse a low carbon ethos”



# VISUALISING THE LOW CARBON APPROACH



## LOW CARBON MAKES GOOD ECONOMIC SENSE

- Samoa has a high cost diesel dominated energy system (electricity and transport fuels)
- Renewable opportunities utilising domestic resources are being researched, tested and readied for investment
- Reformed electricity act opens door to private sector investment in power generation
- Opportunities to improve livelihoods, especially of rural communities



# NAMA PROGRAMME IN THE ENERGY SECTOR

- Goal of carbon neutrality by 2020
- Focus on energy sector
- But draws in more than just energy:
  - Agriculture and forest sectors can contribute biofuel resources and carbon sequestration to help achieve the goal
  - Waste to energy contributes to goal and also helps address other environmental and health issues





# ONGOING STEPS TOWARDS LOW CARBON

- Whole of government and stakeholder consultations on approach to low carbon development
- Detailed analysis and development of NAMA programme:
  - Technologies and implementation plans
  - Environmental and economic impacts
  - Policy framework and community engagement
  - Investment plan, public and private
  - Identify needs for technology, finance and capacity building support

