

Invest in Nutrition through National Budget Analysis

Experience from 30 countries in the SUN Movement

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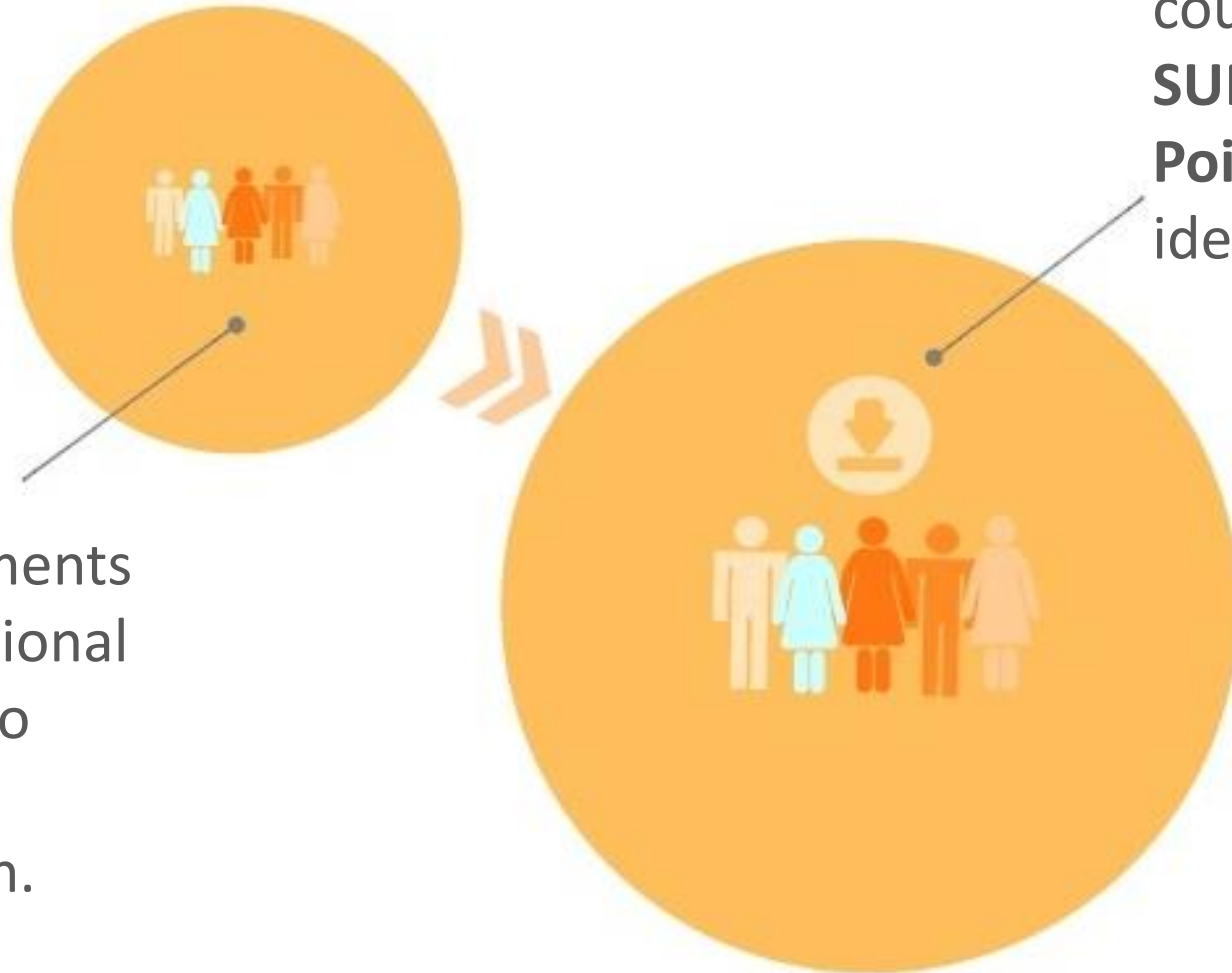
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The SUN Movement Approach

Within each country a **SUN Focal Point** is identified

Country governments lead national efforts to scale up nutrition.



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The Focal Point brings people together in a
multi-stakeholder platform

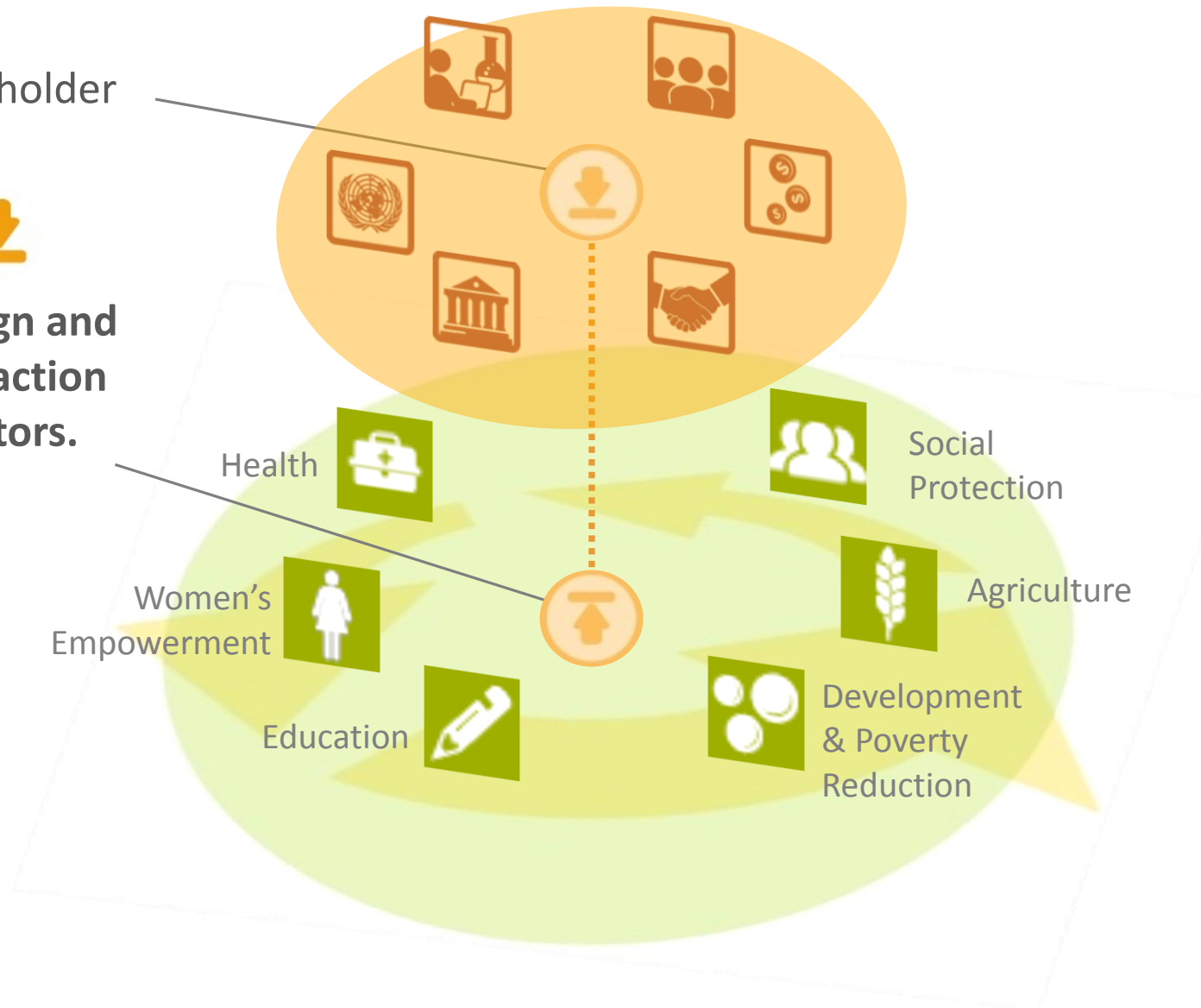


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The multi-stakeholder platform



Works to align and coordinate action across sectors.



Building Consensus:

People

Evidence

Think...

Actions

Money

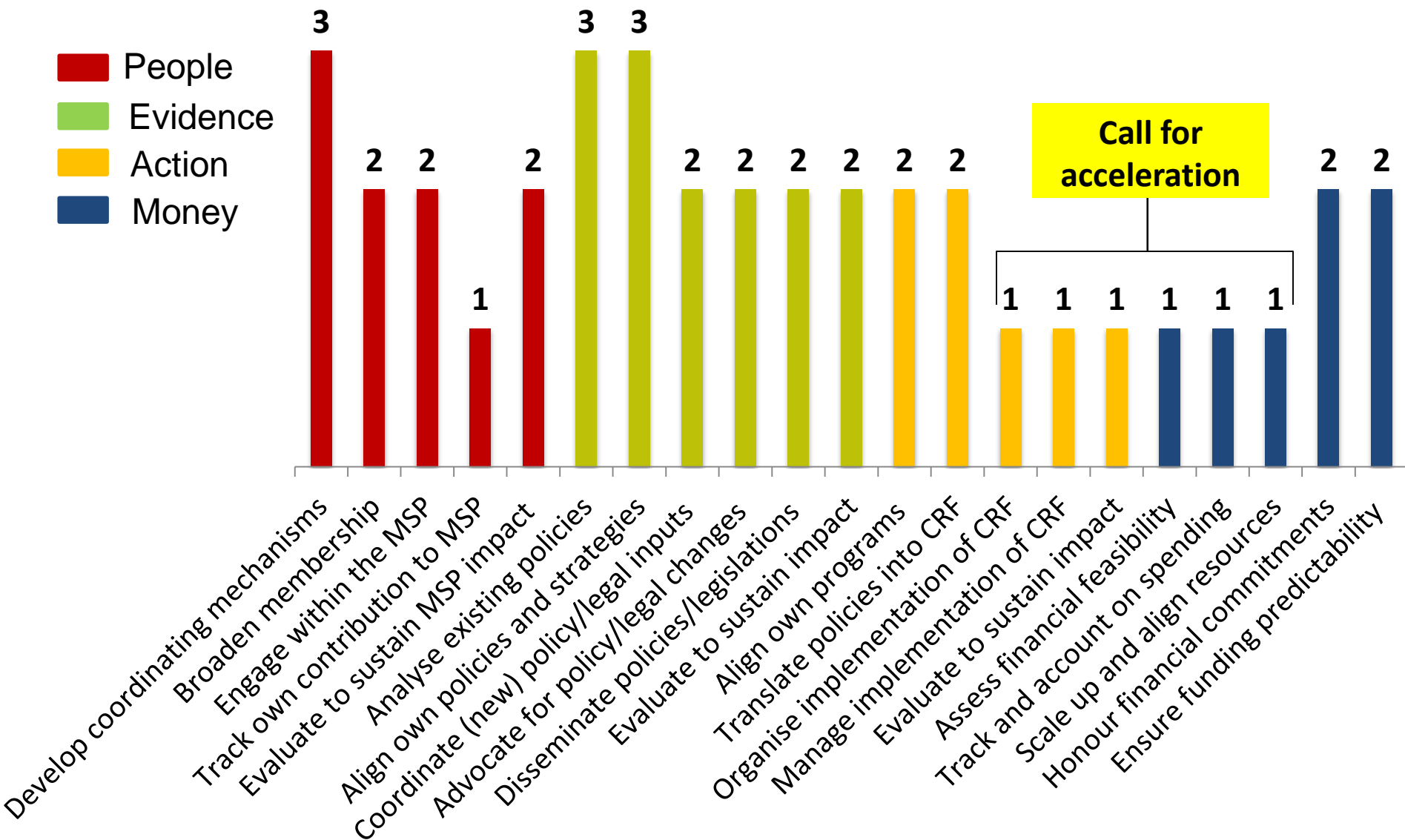


Double aim:

- 1) **More nutrition for money:** leverage from existing investments
- 2) **More money for nutrition:** add to existing investments

Progress in the SUN Movement

2014 self-assessment exercise (37 countries)



A [call for interest](#) launched in January

A [conference call](#) conducted with all countries to introduce the [3-step approach](#):

- **Step 1:** Identify nutrition-relevant on-budget allocations in Ministries, Departments, Agencies
- **Step 2:** Categorize identified budget allocations into nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive
- **Step 3:** Assign a weight to the classified budget allocations

30 countries responded and undertook the preparatory work between February and March

Four regional workshops conducted during April in [Bangkok](#), Thailand (15-16); [Entebbe](#), Uganda (21-22), [Abidjan](#), Ivory Coast (27-28) and Guatemala City (28-30)

More than 180 participants, mostly from Governments (including finance people)

Parliamentarians and journalists invited for the advocacy and dissemination session

Over 90% of participants felt their objectives were achieved

Participating Countries in Africa

- BENIN
- BURKINA FASO
- BURUNDI
- CAMEROON
- CHAD
- COMOROS
- COTE D'IVOIRE
- DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
- GAMBIA
- GHANA
- KENYA
- LESOTHO
- MADAGASCAR
- MAURITANIA
- SOUTH SUDAN
- TOGO
- UGANDA
- ZAMBIA

ASIA:

- BANGLADESH
- INDONESIA
- NEPAL
- PAKISTAN
- PHILIPPINES
- TAJIKISTAN
- VIETNAM
- YEMEN
- MAHARASHTRA (India)

LATIN AMERICA:

- COSTA RICA
- GUATEMALA
- PERU

30 countries with identified nutrition-relevant budget allocations in Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) further categorized into nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive

16 countries with more than one data point

10 countries with indicated sources of funding (domestic, external, mixed)

3 countries with planned and actual spending

Priority: work on the presentation of data for the 2015 Global Nutrition Report and for the 2015 SUN Report

- Inclusion of **sector-wide investments** with limited details (e.g. water supply, education, etc.)
- Inclusion of **personnel**
- Inclusion of **governance**

- **Weighting process:**
 - Pros and cons in terms of:
 - 1) usefulness; 2) consistency and 3) interpretation
 - Mixed experience from donors and countries

- **Develop a synthesis document to provide future guidance for budget analysis and planning**
 - Describe nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive investments and identify good examples
- **Further engage** relevant MDAs
 - Mentioned by Costa Rica and Vietnam
- **Plan for nutrition (link with CRF):**
 - Good examples available from Asian and Latin American countries
 - Required examples of the link between budgeting and planning in African countries.

- **Track actual spending and implementation:**
 - Good examples from Guatemala (Zero Hunger Pact) and from Peru (integrated national programmes)
 - The National Health Account looks at nutrition as one of the ‘purpose areas’. Pros and cons?
- **Track off-budget spending**
 - Need to agree on one common language to ensure consistency and one feasible approach to ensure sustainability

- **Develop the data into advocacy messages** that are simple, audience focused and help to strengthen the investment case.
- **Develop advocacy tools** for helping the analysis transcend its technical basis – with clear purpose for use by Parliamentarians and civil society, particularly journalists.
- **Build capacity** with key champions using the information.

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