

Development of New Methodological Guidelines for REDD-plus

Considering Both Small Project and Sub-National / National Projects

1 Needs of Methodological Guidelines for REDD-plus

Balancing "Operation" and "High Transparency"

Participation of the multi stakeholders, private enterprises and NGOs in particular

- Deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries are responsible for about 20% of human-induced greenhouse gas (GHG). Though the negotiation of the REDD-plus rules under the UNFCCC has yet to reach agreement, REDD-plus should be implemented immediately because of a huge potential for GHG emission reduction.
- To promote the REDD-plus activities, participation of many stakeholders is crucial. In particular, participation of private enterprises and other related organizations including NGOs will enhance REDD-plus activities, hence, attractive rules for the multi stakeholders must be developed.

Expansion of Project Boundary: Project to Sub-National

- In recent years, REDD-plus activities have been conducted by project units. However, sub-national / national REDD-plus schemes are required under the UNFCCC in the mid- and long-term, hence, ongoing REDD-plus projects must be conducted taking future expansion to a sub-national / national scale activities into consideration. (Figure 1). The methodological guidelines must handle such a situation.

Improvement of the Methodological Guidelines

- The development of the methodological guidelines would be based on existing methodologies and experiences from ongoing projects.
- The methodological guidelines should be continuously improved according to the new outcomes (research results, findings and experiences).

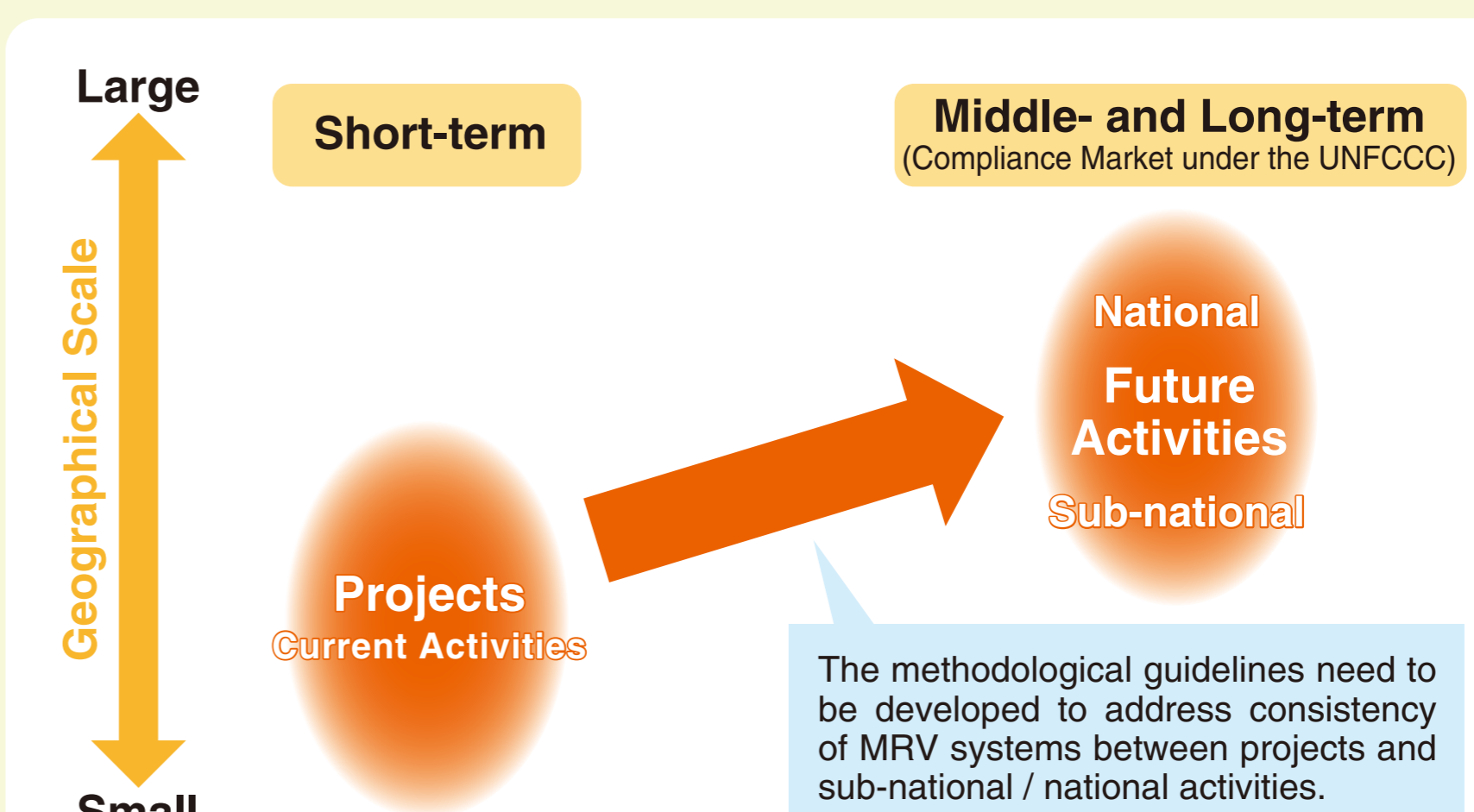


Figure 1: Scaling-up from Projects to Sub-National / National Activities

2 Contents of Methodological Guidelines

Accounting Requirements

- Project period, project locations (country, region)
- Non-permanence risks

Methodological Requirements

- Described in Figure 2

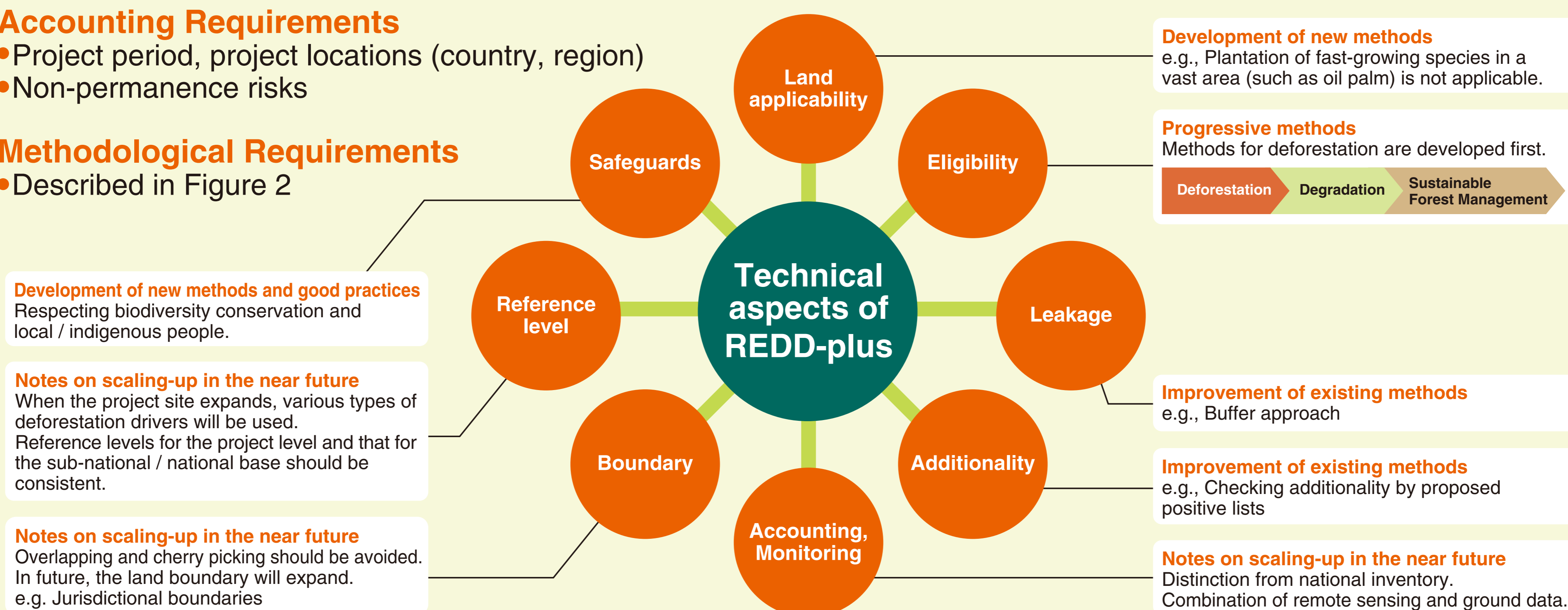


Figure 2: Key Contents and Discussion Points of the Methodological Guidelines