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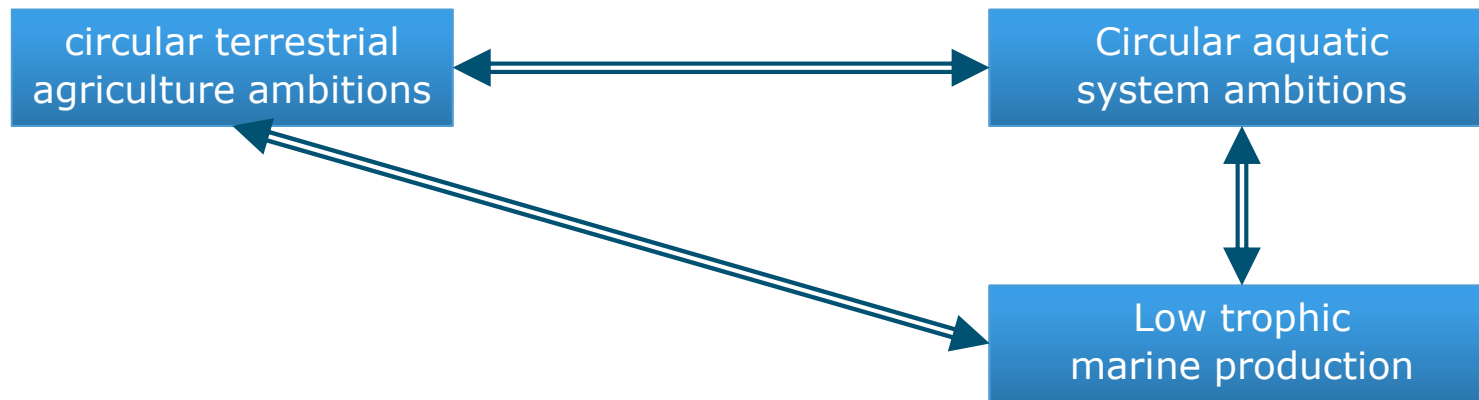
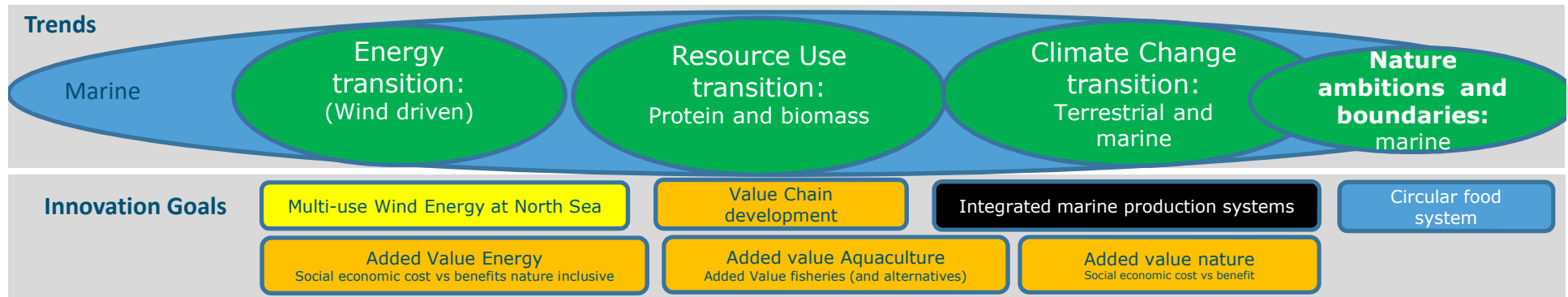
# A roadmap to a circular land-sea framework

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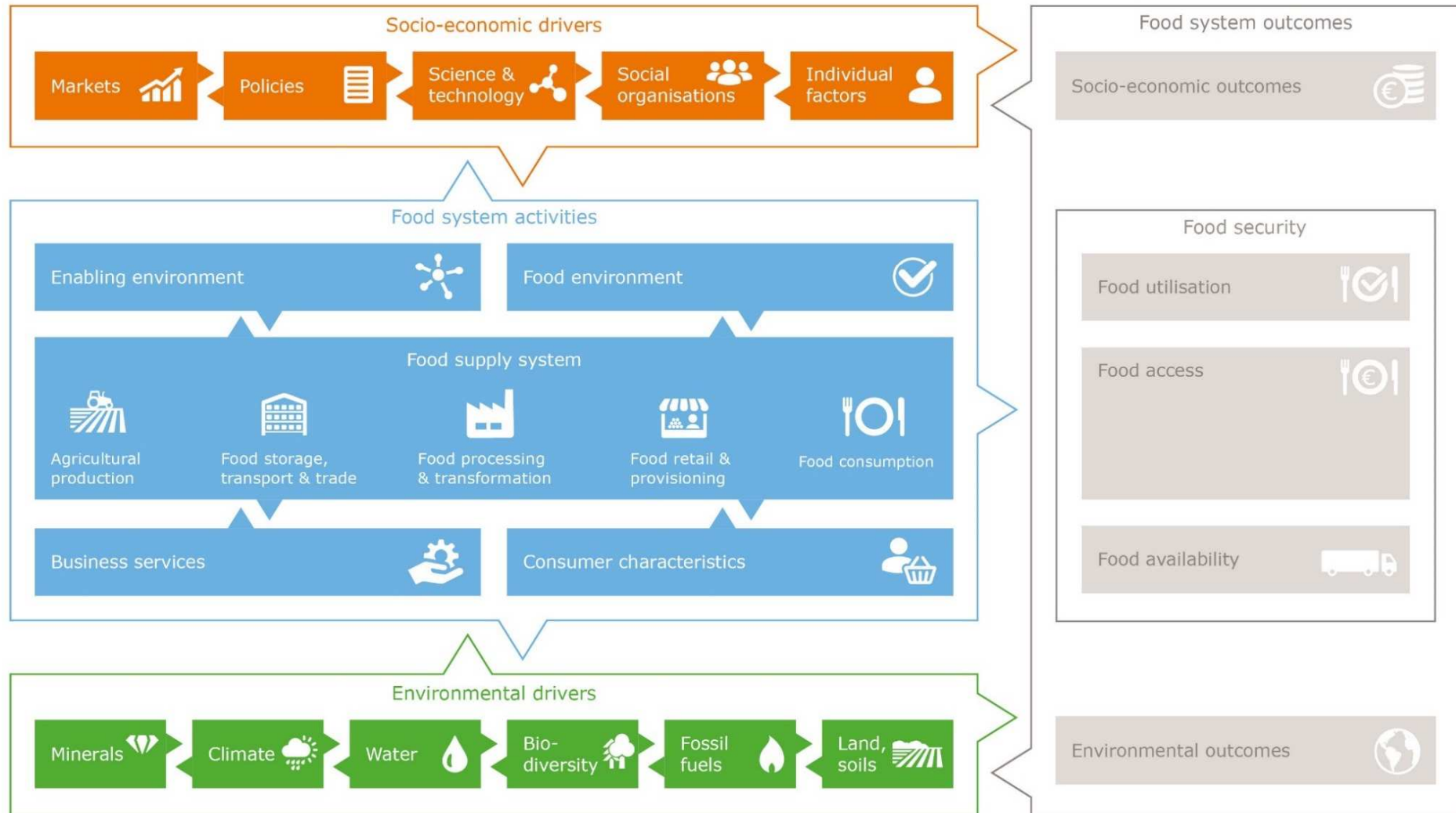
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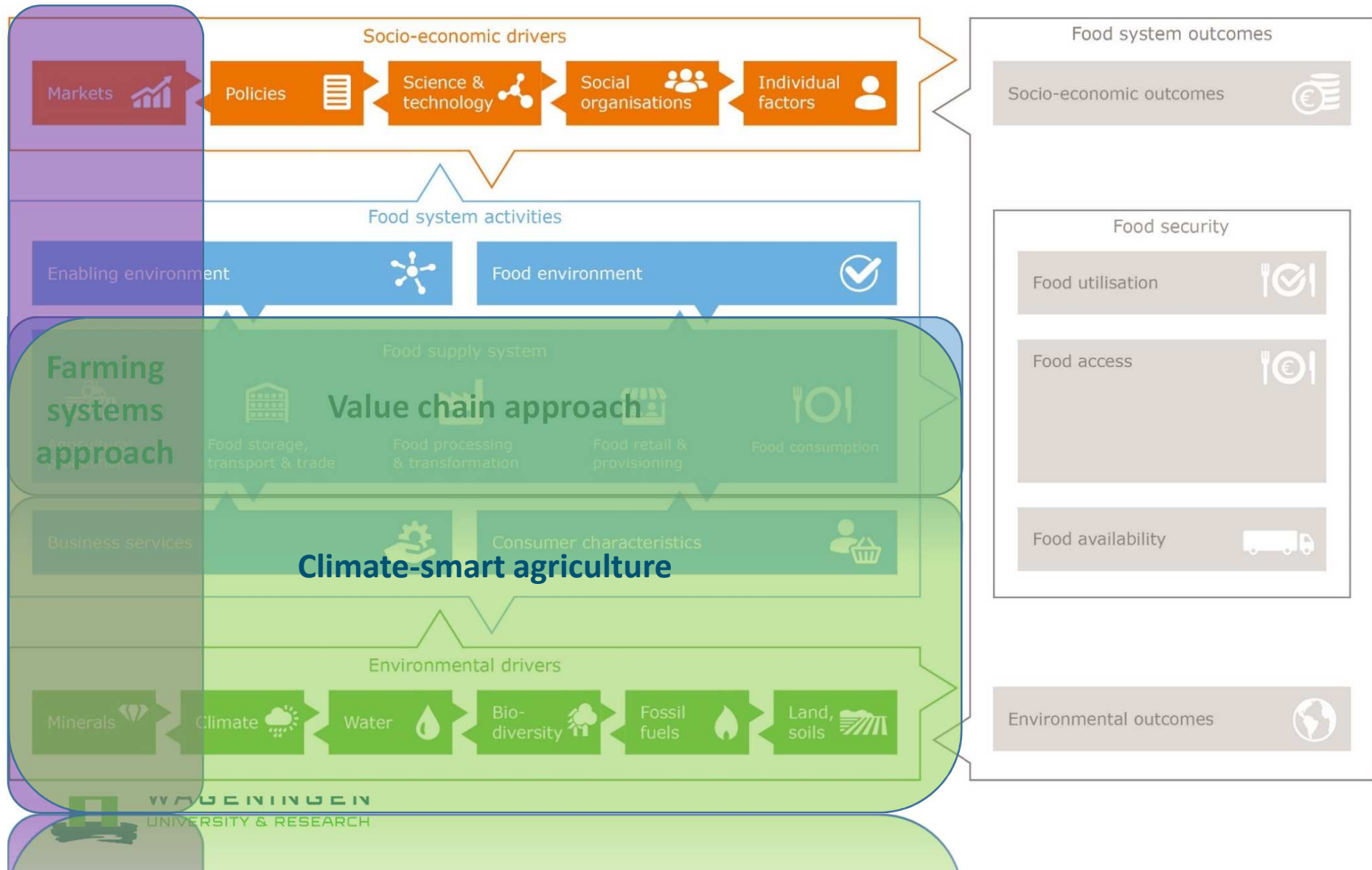
# Grand Challenges at sea and land



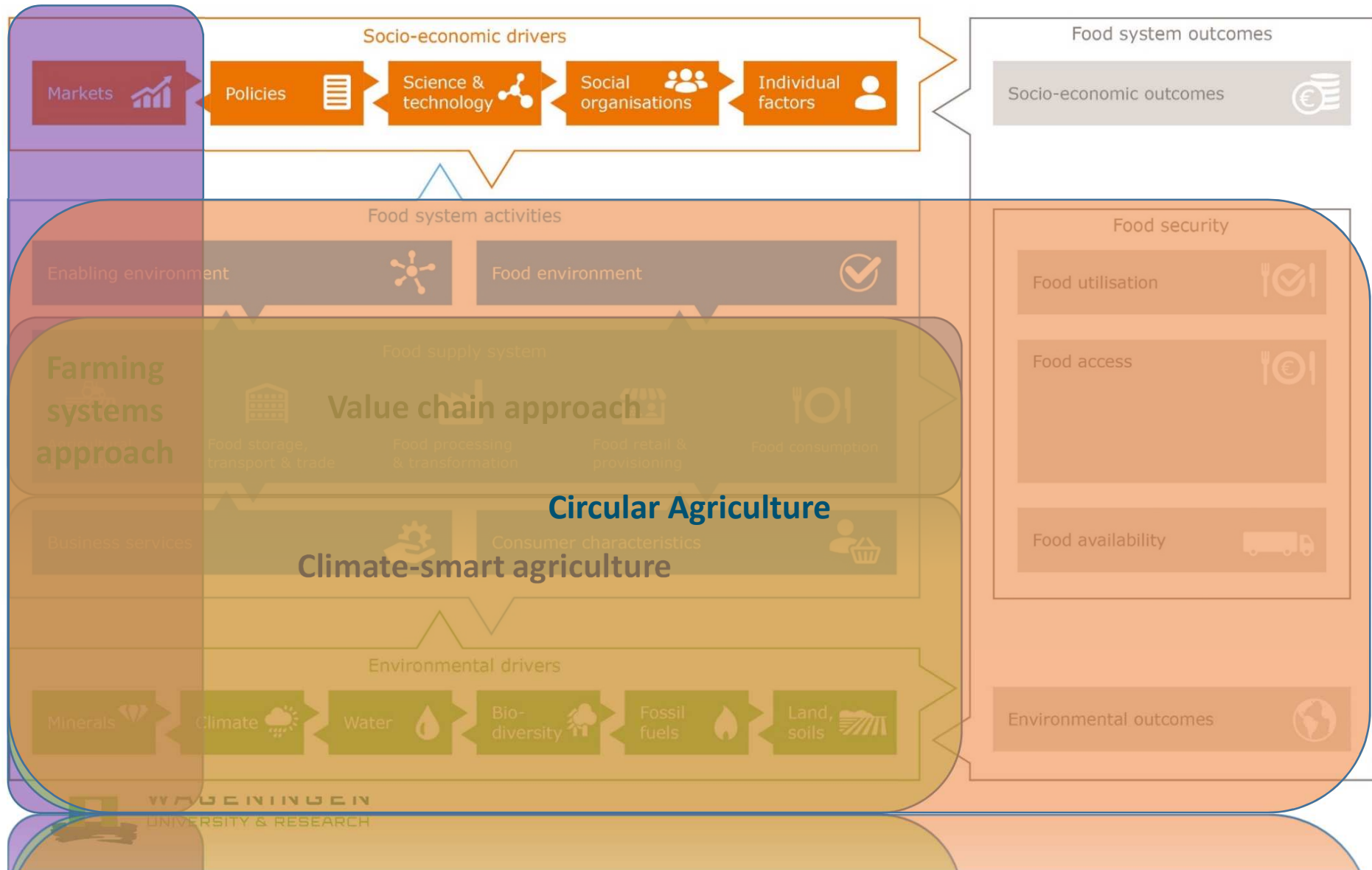
# Food System approach



# Farming System Approach



# Circular Agriculture





## Contribution to the Themed Section: 'Marine aquaculture in the Anthropocene'

### Quo Vadimus

## Towards sustainable European seaweed value chains: a triple P perspective

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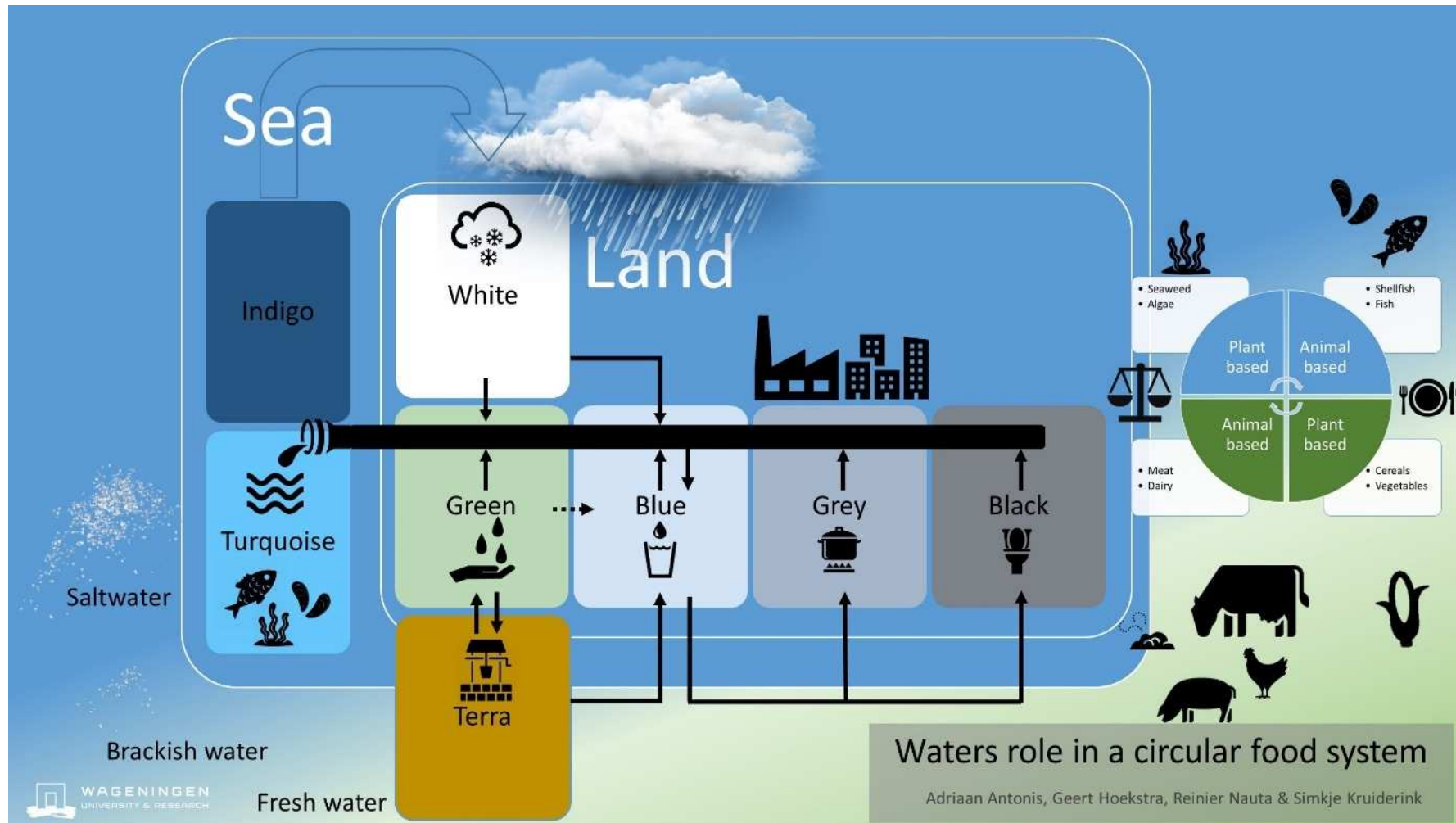
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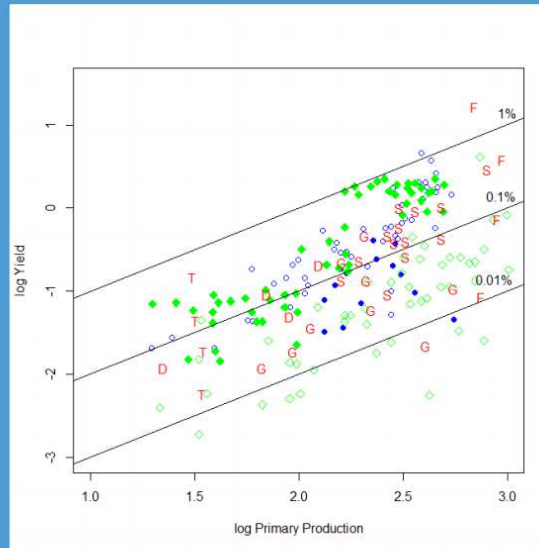
Seaweeds are seen as important future feedstock for Europe, providing biomass for food, feed, and other applications. Seaweeds can contribute to a circular food system, a protein transition, and a bio-based economy. Europe is a minor player in the world market dominated by the Asian producers and processors. According to the FAO, total production of aquatic plants (dominated by seaweed) was 30 million tonnes in 2016, with China (47.9%) and Indonesia (38, 7%) dominating production. This article discusses the challenges to seaweed production and use in Europe and formulates future directions for upscaling the European seaweed sector. From a People, Planet, Profit perspective, there is no need to focus on producing large volumes of seaweed per se. We need to focus on nature-inclusive production systems, producing the right amount of the right seaweeds, based on the carrying capacity of the European seas. The seaweed sector must avoid developing along the "old" economy's way of cost leadership but develop along the way of the "new" circular economy. Seaweeds should not be seen as a new product "added" to the market but become an integral part of the European food system, being used for human consumption, feed and improving production processes.

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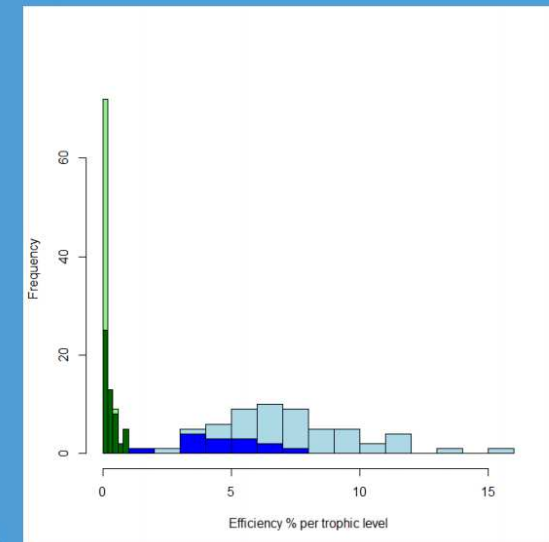
# Water's role in a circular food system



## Secondaire en primaire productie (log<sub>10</sub> gC m<sup>-2</sup> y<sup>-1</sup>)



## Lindeman efficiëntie



## Landbouw

- Geen substantiële toename van de primaire productie
  - Bemesting
  - Irrigatie
- Toegenomen efficiëntie richting productie-organismen
  - Bejagen van predatoren/grazers en concurrenten
  - Veredeling en selectie
  - Aanleggen van voedselvoorraden om perioden van schaarste te overbruggen

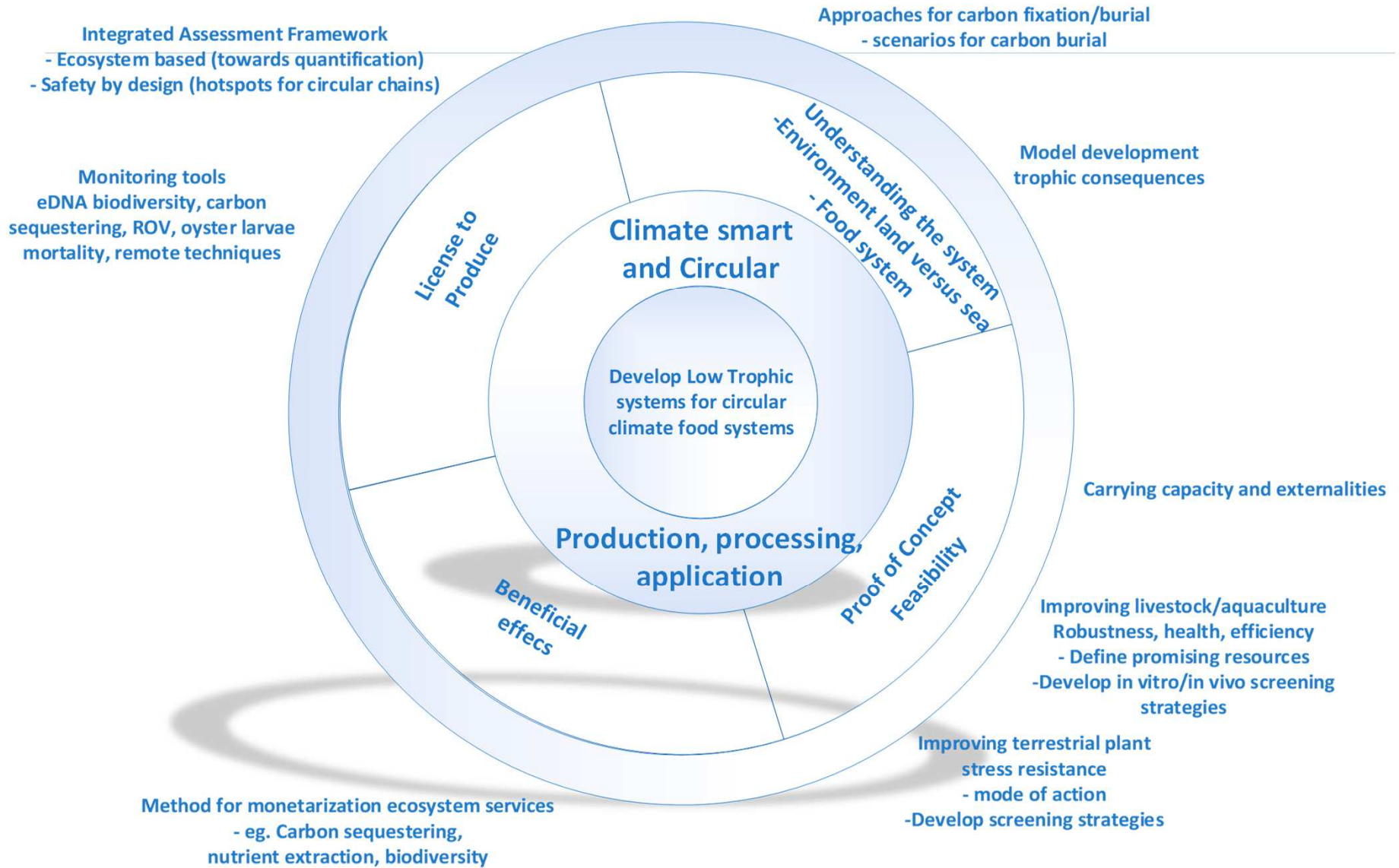
## Lessen uit de ecologie en de landbouw

- Een substantiële toename van de primaire productie valt niet te verwachten
- Verhoogde efficiëntie is onwaarschijnlijk
- Enige optie is 'fishing down the food web', maar de praktische problemen zijn groot, en ...

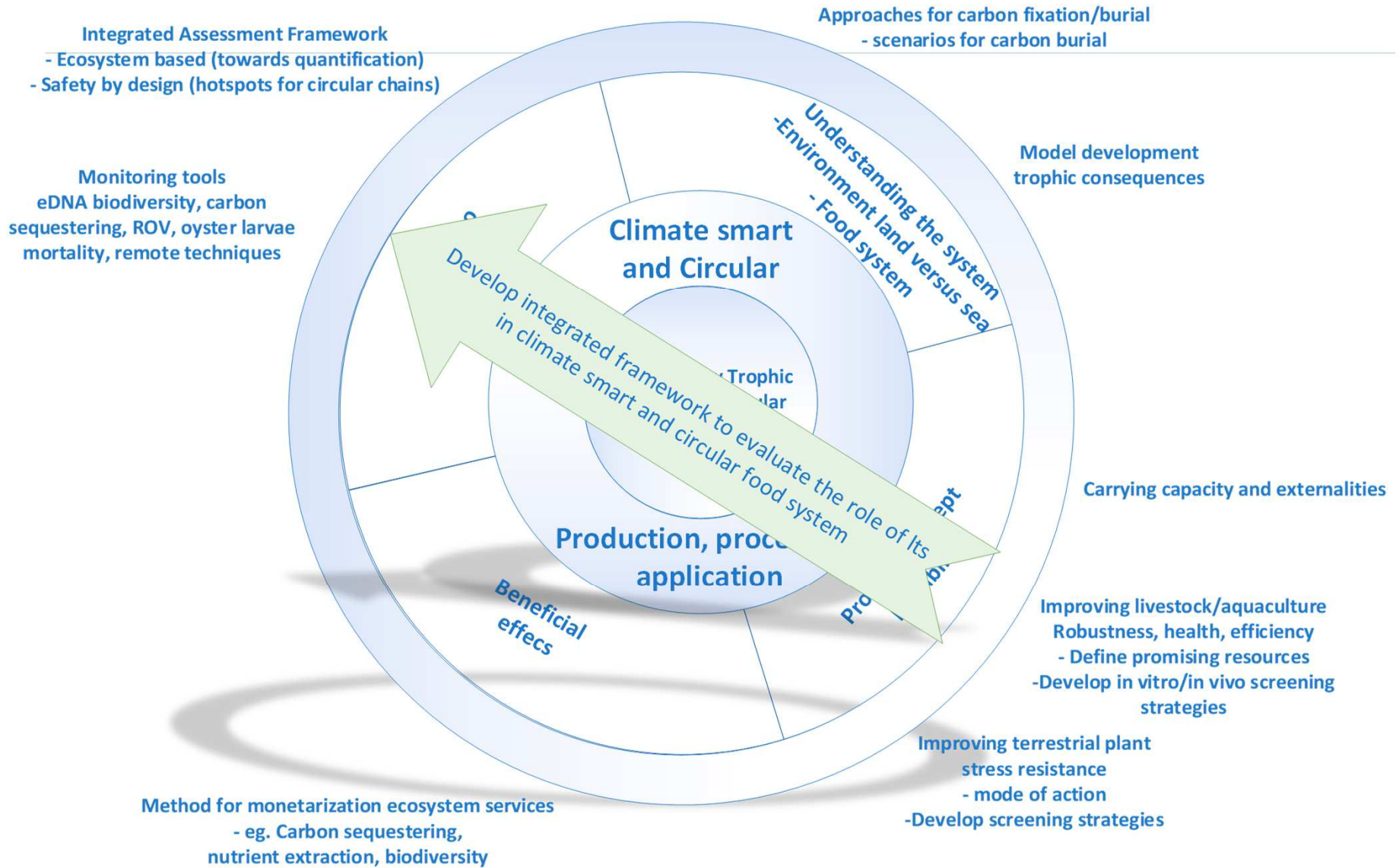
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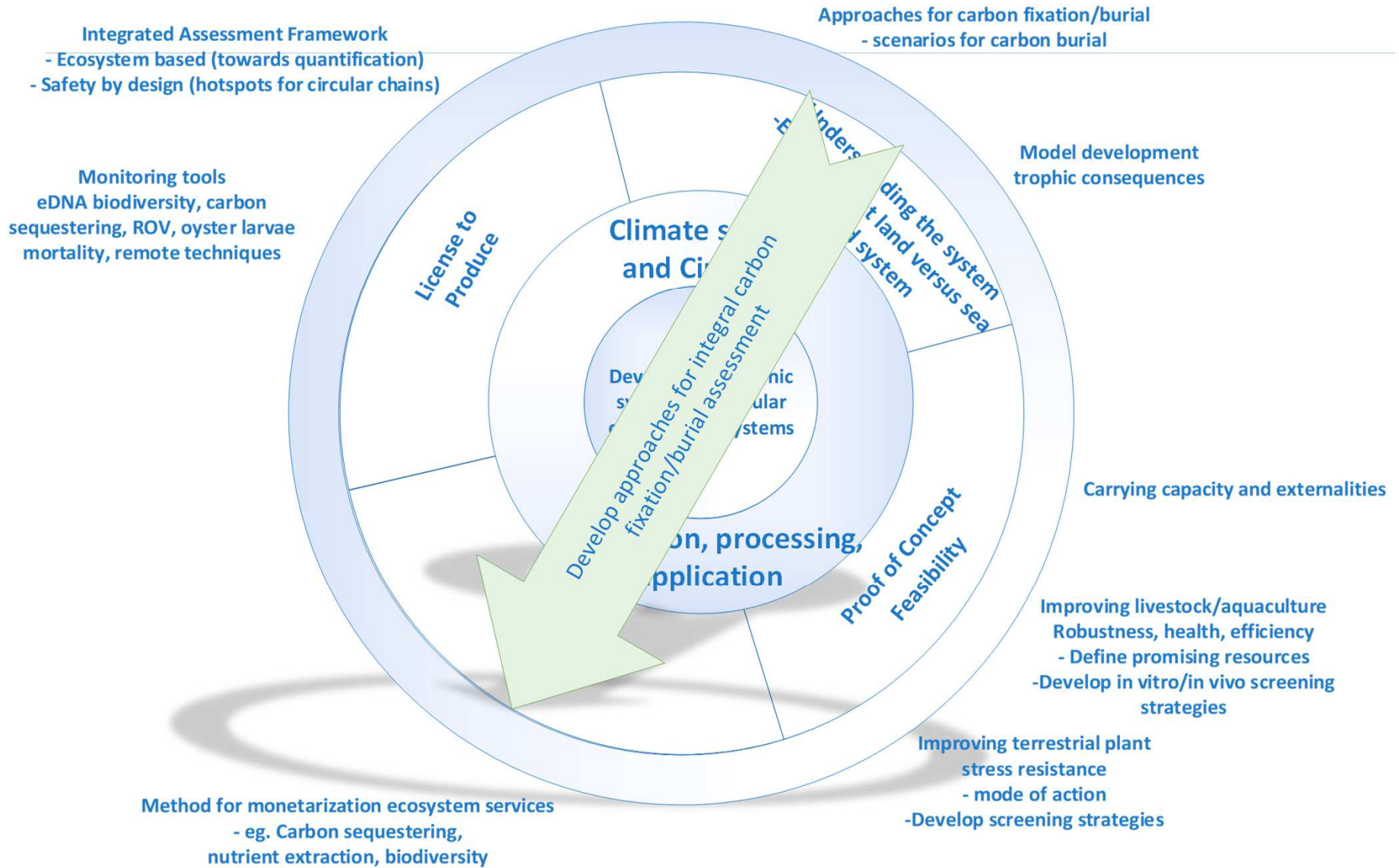
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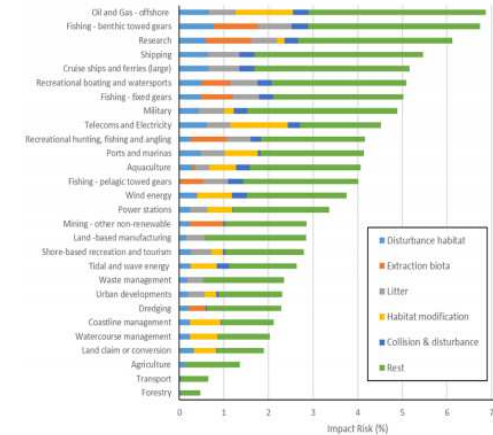
# Ultimately to Circularity indicators

## Production indicators

Kg food consumer (protein)  
 Kg food consumer (carbo hydrate)  
 Kg food (micronutrients)  
 Kg feed (protein)  
 Kg landed biomass (food+feed) /unit  
 Discard ratio (Kg catch landed + discards / discards)

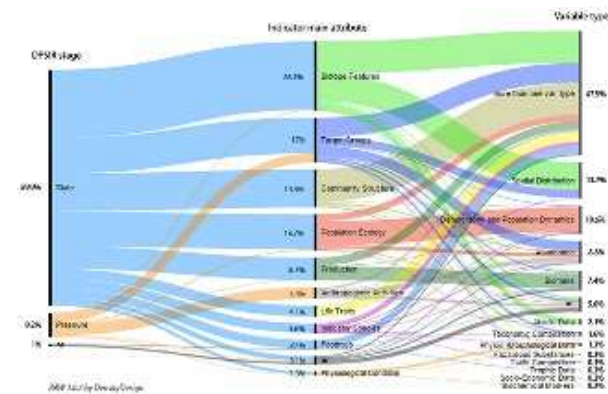
## Include Beneficiary impact circular

Increase crop yield  
 Decrease CO2 eq  
 Improvement production efficiency  
 Replacement resources (MAGNET)  
 Food safety risks



## Resource Security indicators

Efficiency in Production: % primary production utilized  
 Proportion of stocks and production within biologically sustainable levels (MSY and Carrying capacity indicator)  
 Proportion of stocks generating beneficiary effects  
 % Captured P (P uptake - P lost)  
 % Utilisation (waste ratio)  
 Carbon sequester scenarios (land versus sea)



## Climate action indicators

Kg production / MJ fossil fuel  
 CO2 eq emission / production  
 Carbon capture / Kg production (this can be negative if capacity is compromised)  
 NOx eq / product  
 M3 fresh water used  
 M3 fresh water : water scarcity index  
 M2 areal used / unit

## Affordable and clean energy

% renewable energy sources  
 % dependence fossil fuel  
 GHG emission per kWh  
 CED (Cumulative Energy Demand) production



# Support framework

## Human Well-being

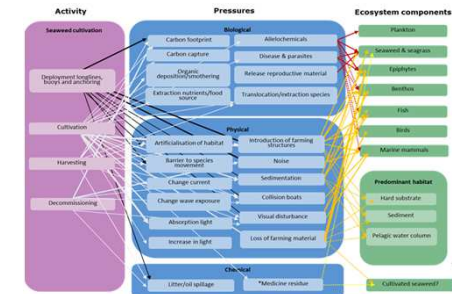
SDG Indicators under ILO custodianship

## Viable economic sectors

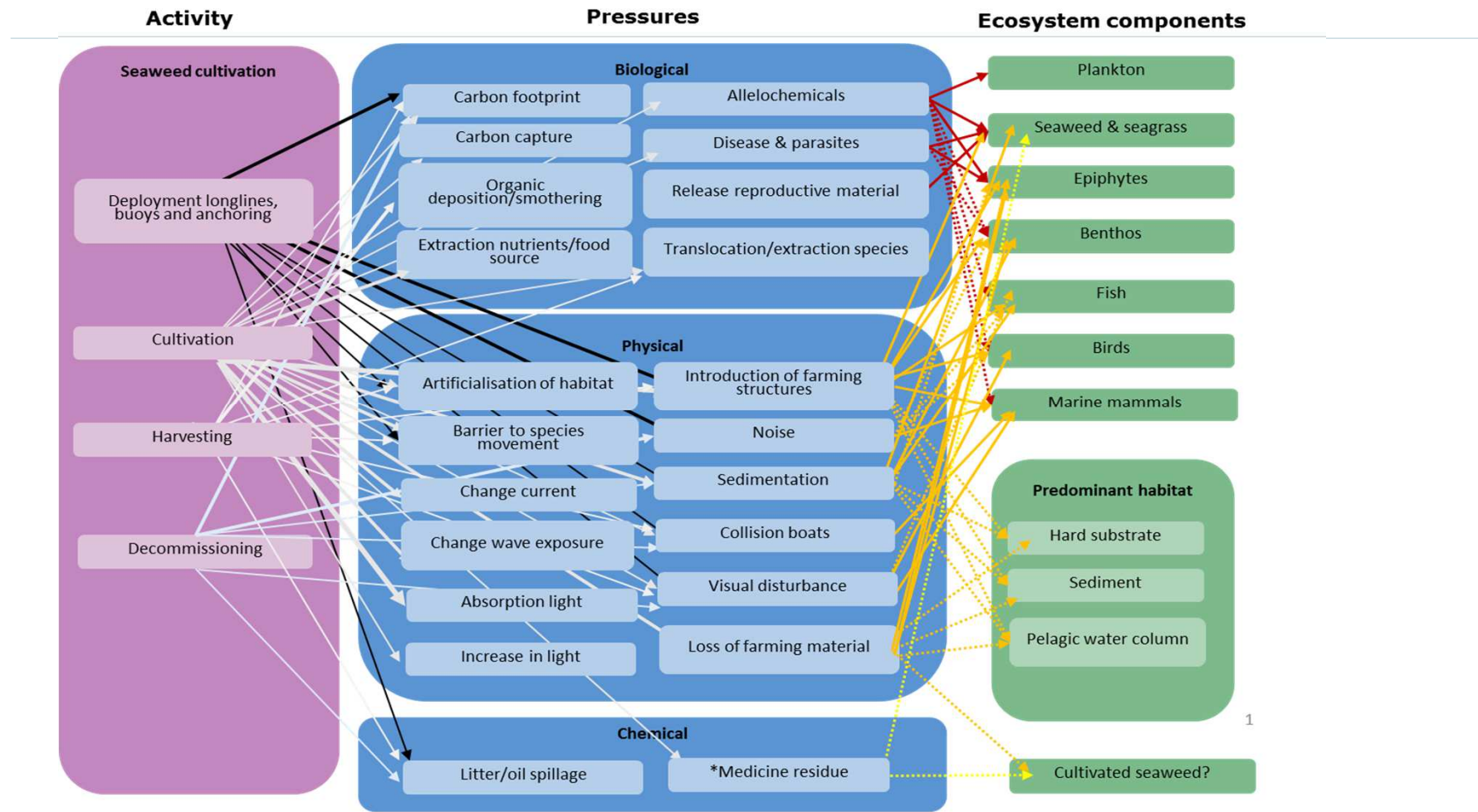
Cost-benefit per surface area

## Ecosystem/Biodiversity conservation and restoration

Desired Production per amount of externalities (i.e. pressures) created and their impacts on the social-ecological system  
 Impact assessment shows all pressures and the potential impacts they cause  
 Ecosystem service supply  
 Biodiversity index (BISI, NCAI)  
 Habitat index  
 Index of coastal eutrophication  
 Zooplankton Index

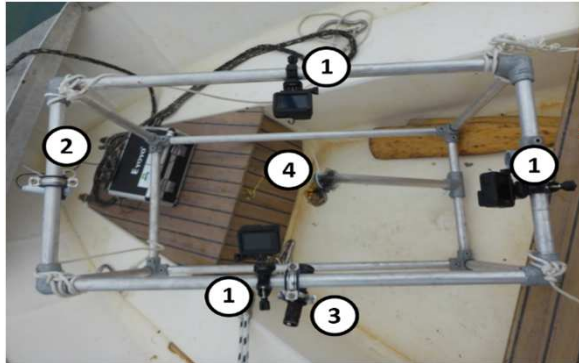


# A DPSIR framework



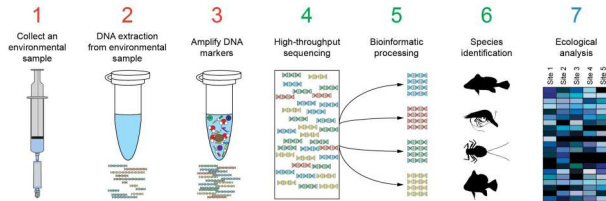
Including development of a Toolbox for measurement of Seaweed-Ecosystem interactions

# Autonomous and remote tools (seaweed)



## DNA analyse

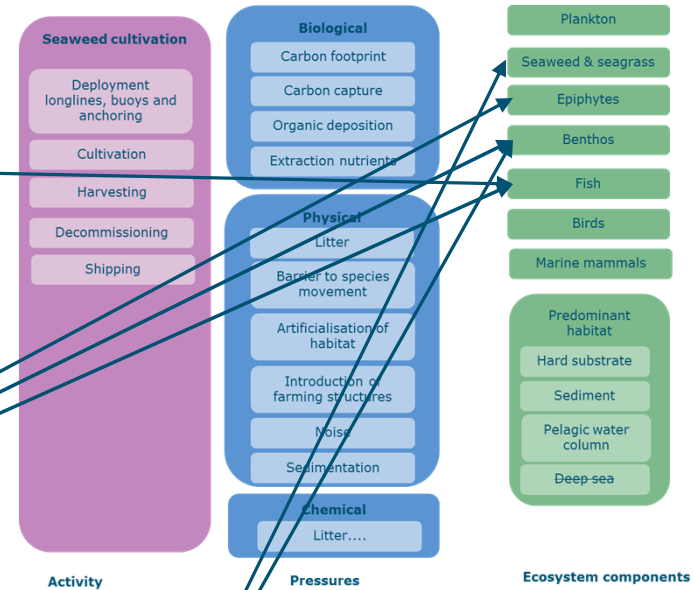
- DNA analyse kan alles waar DNA van aanwezig is identificeren (mits er een referentie-sequentie bekend is)



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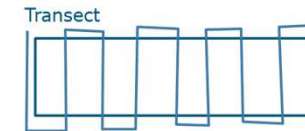
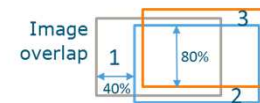
## Nanopore DNA sequencing met de MinION

- Kleine, handzame DNA sequencer, aanschaf: 900 €
- Draagbaar, in te zetten in het veld
- Van (water)monster naar soortenlijst in 4 a 5 uur

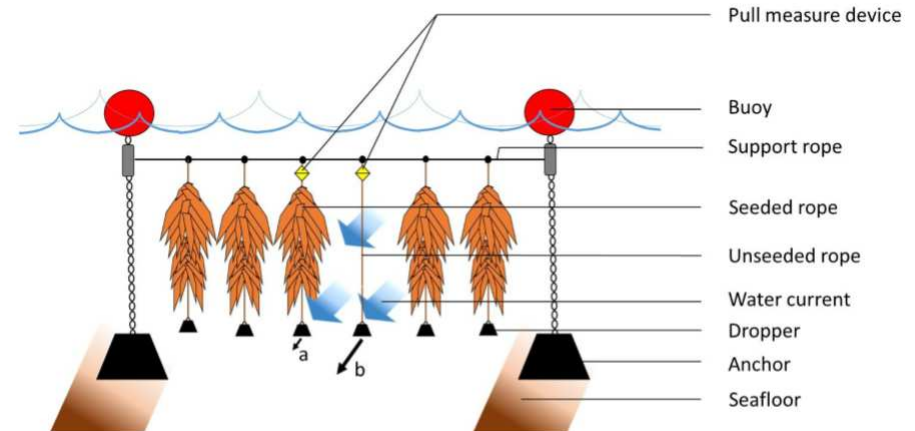
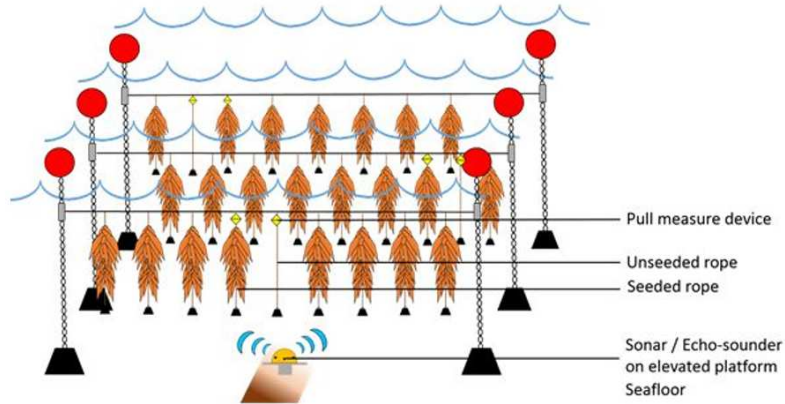


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Stitch & geo-ref



# Remote monitoring of seaweed (pre-feasibility study)

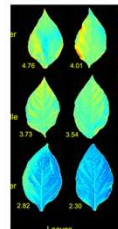


## Measuring nitrogen content

- *Ulva* sp.: N content correlated to proteins, ash, starch and fiber
- *S. latissima*: No clear correlation
- is it useful to monitor nitrogen content in kelps?

Method to measure nitrogen:

- Hyperspectral imagery
- Fluorescence



## Underwater cameras

- Numerous models are available
- Data easily human interpretable
- Simultaneous biodiversity assessment

- Huge data files
- High energy demand
- Vulnerable to bio-fouling
- North sea is turbid

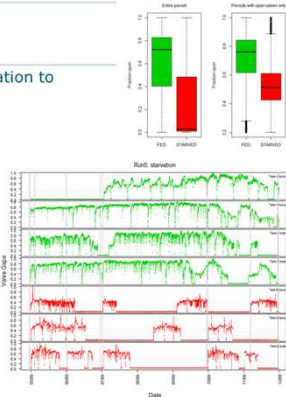




# Autonomous and remote tools (shellfish)

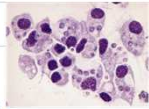
## Valvometer

- Monitor shell gape in relation to environmental factors



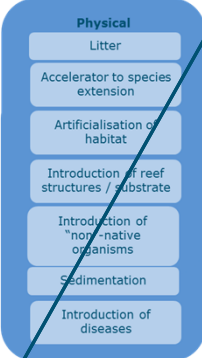
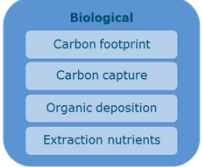
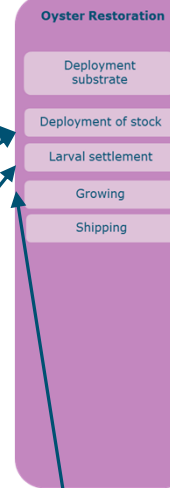
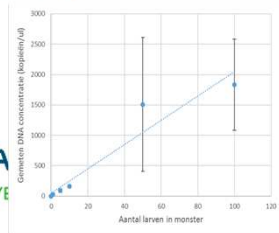
## Bonamia-free oysters

- Non destructive sampling: anaesthetise, cut piece of gill, keep dry until results of analysis available, separate into Bonamia positive and negative
- Is gill representative?



## qPCR for larval detection (Arjen)

- Larval concentrations low in new oyster areas
- Difficult to detect microscopically

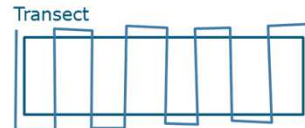
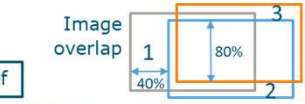


Activity

Pressures

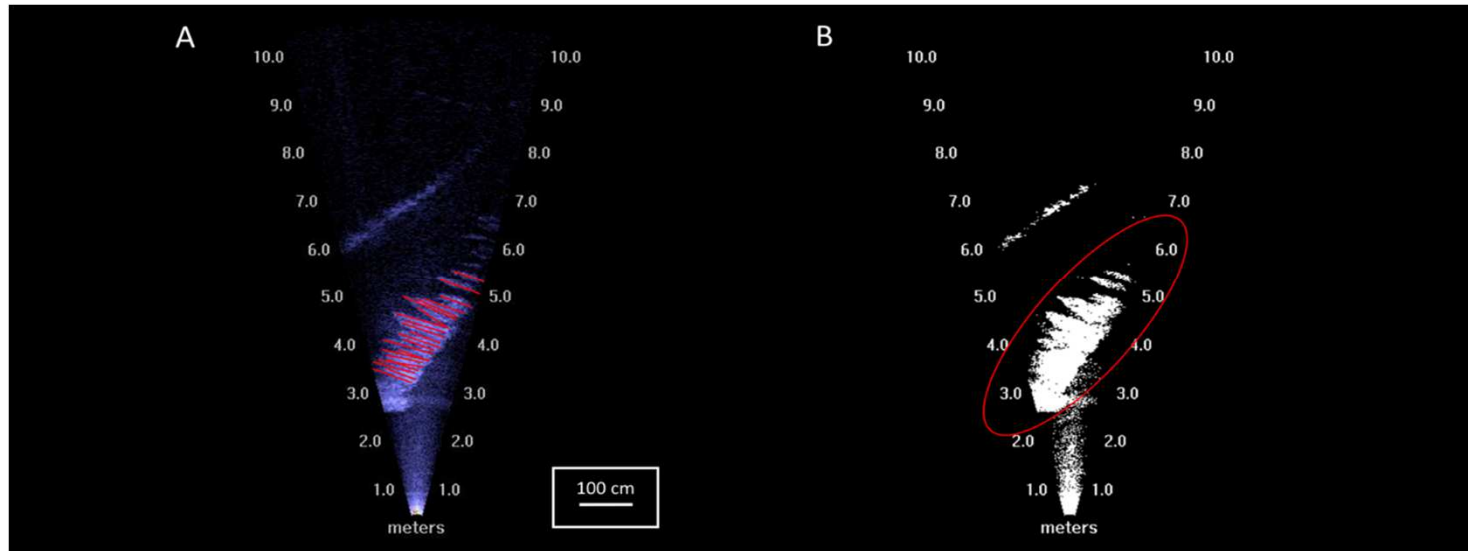
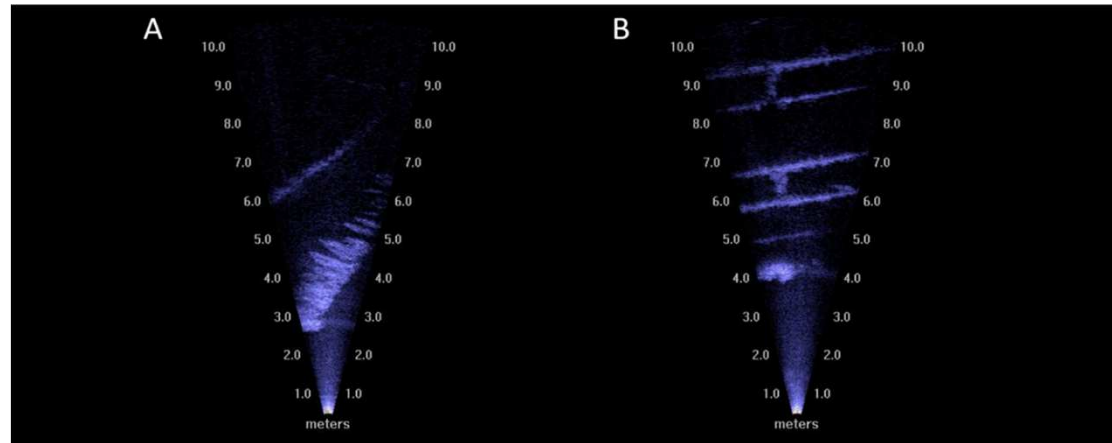
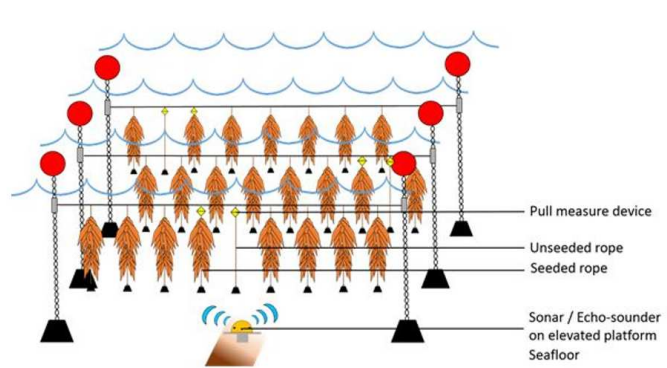


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# Sonar applications in production



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# MinIon implementation (MAE-WMR-WEcR)

## Sessile biomass

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Small handheld sequencer  
Initial costs: 1000 US\$

→ MinION: enables rapid and affordable iterations of protocols!

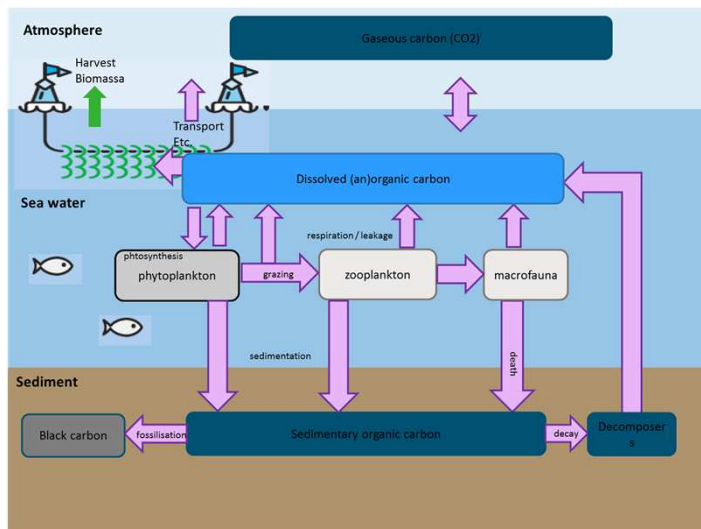
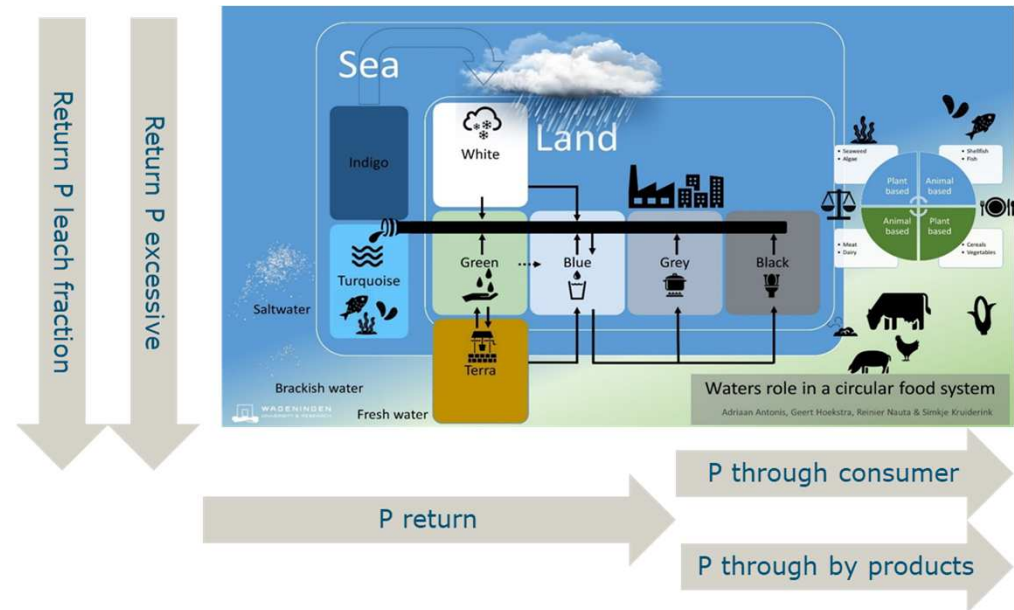
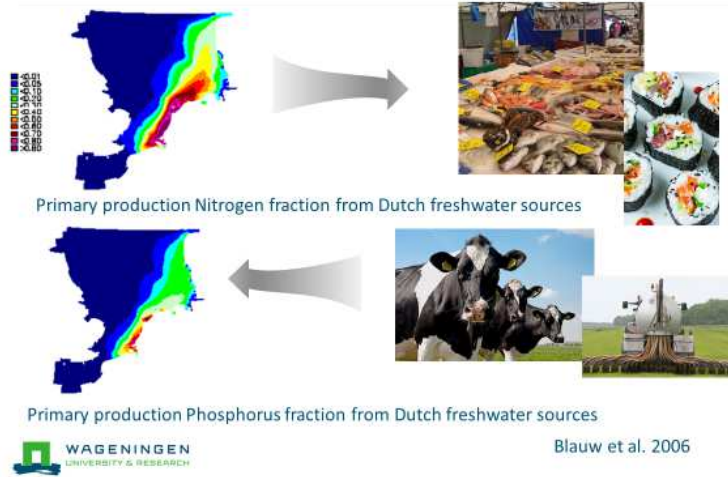
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Assembly: 99.5%, polished: 99.9%



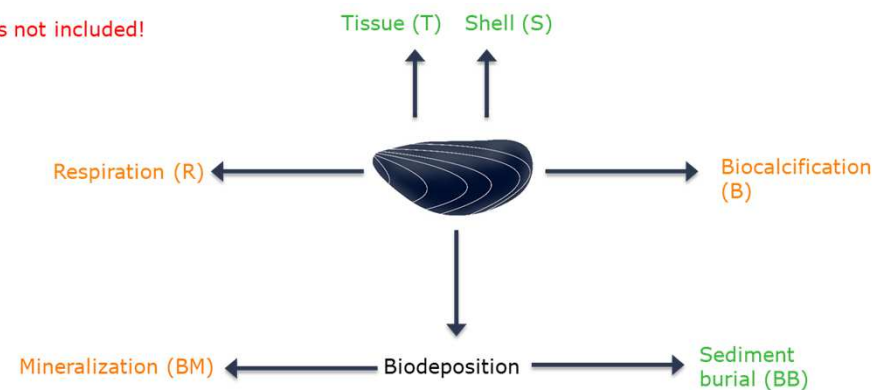
<https://github.com/rwick/Basecalling-comparison>

# In development

## Nutrientfluxen

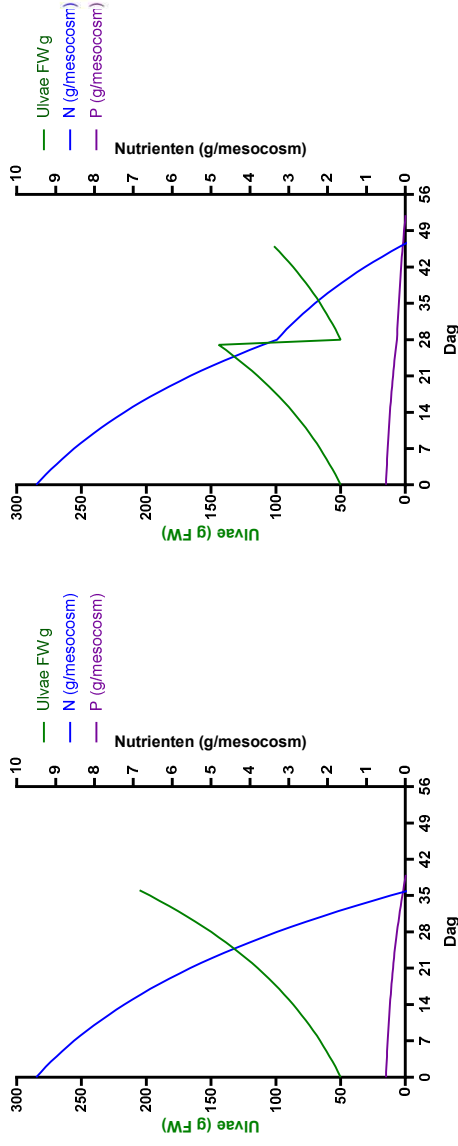


Feeding is not included!



# Proof of concept CO2 changing zooplankton

## E-DNA en plankton



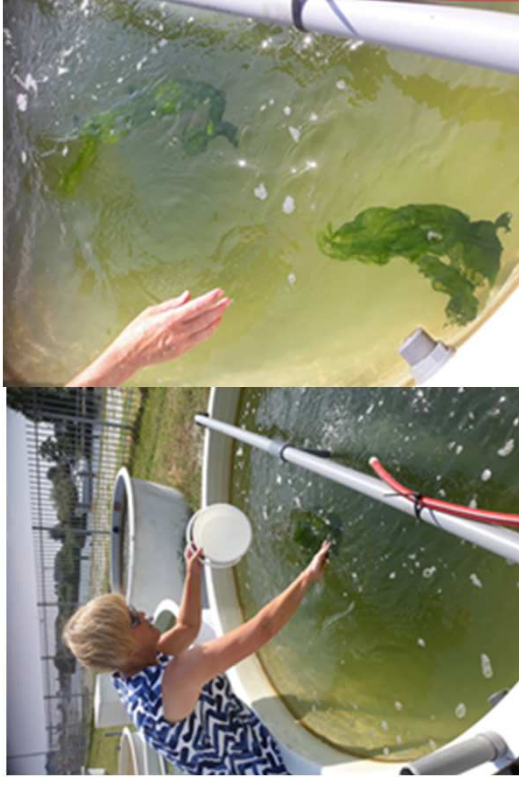
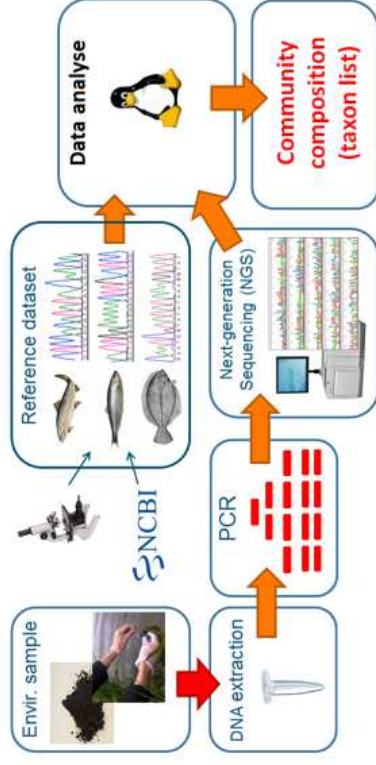
- Mogelijke proxies voor C-burial onder zeewier:
- Verhouding silicatie phytoplankton versus overig (Bopp et al., 2005; Reinfelder, 2010; Treguer & Pondaven, 2000)
  - Verhouding micro vs mesozooplankton (Beaugrand, 2010; PMA5)
  - Diversiteit van mesozooplankton

Kortom: brede diversiteitscreening = metabarcoding approach, in combi met schatting van totale biomassa per groep

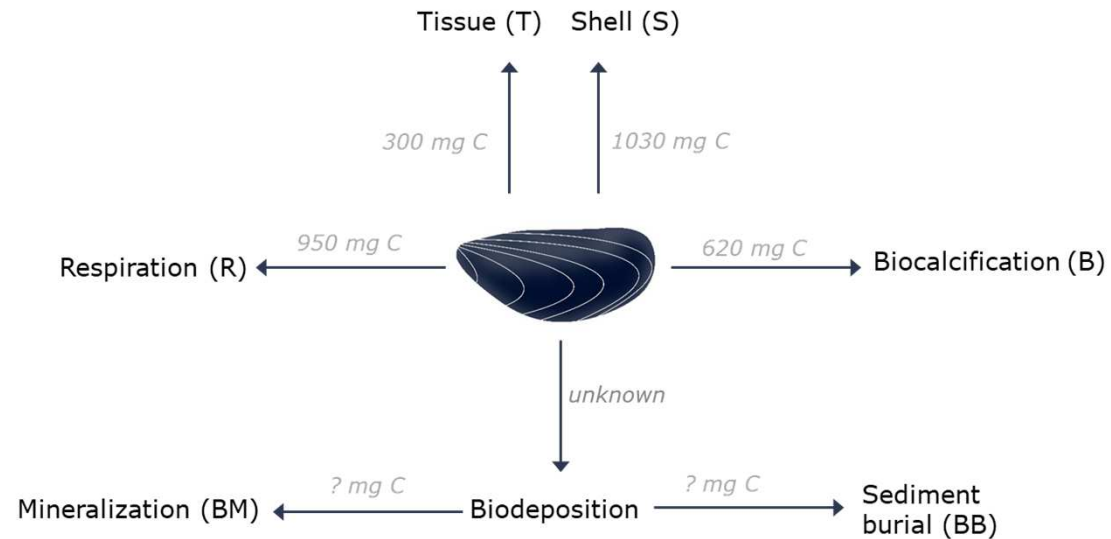


## (e)DNA metabarcoding

- DNA-barcodes: fragment of DNA that varies among species
- Result: species list per sample
- NB: relative instead of absolute abundances



# Cabron Sequestration Scenarios



Approach	Individual mussel (g C per production cycle)
1. Mass balance of shell material [CSP=S]	1030
2a. Mass balance of individuals, correcting for CO <sub>2</sub> fluxes [CSP=S-B-R]	-541
2b. Same to 2a with partitioning between <u>shell</u> /meat [CSP=S-B-10%R]	317
3. Mass balance of individuals, including all metabolic processes [CSP=S+T+BB-B-R-BM]	Unknown due to data unavailability



# Agriculture-aquaculture combinations

## Demonstrating health-promoting properties of marine resources using sole as model fish

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Review

### Prebiotics from Marine Macroalgae for Human and Animal Health Applications

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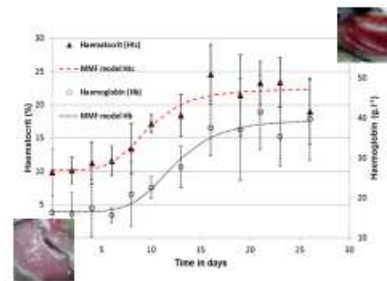
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### Sole fed ragworm/mussel recovers from their anaemia (Kals, 2017)



## To test the effect of low-trophic marine resources on anaemia



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## Extracts as biostimulants and/ or stress alleviators

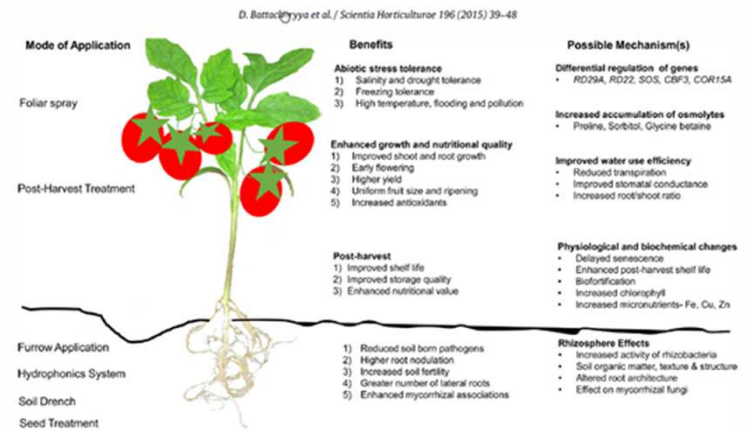


Fig. 1. Schematic diagram depicting methods of application of seaweed extracts, and their effects on plant and mechanisms of action.

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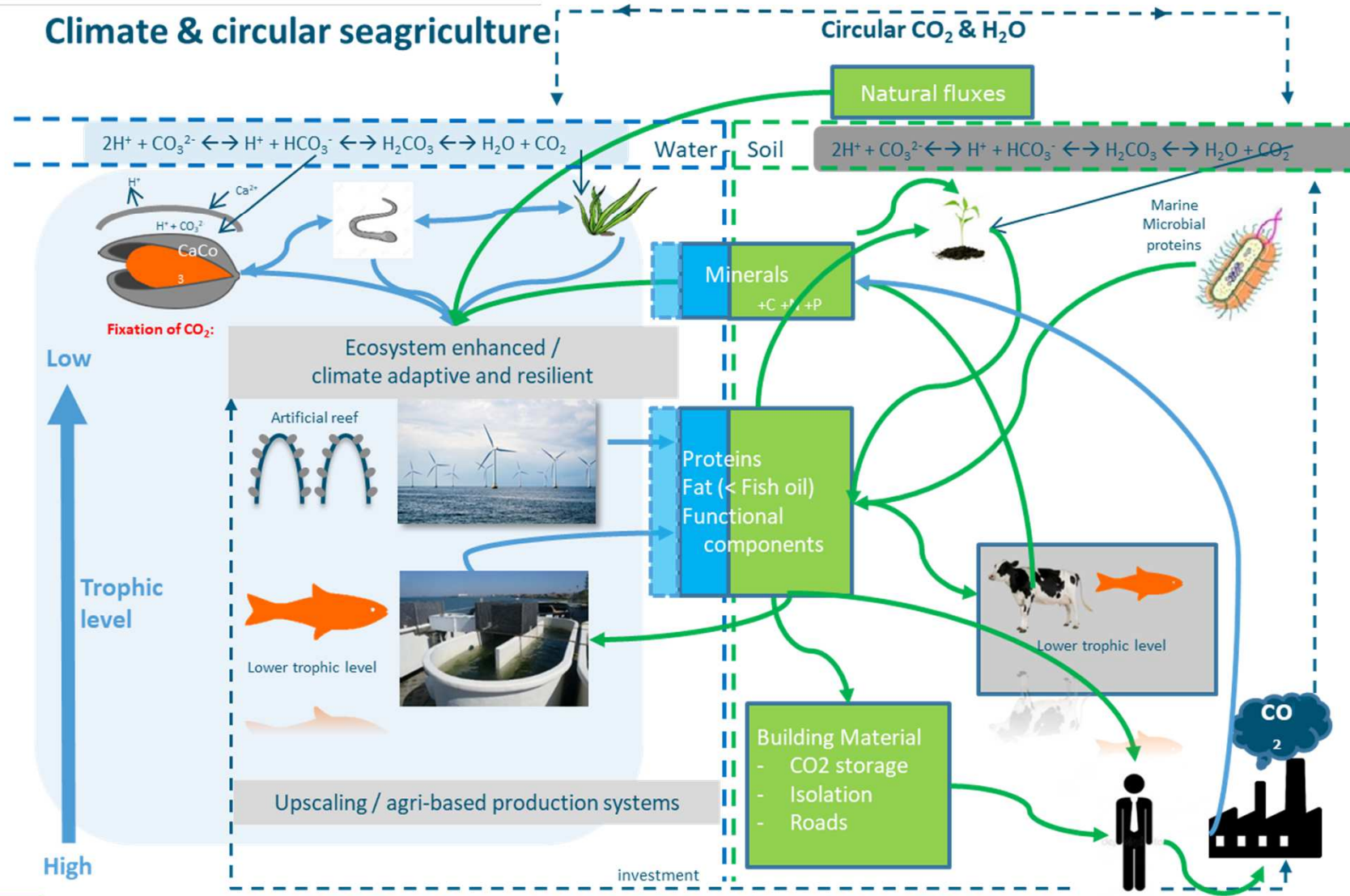
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# Avenues to capitalise

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# Inspirational



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# Conclusions

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- Many unknowns in knowledge base (vertical and horizontal circularity)
- Integration of marine in food system necessary
- Tools become available for policy development
  
- Broad vision on circular marine not yet developed

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