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ENHANCING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS THROUGH EXCELLENCE IN EVALUATION

Definition

Transformational change is deep, systemic, sustainable change with large-scale impact in an area of global environmental concern.

4 criteria

RELEVANCE

DEPTH OF CHANGE

SCALE OF CHANGE

SUSTAINABILITY

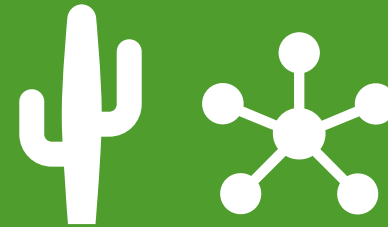
Adopted from IEG. 2016. Supporting Transformational Change for Poverty Reduction and Shared Prosperity.

Depth and scale of project objectives



Market Focus

Aiming to transform markets associated with global environmental benefits



System Focus

Aiming to transform system components that affect the environment
(economy, public sector, private sector, community)

Relevance

- Climate Change
- Biodiversity
- Land Degradation
- Chemicals and Waste
- International Waters
- Sustainable Forest Management

Internal Factors

- Quality of implementation
- Quality of execution
- Pre-intervention analytical and advisory activities
- Partnerships with donors

Outcome

- Depth of change
- Scale of change



TRANSFORMATIONAL MECHANISM

A mechanism to expand and sustain the impact of the intervention (through mainstreaming, demonstration, replication, or catalytic effects)



Ambition level and focus

- (of intervention objectives)
- Depth of change (market and system focus)
 - Scale of change

Contextual Conditions

- Government ownership and support
- Implementation capacity
- Policy environment
- NGO & community participation
- Private sector participation
- Economic and market conditions

Sustainability

- Financial
- Economic
- Environmental
- Social
- Political

Lighting Africa

2007 - 2013

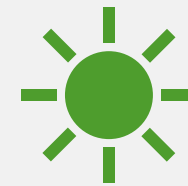
Co-financing

\$14,090,000

GEF

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Result



About **1,300,000 households** in remote off-grid areas of Africa purchased quality-certified solar lanterns at market prices



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Relevance –

Decreasing greenhouse gas emissions
Increasing electricity access

Depth of change –

System and market-level
(removing barriers to the markets for quality, affordable, clean, and safe off-grid lighting)

Scale of change –

Multi-national

Sustainability –

Self-sustaining market
People continue using and buying lamps
Suppliers continue supplying
Micro-financing available for end users

Namibia – Strengthening PA systems and mainstreaming integrated land use

2004 – ongoing;
series of projects

Result



98% PAs improved;

Doubled number of wild dogs,
leopards, cheetahs, lions;

National mainstreaming of landscape
approaches to conservation;



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Relevance –

Protecting Namibia's dryland ecosystems and their globally significant biodiversity

Depth of change –

System-level

(increasing management effectiveness of the national PA network; mainstreaming integrated land use for biodiversity conservation and economic improvements)

Scale of change –

National

Sustainability –

Increase in budgetary allocations for PA management;

Use of market-based instruments

(concessions, park entry fees);

However need to mobilize additional resources

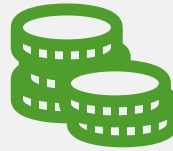
Success factors for transformational change



Clear ambition in design



Addressing market and system changes through policies



Mechanisms for financial sustainability



Quality of implementation and execution



May be achieved by projects of different size