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**Solution-oriented  
Research for Development  
Programme**

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**Scaling Agroecology in India,  
Bolivia & Burkina Faso**



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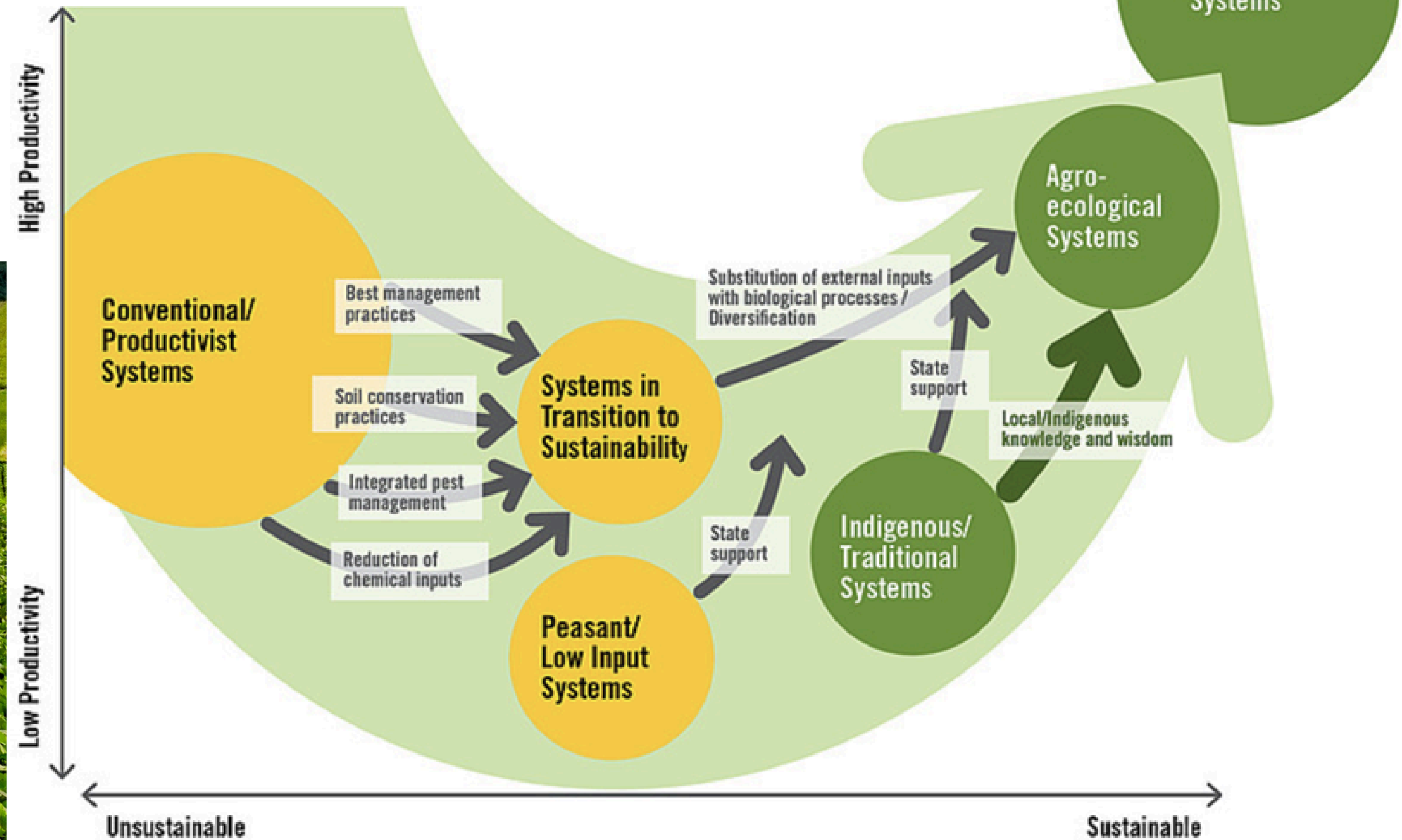
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# Agroecology



- Science
- Social Movement
- Practice



Source: Latin America and the Caribbean, Summary for Decision Makers, p. 9

“Research, education, action and change”  
(S. Gliessman, 2018)



# Topicality, Significance & Originality



01

Conventional food systems face challenges

02

Agroecology is an alternative

03

Plenty of initiatives show agroecology has multiple benefits

04

These initiatives are limited in scale

05

For scaling up agroecology, external support is crucial

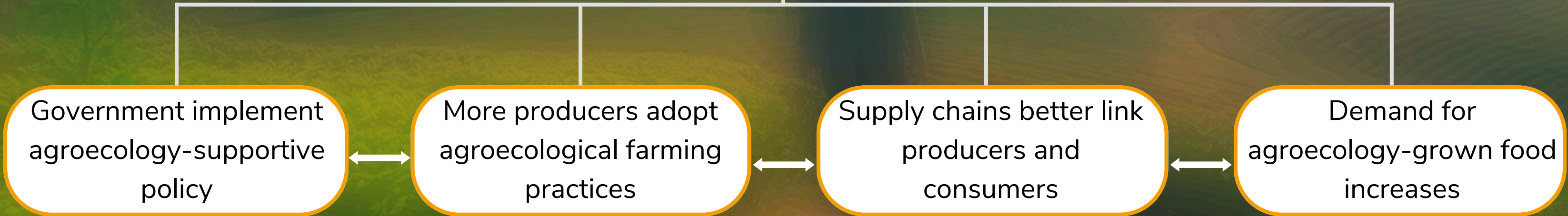
Testing schemes to support initiatives and transitions to agroecology



# Taking a System Approach for Scaling Agroecology

Sustainable improvement of food security & nutrition

How do we scale?







Need for a closer look at the actors and their specific needs and behaviours

# Two Key Knowledge Gaps

01

A lack of distinction among the different categories of “farmers”

02

Insufficient knowledge of how actors perceive agroecology and how perceptions and beliefs matter in decision-making



# Research Questions



01

Which categories of producers practice agroecology and which ones do not and why?

02

What role do support schemes play?

03

What are the needs and demands for support from the different actors?

04

How do they respond to support schemes?

05

What are the outcomes?



# Countries & Contexts

3 countries at different stages of agroecology transitions

Challenges and priorities:



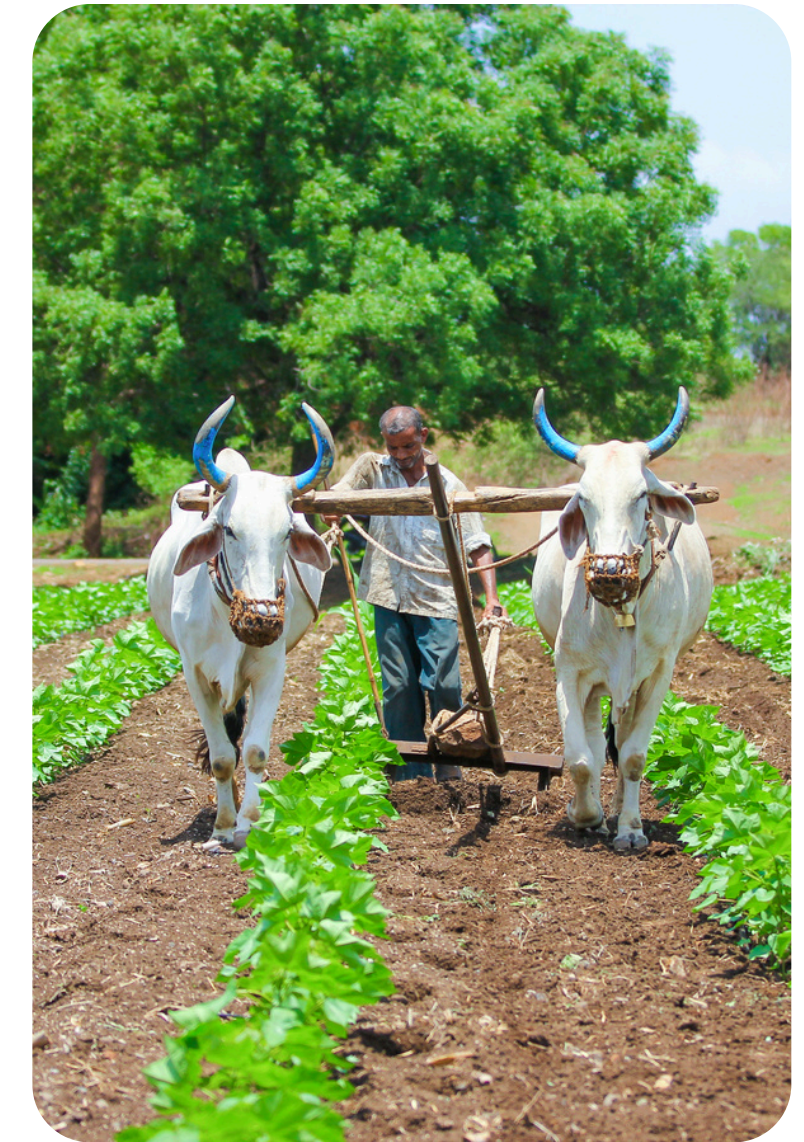
## Burkina Faso

Providing training and extension services to producers



## Bolivia

Better connecting producers and consumers



## India

Certification and supply chain innovations

Context-specific Support



# Stakeholders



**Bolivia**

Farmers' organizations

Sahaja Aharam

Adema

Swisscontact

Farmers

Traders

Consumers

Practitioners organizations



**Burkina Faso**

**Faso**

Transformers

Komsaya

Consumers' Organizations

Antenna

Government technical staff



**India**

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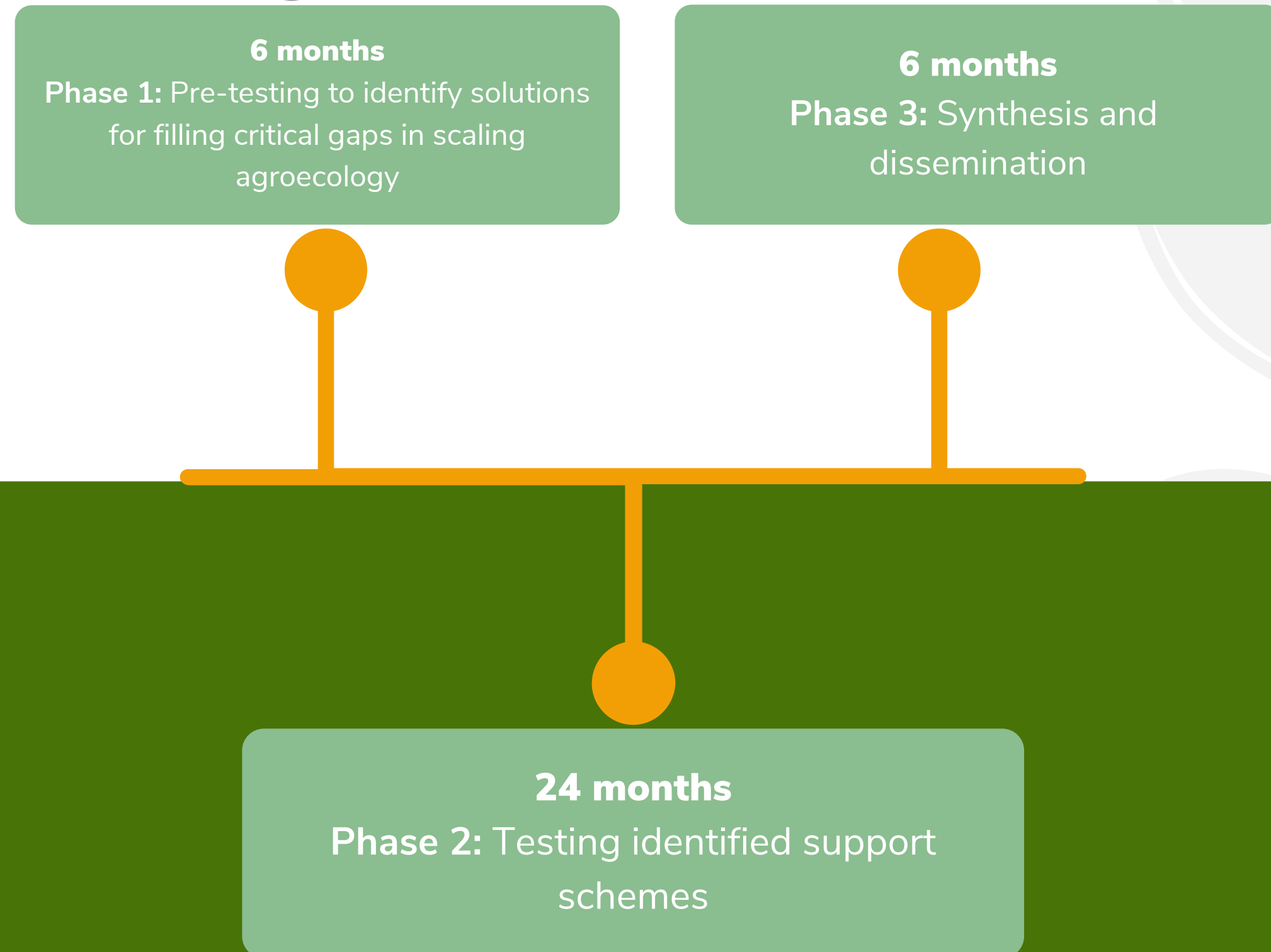




# Research Design



In all three countries, we will employ the same three-phase research design.





# Phase 1: Pre- testing

## Participatory research

- Community resource mapping
- Storytelling and narrative exercises
- Focus group discussions
- Complementing existing data-sets



**Identification of  
support schemes to be  
tested**



# Phase 2: Testing Solutions

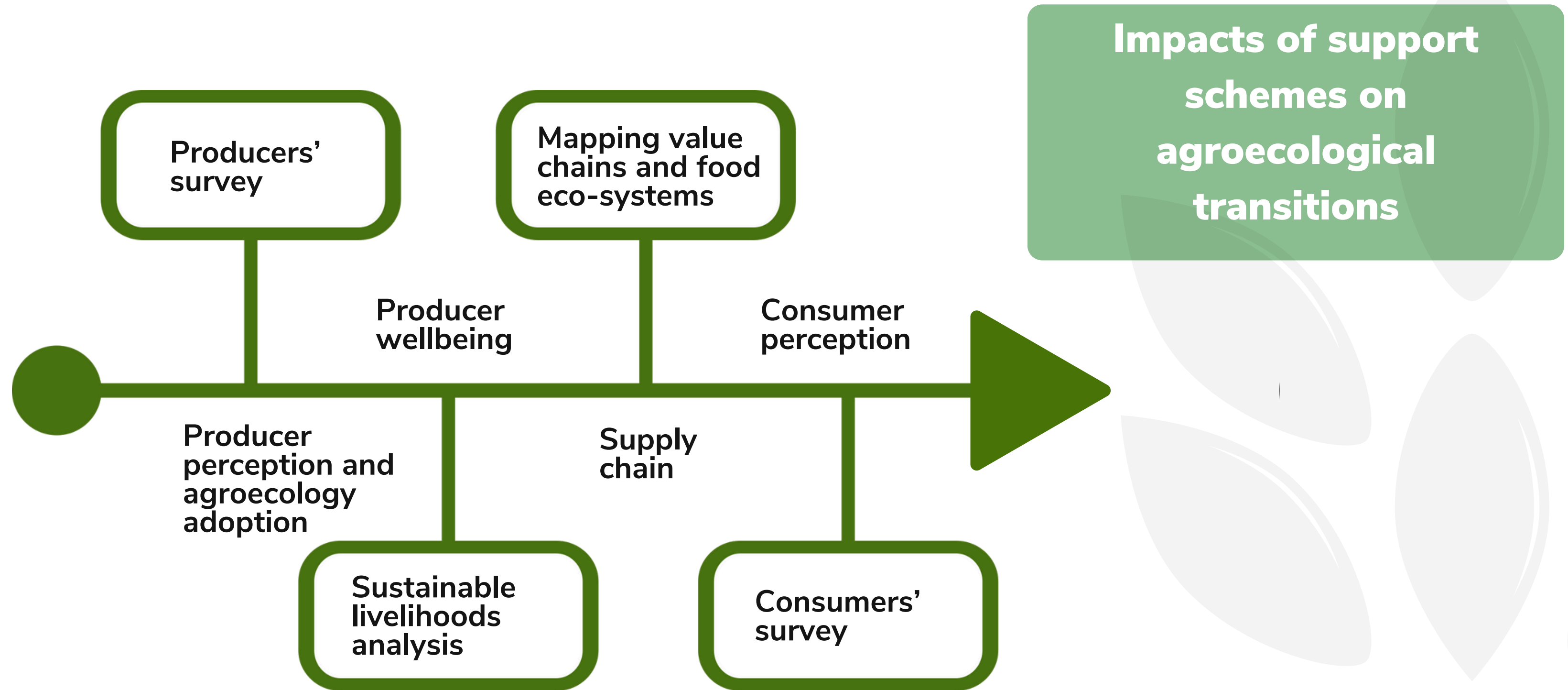


- Training in soil preparation
- Using bio-pesticides
- Seed production
- Agroecological food shop
- Data management for certification

**Monitoring and  
assessment of support  
schemes**



# Phase 3: Synthesis





# Solution-oriented Knowledge 4 Development

## OUTCOMES

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Agroecological food  
systems expand

## DISSEMINATIONS & VALORISATION

- 
- Replications of support schemes
  - Advocacy to decision-makers
  - Advisory-expertise to practitioners
  - Enhanced knowledge





# Assets



01

Data sets

02

Experience on the ground

03

Decision-makers and practitioners are partners



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