GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT OUTLOOK



# **UNEP's GEO-6 North American Report: Informing the 2030 Development Agenda**

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#### The Global Environment Outlook Process

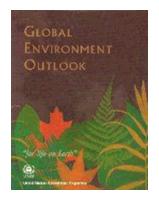
- Practical implementation of UNEP's mandate to keep the global environment under review; initiated at the request of the UNEP Governing Council in 1995.
- GEO is an intergovernmental, consultative, highly participatory, capacity building process for reporting on the state of the environment, trends and future outlooks.

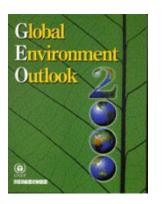
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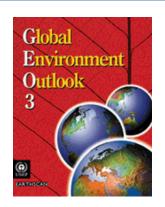
- To provide access to the best scientific knowledge for international environmental governance and the mainstreaming of environmental concerns into social and economic sectors, and in support of internationally agreed environment goals;
- 2. Facilitate the interaction between science and policy through multi-scaled and multi-dimensional integrated assessment process and products of high legitimacy, credibility and utility;
- 3. Build partnerships and capacity for environmental assessments.

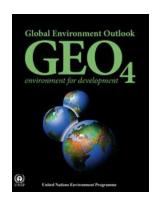
## **GEO** Assessments process

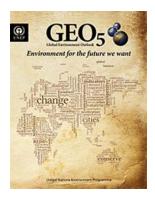








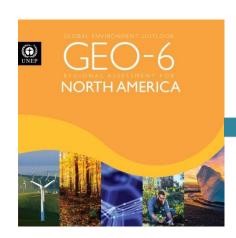




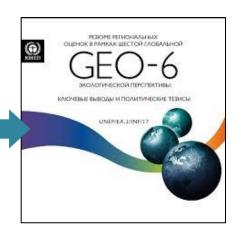
#### DIGITAL, DYNAMIC, SOLUTION-ORIENTED



#### "Live Digital Series"







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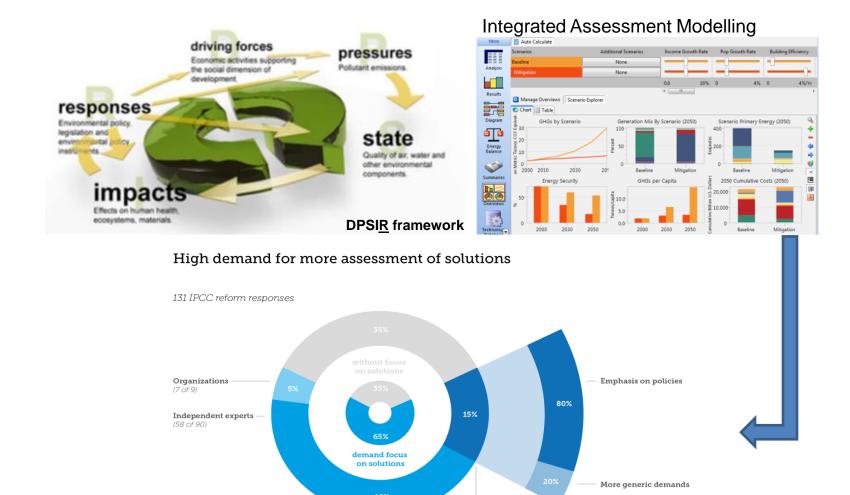
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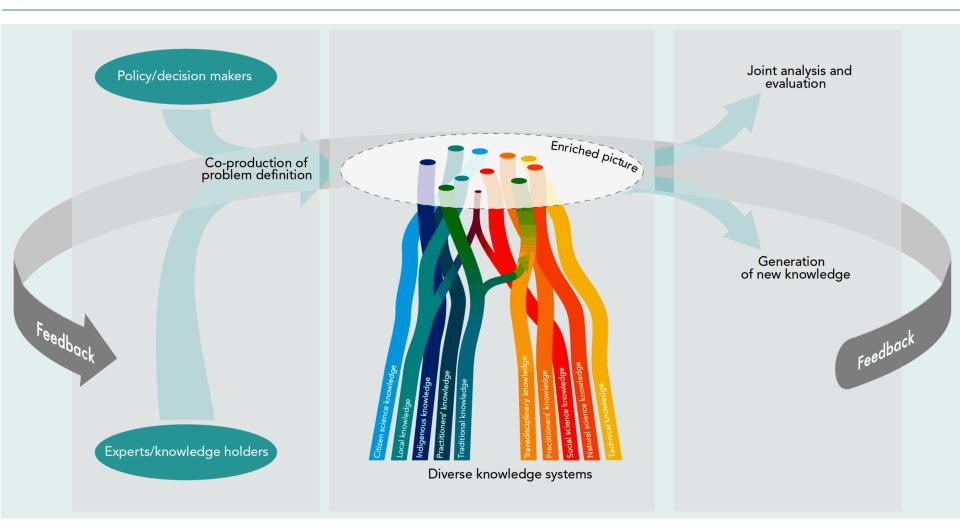
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## Multiple evidence base approach



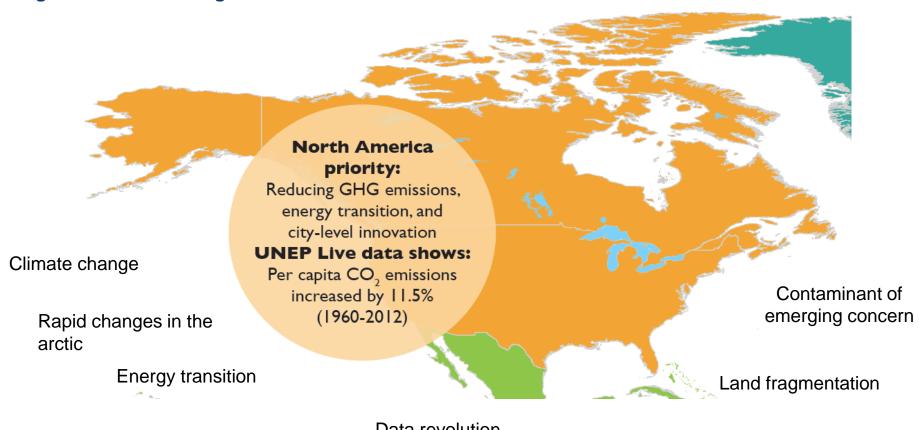


A framework for connecting diverse scientific knowledge systems

## **Regional priorities**



Expert consultation in Gatineau, Canada in May 2015 identified <u>11 regional priorities</u> and agreed on overarching narratives and themes for the assessment



Adaptive governance

Water security

Non-point source contamination

Data revolution

Natural capital accounting

Sustainable consumption and production





