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## From Drought Crisis to Risk Governance

*International Policy Frameworks: Strengths, Gaps & Opportunities*

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# Drought as a systemic risk

**RISK ? = HAZARD X VULNERABILITY**

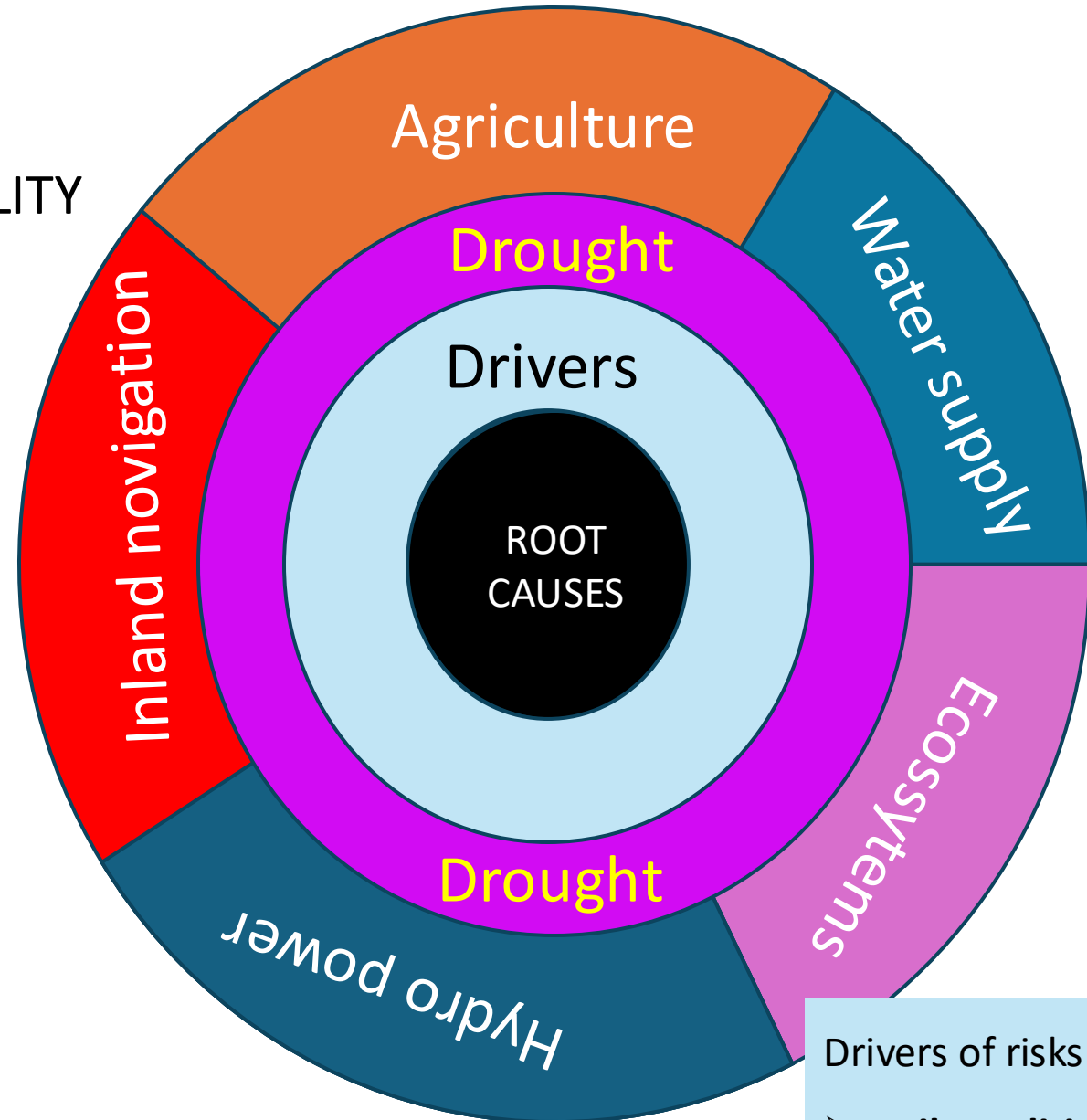
**HAZARD** = drought event

**VULNERABILITY** = exposure + fragility of systems

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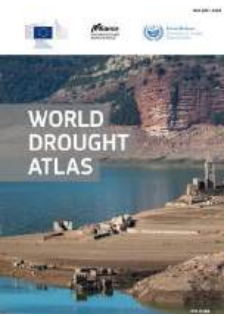
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- Droughts directly affect 55 million people annually
- Drought impacts do not stop at sectorial boundaries



Drivers of risks

- **soil conditions emerged as relevant drivers of risk**



## ☐ Strengths: A solid global architecture

## Reporting



- **SO3-1** Trends in the proportion of land under **drought** over the total land area
- **SO3-2** Trends in the proportion of the population **exposed to drought**
- **SO3-3** Trends in the degree of **drought vulnerability**

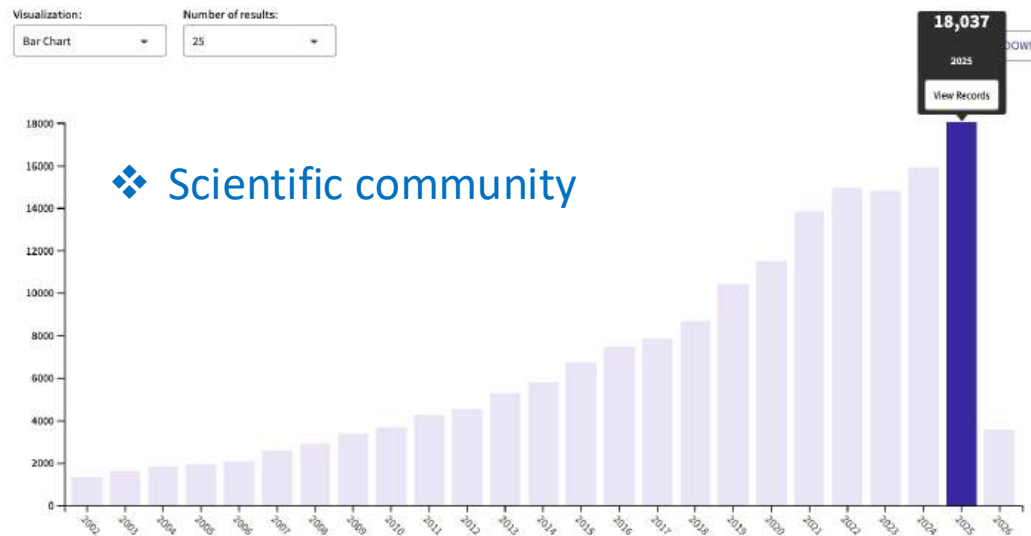
**Decision -/CMA.7**

**Global goal on adaptation**



## Strengths: Stakeholders' commitments

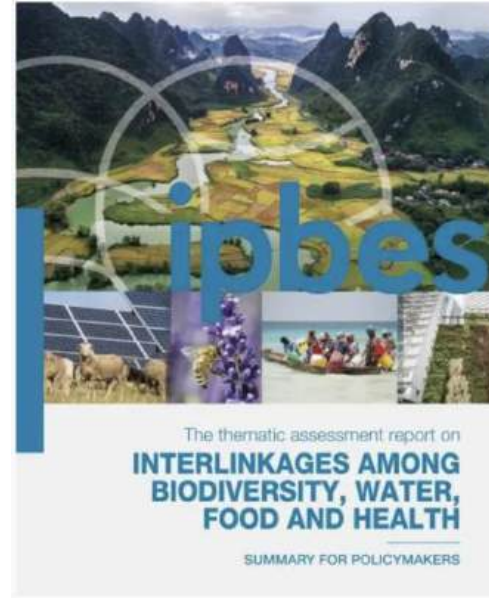
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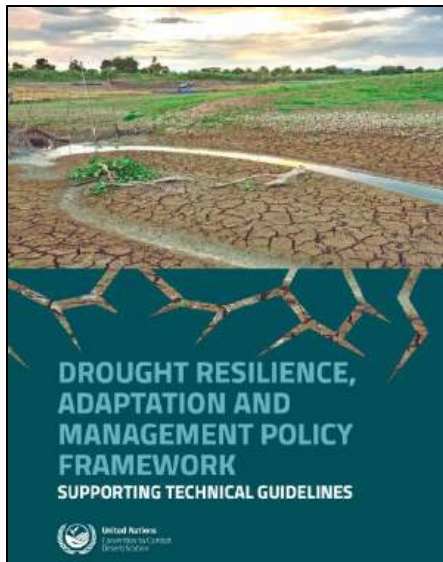
❑ **Weaknesses:** Drought is everywhere... but nowhere central



Kunming-Montreal  
**GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK**



**Dry planet:  
drought and  
desertification,  
region by region**



Fifth Assessment **ipcc**  
Report \_\_\_\_\_

**Why drought matters for the global environment**

STAP Information Note



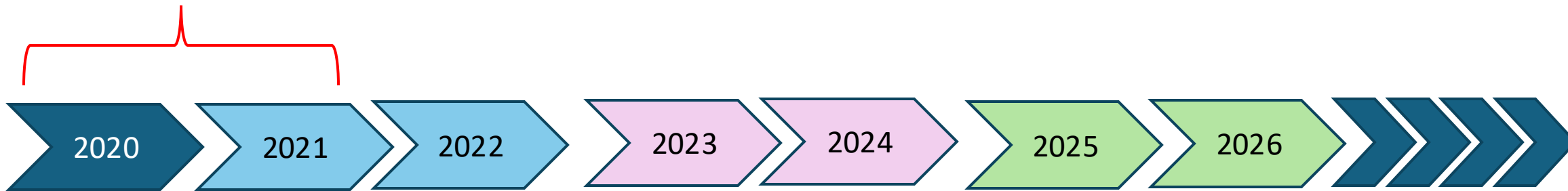
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**Opportunity  
OR  
Fragmented governance = political dilution**

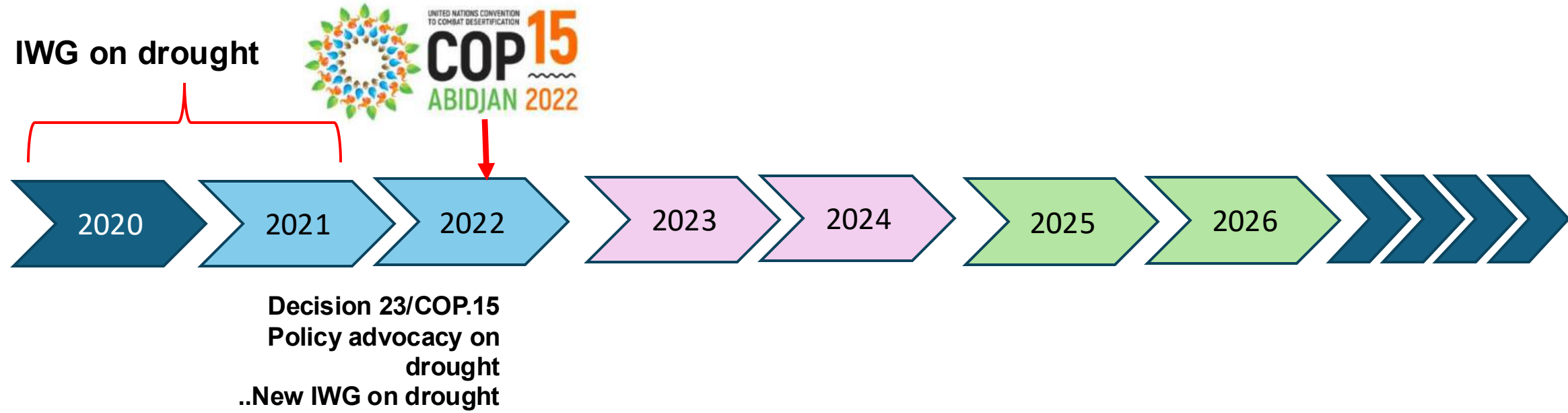
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**IWG on drought**



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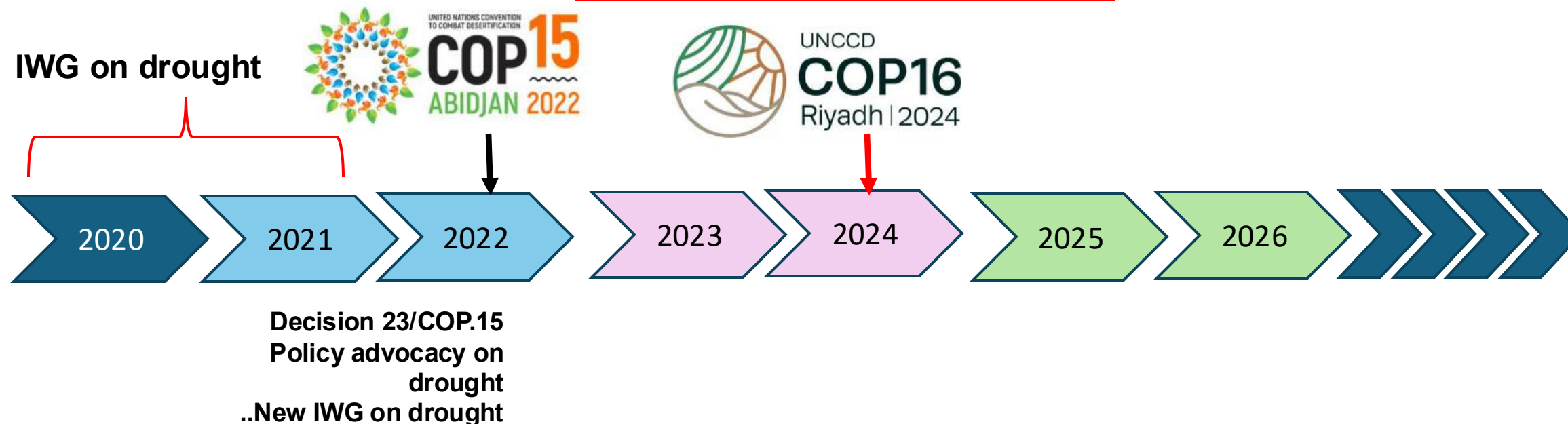




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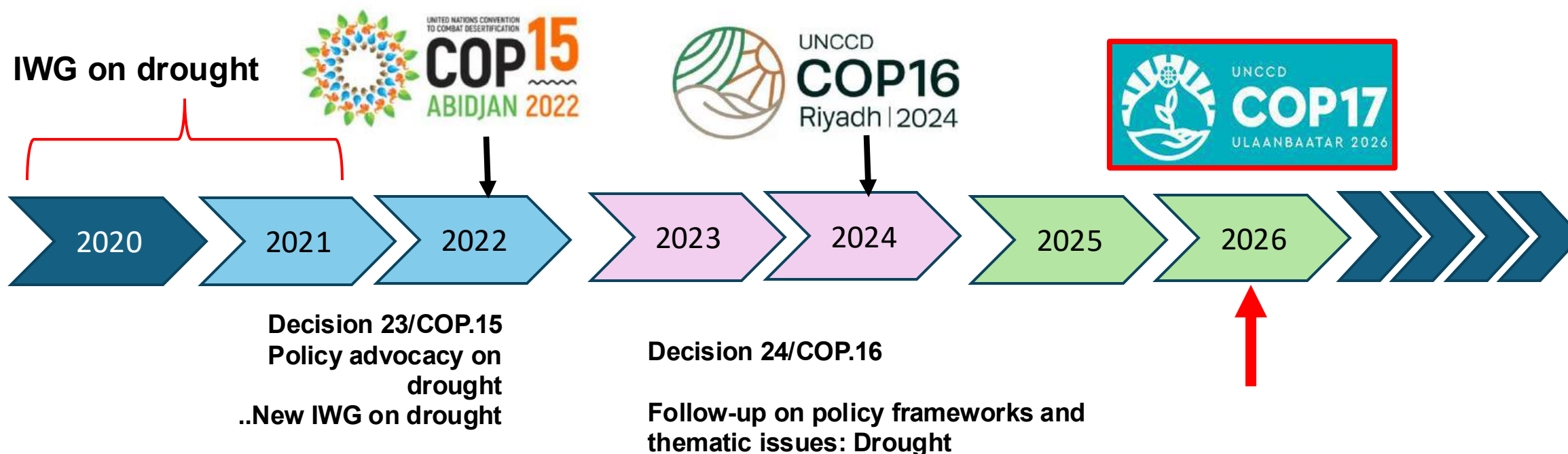




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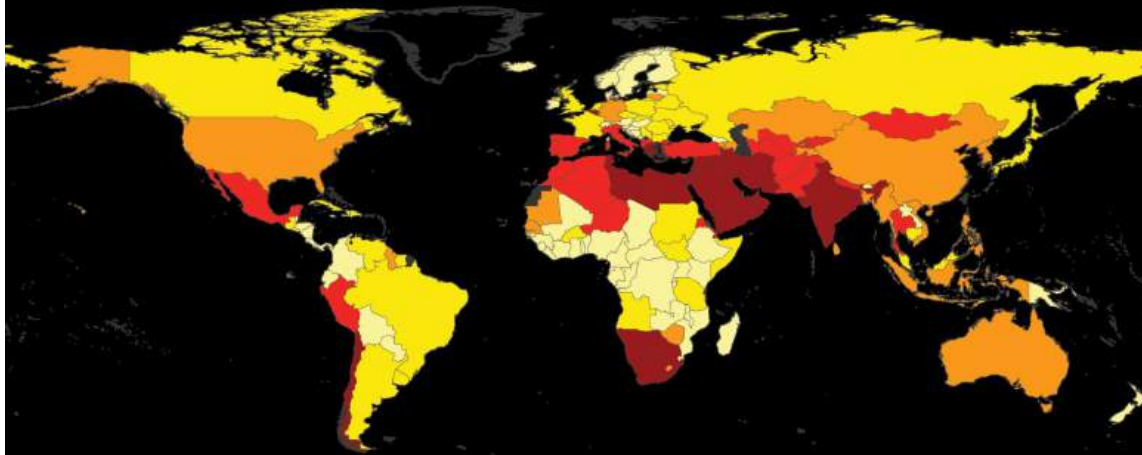
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## ☐ Threats: Escalating systemic risks

### 25 COUNTRIES ARE CURRENTLY EXPOSED TO EXTREMELY HIGH WATER STRESS ANNUALLY

BASELINE WATER STRESS



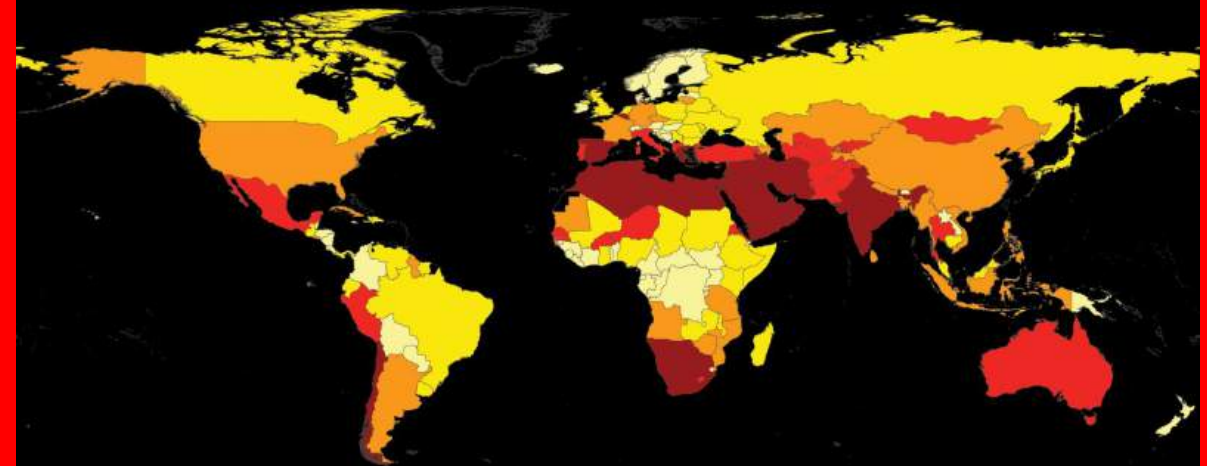
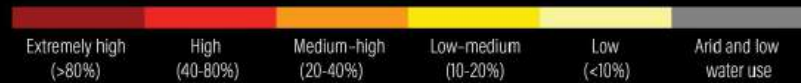
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### BY 2050, AN ADDITIONAL 1 BILLION PEOPLE ARE EXPECTED TO LIVE WITH EXTREMELY HIGH WATER STRESS

WATER STRESS



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*The way forward*

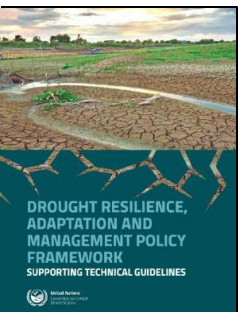
➤ *We don't lack frameworks*

**Key pillar #1**  
Implement drought monitoring and early warning systems

**Key pillar #2**  
Assess drought vulnerability and risk



**Key pillar #3**  
Implement measures to limit impacts of drought and better respond to drought



# Drought as a systemic risk

*The way forward*

➤ *The needed switch*



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*The way forward: From frameworks to actions*

➤ *We lack proactive actions*

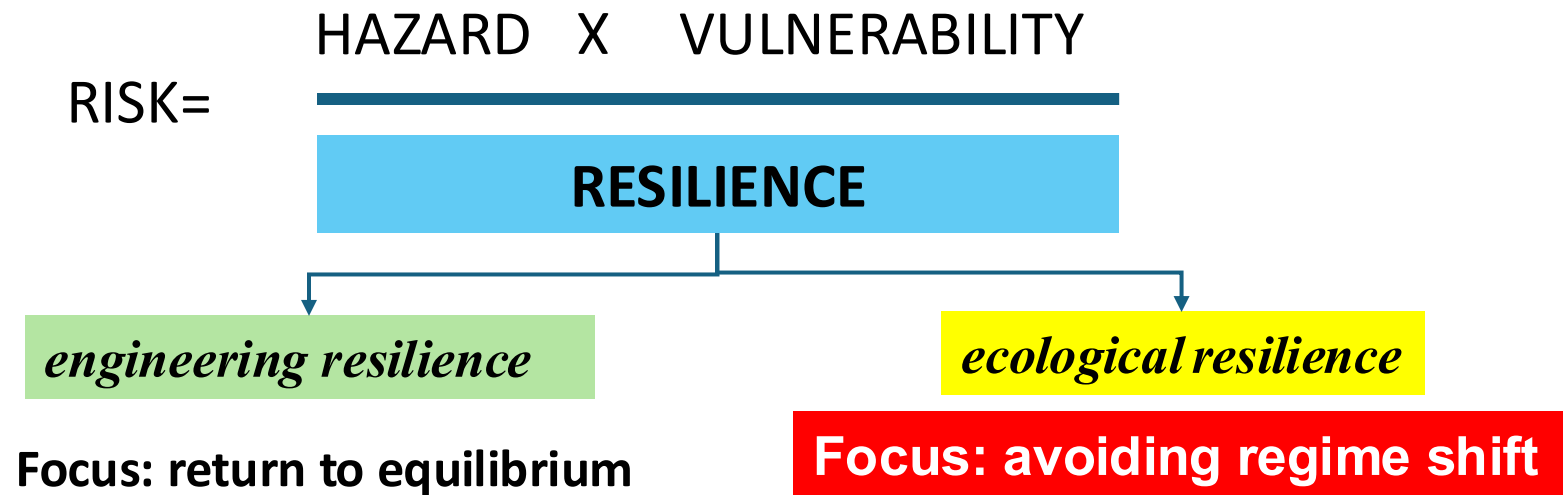
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➔ *Attend the working-group session on Thursday*



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let's act from now on !**

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