ORGANIC Tackling the cause not the symptoms:

The case for a system's approach to food security

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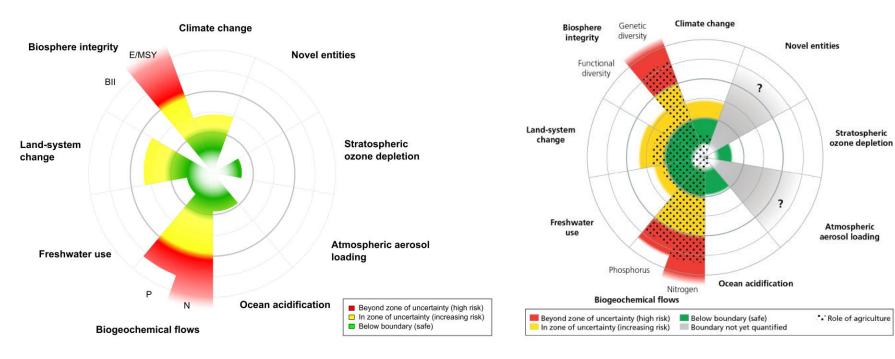


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The globalized food system today: Reductionism and Uniformity



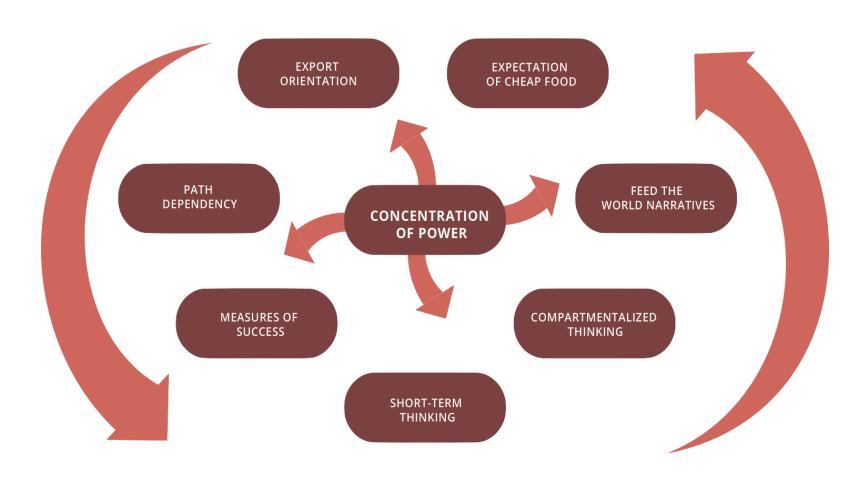
....threatening the planet's capacity to provide for all



From Rockstrom et al 2015

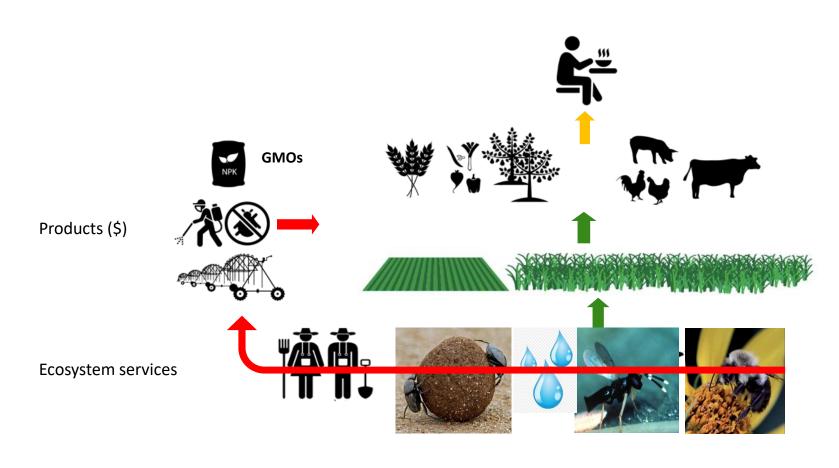
From Campbell et al 2017

How did we get there who stands in the transformation's way?



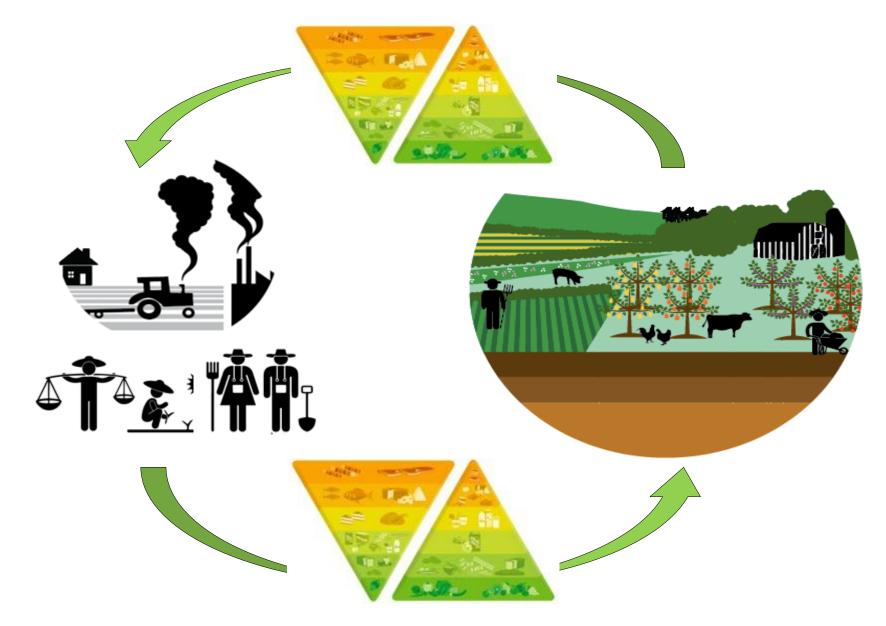
How did we create these problems?

.....by replacing the ecosystem services with marketable products



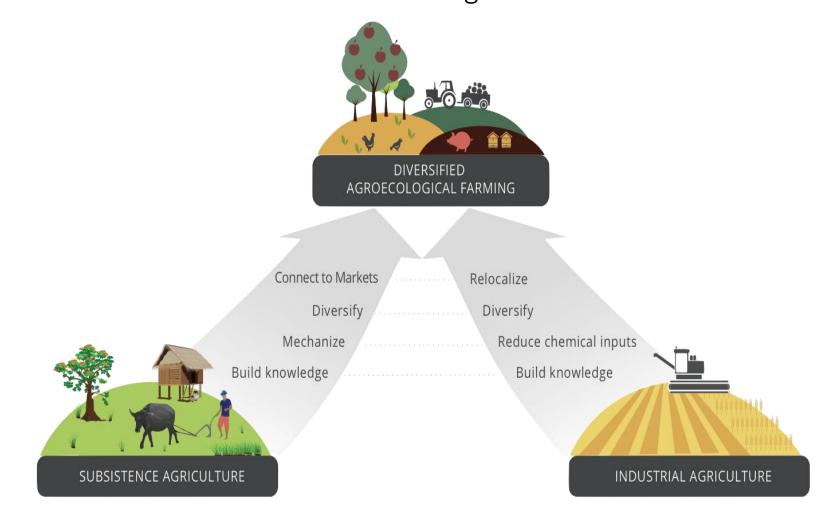
....cheap food and profit above all

Transformation at all levels, from field to fork

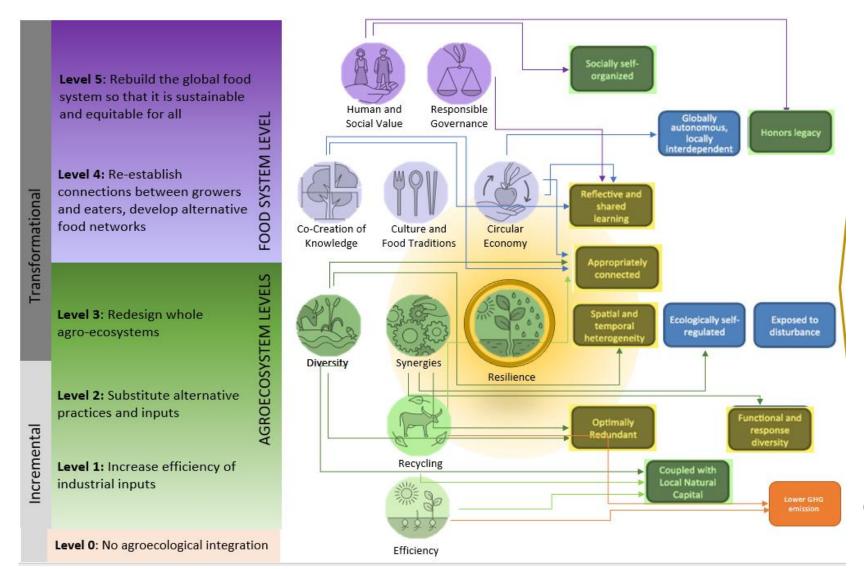


Transformation process

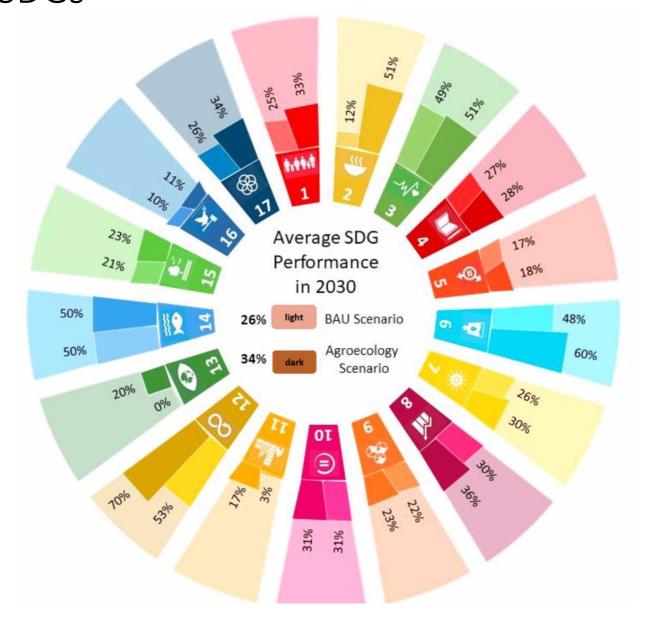
...... bottom up: so(i)lutions and top down: policies that benefit farmers and consumers rather than agri-business



Framing: Agroecology & Climate Change Resilience



Gliessman, 2015 FAO 2018 How agroecology (AE) impacts the realization of the SDGs



..taking a system's approach with the iSDG system model



How agroecology (AE) impacts the realization of the SDGs



Food systems provide a key lever for change and help in meeting the set targets in almost all goals



What has to change? Favorable policy environment for Agroecology

I. Research and Innovation

- Transdisciplinary, integrated and agroecological approach
- Co-creation of knowledge
- Invest in AE R&D (only)

II. Coherent policies that drive food system transformation

• Sharing of experience between policy makers on integrated agroecological policies

III. Contribution of agroecology to global/regional/national commitments

- Impact of policies on SDGs
- Climate Change and NDCs

.. Yes, changing course is possible.....but it's everyone's responsibility, in particular Governments and donor agencies

You cannot solve the problem with the same kind of thinking that created the problem *Albert Einstein*

