

# **Joining efforts. Colocation of CRP research activities within Burkina Faso**

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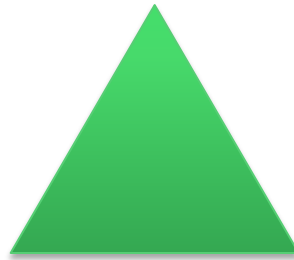
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# Main Purpose – Annex 4

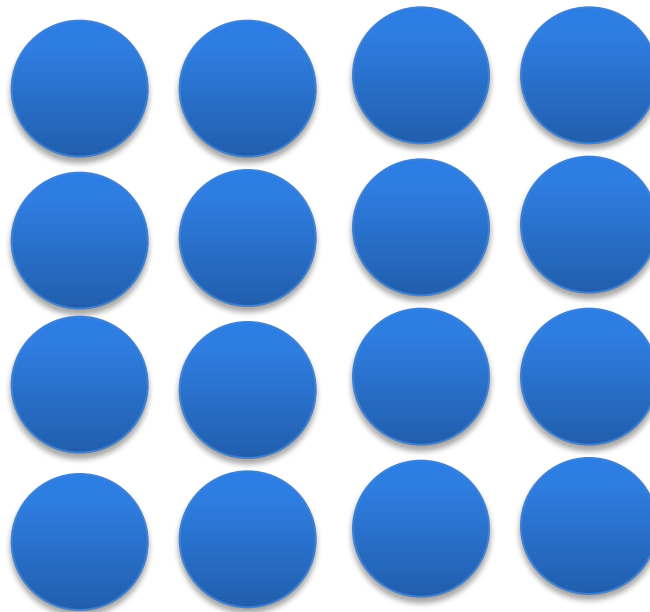
- Cross regional comparison
- Integrating Biophysical & Social data
- Long-term presence (~ 10 years)
- Co-locating research activities (share resources)
  - Between Components
  - With Partners
  - With other CRP's

# Why Burkina Faso?

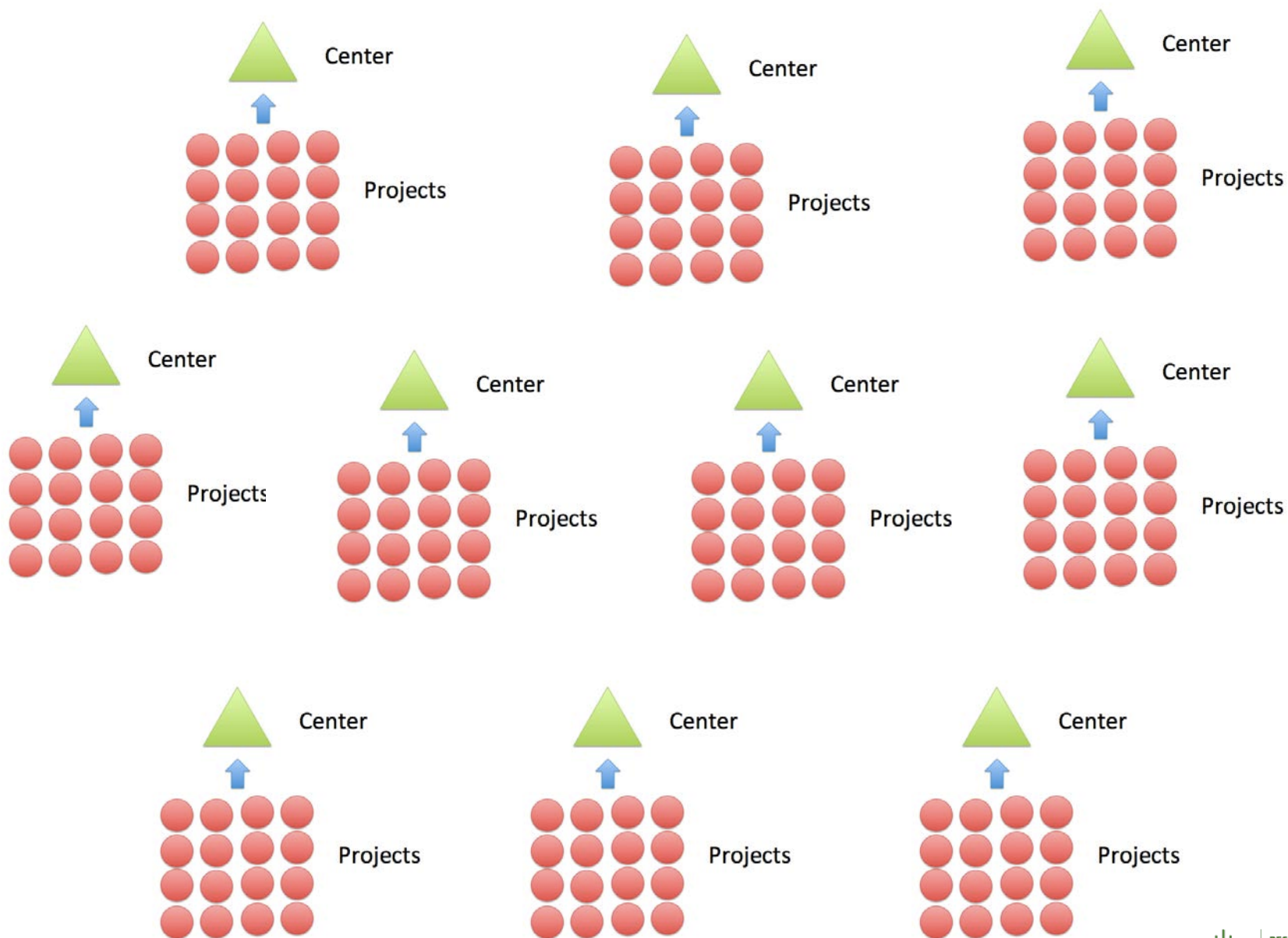
- However reality on the ground closer to:
  - No information on who is doing what, where, and why
  - Multiple approaches and methodologies
  - Repetition of baseline studies
  - Research fatigue
  - Limited resources per project / programme
  - Conflicting interests or perceptions
  - Overall limited integration across institutions and projects
- Hence geographical co-location effective but other ingredients absent:
  - Coordination across institutions, projects and partners
  - Efficient use of resources through concerted efforts
  - Information and framework for planning or facilitating co-location and coordination



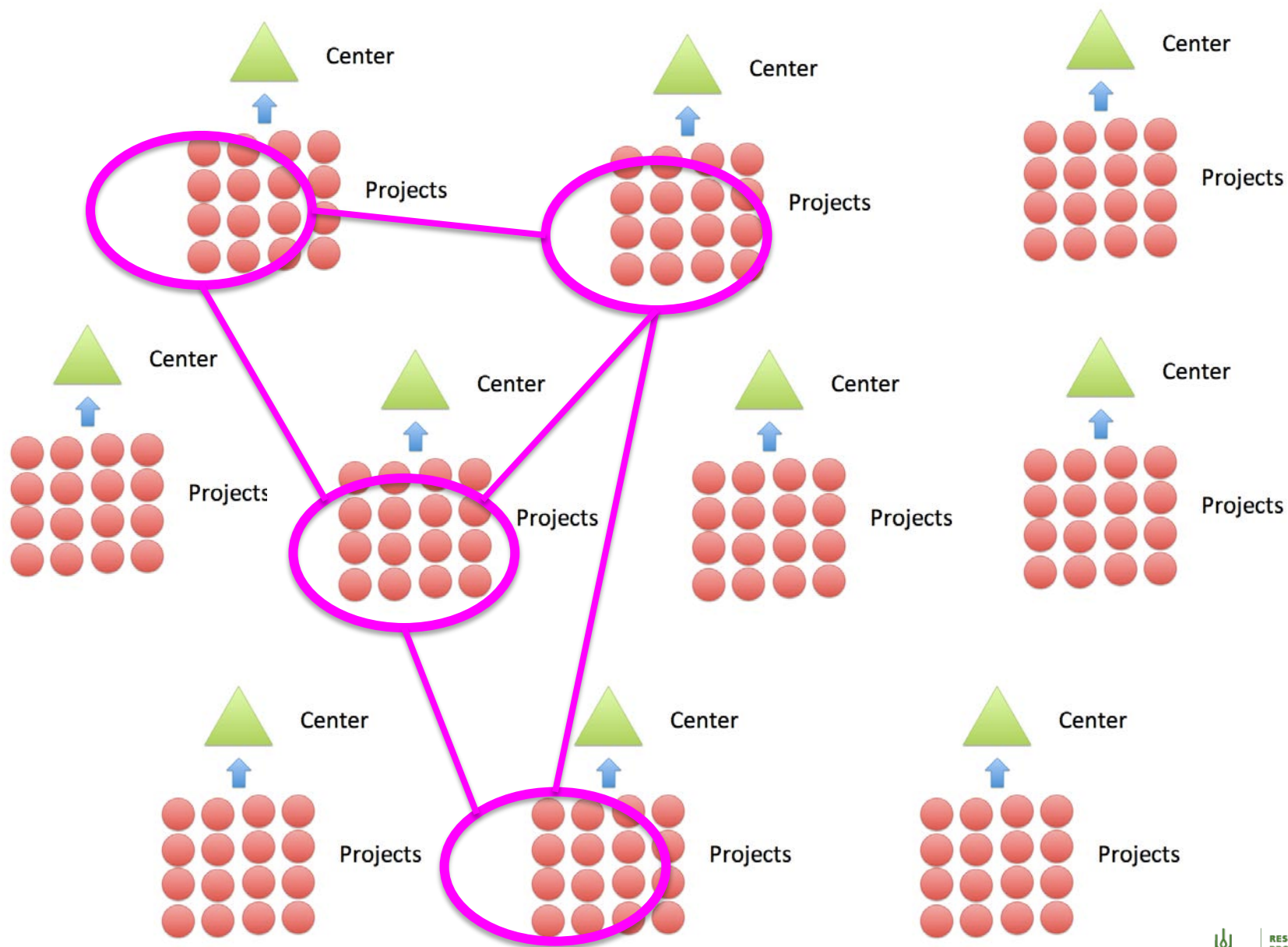
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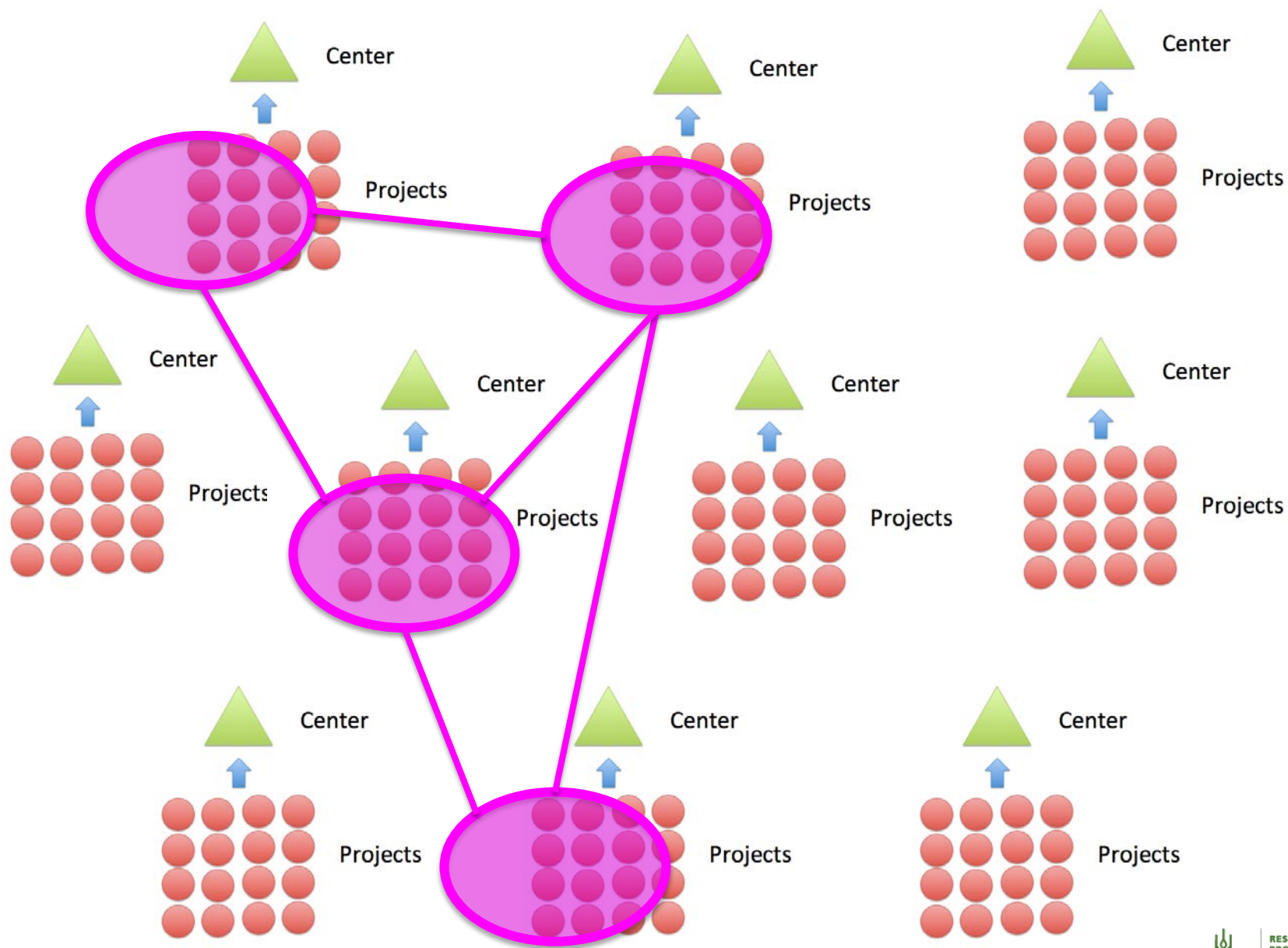
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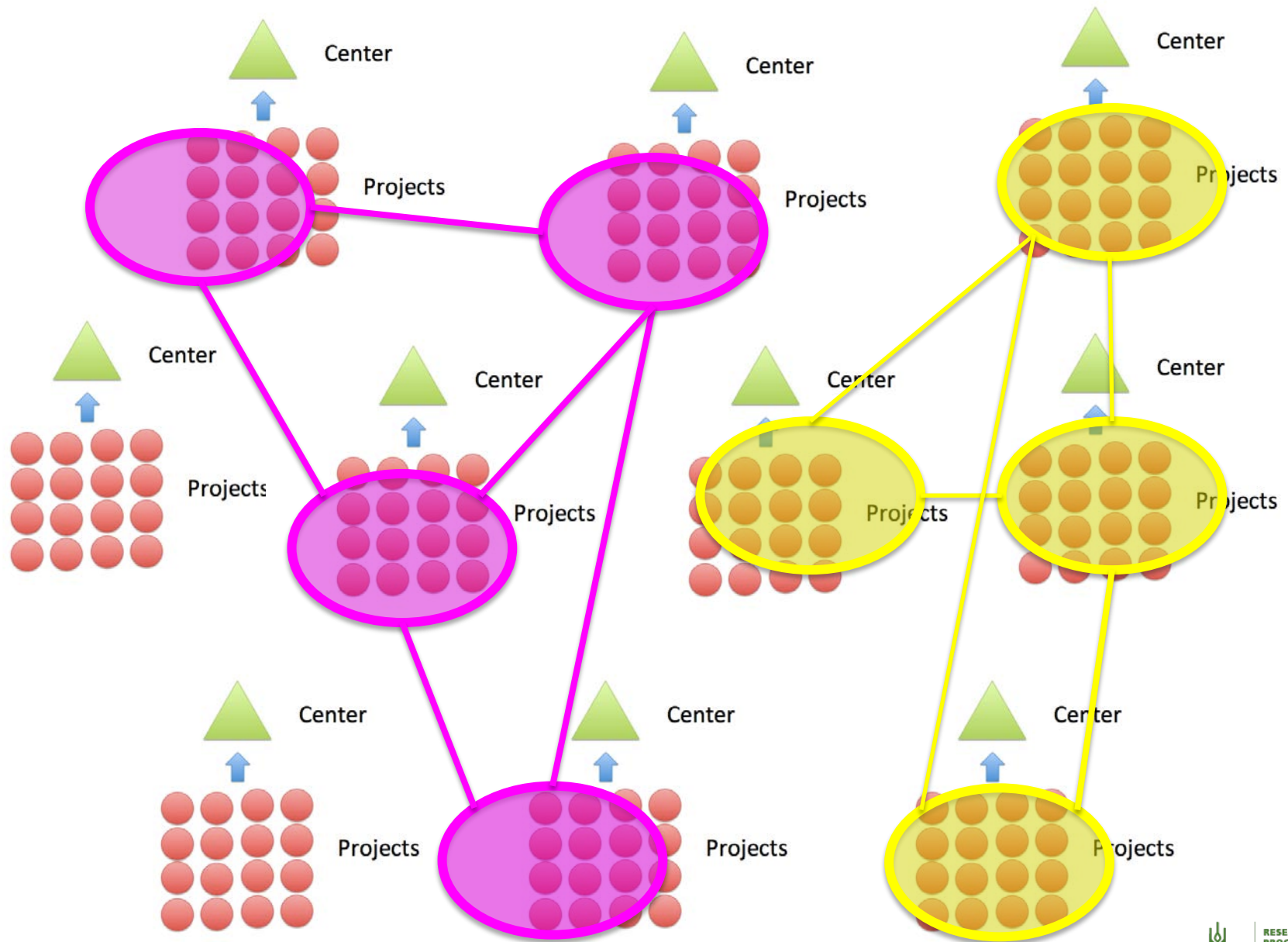




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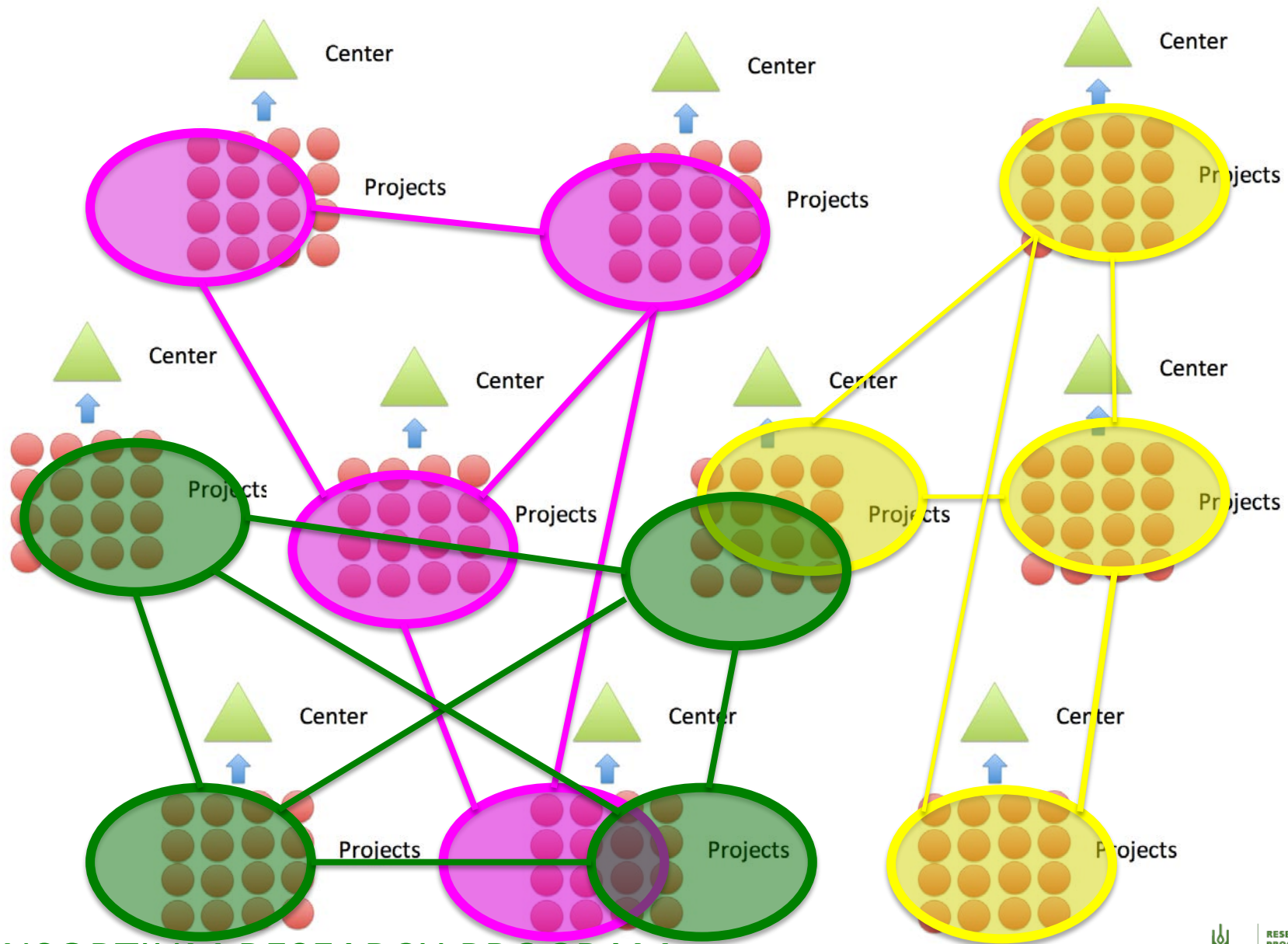


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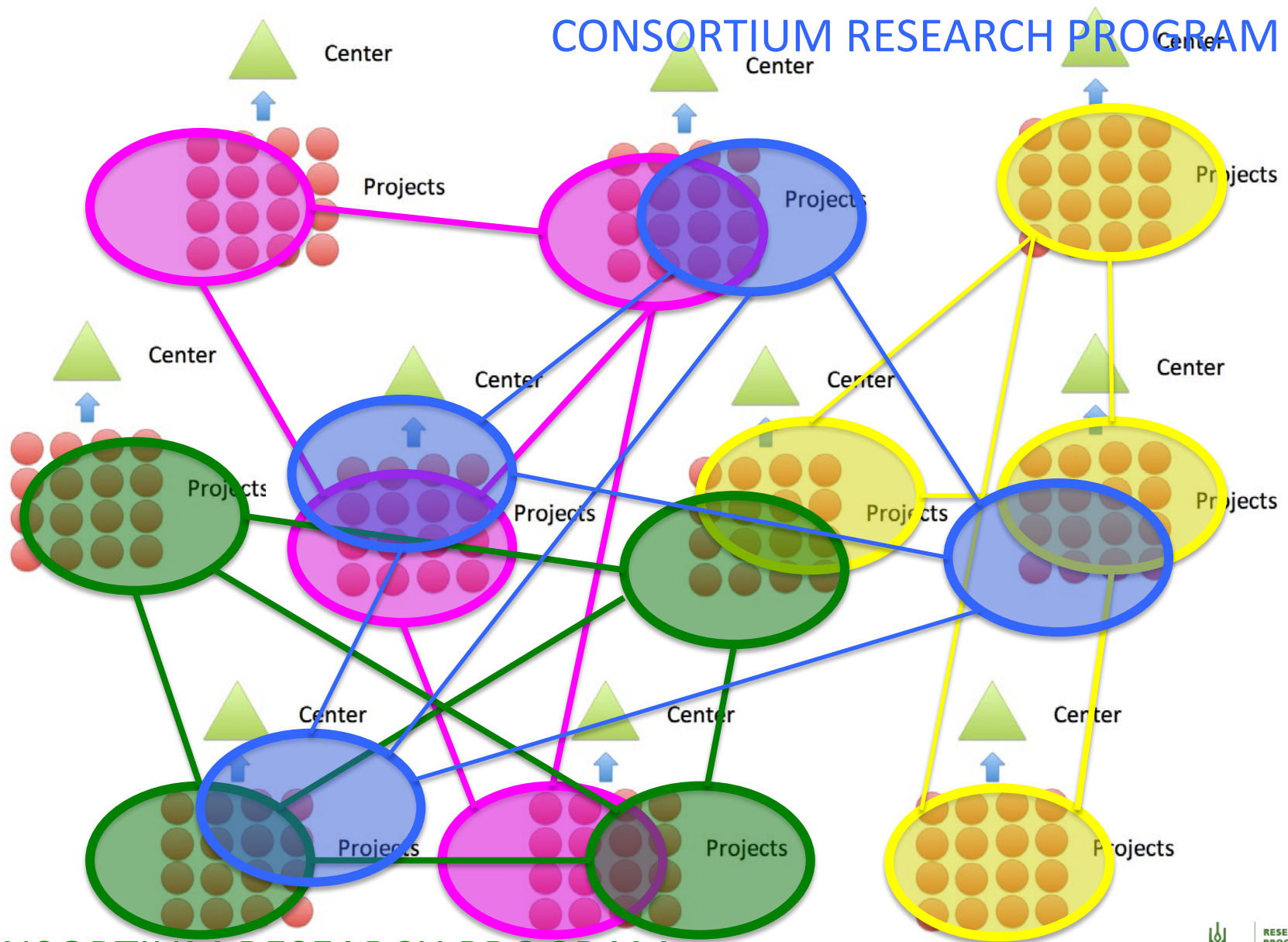


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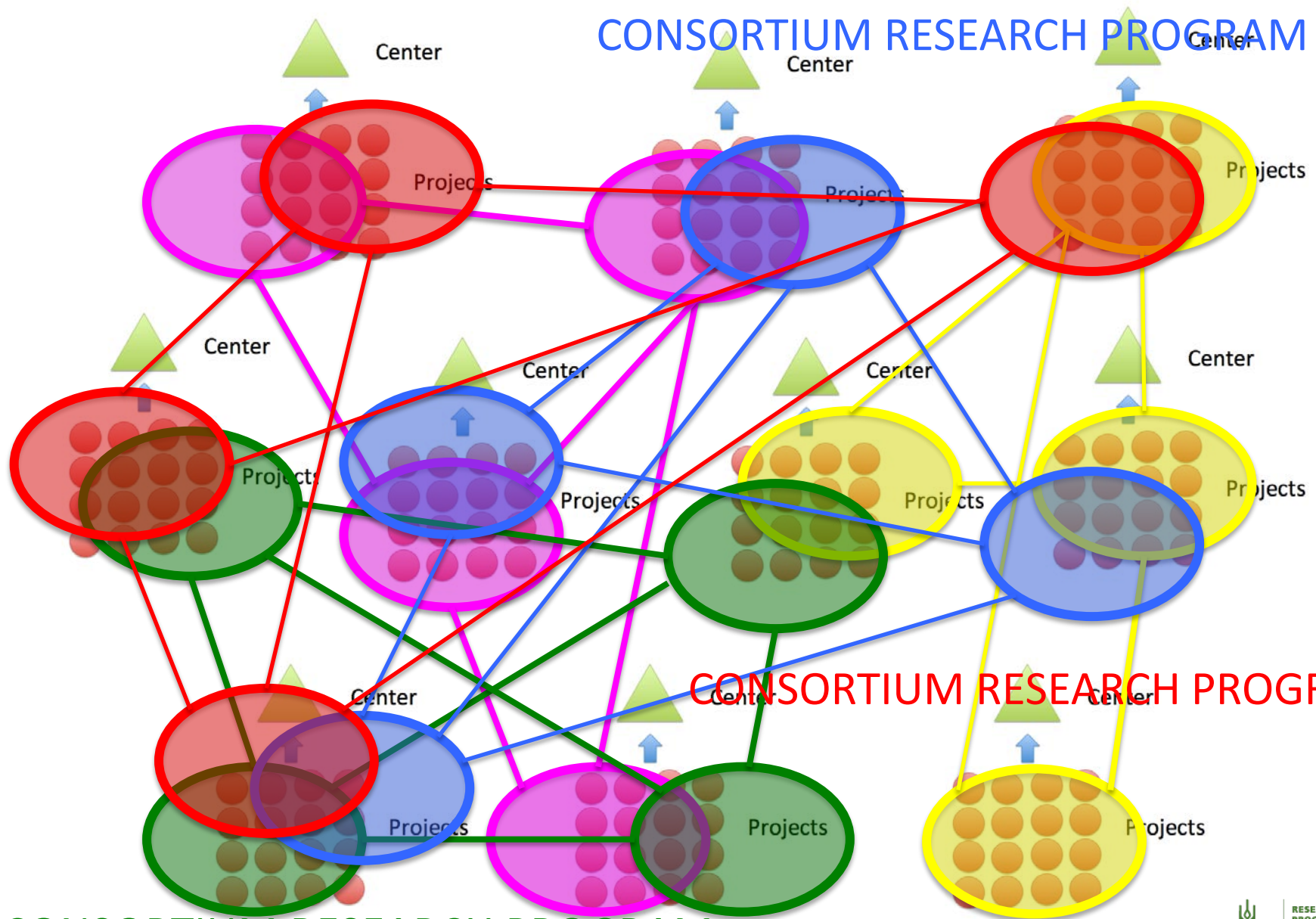
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# Timeline of current initiative

## ■ June 2013 - Bonn

- WLE, CCAFS, FTA discuss the concept of developing a shared theory of change for a site with multi-CRP investment
- Burkina Faso selected as 'test'

## ■ August 2013 - Ouagadougou

- First joint CRP meeting
- Initiation of project information database

## ■ December 2013 – Ouagadougou

- 2<sup>nd</sup> joint CRP meeting
- National research and development partners included
- Concept of developing a joint results framework discussed

## ■ January 2013 - Ouagadougou

- WLE, CCAFS, FTA discuss the concept of developing a shared theory of change for a site with multi-CRP investment
- Burkina Faso selected as 'test'

# CGIAR Buy-in

- CRP 5,6,7 Directors agreed that developing a harmonized CRP theory of change should be tested on a site basis
- Multiple CRPs and multiple ongoing CRP projects in Burkina Faso provides good “test case”
- DS also interested, and
- Lessons learnt from concept, process and approach can be applied elsewhere



# TALKING POINTS

- Clusters: Focal / Sentinel sites of CRPs
- Where are other partners located?
- Potential conflicts
- Operational partnership opportunities & Challenges
- Multi-level / Multi scaled partnerships
- What implications?

# DATABASE

## Project Description

| Project title | Lead Institution | Int. /CGIAR Partners | Nat. Partners | CRP | CRP level Outcome targets | Goal | Project outcomes | Start | End | Contact person | Tel. | Skype | e-mail |
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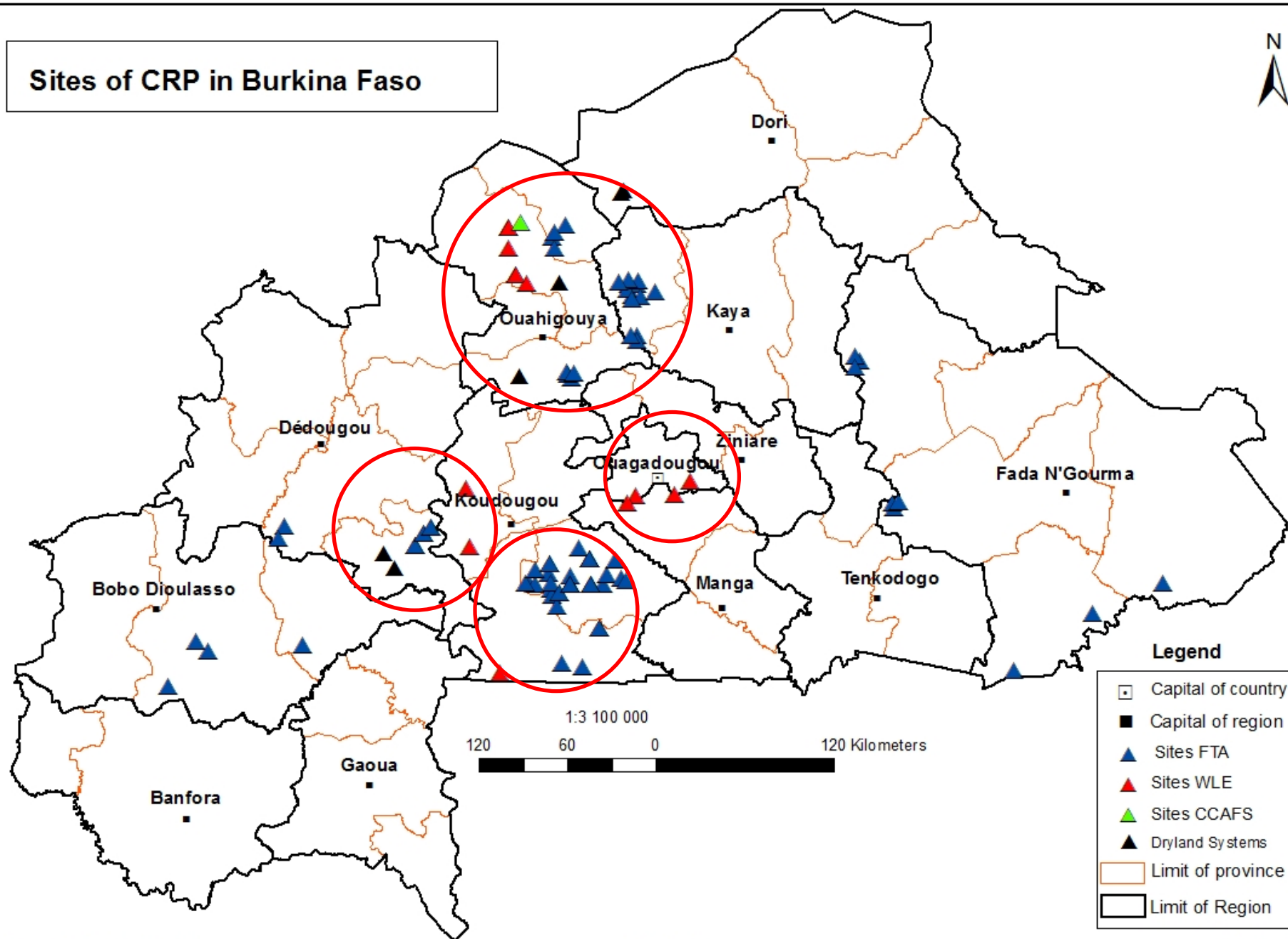
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## Project Geo-location

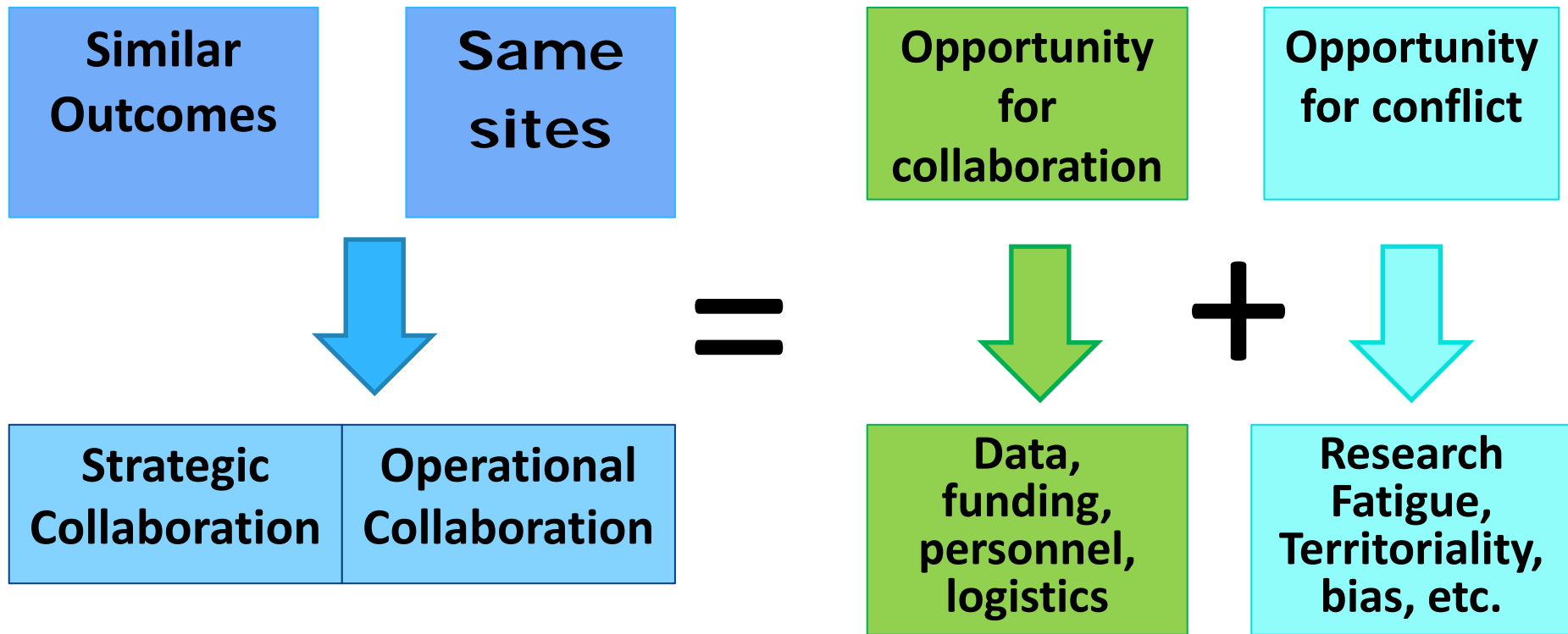
| Project title | No. | Acronym | Region | Province | Department | Research Localities | X_COORD | Y_COORD |
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# Sites of CRP in Burkina Faso



# OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES



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- Operational: Site Based

| Project        | Countries | Region       | Province | Department | Research Communities | X-Coord     | Y-Coord     |
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| ADA 1          | Burkina   | Centre Ouest | Ziro     | Cassou     | Cassou               | -2,04634426 | 11,58443827 |
| Carbon Project | Burkina   | Centre Ouest | Ziro     | Cassou     | Cassou               | -2,04634426 | 11,58443827 |
| BIODEV         | Burkina   | Centre Ouest | Ziro     | Cassou     | Cassou               | -2,04634426 | 11,58443827 |



# OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES

- **Strategic and theme based: Multi-scaled / Multi Level:**

## **Goal:**

Determine how various events (drought, flooding, etc.) or choices (economic policies, urbanisation, etc.) have influenced forest cover and land uses over time?

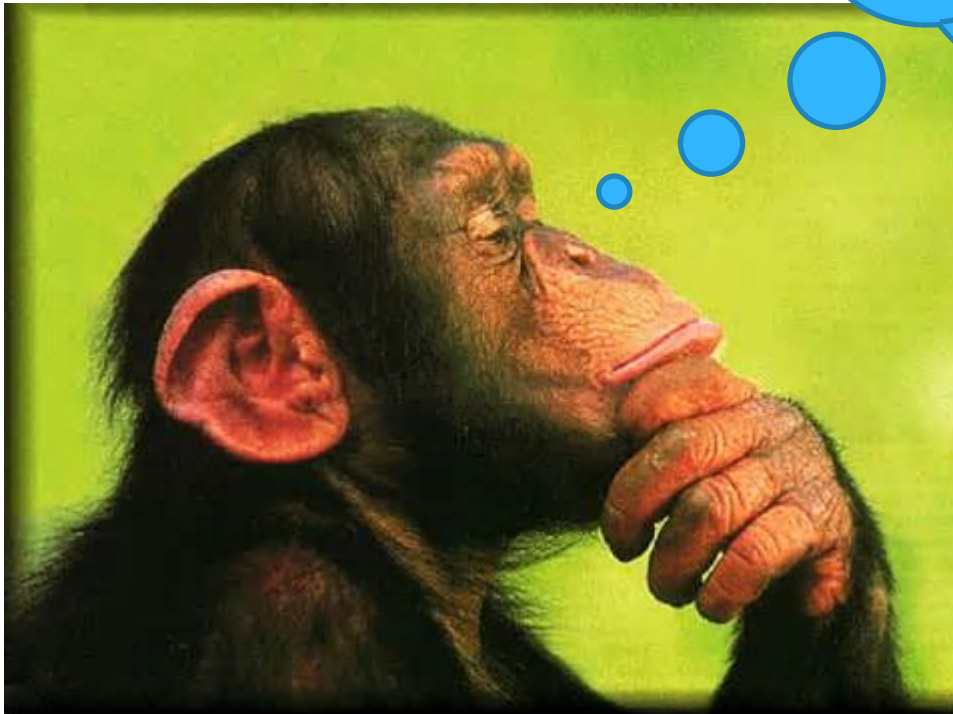
## **Objectives:**

- Characterise land use changes
- Identify key periods of change
- Determine trends in deforestation and degradation as well as linkages with various (direct and indirect) drivers of change: (e.g. is cotton the main factor that determines how land use systems are organised or evolve, hence what the impact is on forest cover and on species distribution, density and diversity?)

# OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES

- **Multi-scaled / Multi Level:**

Hmmmm...  
Shouldn't we be doing  
some collaborative  
Land use change  
analysis here?



## **Country scale:**

GCS REDD + BIDEV (WP 1.3 + WP3)

## **Province scale:**

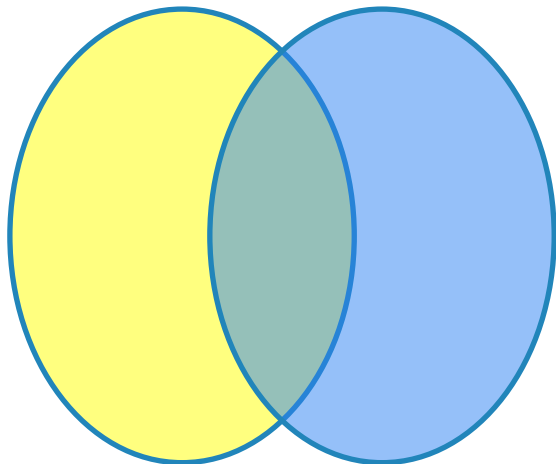
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## **Village scale:**

ADA + WASL

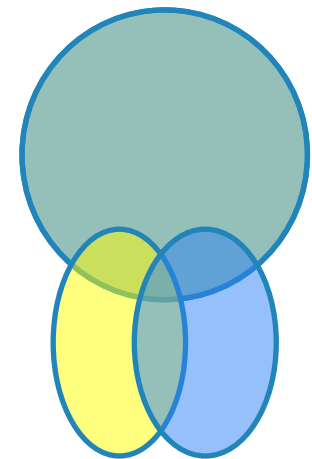
# COLLABORATION

Intersection  
of interests?



or

Identical  
objectives?



People

work

Institutions

*together*

achieve

common

goals



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# What factors will enhance or inhibit collaboration?

- Attitude
- Knowledge and information
- Resources
- Policies & strategies
- Incentives and disincentives



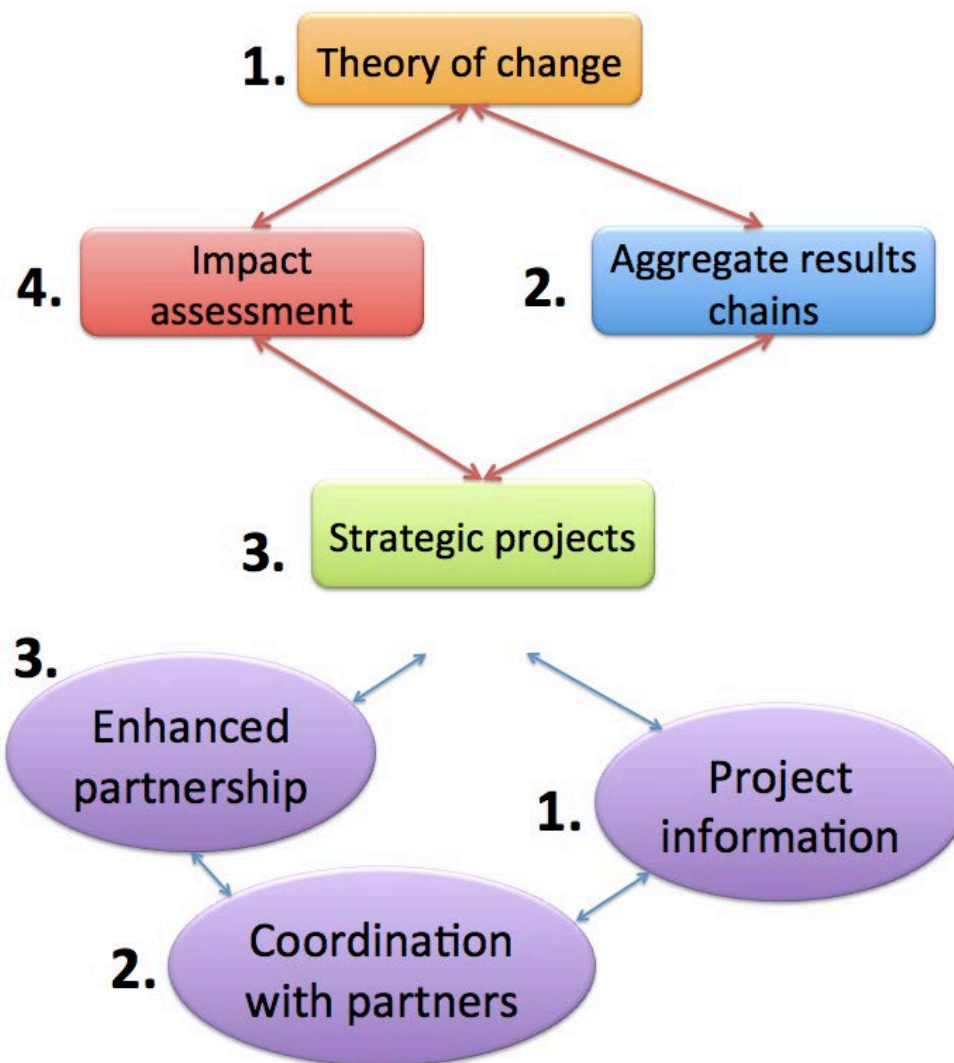
What are the (*information / frameworks / tools / mechanisms / approaches / resources*) requirements for effective collaboration?

# THE CHALLENGE

Integrating research into development pathways to achieve on-ground poverty, nutrition, health and natural resource management impacts within the context of the Strategy and Results Framework (SRF) requires, *inter alia*:

- A system perspective of the local context
- Engagement with a broad range of research, development and other partners
- Enhanced coordination within and between CRPs
- Well thought out impact pathways

# A Planning, Monitoring and Learning Framework



# Road map to improving coordination

| Category of Actions    | Specific tasks  |
|------------------------|---|
| Coordination mechanism | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hire coordinator</li> <li>• Establish individual CRP focal Points</li> <li>• TOR for coordinator and implementation team</li> </ul>  |
| Analysis section       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collect and Review regional and national planning documents</li> <li>• Complete geographic mapping of current research and development interventions (CGIAR + Partners) in the country</li> <li>• Determine results (CGIAR + Partners) to be achieved in Burkina Faso (targets, indicators)</li> <li>• Identify key boundary partners to share information with, and to integrate into this partnership</li> <li>• Present concept to PTF of the MEDD and other relevant government entities + use relevant platforms to interact with those Ministries</li> </ul> |
| Data sharing section   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Map existing data and identify gaps that could lead to new shared projects</li> <li>• Data sharing platform established</li> <li>• Agreement of share data established</li> </ul>  |
| M&E System             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize and validate partnership framework (use this to inform operational aspect of this partnership concept)</li> <li>• Meetings with partners (July, December 2014)</li> </ul>   |

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