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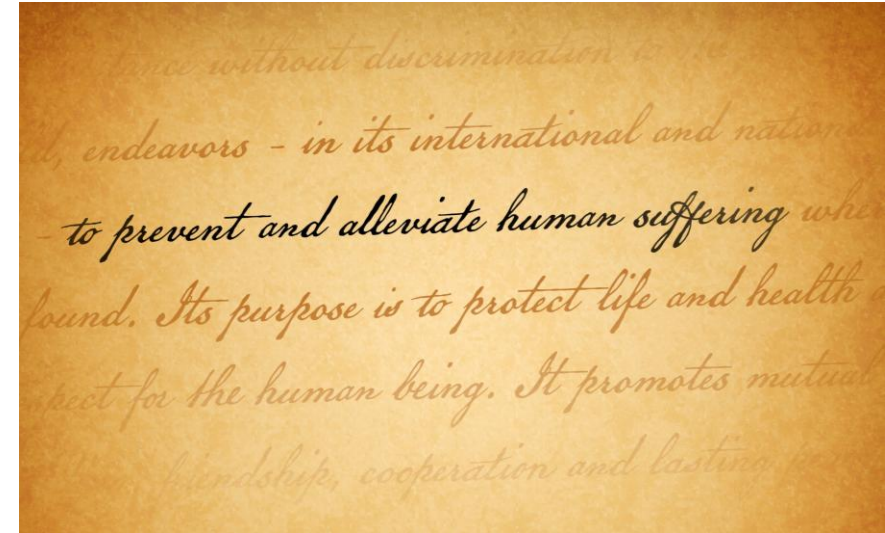
# THE URGENCY

- The number of reported sudden-onset climate change and weather-related disasters has increased by more than 40% over the last 20 years (WMO 2021).
- Sudden-onset climate change and weather-related disasters have killed more than 410,000 people from 2010 to 2019, with 91% of deaths occurring in developing countries (IFRC 2020).
- 83% of all natural disasters are related to extreme weather, like floods, storms, drought and heatwaves, in total 1.7 billion people affected (IFRC 2020)



# WHY THE RED CROSS WORKS WITH NATURE

- Prevention is a crucial part of the Red Cross and Red Crescent mandate
  - We see humanitarian consequences of extreme weather events frequently
  - Much suffering can be avoided by investing in Climate Change Adaptation, and Ecosystem Restoration (incl. Nature based Solutions).
  - How nature helps to protect people:
    - Healthy ecosystems act as buffer to reduce risk and limit impact of hazards
    - Healthy ecosystems provide goods and services that are vital for human life
- 1 USD invested in prevention saves on average 16 USD on relief and response





# About the Fund

- The Fund promotes and develops Climate Adaptation & landscape restoration programs including NbS for long term structural disaster prevention and risk reduction across the RCRC movement.
- The goal is to strengthen the resilience of vulnerable communities worldwide that are affected by natural hazards exacerbated by climate change.
- We do this by protecting nature to protect people and support resource mobilization for accelerating and scaling our work on CCA and WWN.

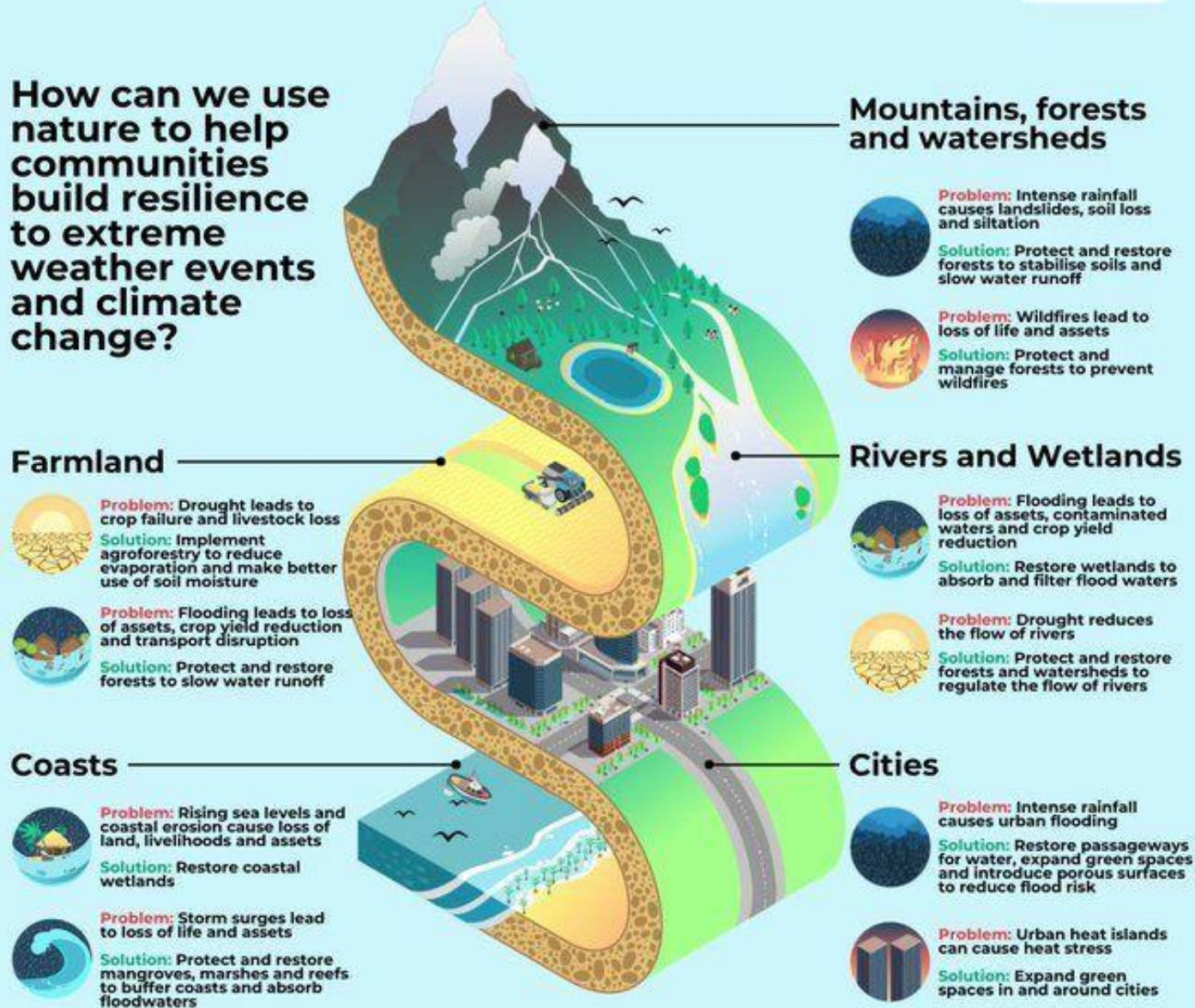




# NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CRISIS



How can we use nature to help communities build resilience to extreme weather events and climate change?



“Nature-based solutions can help address the climate crisis. And by using them, we’re protecting nature and protecting people.”

**IFRC**

*“Nature-based solutions are actions to protect, sustainably manage, or restore natural ecosystems, that **address societal challenges such as climate change, human health, food and water security, and disaster risk reduction** effectively and adaptively, simultaneously providing human well-being and biodiversity benefits.”*



More info available on **Nature Navigator**



# THE POTENTIAL OF NBS IN HUMARITARIAN ACTION

- Reduce the intensity of climate change and weather-related hazards by at least 26%.\*
- Save Global South countries at least US \$104 billion in 2030 and US \$393 billion in 2050.\*
- Prevent and reduce disaster impacts on people and the environment.

\* Source: WWF/IFRC “Working with nature to protect people” 2022





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## To protect nature to protect people. An integrated approach to community resilience

### Safe communities



Early Warning  
Early Action



Water management



Disaster Risk Reduction

### Healthy ecosystems



Ecosystem restoration



Regenerative land  
management



Environmental  
education



Environmental  
governance

### Economic opportunities



Sustainable value  
chain development



Business incubator



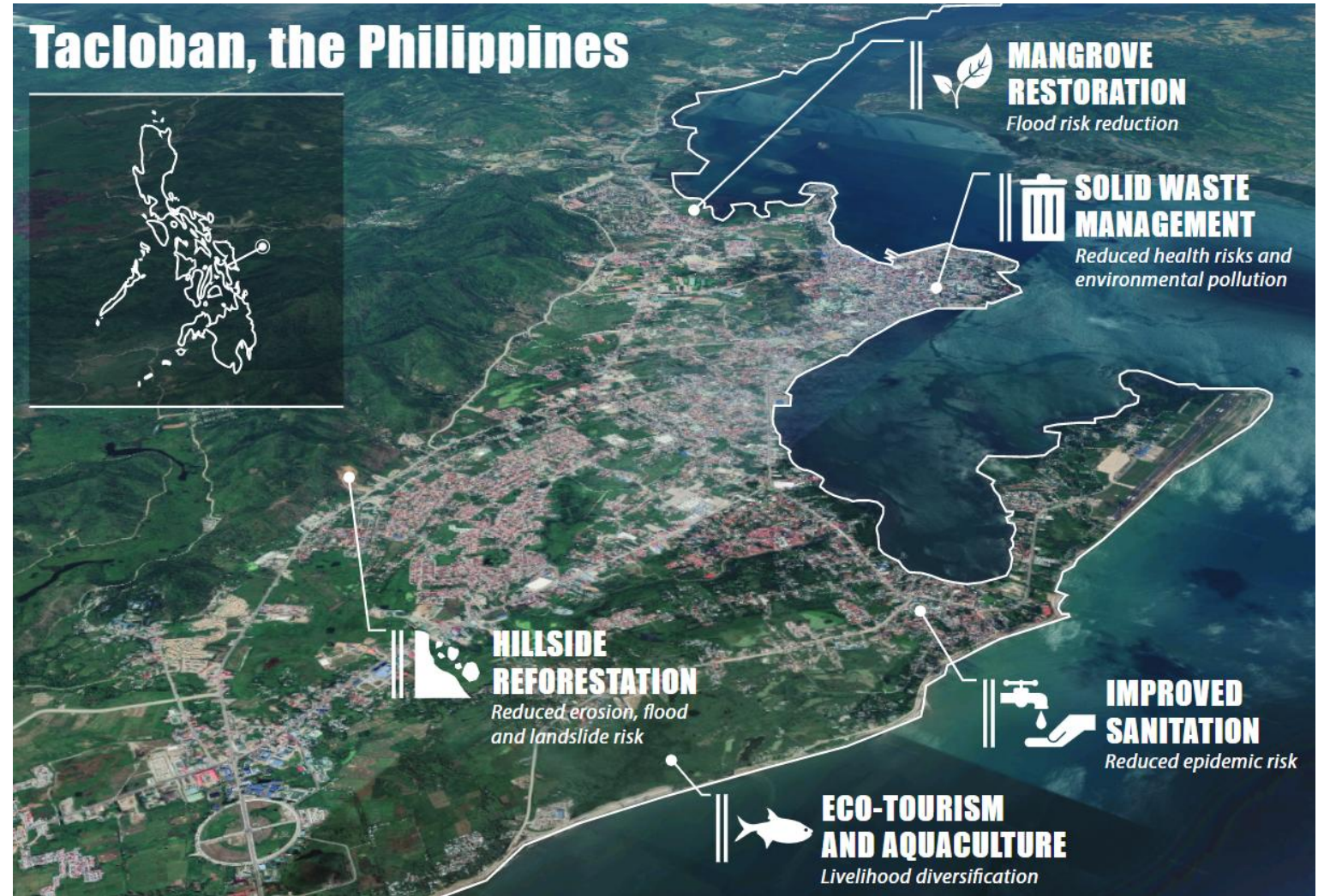
Business enabling  
environment



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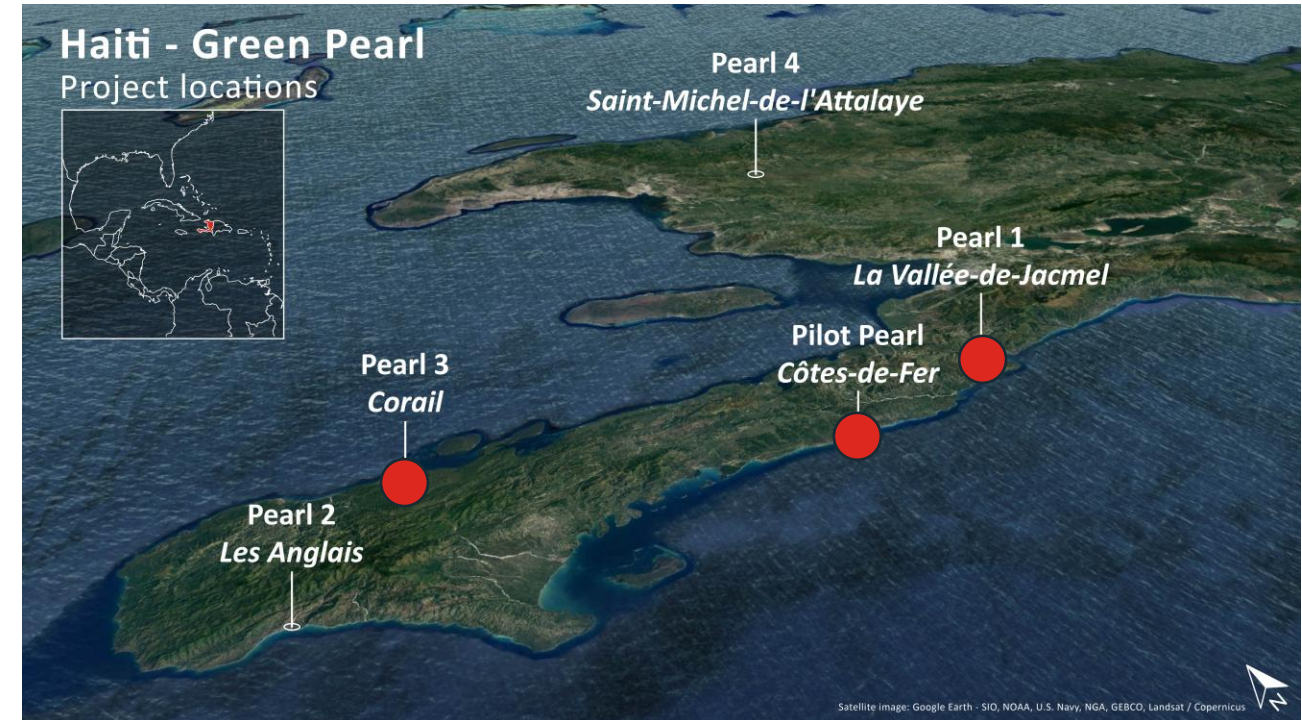
## EXAMPLE 1 Philippines, Integrated Coastal Zone Management Project





## EXAMPLE 2

### Haiti – Green Pearls





**EXAMPLE 3**  
Kayes, Mali

