



## Austrian Red Cross Nexus: Water-Energy-Food

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## NEXUS THINKING

#### Food/Land Use System

- Preparing land
- Growing crops
- Raising livestock
- Harvesting produce
- Drying, processing
- Storing food products
- Transport, distribution
- Preparing food

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#### **Energy System**

- Extracting resources
- Harnessing hydro, wind, solar, biomass energy
- Generating and transmitting electricity
- Production, refinement and distribution of transport fuels
- Storing, buffering

Hydropower, power plant cooling, extraction, (bio)fuels

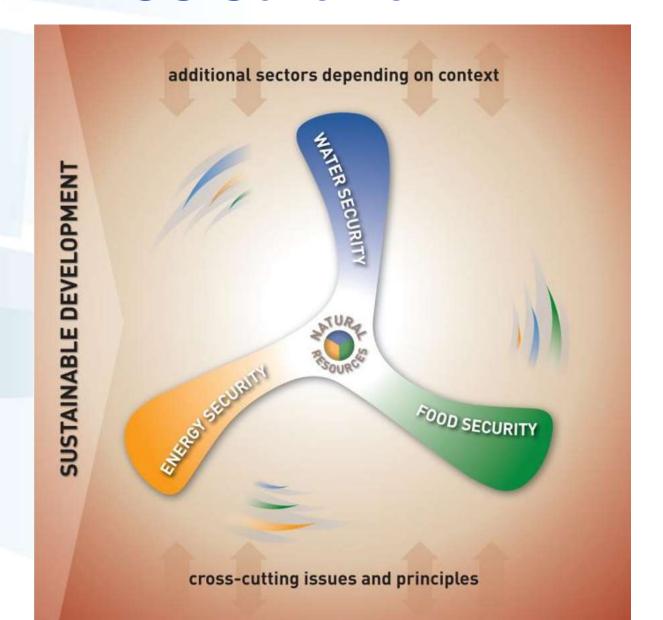
Water pumping, delivery, water treatment, energy for desalination

#### **Water System**

- Manage renewable surfaceand groundwater resources
- Distribute water supply for human consumption
- Collect sewage
- Treat wastewater to protect human and ecological health
- Transfer between basins
- Desalination



### **ADC: NEXUS Scheme**

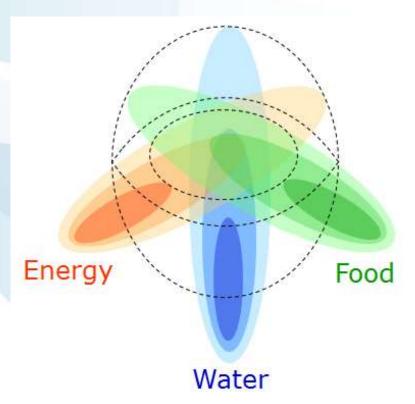


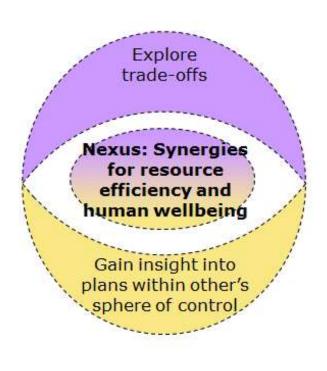


## Systemic interrelations between the nexus components...

#### Depending on scope of action and on local context:

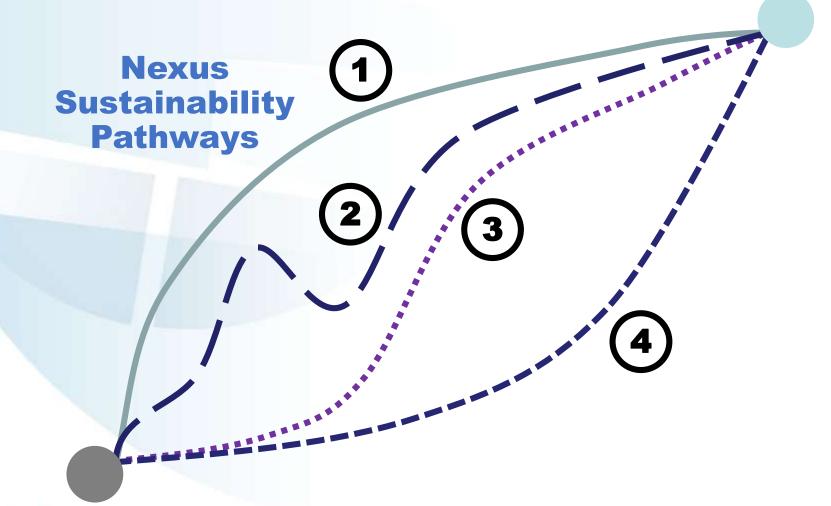
- highly systemic (core of nexus)
- Sector-controlled and sector-driven actions (exploring trade-offs)







## Sustainability (Agenda 2030 and beyond)







# Water Futures and Solutions (WFaS) Initiative

Towards Innovative Solutions through Integrative Water Futures Analysis

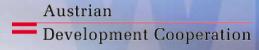






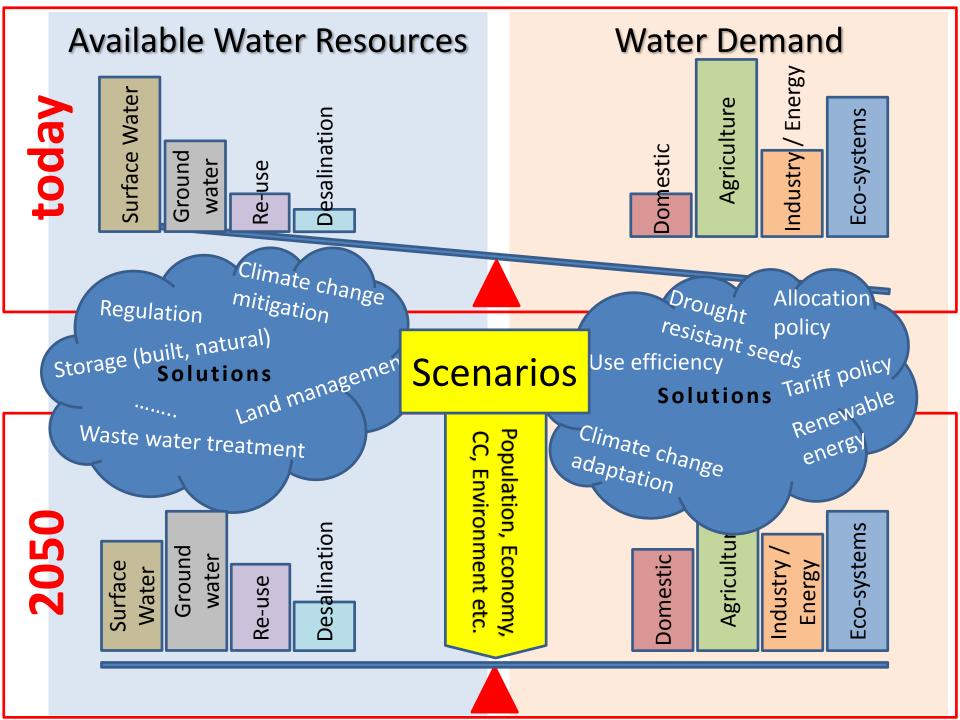




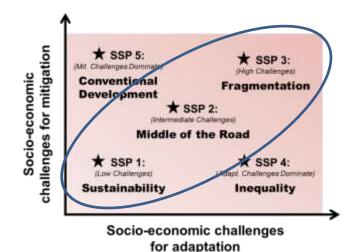








#### Water Futures: Scenarios & Quantitative Assumptions



SSP1: The world is moving toward sustainability

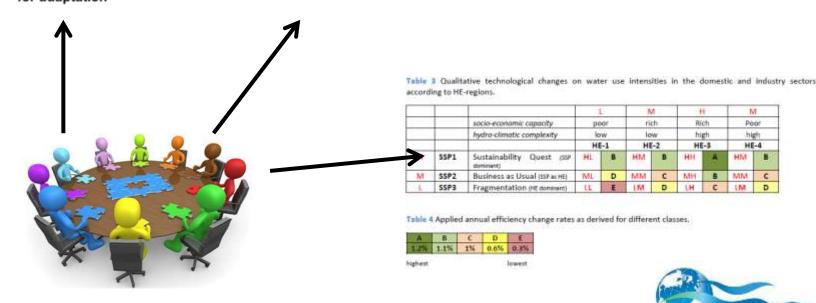
#### SSP characteristics

- · Improved resource use efficiency
- More stringent environmental regulations
- Rapid technological change is directed toward environmentally friendly processes
- Management of global commons improves.

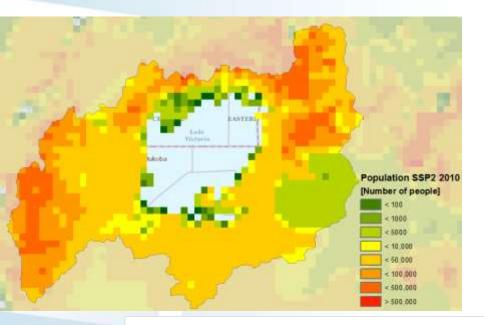
#### Implications for Manufacturing Water Use:

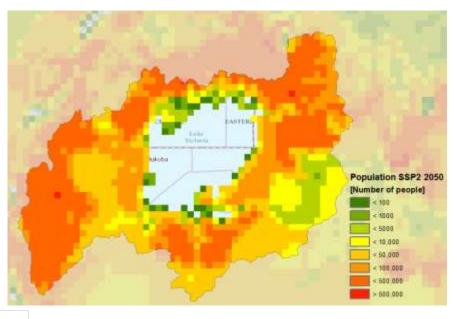
- Manufacturing industries with efficient water use and low environmental impacts are favored.
- Enhanced treatment, reuse of water, and water-saving technologies;
- Widespread application of water-saving technologies in industry

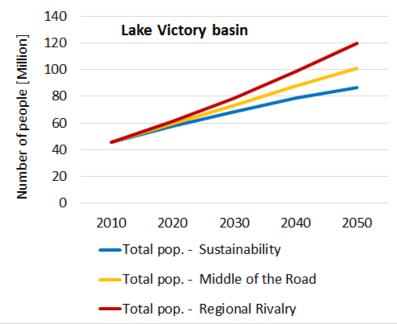
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## Socio-economic change -Population







#### Lake Victoria basin

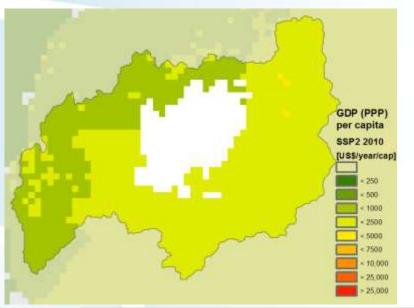
From 46 Mio. people in 2010 to 87 – 120 Mio. people in 2050 (+ 90% - 260% depending on scenario)

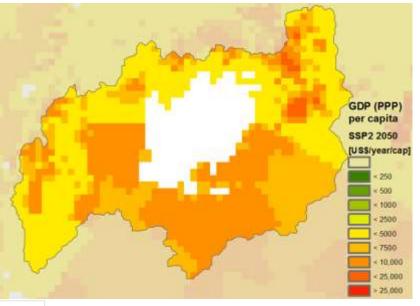
#### LVBC Strategy 2016 - 2021:

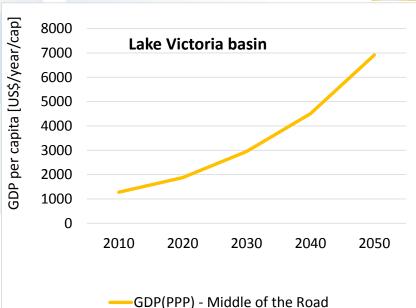
From 44,9 m people in 2015 to 59.5 m people in 2025



## Socio-economic change - GDP







#### Middle of the Road scenario:

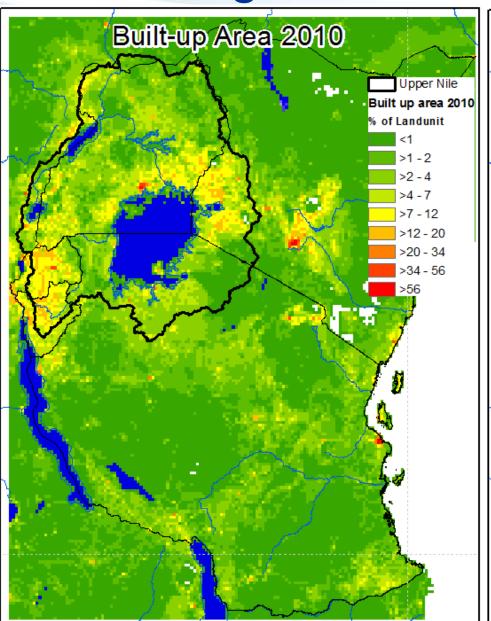
From 1,275 US\$/year/cap in 2010 to 6,900 US\$/year/cap in 2050 (+550%!)

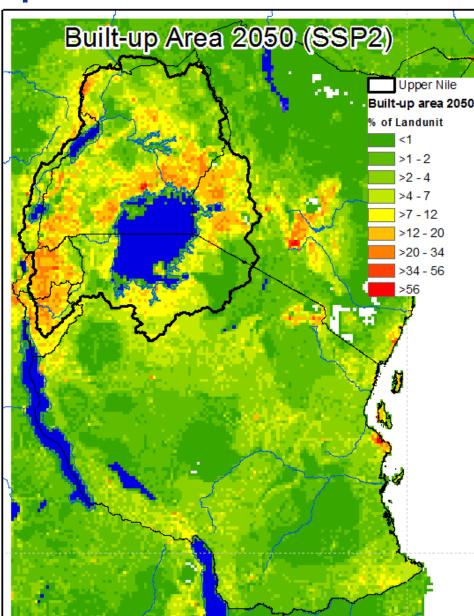
#### EAC Vision 2050:

From 1,014 US\$/year/cap in 2014 to 10,000 US\$/year/cap in 2050

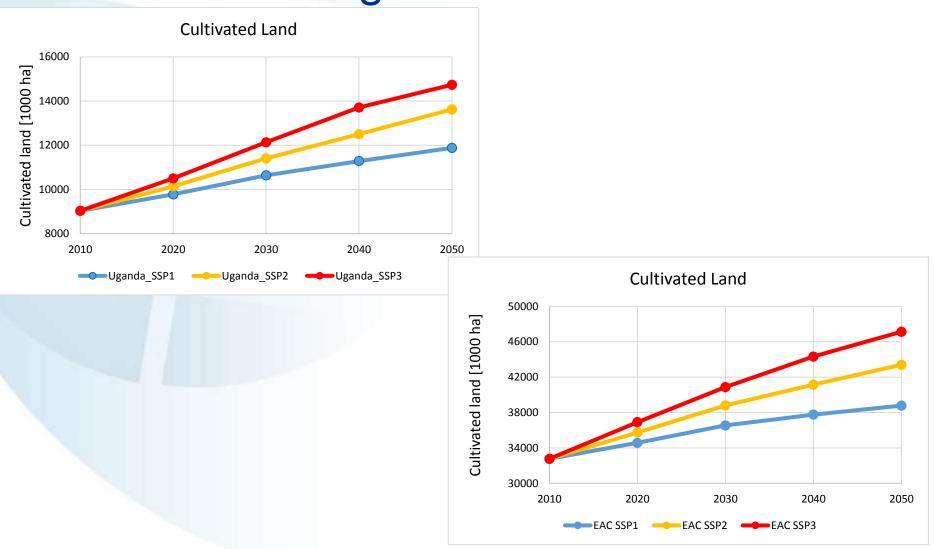


## Change in built-up area in EAC



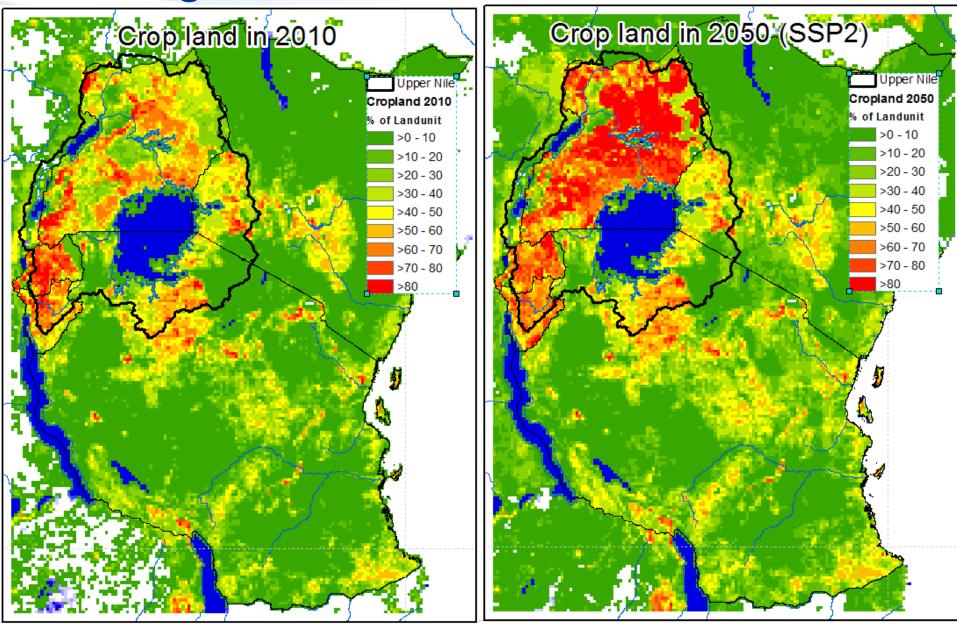


## Change in cultivated land Uganda & EAC

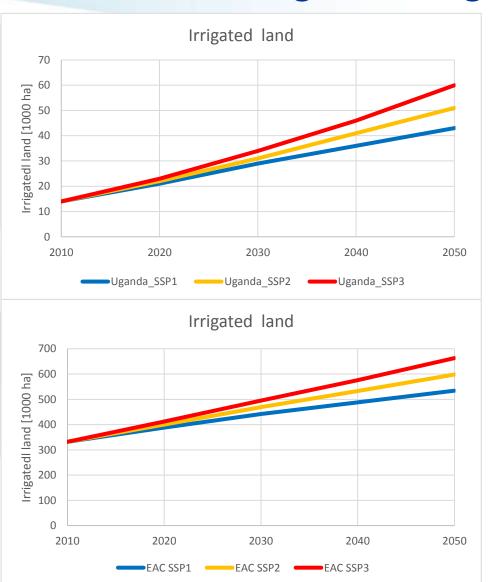


- Cultivate land will increase by 30-60% till 2050 for Uganda
- Cultivate land will increase by 20-40% till 2050 for EAC

## Change cultivated land area in EAC



### Change in irrigated land



Target based on different strategy documents:

Uganda Vision 2040 / National WR Strategy:

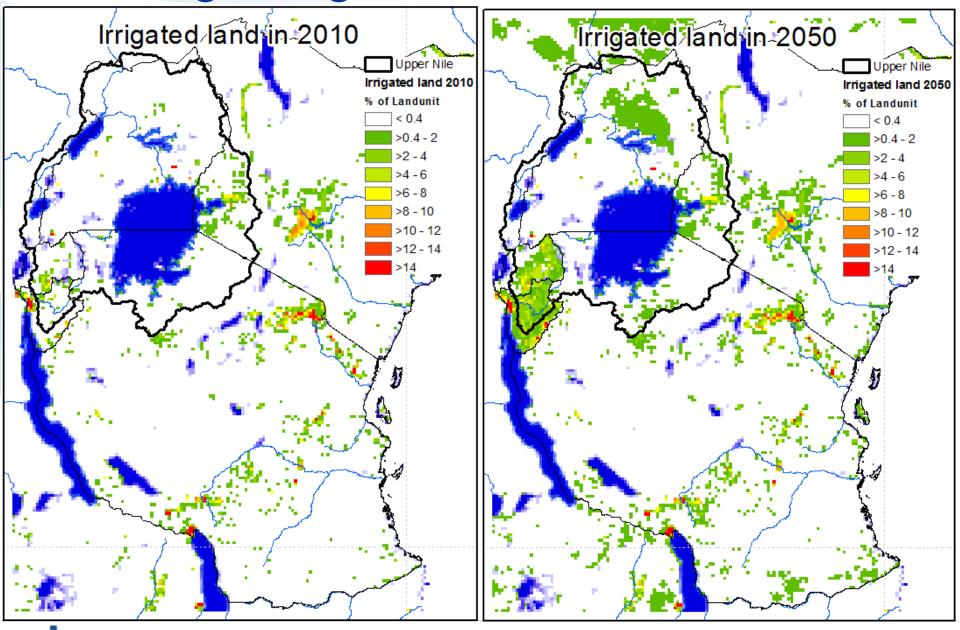
 more than 10 fold (>600.000 ha wetland und upland irrigation combined)

AMCOW Pan-African M&E System:

- Increase the size of irrigated areas by 100% from 2000 to 2025.
- Increase water productivity from irrigation and rainfed agriculture by 60% from 2000 to 2025
- Irrigated land will increase by 300-430% till 2050 for Uganda
- Irrigated land will increase by 60-200% till 2050 for EAC

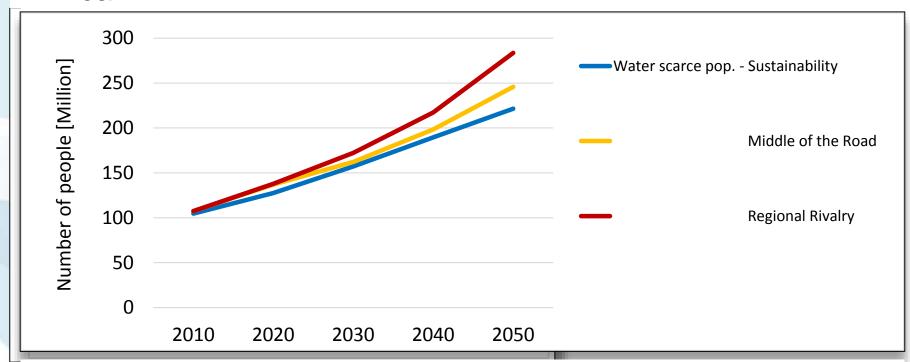


## Change irrigated land area in EAC



## Potential population exposed to severe water scarcity

#### **Africa**



#### Change:

2010: 11% of total population or 105 -108 m people

2050: 12% or 220 - 280 m people



## Nexus game:



- opportunity for practicing water management policies
- players take on the roles of policy makers in two countries that have access to the same river
- match the increasing water demand with limited supply/resource
- practicing conflict resolution and cooperation





### Benefits:





Learn how to balance increasing water demand and solve watersupply conflicts between different sectors and countries



Discover and exploit the potential of innovative technologies for increasing energy and water use efficiency



Experience challenges connected with transitions in complex systems where multiple stakeholders' interests collide



Practice collaboration among various organizations and groups of interest whose individual and collective goals differ





#### **Technical details**



3 - 4 hours





8 - 24 players

3 tables

http://nexus.games4sustainability.org/



## From science to policy and practice



What for do we model hydrological processes and relating them to socio-economic developments and the environment?

- Building evidence base for solid policy, sustainable water management and investment decisions.
- Understanding synergies and trade-offs between sectors (users) and riparian countries.
- "water proofing" future development pathways and future solution options





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