

Evolving Context

2020–2021

TwR-1 (IIASA-ISC): Bouncing Forward Sustainably: Pathways to a post-COVID World

- 200+ international experts engaged
- Focus on **science, governance, food, and energy systems**
- Reports, publications, outreach
- **Some encouraging signs:** dramatic social-behavioural change was both desirable and possible

2022 onward

TwR-2: Catalyzing Societal Transformations

- **Now, multiple shocks and looming global challenges... are we heading to a world in perpetual and deepening crises?**
- COVID-19 pandemic still ongoing
- Exacerbating conflicts and breakdown of international collaboration
- Worsening humanitarian crises, rising poverty and food insecurity
- Climate inaction, sixth mass extinction, extreme weather events, approaching ecological tipping points



Phase 1 outcomes: reports and key recommendations, are available at <https://covid19.iiasa.ac.at/isc/>

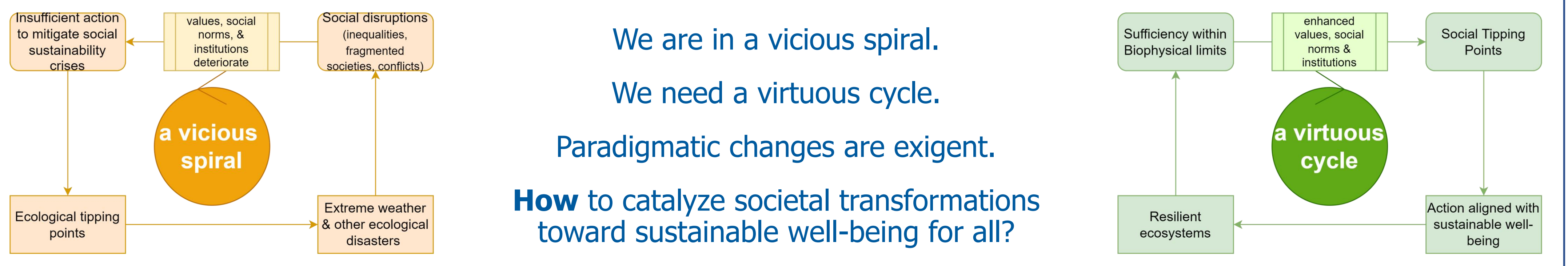
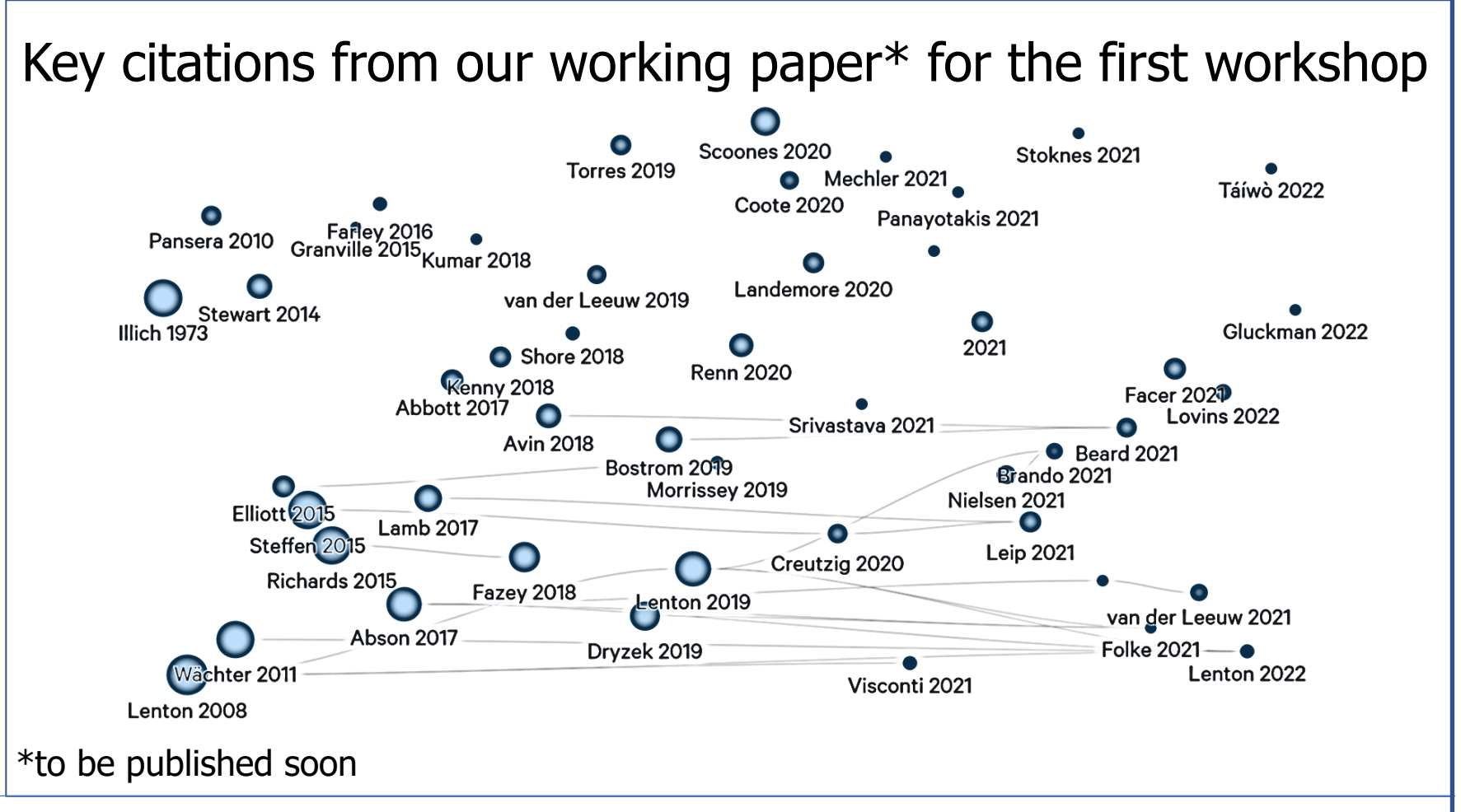
TwR-2 motivation: an organized synthesis is needed for better sense-making of current societal dynamic and to facilitate actions with improved societal decision-making

Snapshot of our synthesis so far...

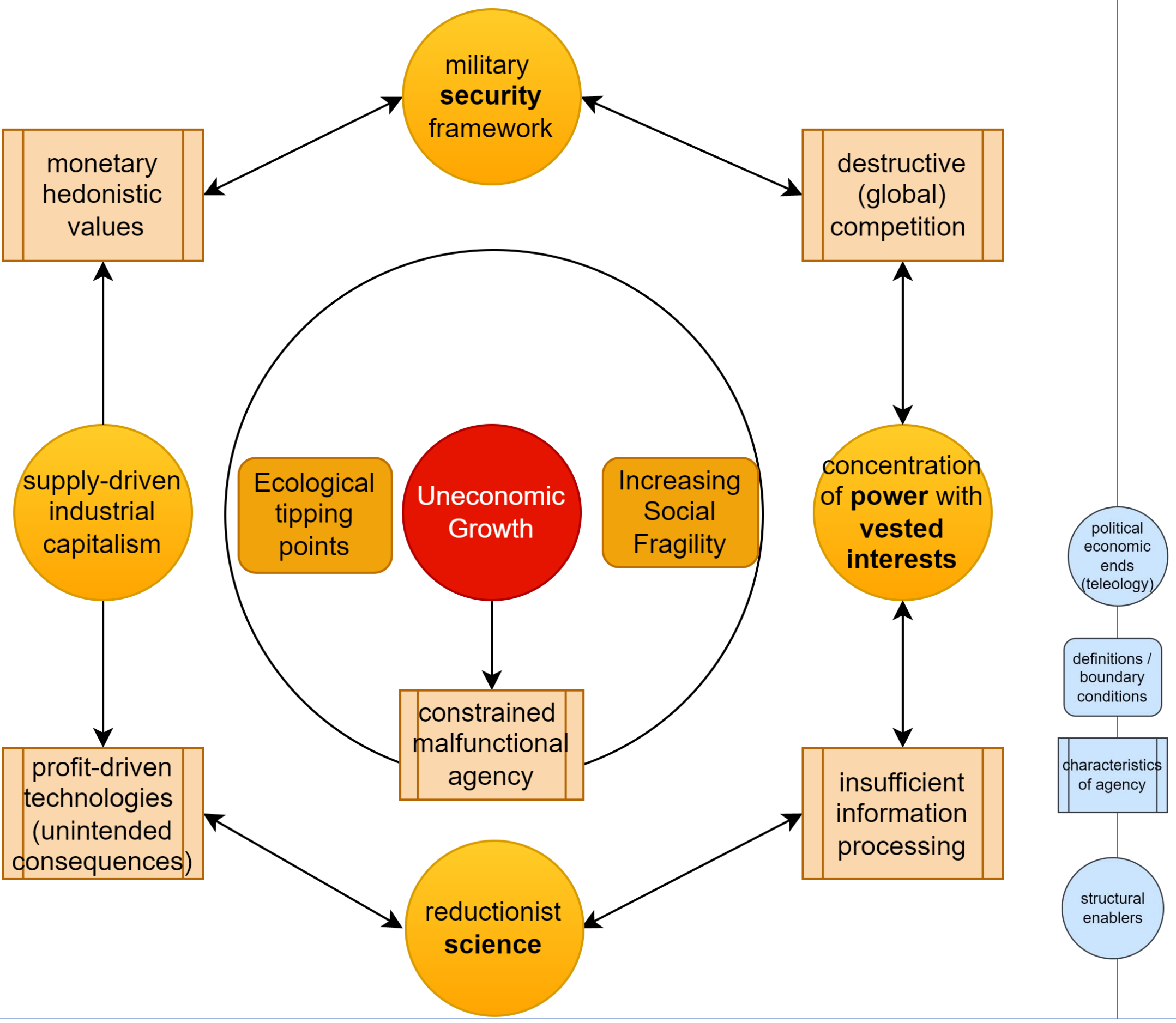
A Literature review with over 120 academic papers and influential reports

Expert Consultations including interviews and workshops with IIASA colleagues and TwR's **Community of Science and Practice (CoSP)** which includes experts and practitioners from diverse backgrounds (first workshop concluded on 27th Oct 2022)

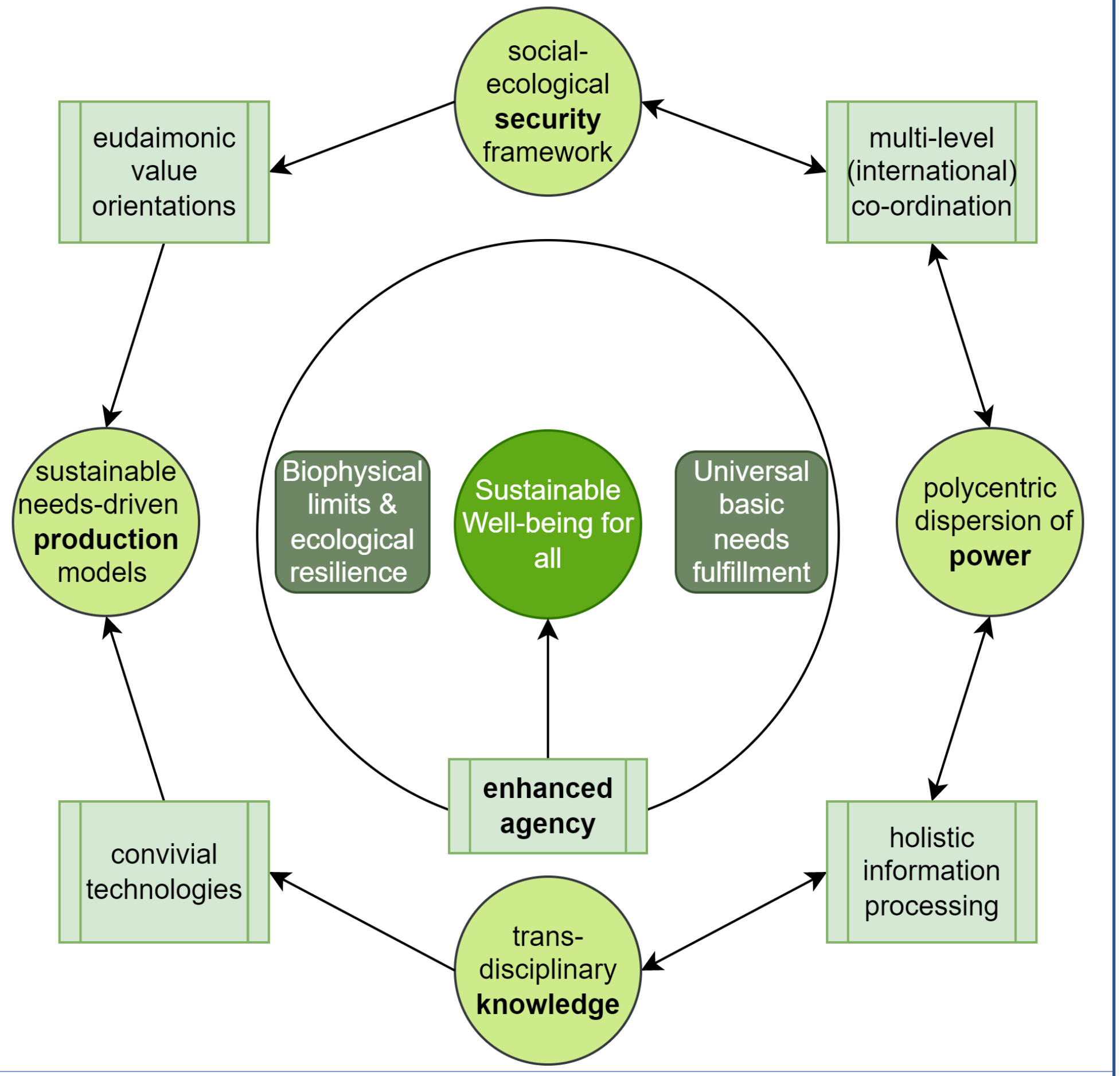
With support and guidance from a high-level advisory board



Our current paradigm of uneconomic growth



A framework for societal transformations



Next Steps : focus on the **HOW** question for societal transformations with this framework as a basis to organize further actions in collaboration with a diverse and growing network of partners and researchers. This would include: a further elaboration on the structural enablers as entry points to enhance agency & societal decision-making; case studies to implement & refine findings