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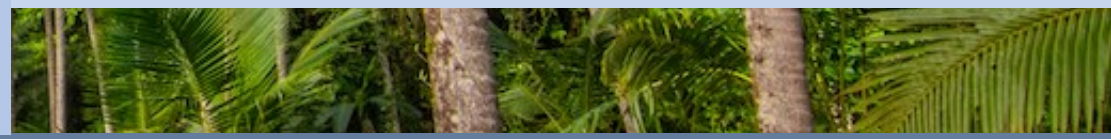

Sustainable Coconut Roundtable
Manila, the Philippines

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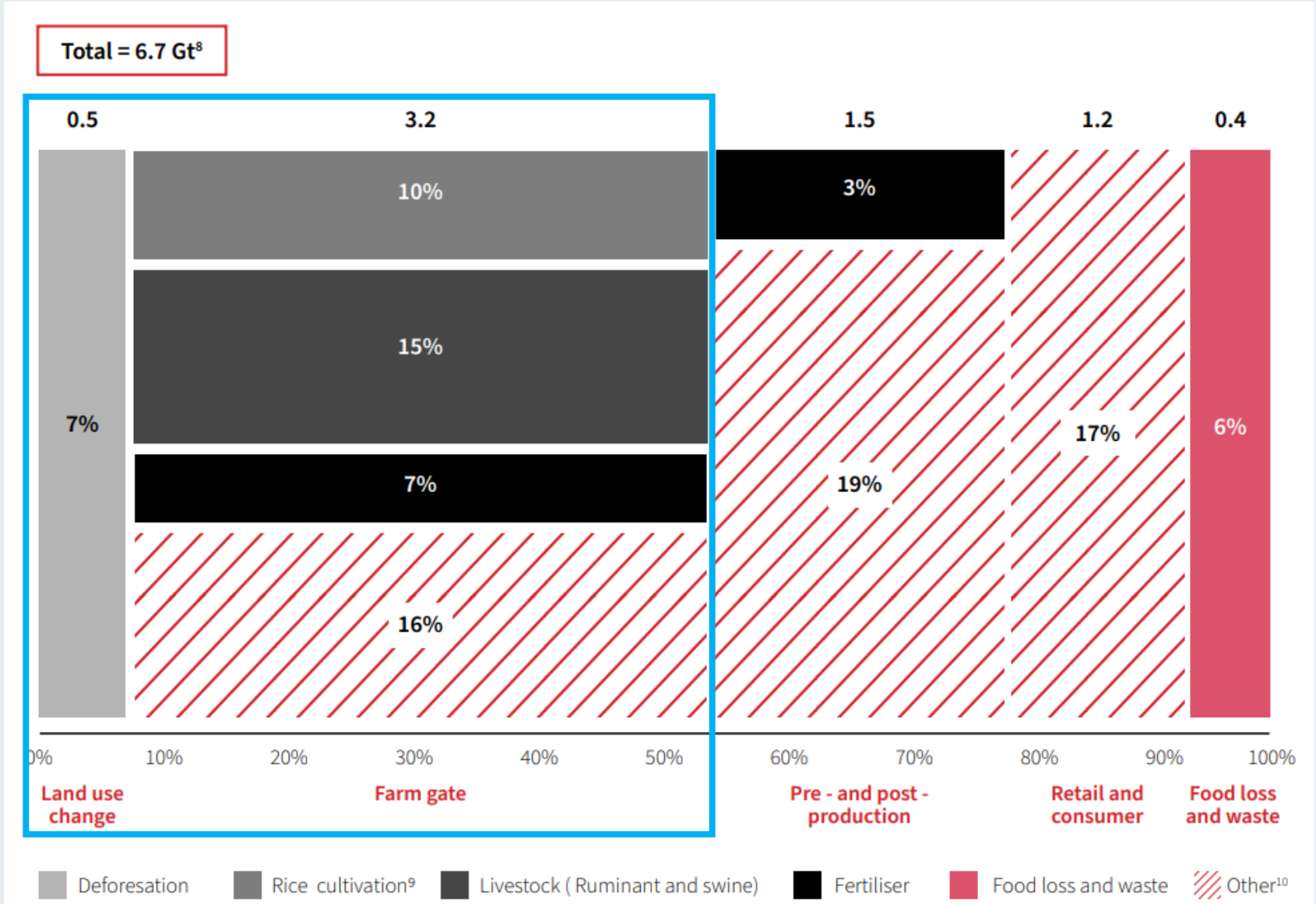
Emissions from agri-food system in Asia

6.7 billion tons CO2e
2020

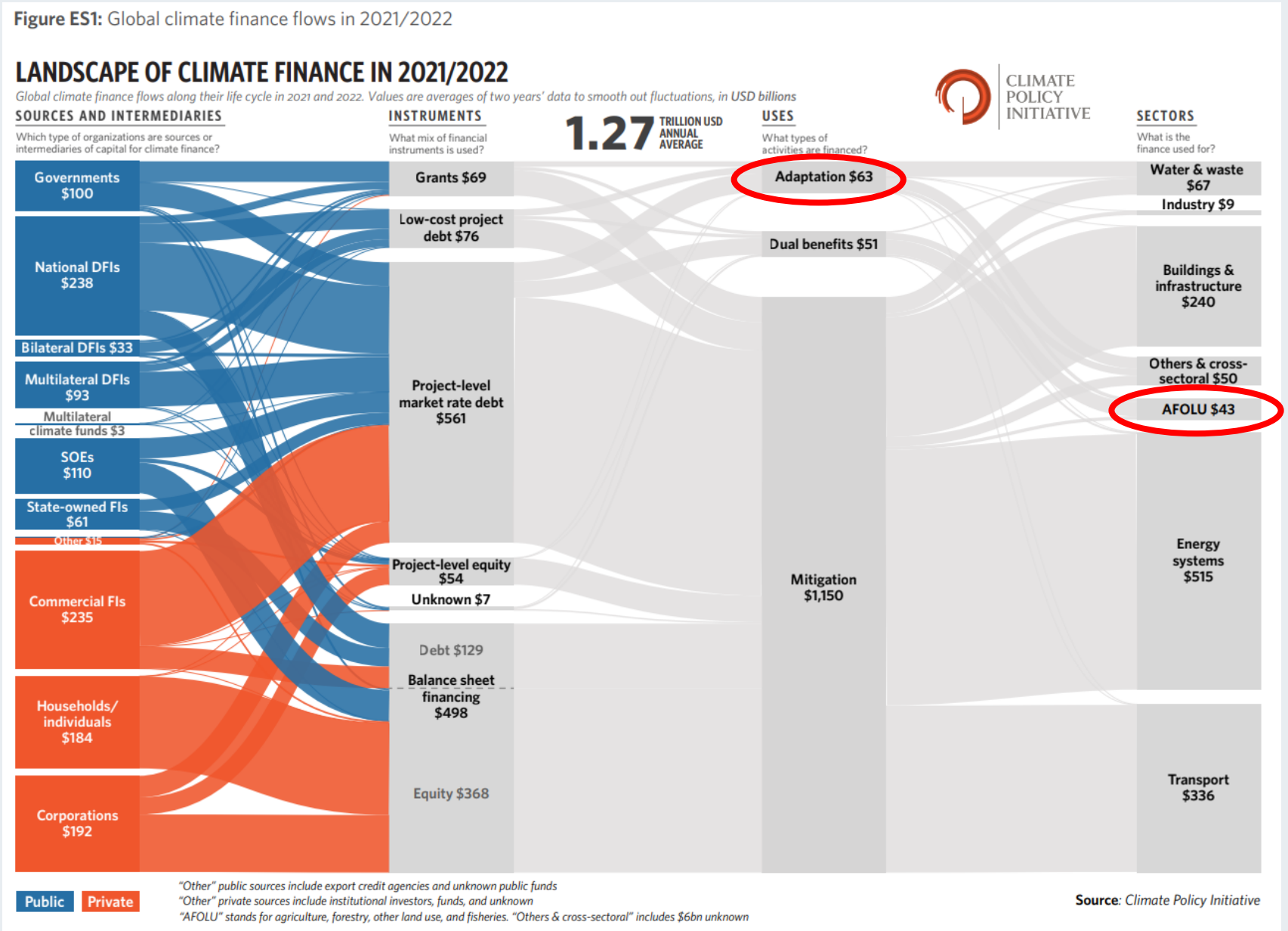
>50% from land use change and farming practices



Source: FAO Cited in: Asia Food Challenge

Climate Finance

Figure ES1: Global climate finance flows in 2021/2022



Only small investments into AFOLU sector and adaptation

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GOAL

Accelerate the transition in the land use sector across Southeast Asia to greater emission reductions, climate resilience, biodiversity protection, inclusiveness, and benefit sharing

OBJECTIVES

1. Sustainable investments in low-emission land use, biodiversity conservation, and climate resilience in agriculture and forestry supply chains increased.
2. Credible standards adopted and/or implemented for low-emission, biodiversity conservation, and climate-resilient investments.
3. Inclusive and equitable benefit sharing to local communities and smallholder farmers enhanced.

Timeframe:
July 2024 – July 2029 (5 years)

Countries:
Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam

Implemented by:

DAI

RECOFTC

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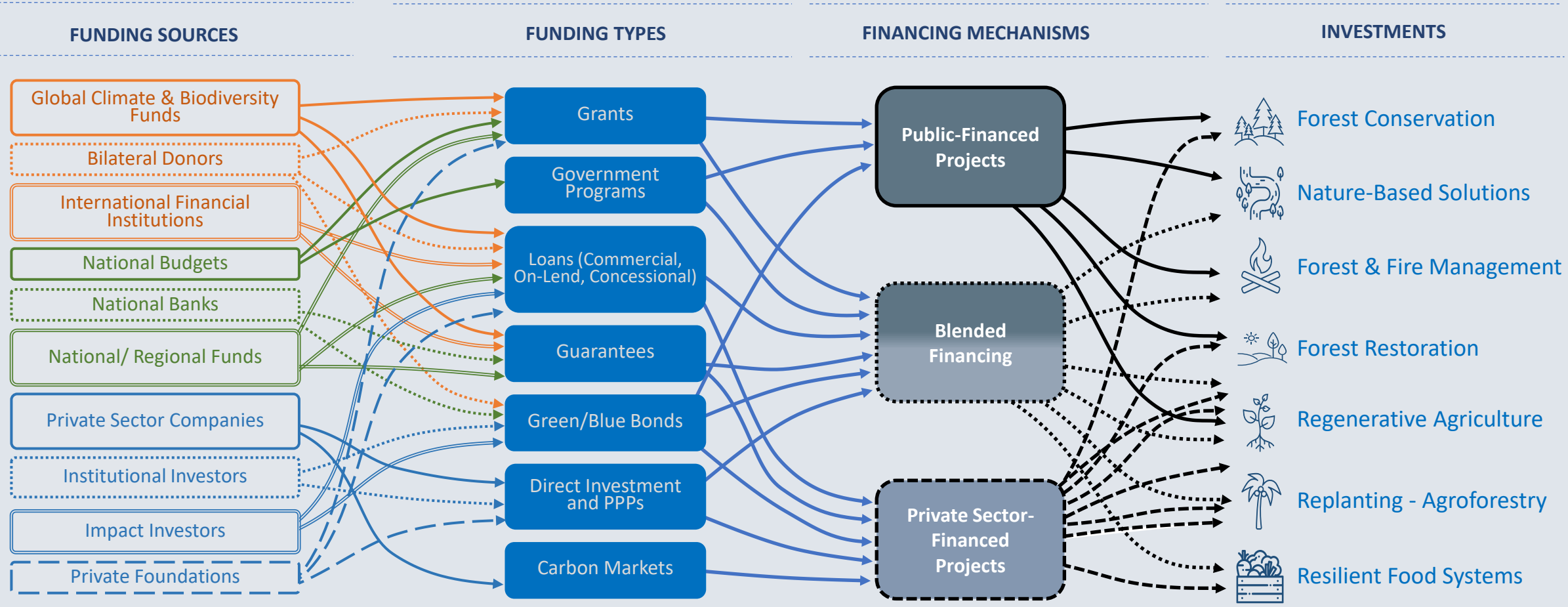
Outcomes

- Three agricultural commodity chains are substantially advanced toward deforestation-free and net-zero outcomes (i.e. rice, rubber, coffee, coconut, cocoa, maize, etc.)
- 50 million tons CO2e reduced (projected over 15 years)
- 1.5 million hectares (agriculture + forests) improved and restored
- 150,000 people with improved livelihoods
- $200 million new investment mobilized, including $25 million for local communities
- Support policies and standards addressing nature-based solutions
- Strengthened regional organizations, partners, and platforms

PATHWAYS TO INVESTMENT



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Carbon footprint – refined coconut oil (kg CO2e per kg): Philippines + Indonesia

Source: Worldfootprint SA

Land management	De-husking	Transport	Oil crushing	Refining	=	TOTAL (excluding LUC):
1.0	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.1		2.5

kg CO2/kg

x 2.5 million tons coconut oil per year (PH + IN) =
6.25 million tons CO2e per year

million tons CO2e per year

2.5	1.5	0.75	1.25	0.25	=	6.25

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