



THE SUSTAINABLE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

(A Proposal for Post-Conflict Recovery Societies)

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Post – Conflict Recovery Societies

This presentation contains a proposal for a development strategy to be primarily applied in countries and societies which are making a *transition process* towards:

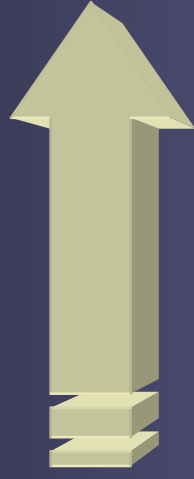
- Lasting Peace
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- Equity Social Development

Why is the '*transition process*' relevant in this presentation?

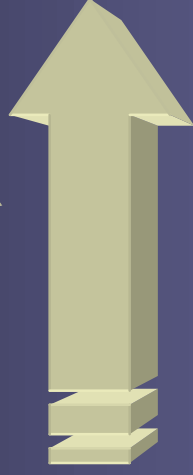
Because the '*transition process*' towards the mentioned destinations usually:

- opens structural change opportunities at different dimensions of societal life to produce desired constitutional and institutional reforms
- enables the emergence of new development players into the political and economic arena which is fundamental to establish new power relationships
- offers the opportunity for new development strategies and policies introducing structural reforms and necessary social change processes

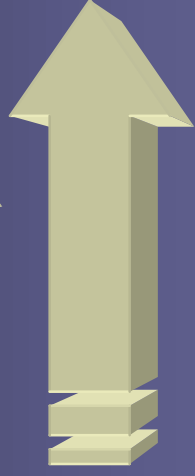
Destinations of Post-conflict Recovery Societies



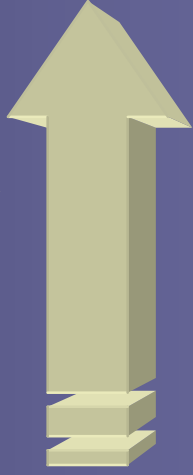
Lasting Peace



Democratic Governance



Sustainable Market Economy



Equity Social Development

The 'Human Development' Concept as a Development Paradigm for Post-Conflict Recovery Societies

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Human Development is defined as

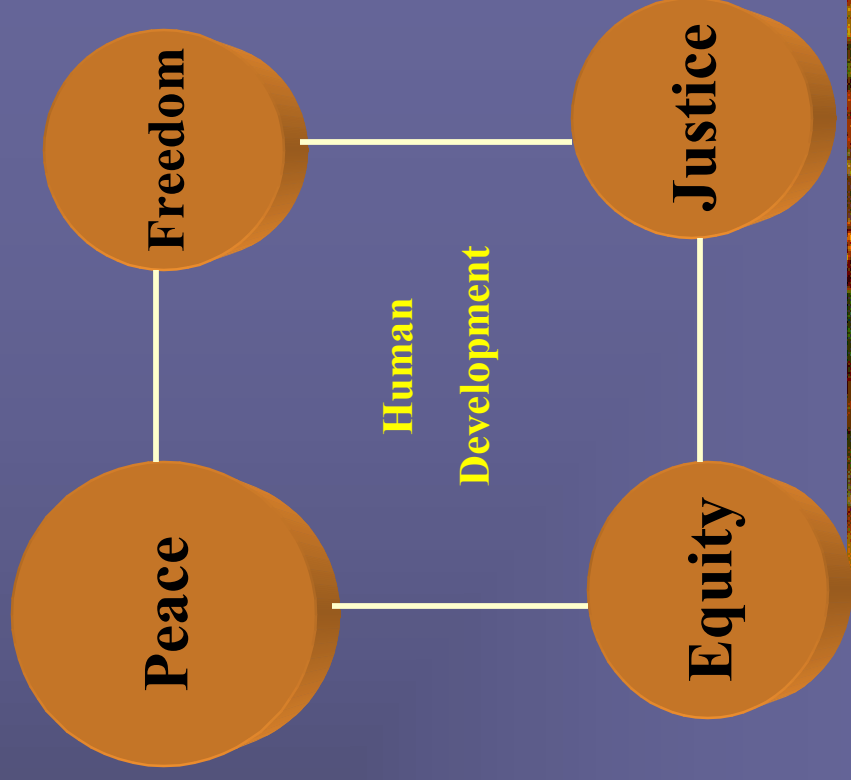
“the process of enlarging people Choices. The most critical of these wide ranging choices are:

- To live a long and healthy life
- To be educated and
- To have access to the resources needed for a decent standard of living.

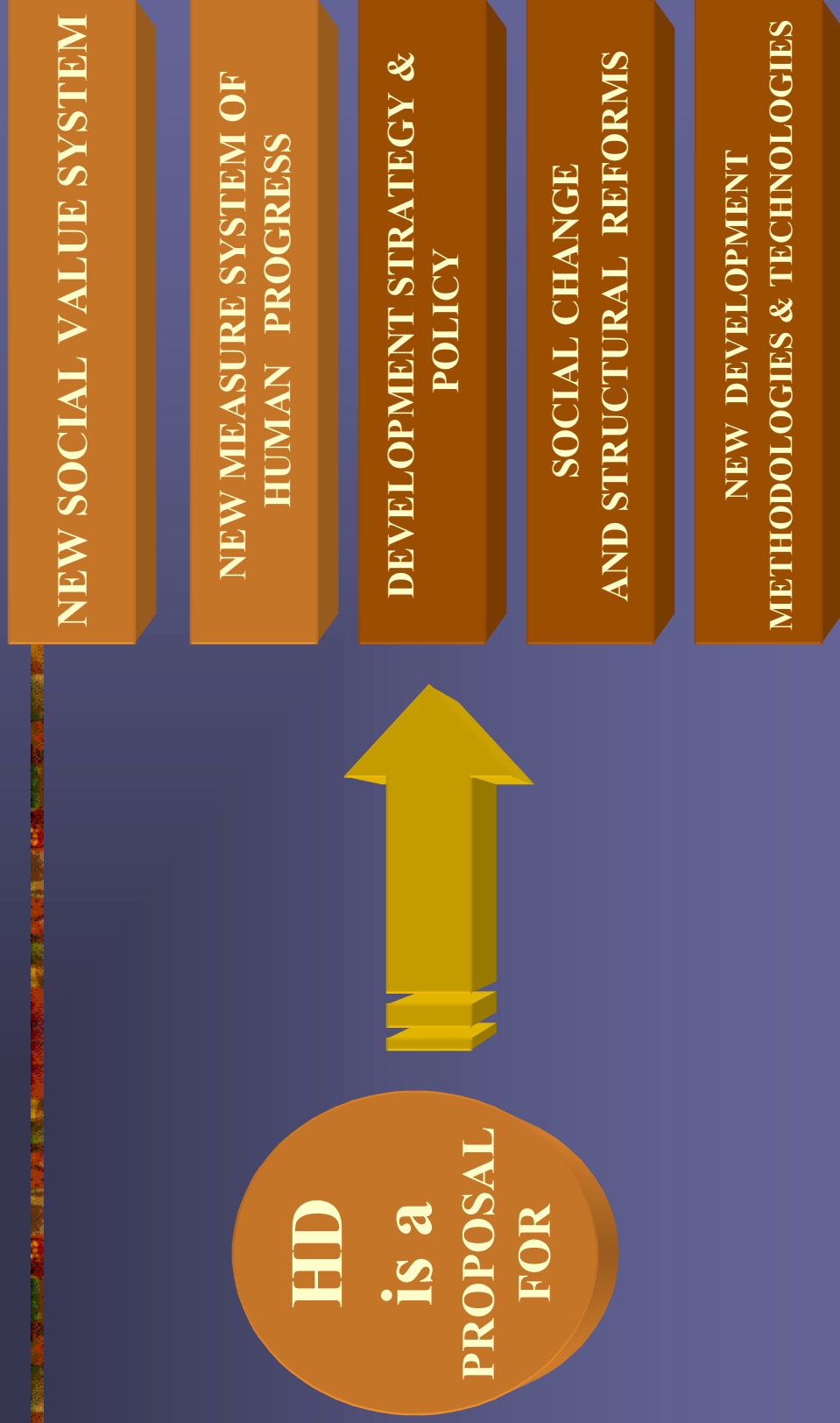
Additional choices include political freedom guaranteed human rights and personal self-respect” (UNDP)

In other words, the human development concept is a claim for:

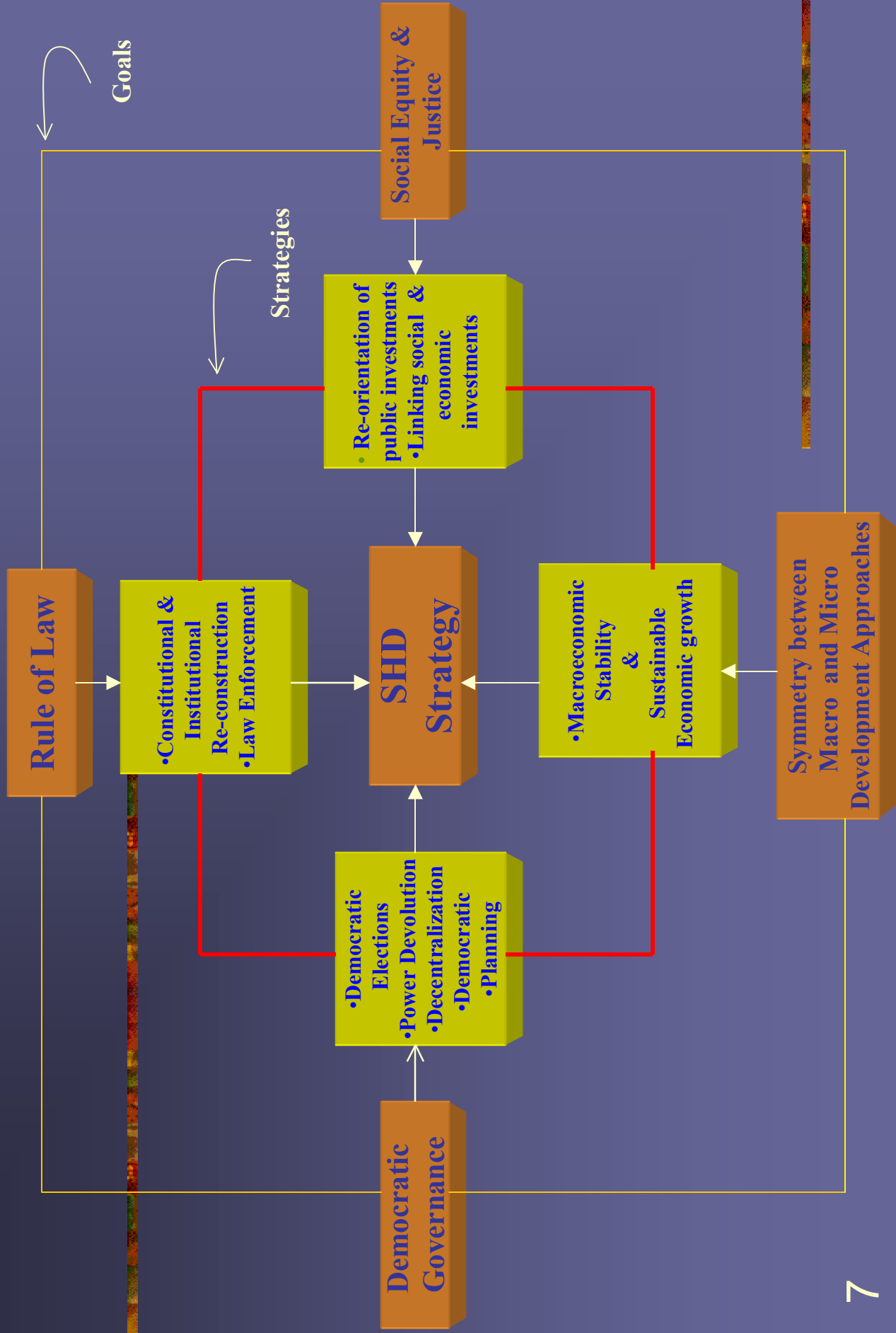
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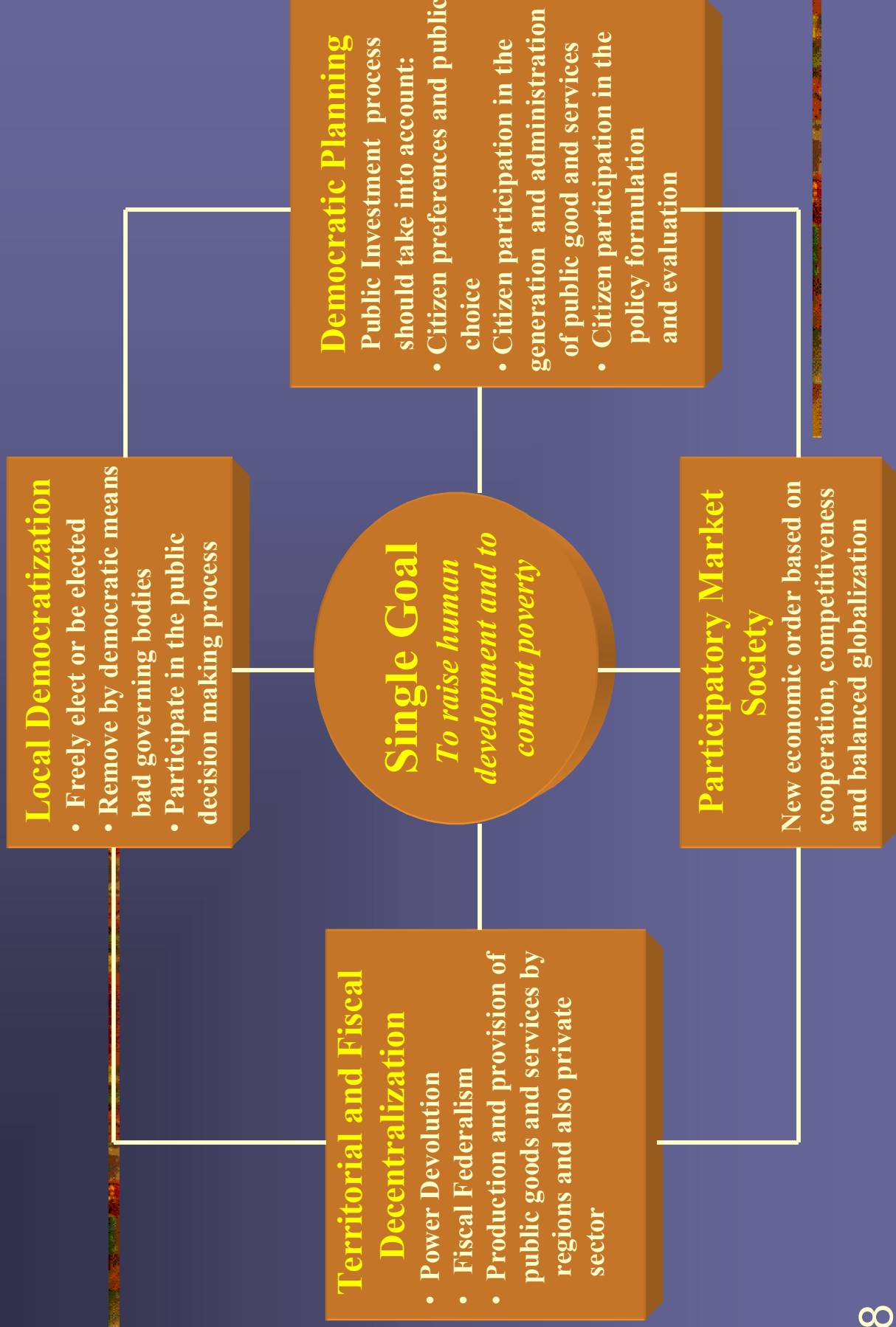
DIMENSIONS OF THE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT



Goals & Strategies for Change: Global Approach

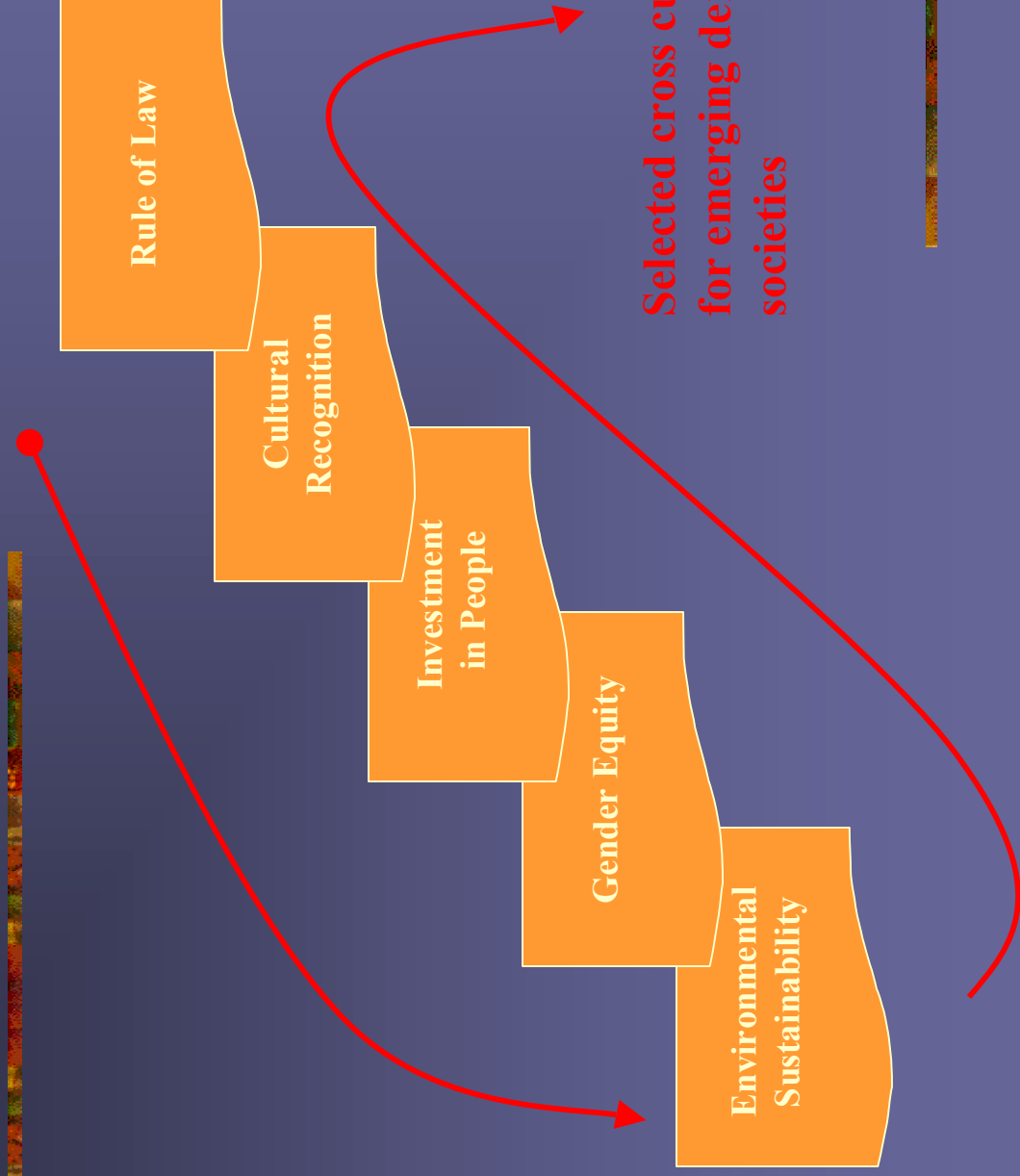


Goal & Strategies for Change: Local Approach



Cross Cutting Issues

Cross cutting issues are transversal approaches that permeate all social change processes and structural reforms promoted by the strategy and therefore shall influence in form and content the methodological setting up of the strategy in practice.

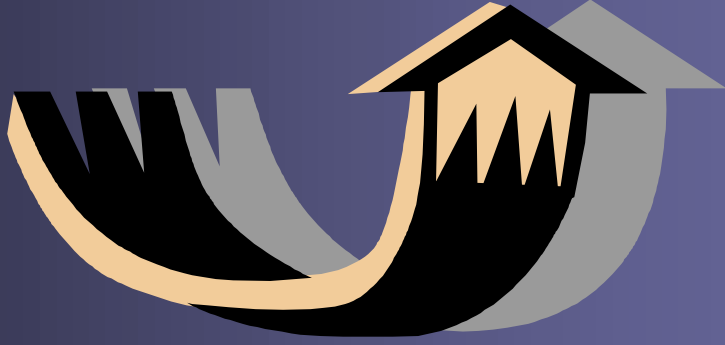
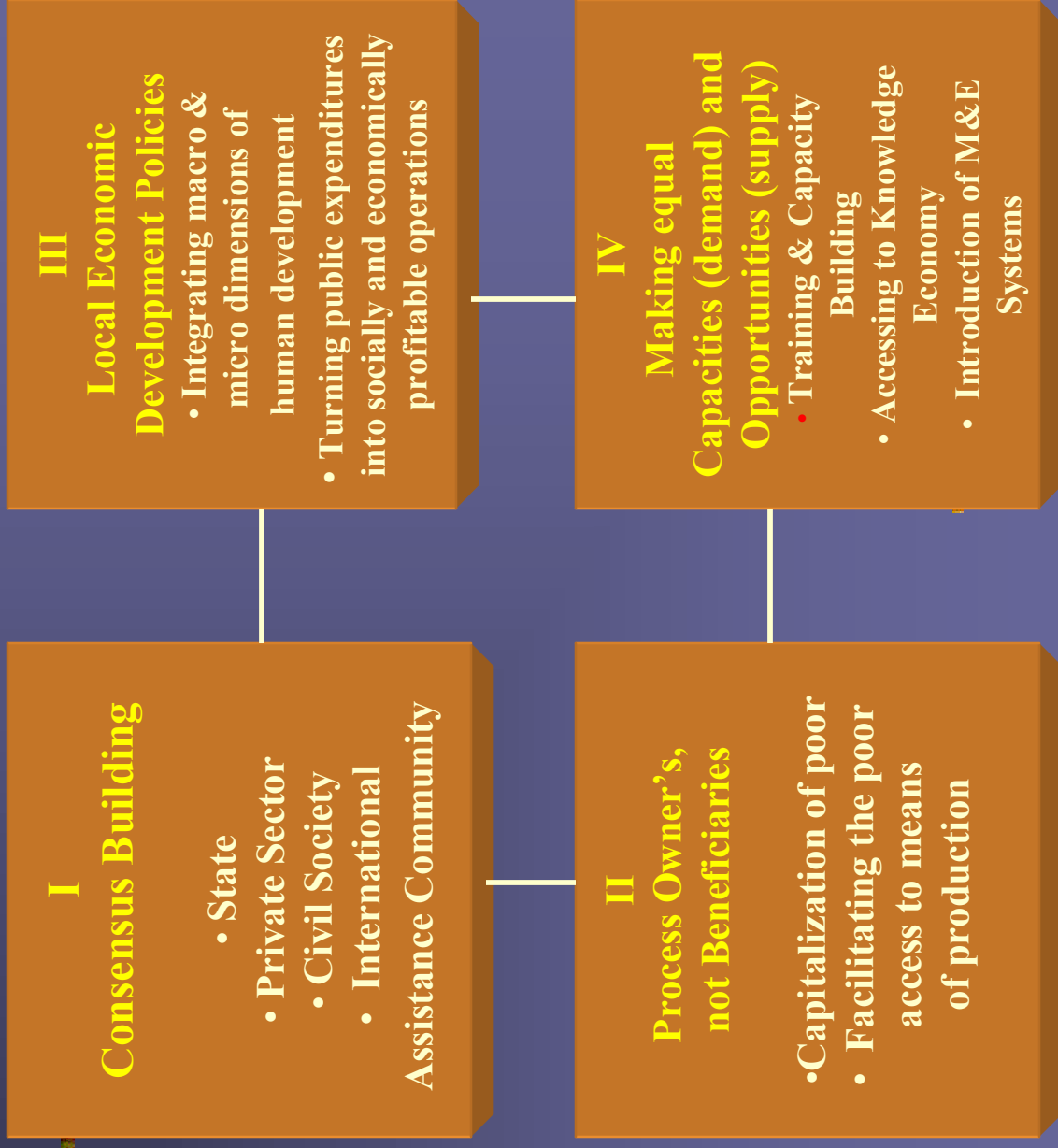


**Selected cross cutting issues
for emerging democratic
societies**

Human Development Strategy Matrix

CROSS CUTTING ISSUES					
STRUCTURAL REFORMS	Rule of law	Cultural Recognition	Investment in People	Gender Equity	Environmental Sustainability
Local Democratization	Sovereignty to the people	Equal cultural rights for every body	Education for exercising democracy	Women representation in democratic electing local bodies	Empowering local governments to legislate on environmental issues
Territorial & Fiscal Decentralization	Orderly power devolution and authority transfer from central government to local governments	Applying subsidiarity principle in favor of specific disadvantaged groups and regions	Teaching and training people and local bodies to self ruling and sharing development costs through taxation	Women leadership in power devolution	Equity cost distribution of environmental losses between regions and social groups
Democratic Planning	Putting citizen preferences and public choice first	Voice and choice of cultural minorities and/or excluded majorities	Teaching and training people in needs assessment and collective making decisions	Women involvement in public decision making processes	Introduction of environmental approaches in planning practices
Participatory market society	Accessing poor people to means of production	Economic aperture and opportunities to cultural minorities	Cooperative and competitiveness approaches for generating and distributing economic outcome	Access of women to means of production and factor markets	Absorption of environmental losses by the market economy

Methodological Principles





Tool Box

Local Development Policies

- Integrated Development Plans
(Basic Needs + Economic Recovery)
- Strategic Projects
- Competitiveness Policies
- Microcredit Policies

Consensus Building

- Critical Path towards Democratic Local Governance
- Local Development Task Teams

Owners, not Beneficiaries

- Local Economic Development Agencies – LEDAS –
- Microcredit Trust Funds

Capacities = Opportunities

- Training & Capacity Building
- Technical Assistance
- Research
- Information Systems

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Support Approaches to the Roundtable Discussion

Basic Statements of the Local Approach

Common Approach *Local Human Development*

Local Human Development can be defined as the process of improving social, economic and political welfare by bringing together all the local macro stakeholders behind a common development purpose or political development project that they should promote and realize following human development precepts

Single Goal *To raise human development and combat poverty*

- It sets a single goal recognizing the need to concentrate efforts before going to disperse forces

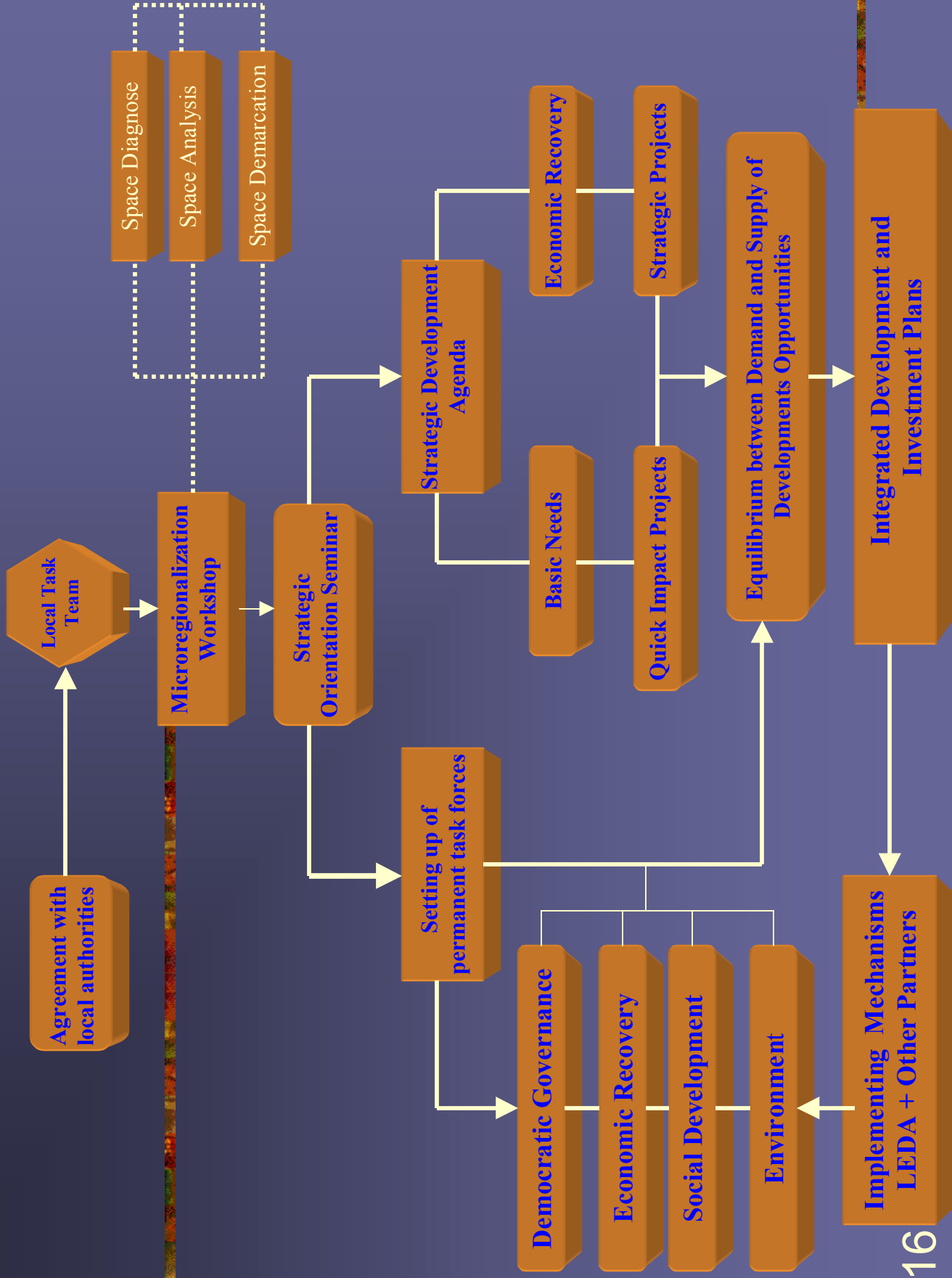
The single goal involves the achievement of two opposing objectives, in the sense that the achievement of the first objective (*to raise human development*) necessarily means the disappearance of the second one (*to combat poverty*)

Strategic Structural Reforms

A new social order based on the above-mentioned ideals should be the result of deep structural reforms in several dimension of the societal life.

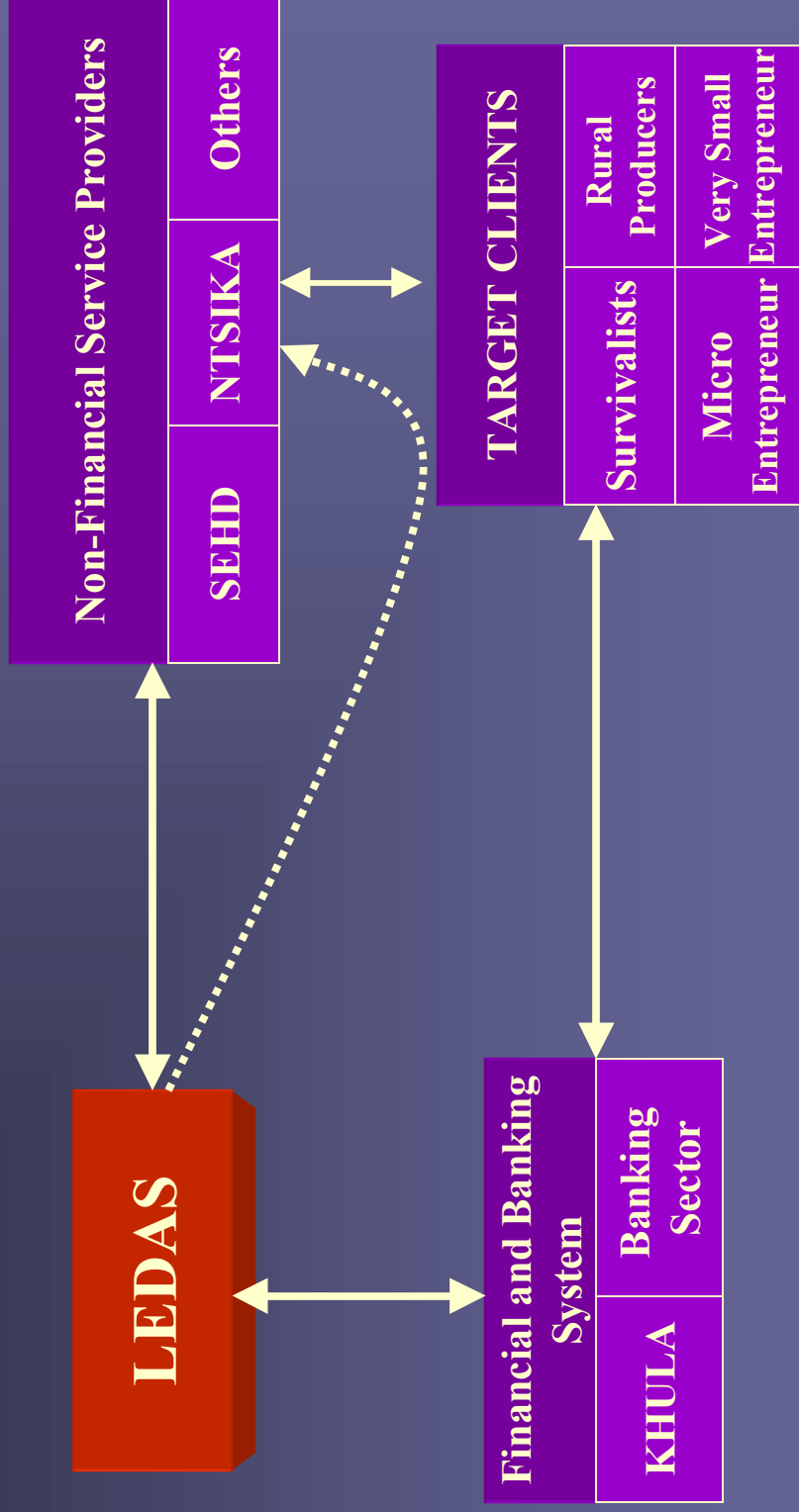
Reforms are changes and innovations to the constitutional and institutional fundamentals of state, civil society and market economy to adjust these fundamentals according to the requirements of a new social order

Critical Path towards Local Democratic Governance



Microfinance Development Network

(The South African Case)



LEDA's Microfinance Trust Fund Approach

(The South African Case)

