MfDR, Results Chains

Result chains

➢ **Are logical diagrams**

➢ **Linking inputs-outputs-outcomes-impact**

Used:

➢ **To improve planning**

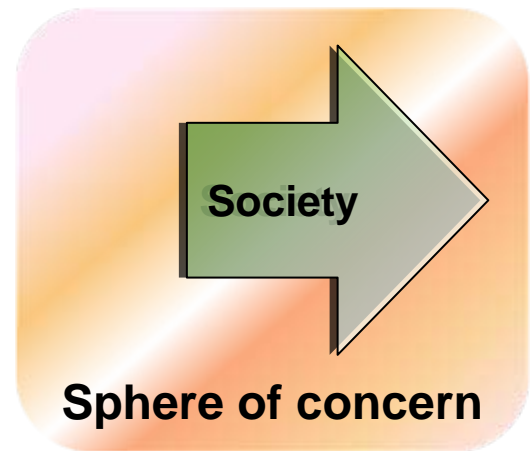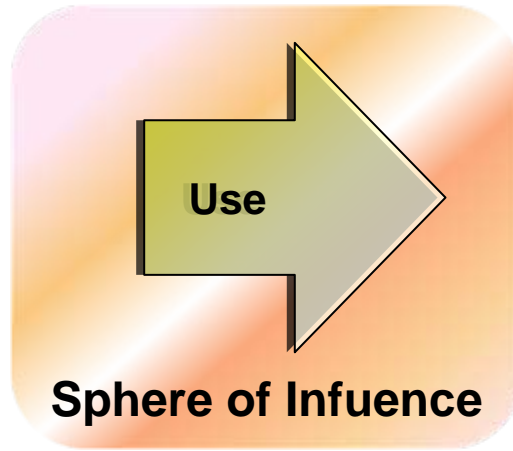➢ **To link interventions to results**

➢ **For more systematic performance monitoring**

What?

Results

Inputs → Activities → Outputs → Outcomes → Impact

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Development Results: Change!

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Outputs → **Outcomes** → **Impact**

Deliverables

Use

Society

Sphere of Control

Sphere of Infuence

Sphere of concern
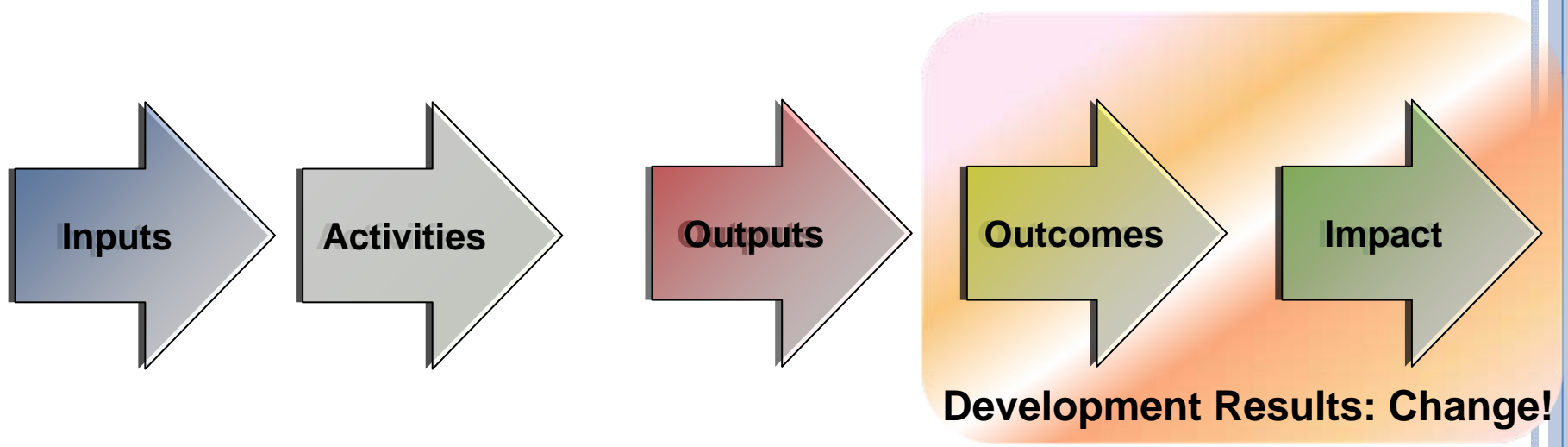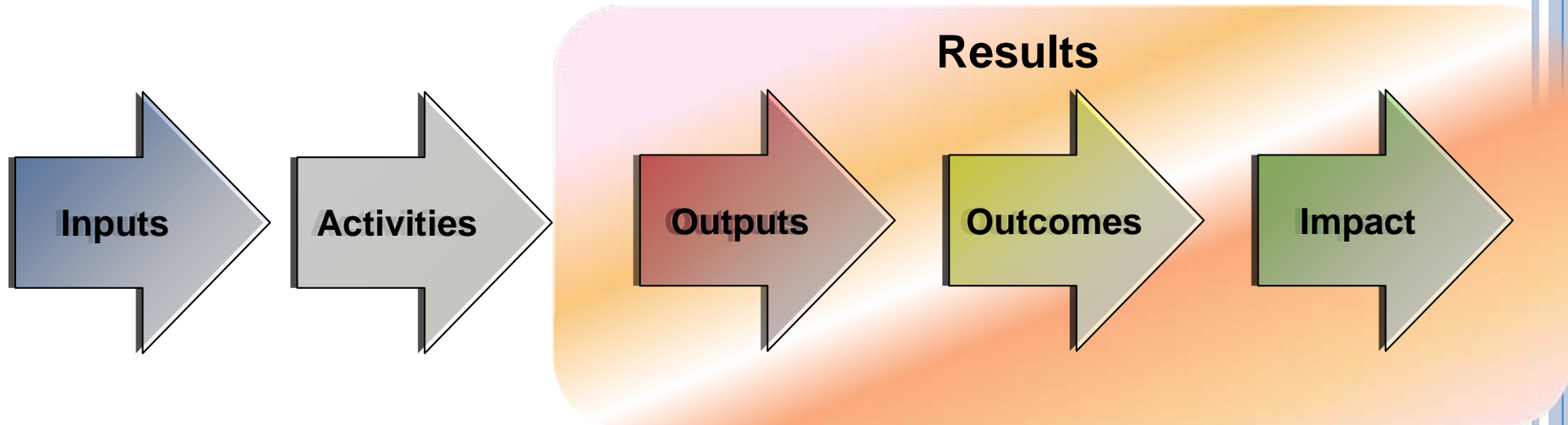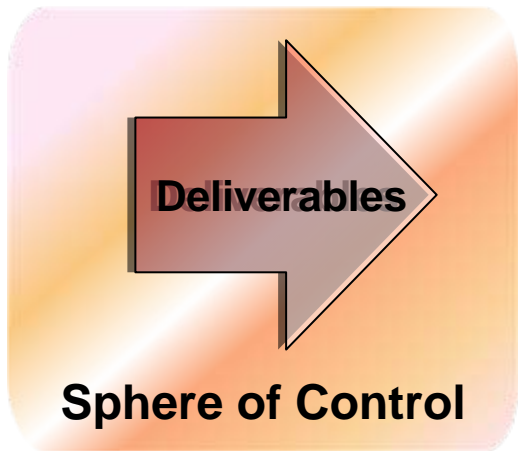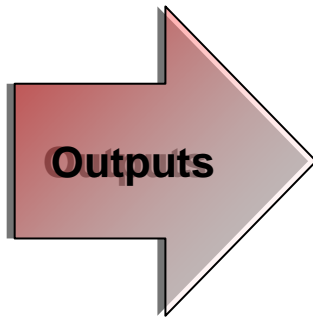
Value added result chains:

➢ **May capture the envisaged change process better**

➢ **Enable development partners to position themselves in country efforts**

Results chains can include more outcome (or impact) levels, capturing the development change process better

Outputs	Immediate Outcomes (Direct)	Intermediate Outcomes (Indirect)	Impact
More water connections	Citizens use clean water	Improved hygiene	Water borne diseases diminished
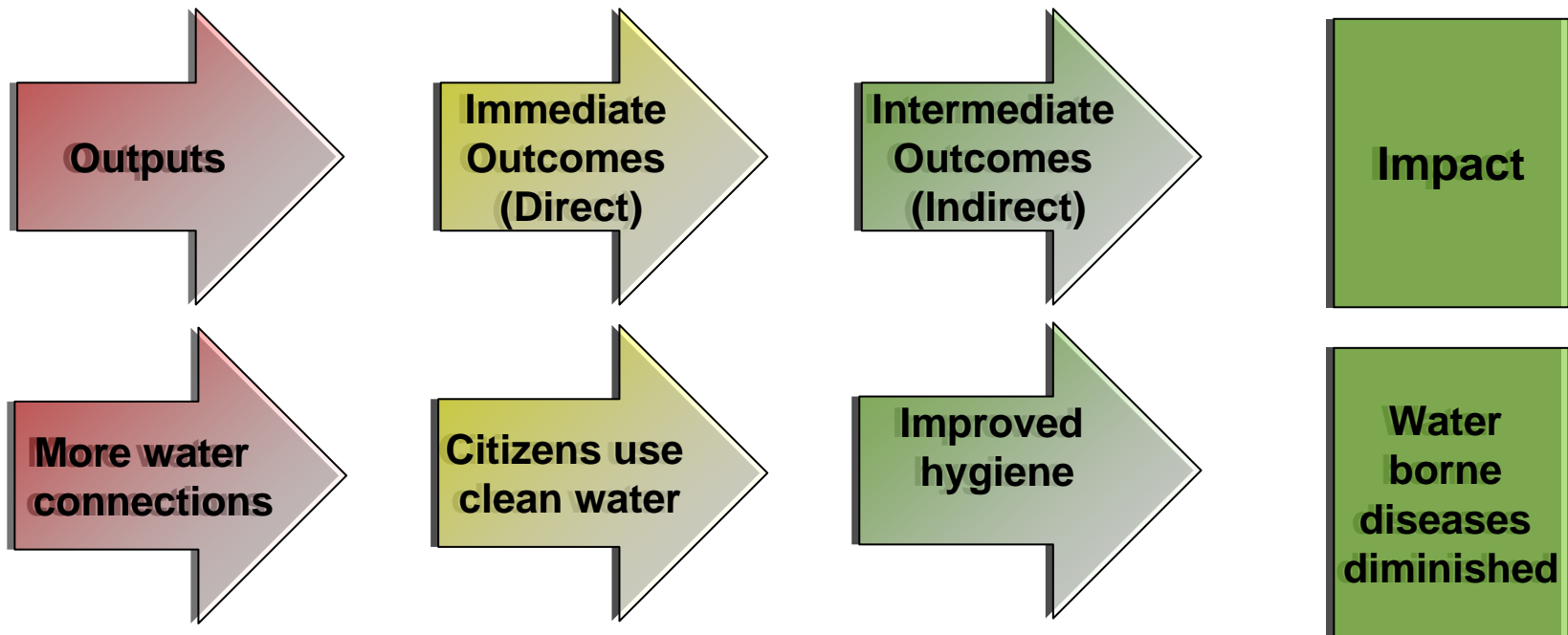
Results chains can include more output levels, capturing the interventions of development partners to the change process better

Partner Outputs	Country Outputs	Country Outcomes	Country Impact
Support to legal reforms	Improved Enabling Environment Private Sector	Increased local and international investment	Increased employment

joint responsibility

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JOINT DONORS' COMPETENCE DEVELOPMENT NETWORK
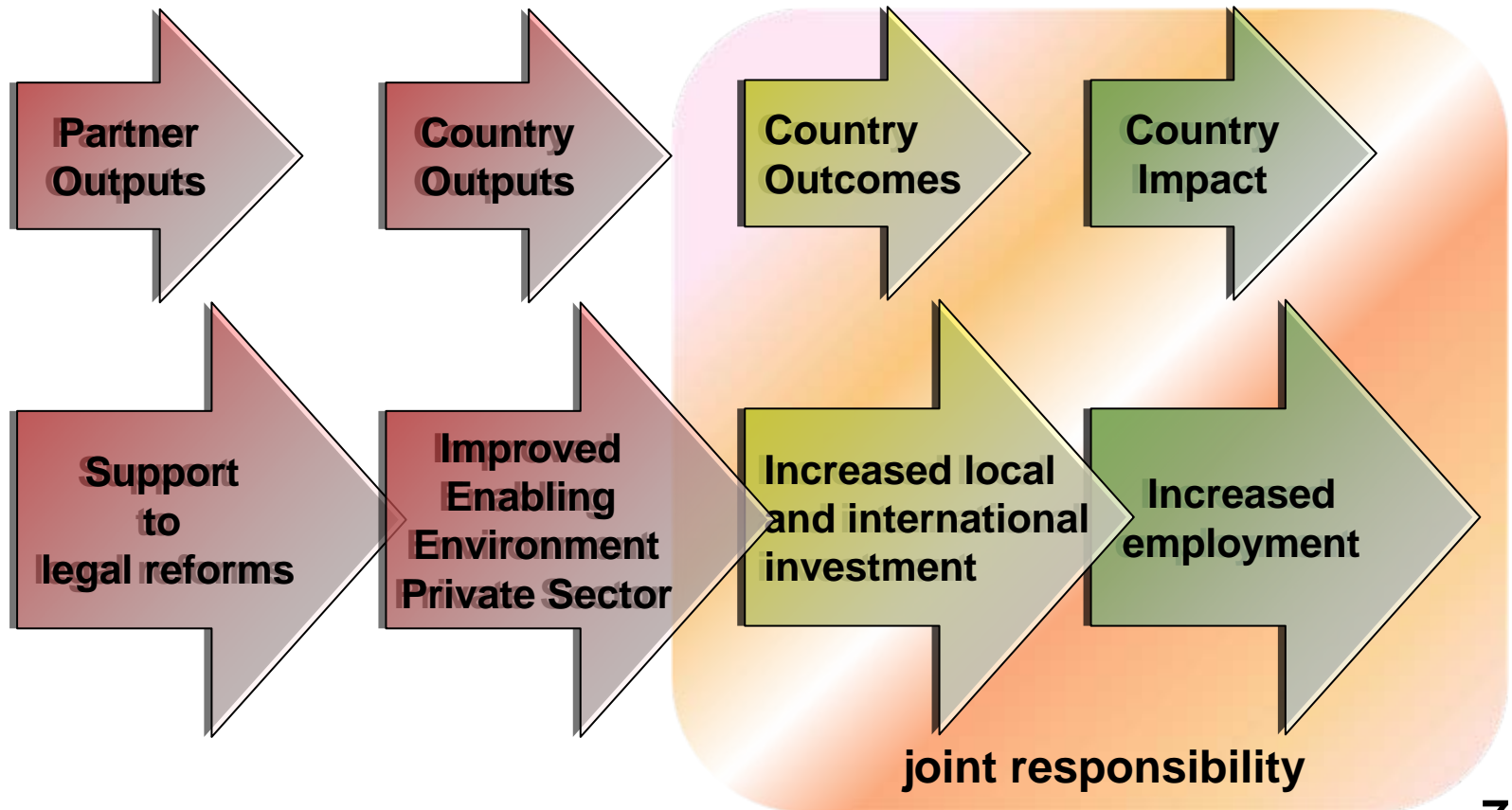
Result chains as appropriate MfDR tool:

➢ **Are logical diagrams linking inputs-outputs-outcomes-impact;**

➢ **Enable to capture the envisaged change process;**

➢ **Enable development partners to position themselves in country efforts (visualising alignment!)**

As such, result chains support:

➢ **Dialogue on results**

➢ **Align PM&E with Results**

➢ **Planning (and Budgeting)**

Or, in short:

➢ **Shared goals and strategies**

➢ **and are a good starting point for performance-based budgeting**

Time for Questions

Group work 2

Results chain

- **Prepare one result chain for your sector and write on cards**
- **Refer to example (slide #6 on cards)**
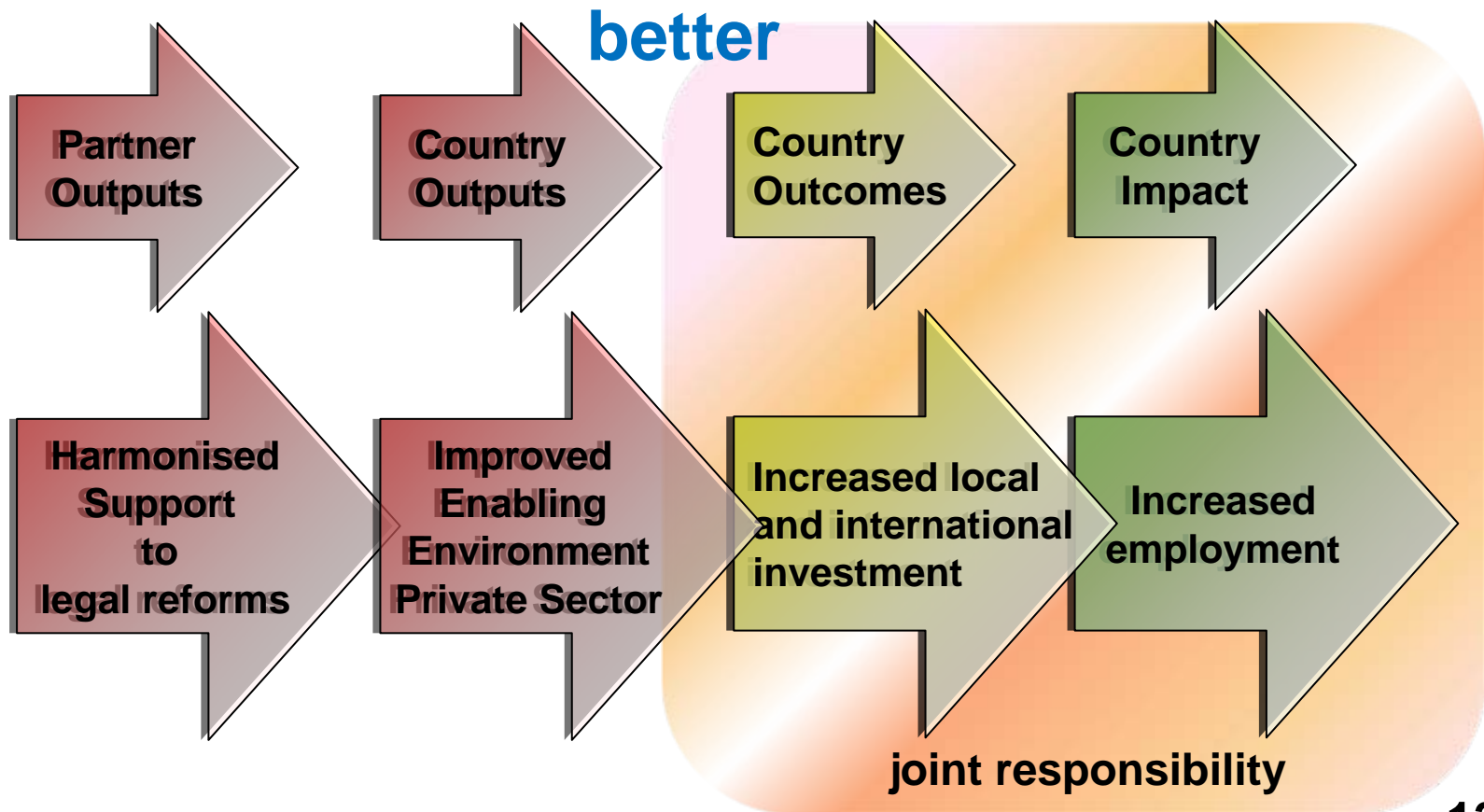- **Facilitators are always there to help you**

At country level Aid Effectiveness is:

- Ownership
- Harmonisation
- Alignment
- Mutual Accountability

And of course :

- MfDR (Shared goals and strategies, Performance based budgets and Evidence-based decision making)

Results chains can include Aid Effectiveness activities, capturing the contribution of development partners to the change process better

| Partner Outputs | Country Outputs | Country Outcomes | Country Impact |

| Harmonised Support to legal reforms | Improved Enabling Environment Private Sector | Increased local and international investment | Increased employment |

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But,

Aid Effectiveness also addressed by (joint) activities and process that support the implementation of the result chains, through a/o:

- **Improved M&E system**
- **Joint annual sector reviews**
- **Coordination of capacity development initiatives**
- **Etc,**

Reference RGC Aid Effectiveness Priorities for 2009

Gallery walk instruction

- Display your results chain on the wall or the pin board .

- Go to look at each of the other TWG's results chain.

- While reading each results chain, please keep in mind and find answers to the guiding questions.

- We will discuss your observations in plenary.

Questions to guide your observations and note taking

- What are the examples of well formulated outcomes and why?

- Where did you see good result chains and why?

- What are, in your opinion good examples of aid effectiveness activities?

- What would you change now in your own result chain?