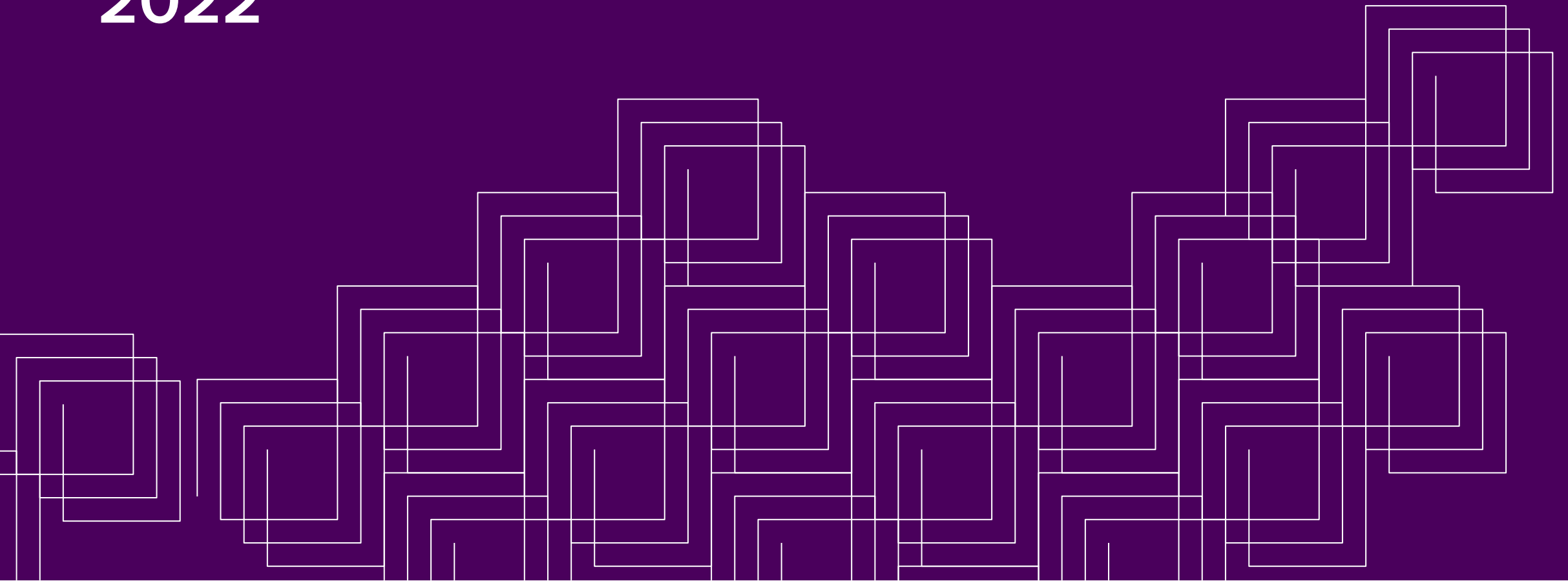
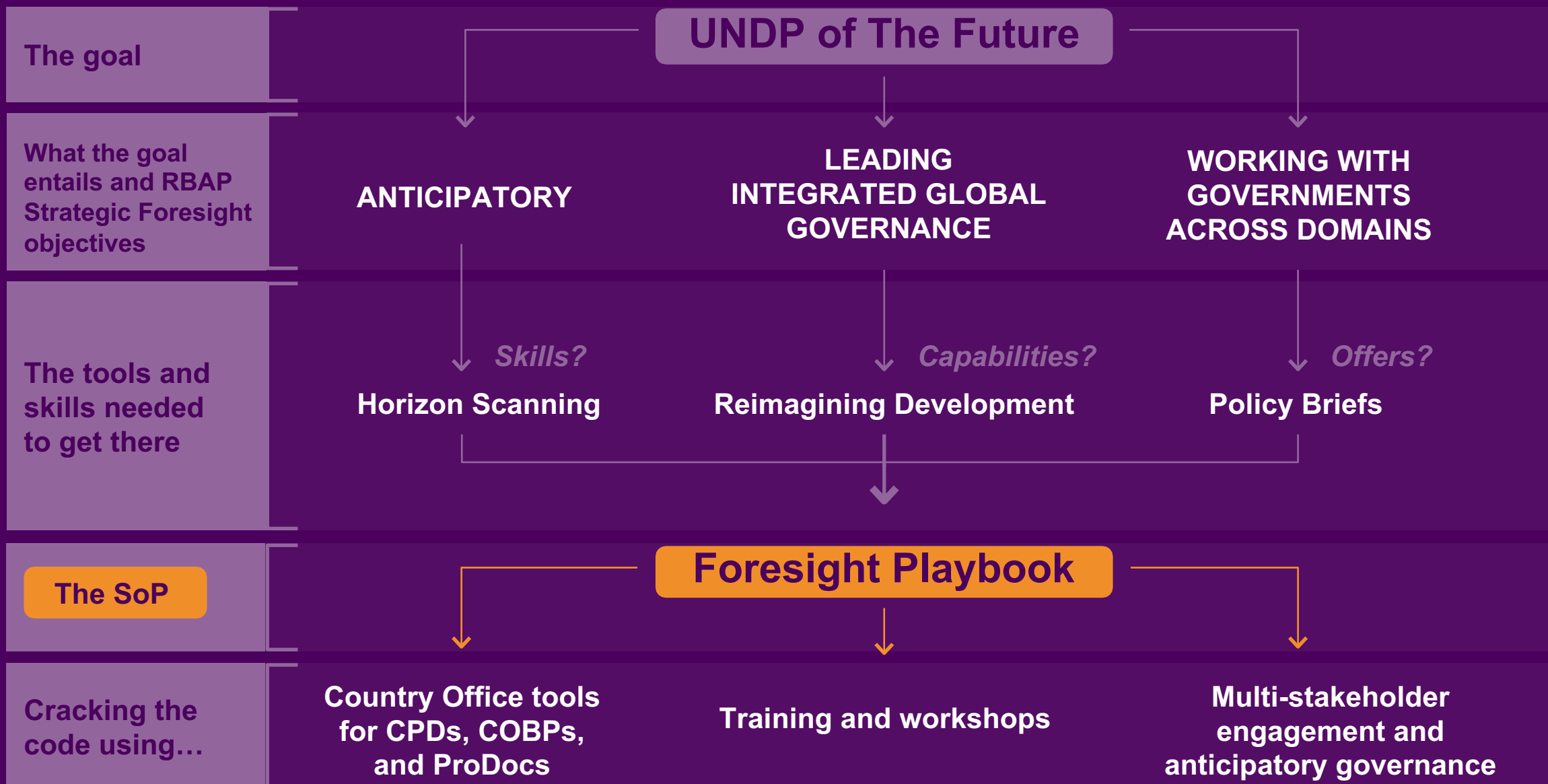
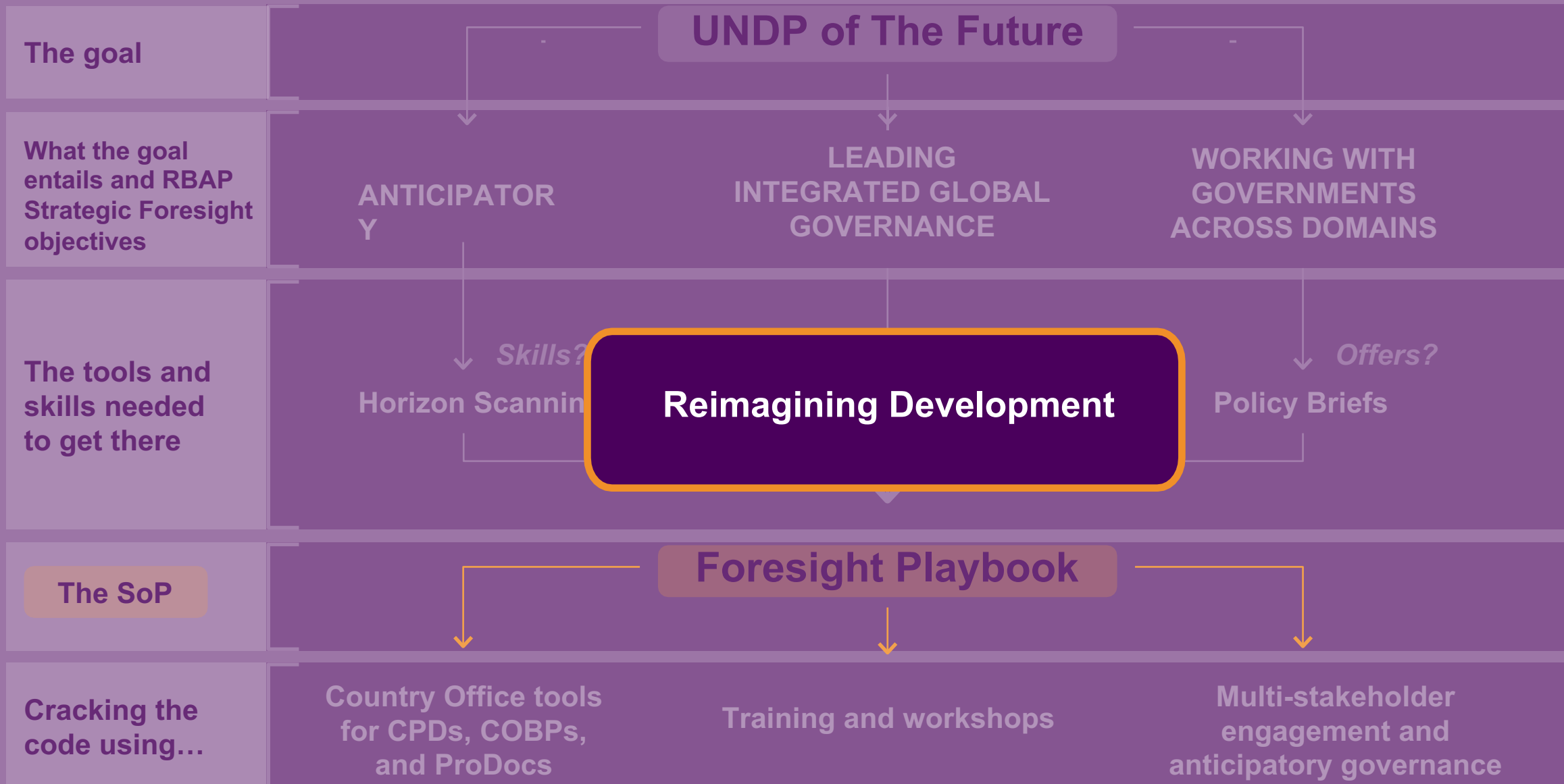


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DAY 2

DECIDE: Foresight for Capability Building & Culture

SESSION 3

20 Jan 8AM – 10AM

Bangkok

19 Jan 8PM – 10PM

New York

RBAP Policy Brief Launch, Reimagining Development & Inclusive Imaginaries

This interactive session will feature a presentation of RBAP Policy Briefs, as well as a high-level synthesis on inclusive imaginaries and reimagining development.



[Moderator]

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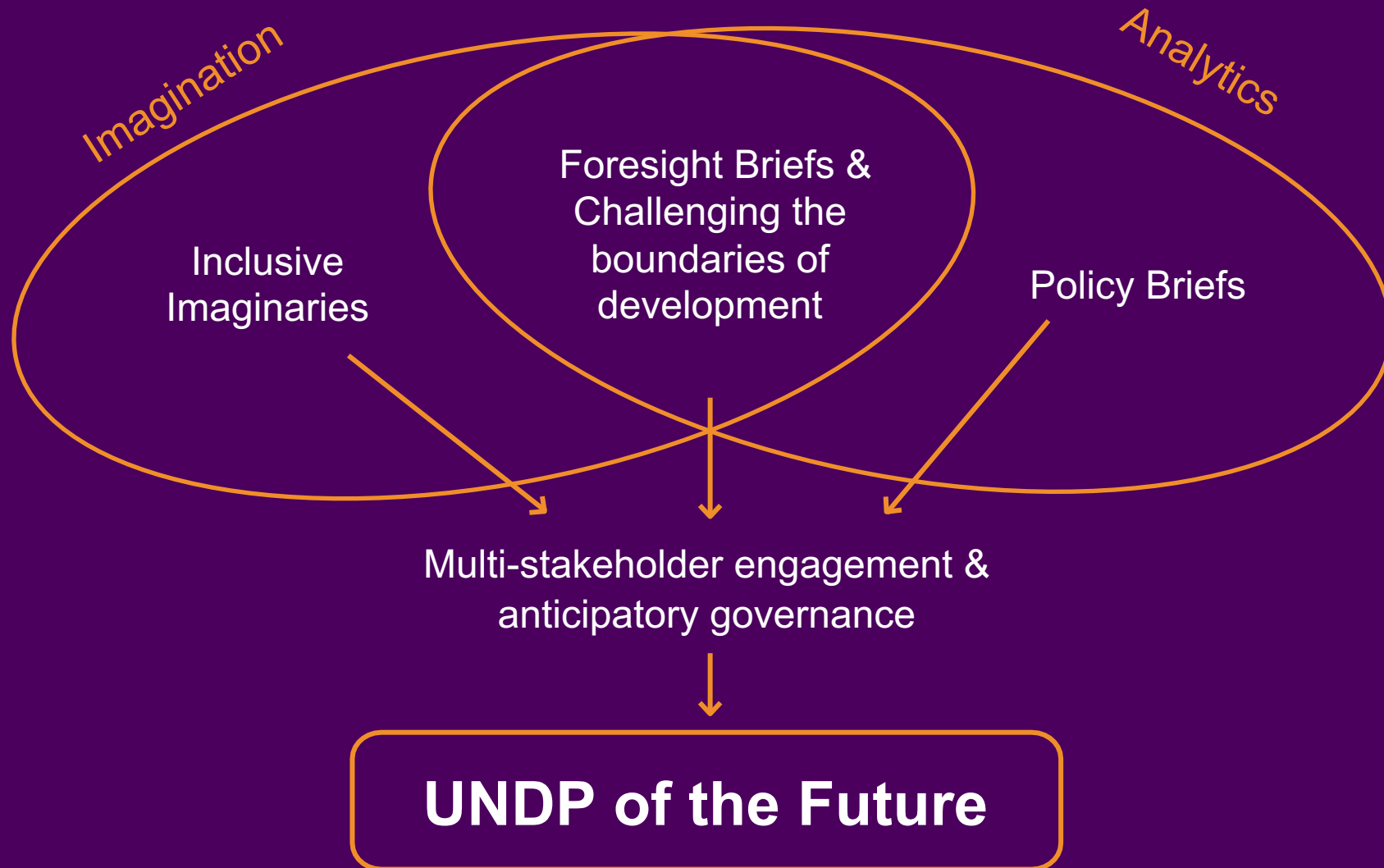
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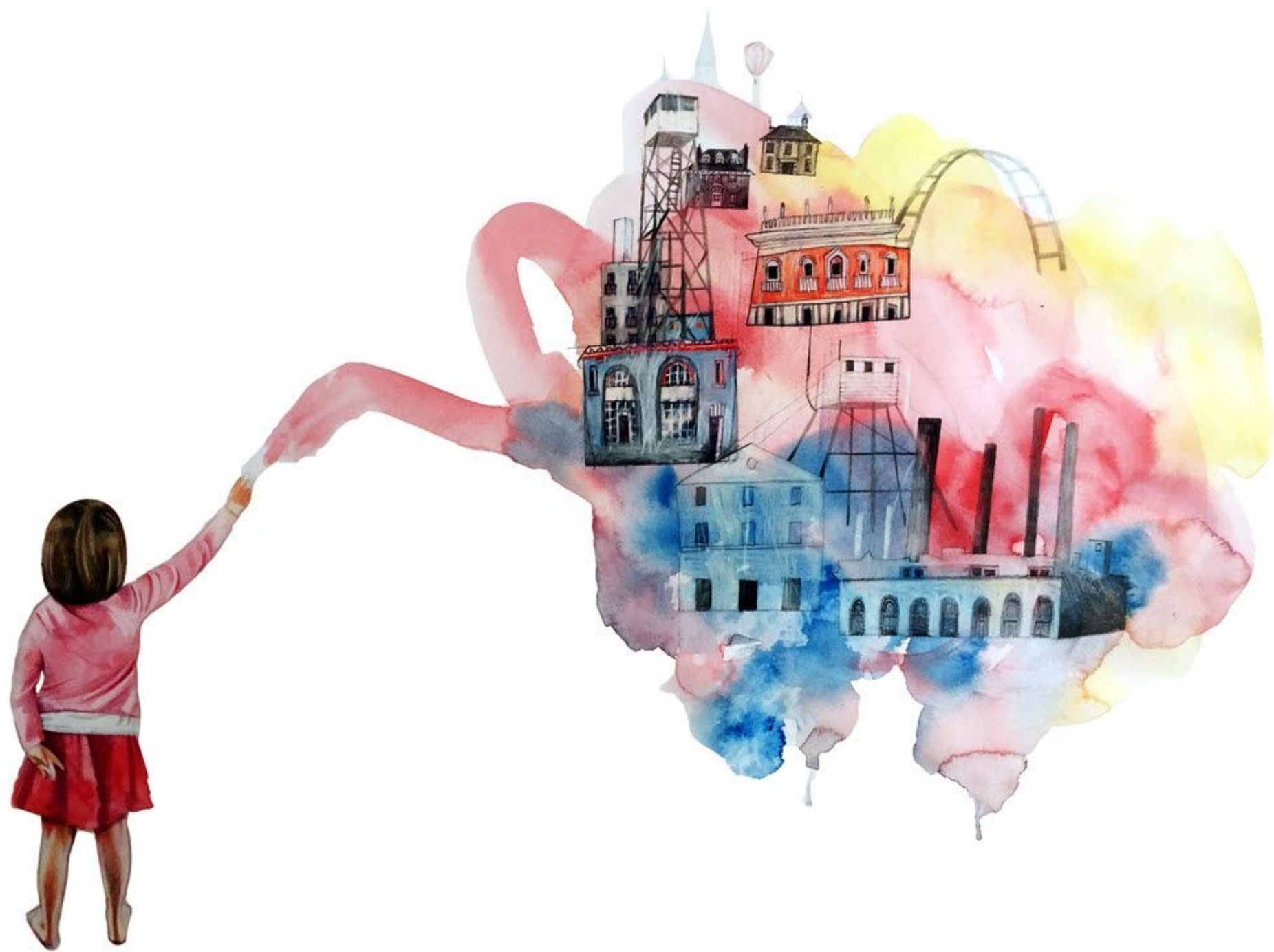


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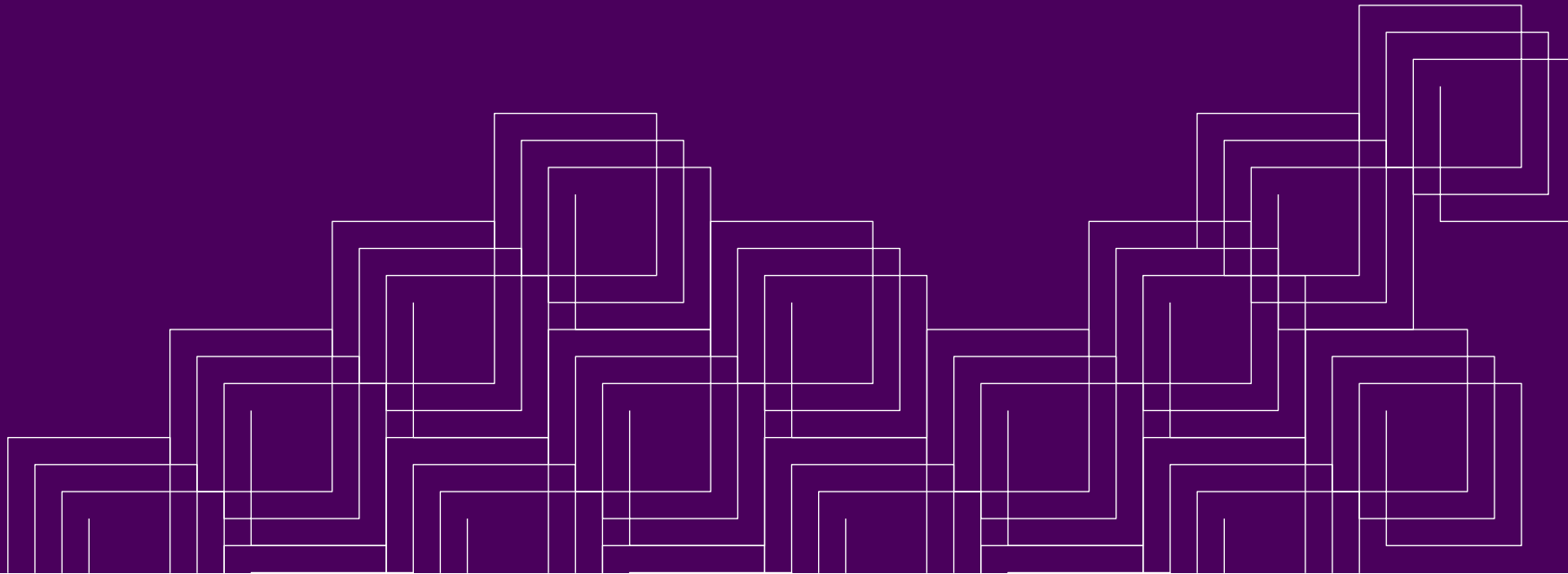
Reimagining Development





What and why INCLUSIVE IMAGINARIES?

The countries of Asia and the Pacific are among the most socially, culturally and ecologically diverse in the world, yet how often do we **draw from the riches of our local context** to inform the way we “do” development?



Before we can create the future, we must first **imagine** it.

CONTEXT

In tandem with the Foresight Briefs, Inclusive Imaginaries examines and **challenges traditional development orthodoxy** by cultivating culturally driven, nuanced, and locally contextualized imaginations of the futures of Asia and the Pacific.

It brings perspectives that are traditionally discounted in policy circles, but essential to ground policy discussions in the concrete, **lived experience** of those that are and will be most impacted.

INCLUSIVE IMAGINARIES

- Helps us realize **equitable, decolonial development futures**—from the perspectives of young people and local communities that will be living with its consequences
- Explores points of **convergence and divergence** between academic analysis and contextual imaginations—including ‘at the edge’ or ‘under the radar’ observations and insights emerging from lived experience
- Complements the rigour of academic futures analysis with **co-created participatory visions** to support the creation of more just, equitable and inclusive futures

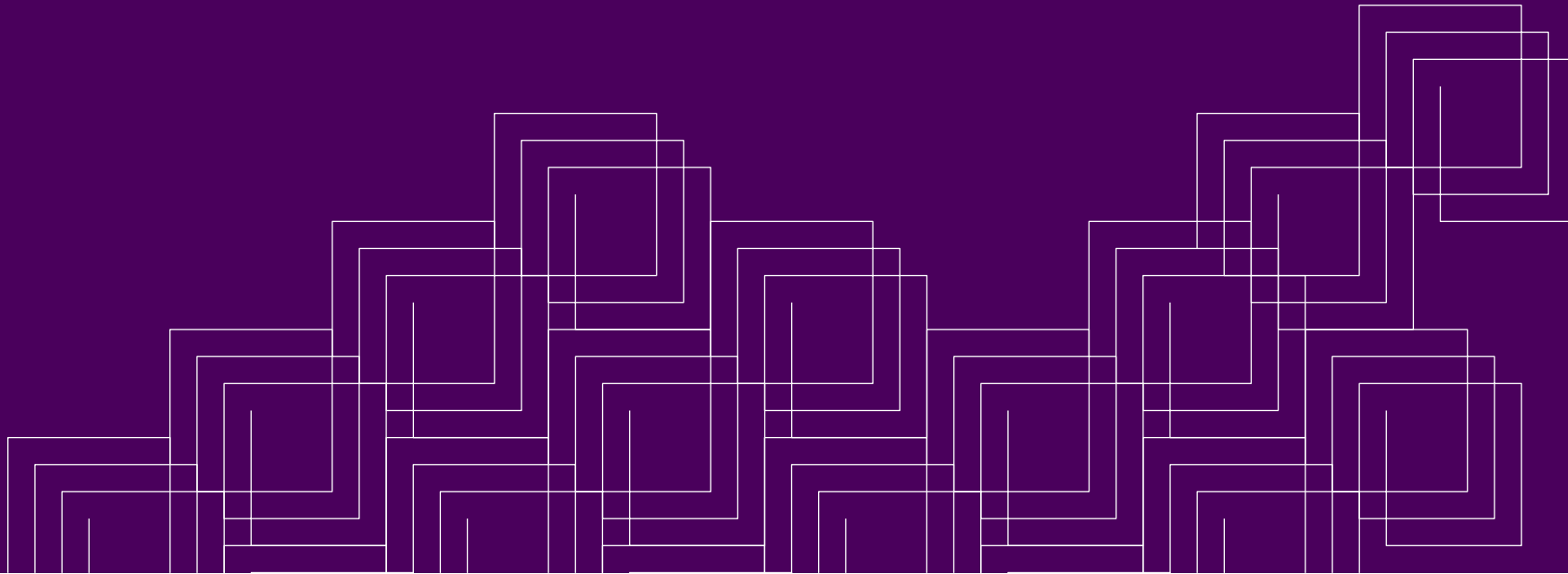


Stories FROM THE FIELD

Six COs participated in the 2021 pilot:

Lao PDR, Malaysia, Nepal, the Pacific MCO in Fiji, the Philippines, and Samoa.

We acknowledge their invaluable contributions and are proud to present a snapshot of their results.



KINAADMAN

En Route to Ambisyon 2040

Healthy communities which cater to the needs and sustain the well being of all Filipinos

Technology use adapted to the needs of the community (for example shared devices, tech literacy)

Parenting Weekly

MAGAZINE

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At International Indigenous Summit

What has been the impact of your vision?

"This year we could celebrate Boun That Luang festival with success. The resilience of the tradition, the solidarity of people and respect for the environment made it possible.



Reject violence as 'normal' and the traditional idea of men as dominant and women as submissive.

"I'm worried about the elders as they might be left behind and they are part of the vulnerable group that is not comfortable with technology."

What perpetuates risk perceptions?

Education system does not encourage running small business as a good future- does not give enough prestige as being an engineer or doctor

Upgrade the hawkers, improve hygiene, efficiency but the connection between people to people is very important to keep.

"We lose our soul if there are no small businesses, hawkers on the street."

Message to policy: Accessibility to digital infrastructure to showcase small businesses and transport them further than their physical location

Next Generation Governance that Filipinos trust and deserve

Hope for the future: Not just looking at grades or testing performance, but a more holistic view of who children are & their potential

Empowered and progressive

Experiments more with "FLIPPED" classroom style; student takes accountability of learning and using digital to enhance their understanding
Access of info and different ways of doing things through technology like parenting apps

TAKE THE MALAYSIAN ROAD

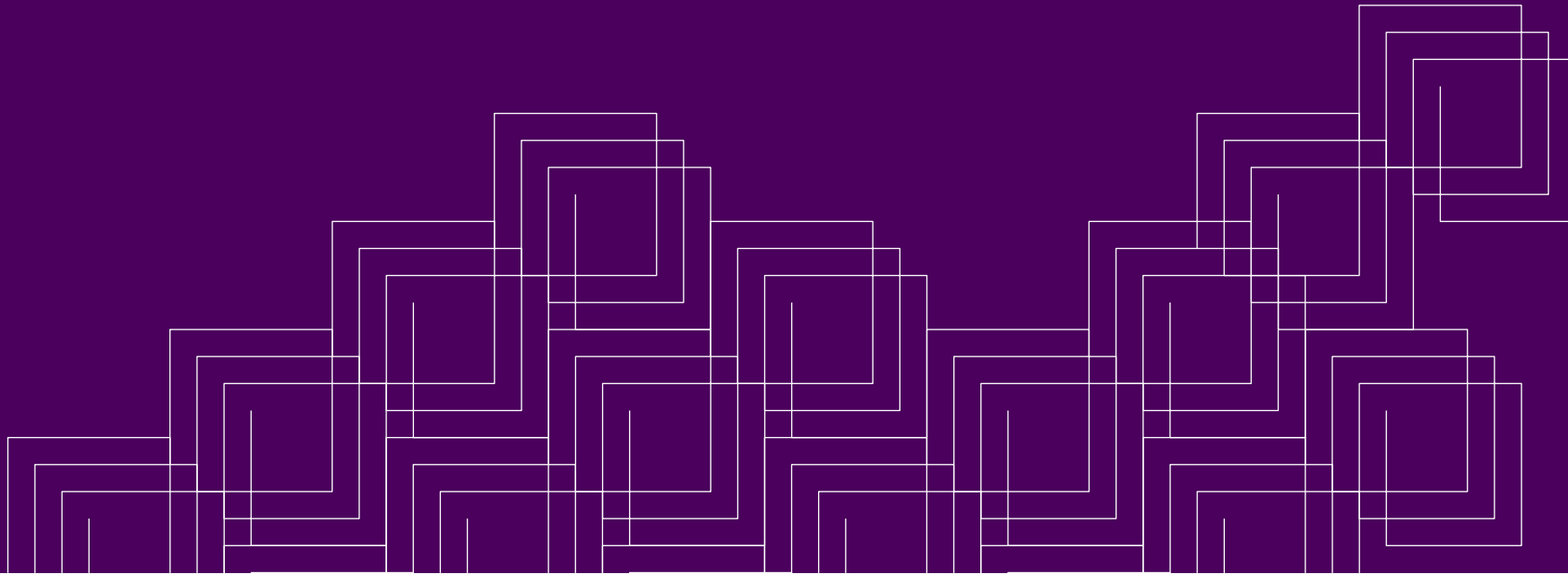
Common themes **ACROSS COUNTRY OFFICES**

Discourse, access, and well-being within digital transformation

Inclusive governance and **authentic engagement** between those in power and those closest to the problem

Equal access to quality education, well-being, and healthcare for future generations

Traditional knowledge, community and individual action to address climate crises



How to better **DECIDE, DESIGN AND DELIVER?** *with II?*

It's really about...

Being more conscious about **who's "not at the table"** and being intentional about making sure their voices are heard.

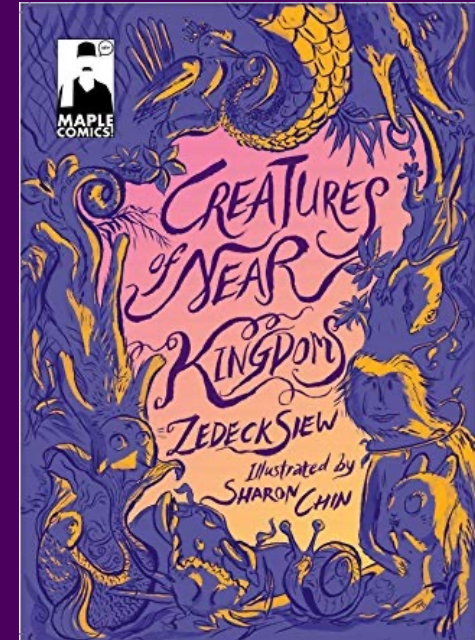
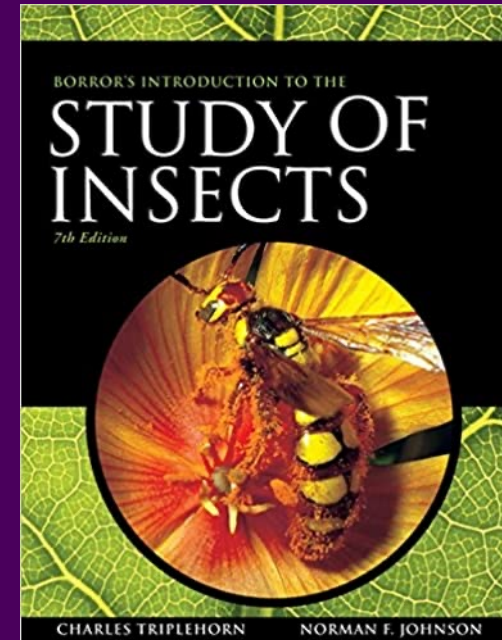
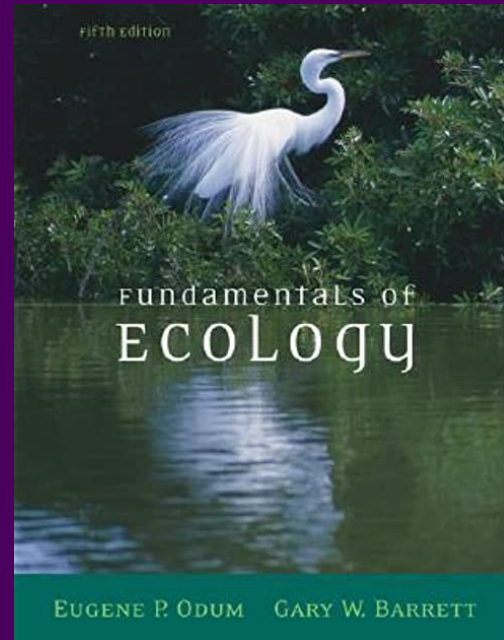
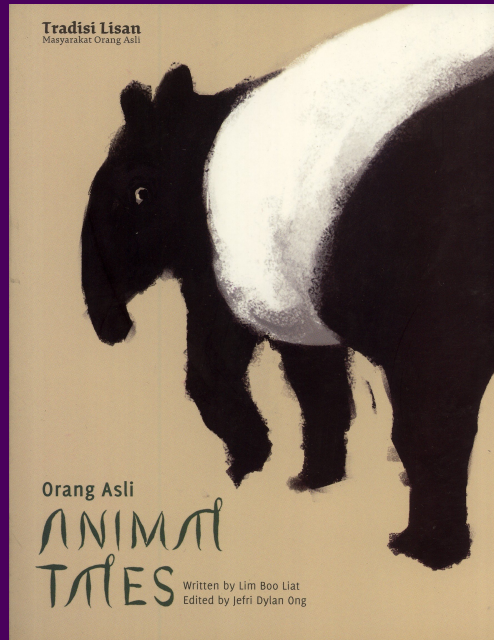
Localizing development narratives and being critical and reflexive about "imported" norms and values.

Challenging our ideas of **what is and isn't valid** data.

Looking for **nuance!**



Imagine a future where...



We learn to embrace and apply various kinds of data/information from diverse sources past, present, and future.

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Foresight Briefs



1. New Forms of Rights - *Sushma Raman*
2. Equitable Digital Public Goods - *Urvadi Anesha*
3. Indigenous Futures - *Michelle Brown*
4. Development as Long Term Thinking - *Caroline Baylon*

Policy Briefs

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Manuel F. Montes

2. Melting Glaciers, Threatened Livelihoods: Confronting Climate Change to Save the Third Pole

Arnico K. Panday

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4. The Post-Covid-19 Future for Global Value Chains

Ben Shepherd

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José Gabriel Palma & Jonathan Pincus

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12. Pandemic Governance and Human Development: early Lessons from Asia

Sakiko Fukuda-Parr

13. Seven Lessons for Development Policy from the COVID-19 Pandemic

Sanjay Reddy

RBAP Policy Briefs

Accentuation

What the crisis revealed

- **Mass vaccination inadequacy:**

Universal access; modes of collaboration; unknown unknowns

- **Multi-dimensional poverty and human security:**

Imperative of a standing social protection architecture; granular identification of vulnerability but all-of-society approach to combat deprivations

- **Inequality of opportunity:**

Renewed case for fairness by balancing choices (effort); circumstances (inherited); and interventions

Acceleration

Where shifts continue apace

- **Climate emergency:**

Melting glaciers, rising seas; structural transitions; financing mismatch

- **Digital divide:**

Preponing universality by overcoming techno-regulatory inertia; public-private solutions for cost-effective connectivity

- **Production shifts:**

GVCs still a route to diversify risks; productivity slowdown and the challenges of catch-up

Adjustment

How to govern differently

- **Global public goods:**

Mutually compatible (sovereignty vs. int. coop) policy challenge that adopts a mission - oriented approach

- **Regionalism:**

Recovery through cross-border travel, trade and supply-chains; connectivity; finance and investment

- **State capabilities:**

Social norms and contracts; conceptions of collective welfare; capacity vs. capabilities; adaptive policymaking; public trust

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