
Central Asia: Issues and perspectives of SD strategies implementation

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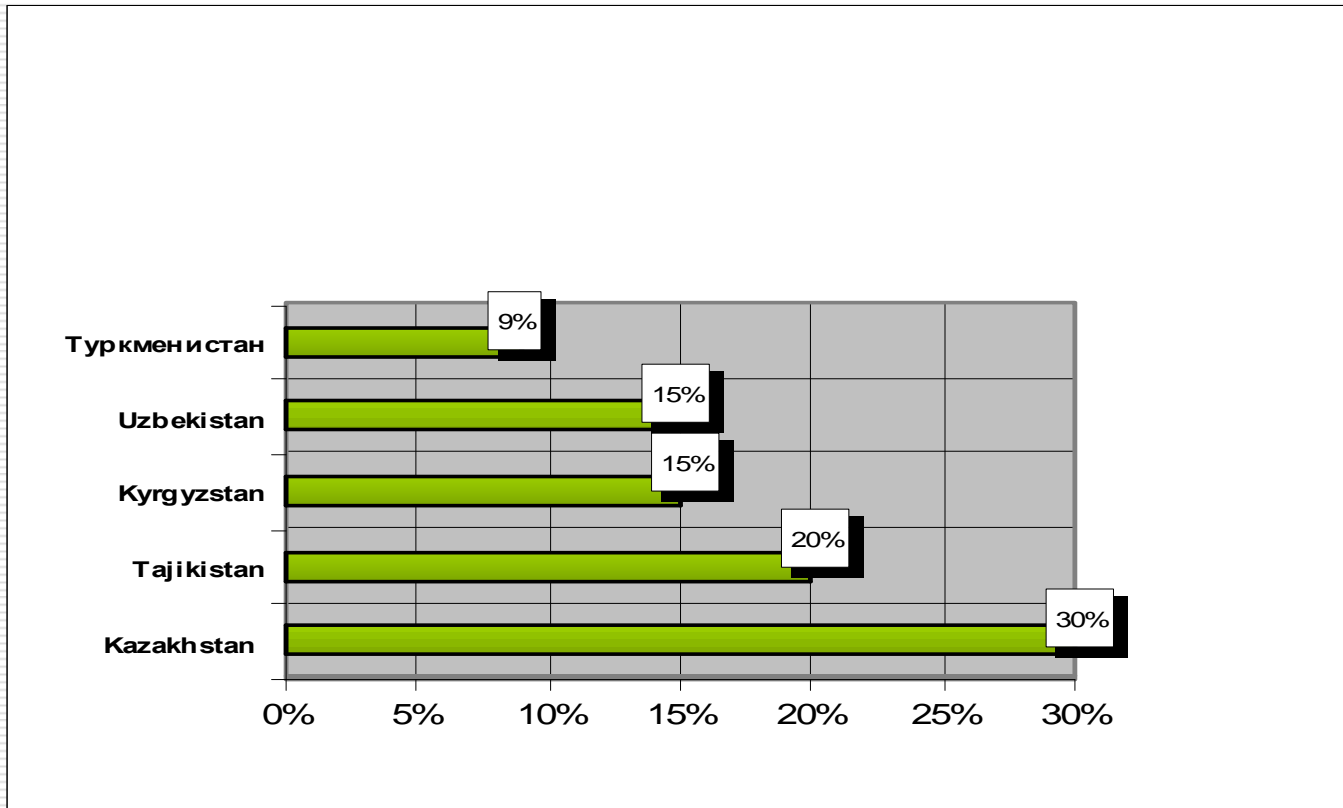
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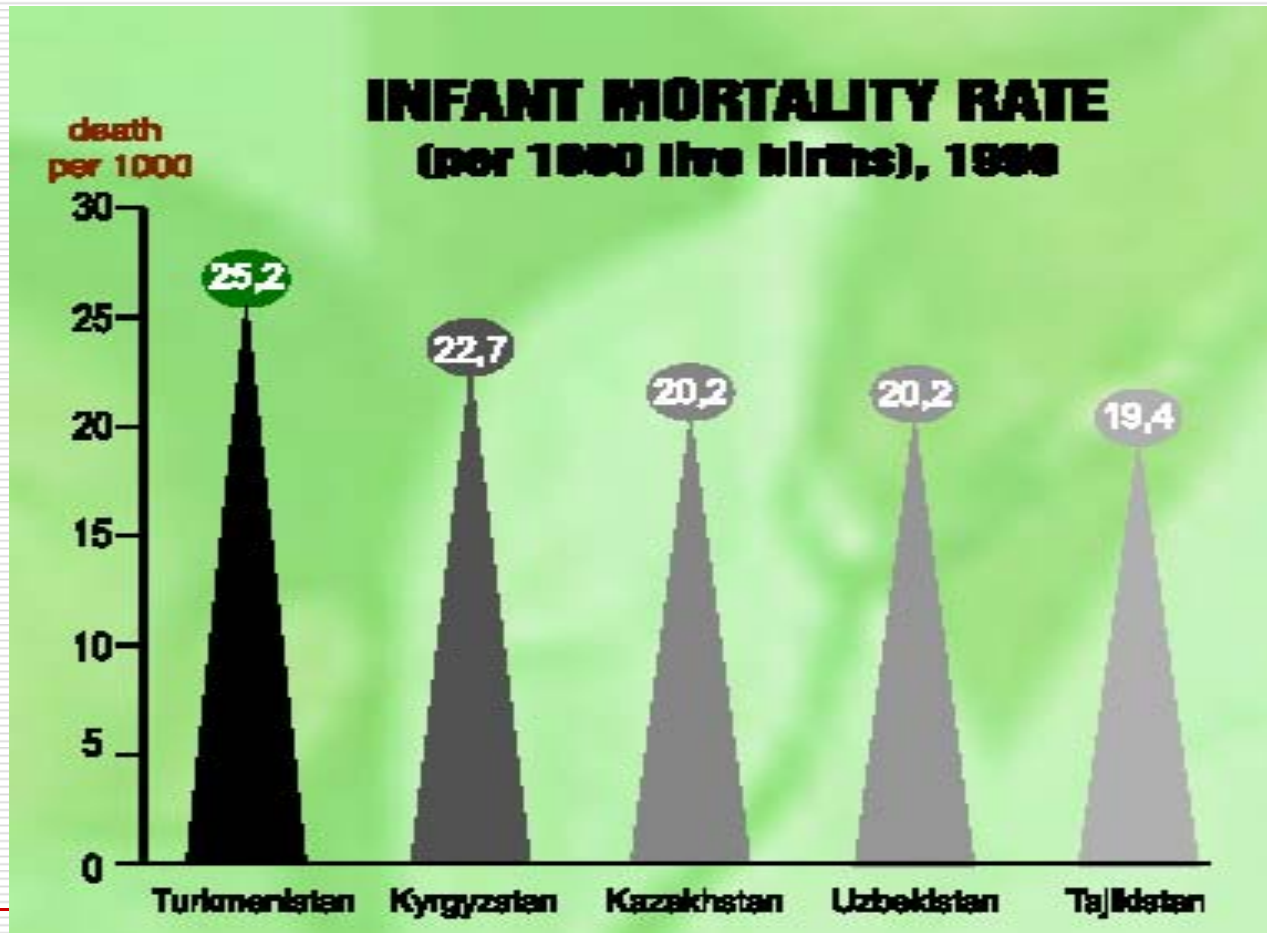
Central Asia region



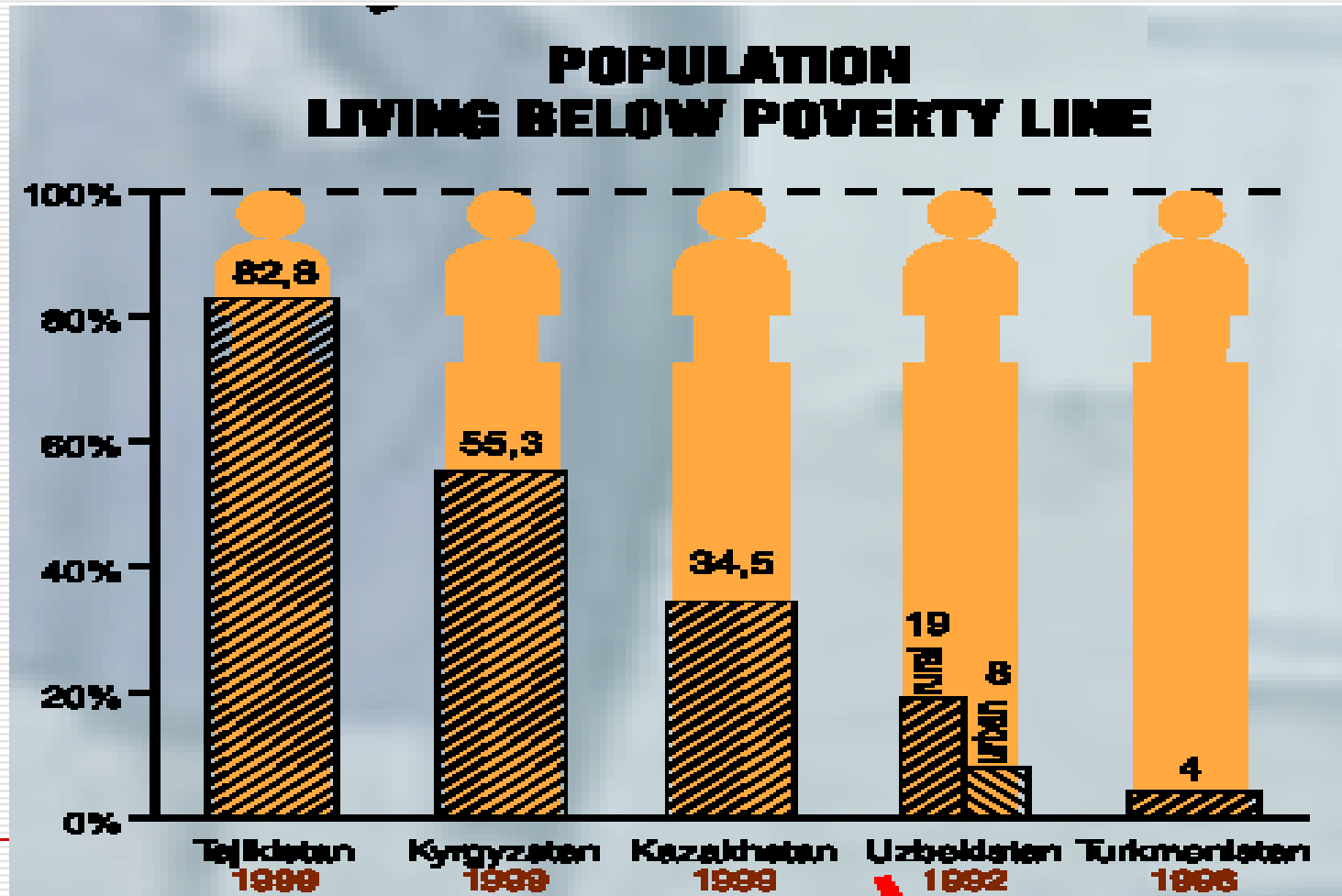
Reduction of arable land (1990-2000)



Infant mortality in Central Asia (2000)



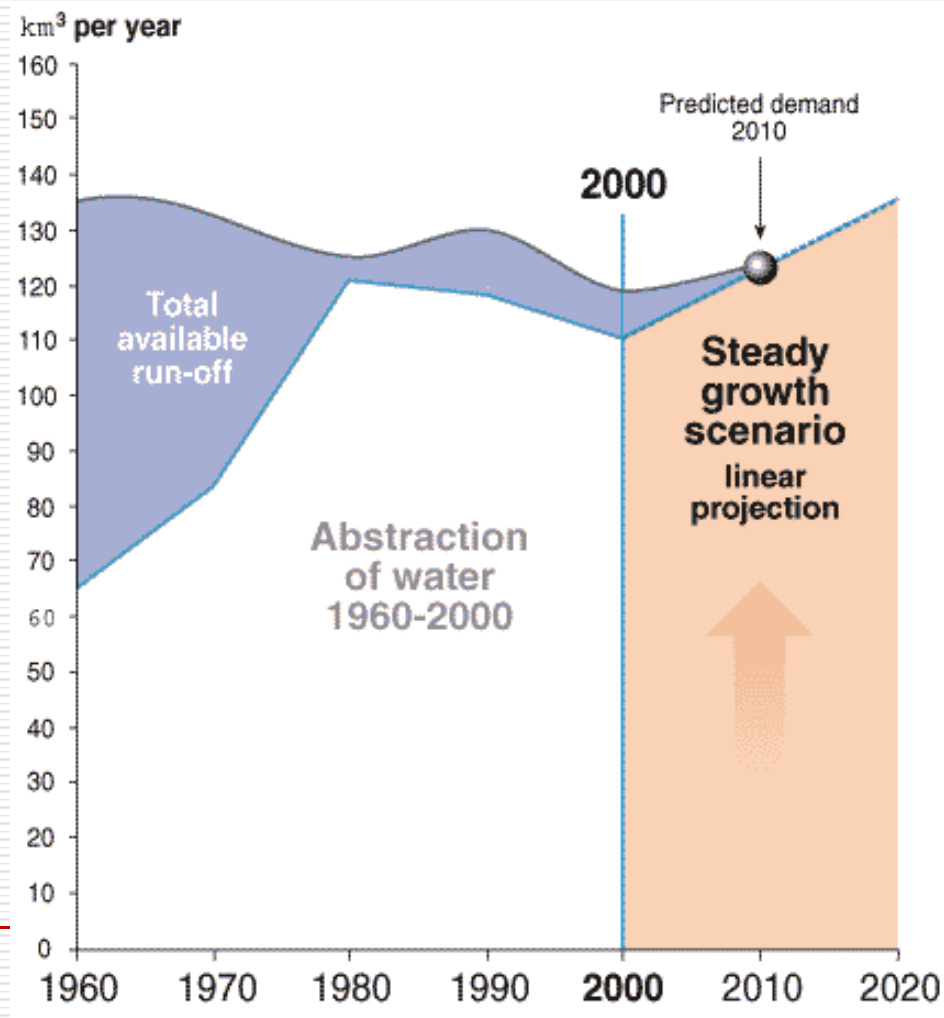
Poverty in Central Asia (2005)



What is the Central Asia?

- Natural resources to support global economy
 - Wild ecosystems to support environmental sustainability
 - Water conflicts (Aral Sea basin) - next page
 - Lack of capacities to save ecosystems and prevent of water-energy conflicts
 - Weak civil society to improve governance
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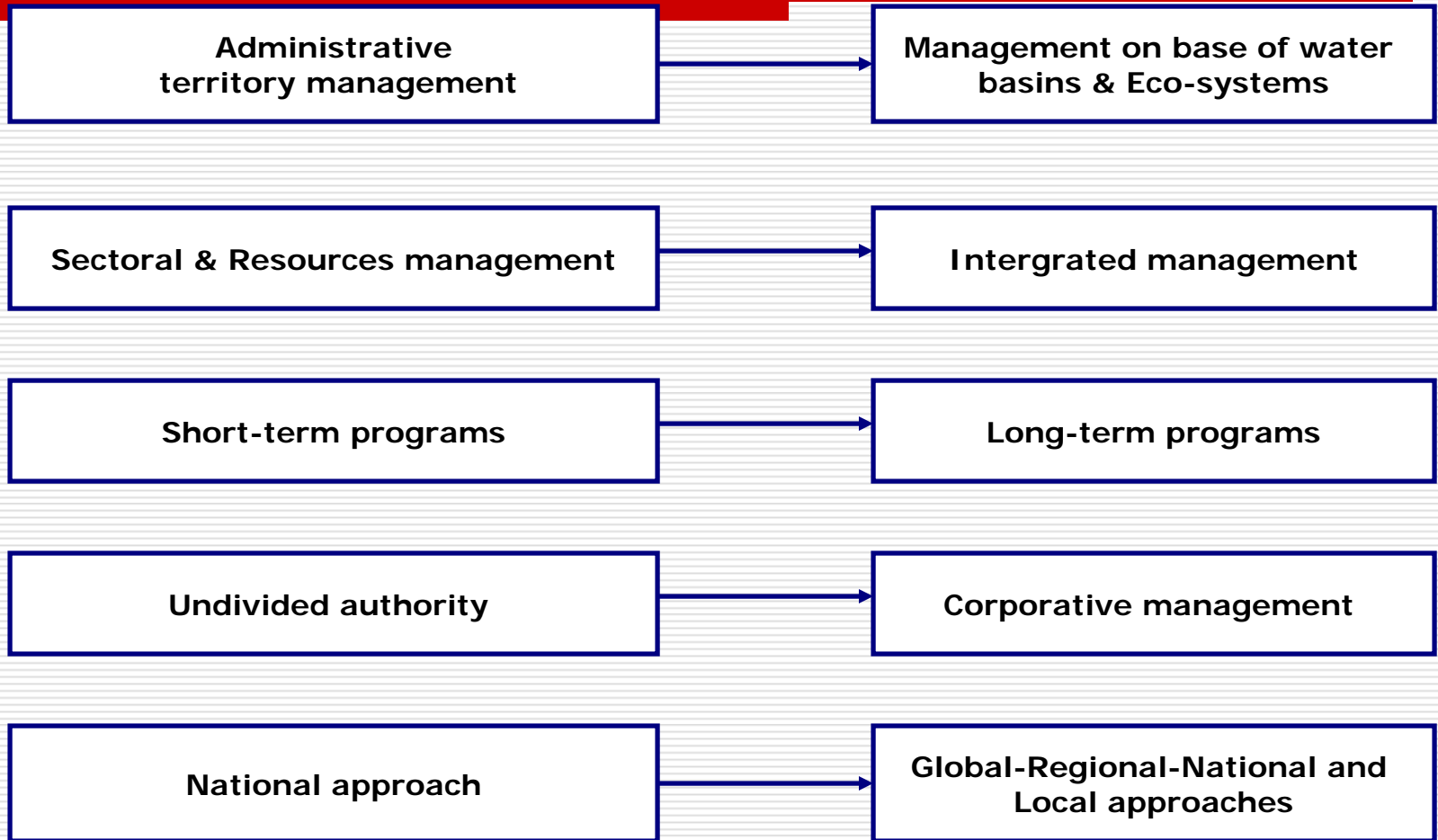
Water conflict in CA (in 2000 it was just a scenario, but now it is a fact)



SD process in CA

- 1995-2000 - NEAP process (OECD and WB)
 - 1995-2000 - progress on environmental legislation (OSCE, EC, ADB, UNDP, OECD)
 - 2000-2005 - progress on establishment of NCSD and preparation of national agenda-21 (UNDP)
 - 2005-2007 – progress or regress???
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NEW governance in CA?



What is really needed for integration?

- ❑ Common goals- long term and global
 - ❑ New governance- based on ecosystems and participation, not on state-administrative-sectoral approaches
 - ❑ Broad educational programs on SD
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What is needed for developing countries?

- ❑ International support and platform for regional cooperation
 - ❑ Capacity building and public participation
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