

Social No Net Loss: draft guidelines

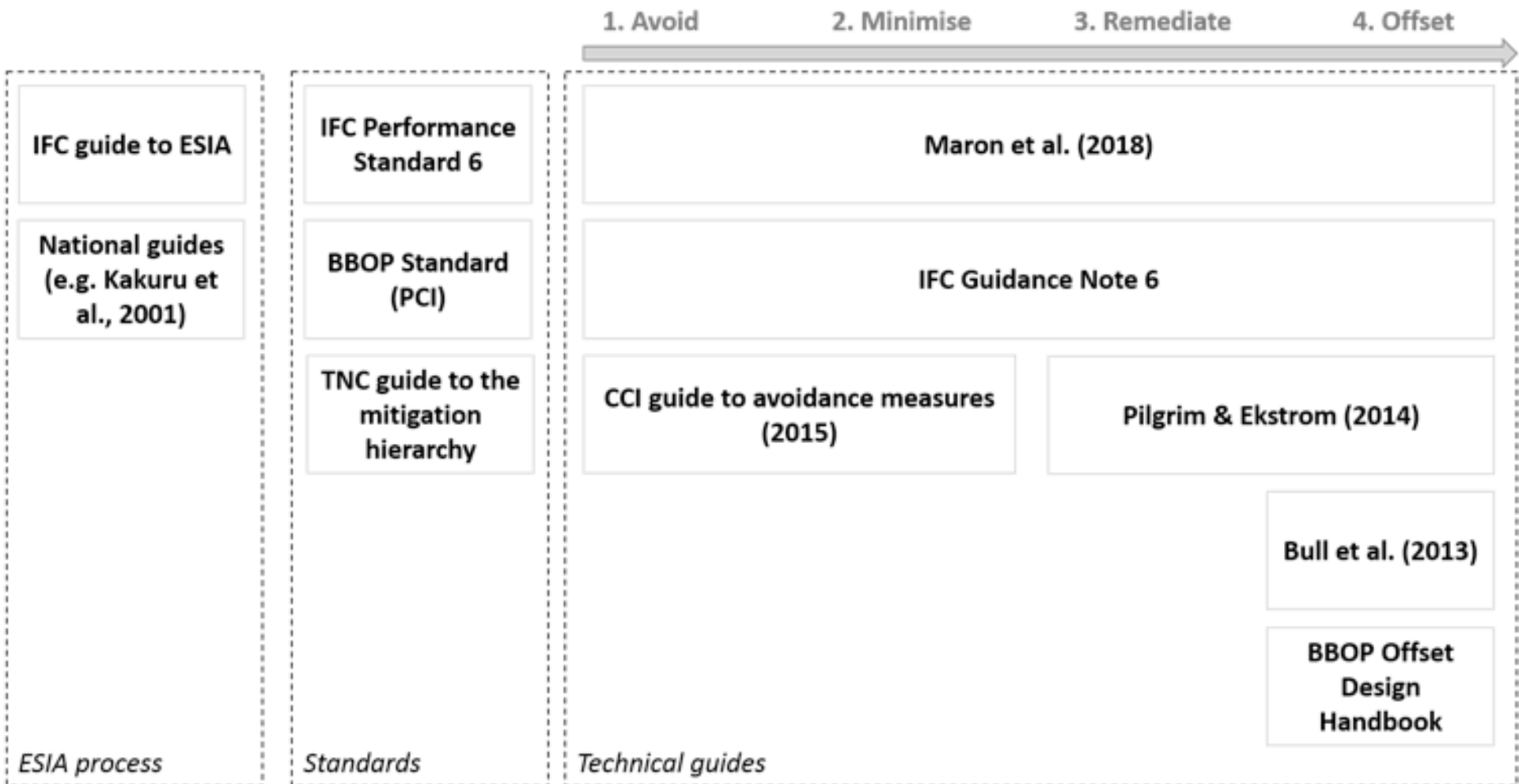
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Part 1: Introduction to No Net Loss



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Part 2: general guiding principles

- Approx. 20 principles split into 3 groups:

Conceptual

- E.g. what to measure ('wellbeing')
- E.g. timescale ('lifetime of the development project')

Operational

- E.g. unacceptable impacts (some impacts cannot be offset, meaning that the project cannot claim 'no net loss')

Institutional

- E.g. monitoring and reporting (linked to financial incentives)

Part 2: general guiding principles

Issue	Biodiversity No Net Loss	Social No Net Loss
<i>Currency</i>	Choose from a wide range of possible metrics	Specific metric ('wellbeing')
<i>No Net Loss</i>	Evaluate against a reference scenario (normally 'no development')	Evaluate against a reference scenario (normally 'no development')
<i>Equivalence</i>	Sometimes allow 'out of kind' compensation	Compensation must always be commensurate, and for the same stakeholders
<i>Longevity</i>	NNL should be achieved for at least as long as the impacts of development	NNL should be achieved for at least one generation (~ 25 years)
<i>Time Lag</i>	Time lags permitted between impacts and realisation of compensation measures	Time lags NOT permitted between impacts and realisation of compensation measures
<i>Uncertainty</i>	Incorporate consideration of uncertainties	Incorporate consideration of uncertainties
<i>Reversibility</i>	Biodiversity losses should be reversible	Social losses should be reversible
<i>Thresholds</i>	Certain biodiversity impacts are not permitted	Certain social impacts are not permitted

Part 3: application of the principles within Uganda

[Yet to be drafted, but to include]

- Ugandan Policy and Legal context
- Compatibility of general principles
- Development project realities (e.g. sectors, scale)
- Likely users of the principles (e.g. consultants, specialists)

Points for discussion

Points for discussion today relate to how this document can be made as useful as possible

Particularly:

- How much underlying theory is needed?
- How extensively to illustrate with case studies?
- Comparison between biodiversity NNL and social NNL?
- Checklist for ESIA consultants?
- Technical language?