

Standard Indicators Webinar

Welcome!

As you join, you are muted but feel free to pop a short introduction to yourself in chat i.e. name, your project, and where you are dialling in from.



Biodiversity Challenge Funds

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Agenda



- Introduction to Standard Indicators
 - Where we are coming from
 - Where we are going, and why
- What we would like you to do
- Where to find the Standard Indicators and how to apply them
- Worked examples
- FAQs
- *Your questions*



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Where we are coming from



- Projects develop their logframes in isolation from each other
- Although we can see individual project results, we struggle to combine data from across our projects to find out the shared results of our portfolio of projects
- Some applicants and projects struggle to identify the most appropriate indicators for their logframes
- In the past, we have asked projects to report against **Standard Measures** (e.g. number of people trained). These new **Standard Indicators** replace these old Standard Measures.



Where we are going, and why



- We have developed new Standard Indicators for each of the BCFs
- They are aligned with fund-level Theories of Change and programme objectives
- Through this process we want to:
 - help you to monitor your project progress and results, using globally recognised indicators
 - provide guidance on which methodology, units and disaggregation measures to use to help you plan your monitoring and evaluation more effectively
 - increase our contribution to the global evidence base in the areas BCFs projects work
 - aggregate data from across diverse projects and communicate our combined results to key decision makers to build the case for continued support

What we want you to do



- For **upcoming application rounds**, applicants will be asked to include Standard Indicators in their application forms at the project design stage. They will be **required** to select five Core Indicators.
- We ask **existing projects** to map their existing indicators to these standard indicators, and report on these in their upcoming reporting. **No requirement** – but we are strongly encouraging it.
- Check our **fund-specific “Menus”** for the list of Standard Indicators to choose from.

How to find them



Standard Indicator Guidance:

- Darwin Initiative:
<https://www.darwininitiative.org.uk/resources-for-projects/reporting-forms-change-request-forms-and-terms-and-conditions/>
- IWT Challenge Fund:
<https://iwt.challengefund.org.uk/resources/reporting-forms-change-request-forms-and-terms-and-conditions/>
- Darwin Plus:
<https://darwinplus.org.uk/resources/reporting-forms-change-request-forms-and-terms-and-conditions/>

Standard Indicators

- Darwin Initiative Standard Indicator Guidance

4. The Darwin Initiative Standard Indicator Menu

Group A: Capability and Capacity

Indicator number	Darwin Initiative Standard Indicator	Units	Disaggregation	
RE INDICATORS	DI-A01	Number of people from key national and local stakeholders completing structured and relevant training ² .	People Proportion	Gender; Age Group; Stakeholder group: Indigenous Peoples, Local Communities, Nationals, public sector, civil society, private sector; Training typology (biodiversity, sustainable development, finance, programme management, safeguarding, gender etc.) Proportion of trained people employed by their host organisation at the end of the project.
	DI-A02	Number of secondments or placements completed by individuals of key local and national stakeholders ³ .	People Proportion	Gender; Age Group; Stakeholder group: Indigenous Peoples, Local Communities, Nationals, public sector, civil society, private sector; Host Organisation Type; Training typology (biodiversity, sustainable

Note: Core Indicators in Green

Darwin Initiative



Darwin Initiative Indicator Groups

Group A: Capability and capacity

Group B: Policies, Practices and Management

Group C: Evidence Use and Best Practices

Group D: Sustainable Livelihoods, Biodiversity and Climate Resilience

Group E: Impact on Biodiversity and Poverty

Darwin Initiative Standard Indicators

Select **at least 5 core indicators** from Group A-E. You do not have to select indicators from all groups. Your core indicators must cover all three elements of the fund: Biodiversity, Poverty Reduction, and Capability & Capacity.

Biodiversity



Poverty reduction



Capability & capacity



Project Indicators

Five Core Indicators:
Select from across the groups to include biodiversity, poverty and capability & capacity indicators

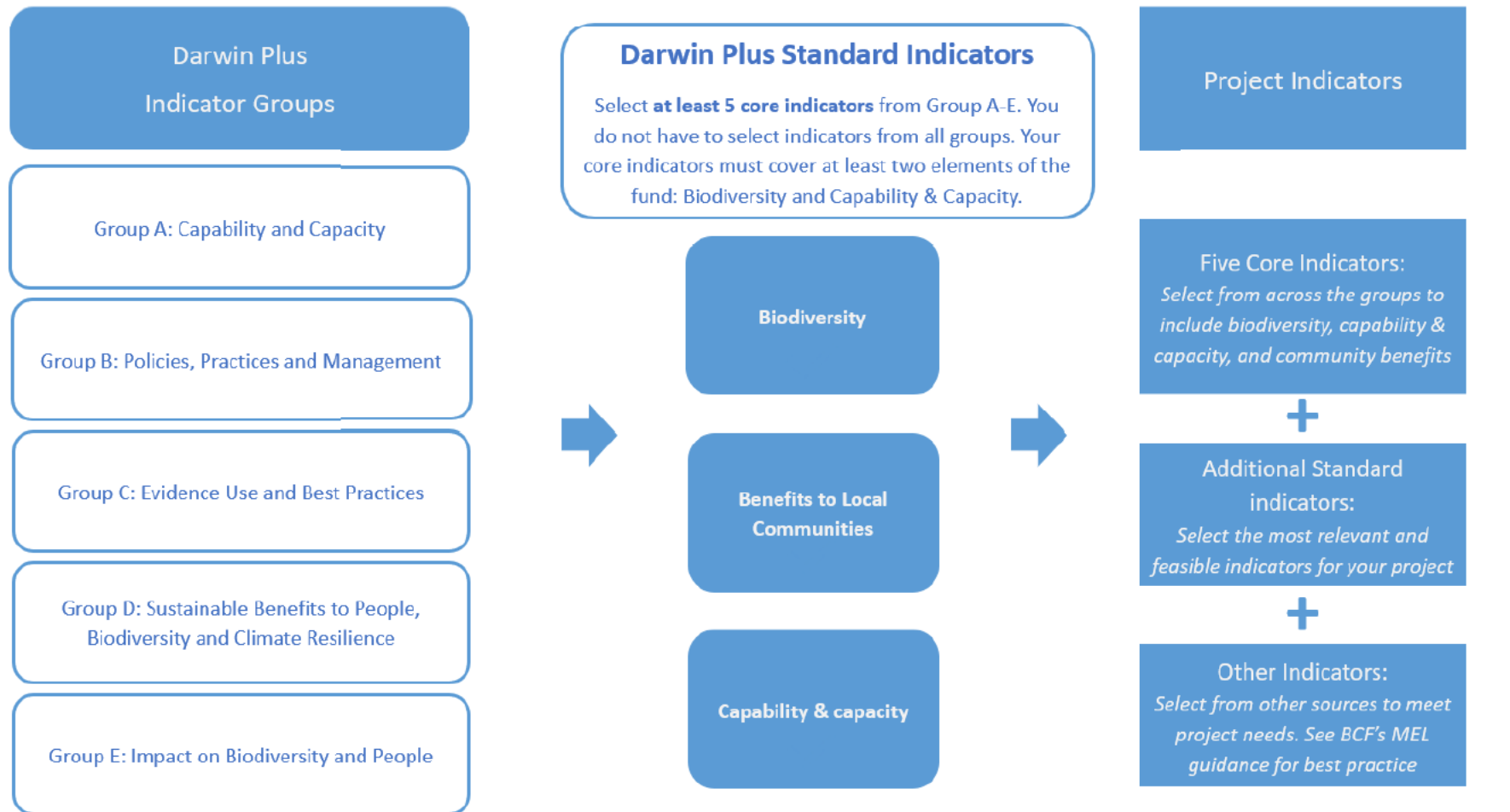


Additional Standard indicators:
Select the most relevant and feasible indicators for your project



Other Indicators:
Select from other sources to meet project needs. See BCF's MEL guidance for best practice

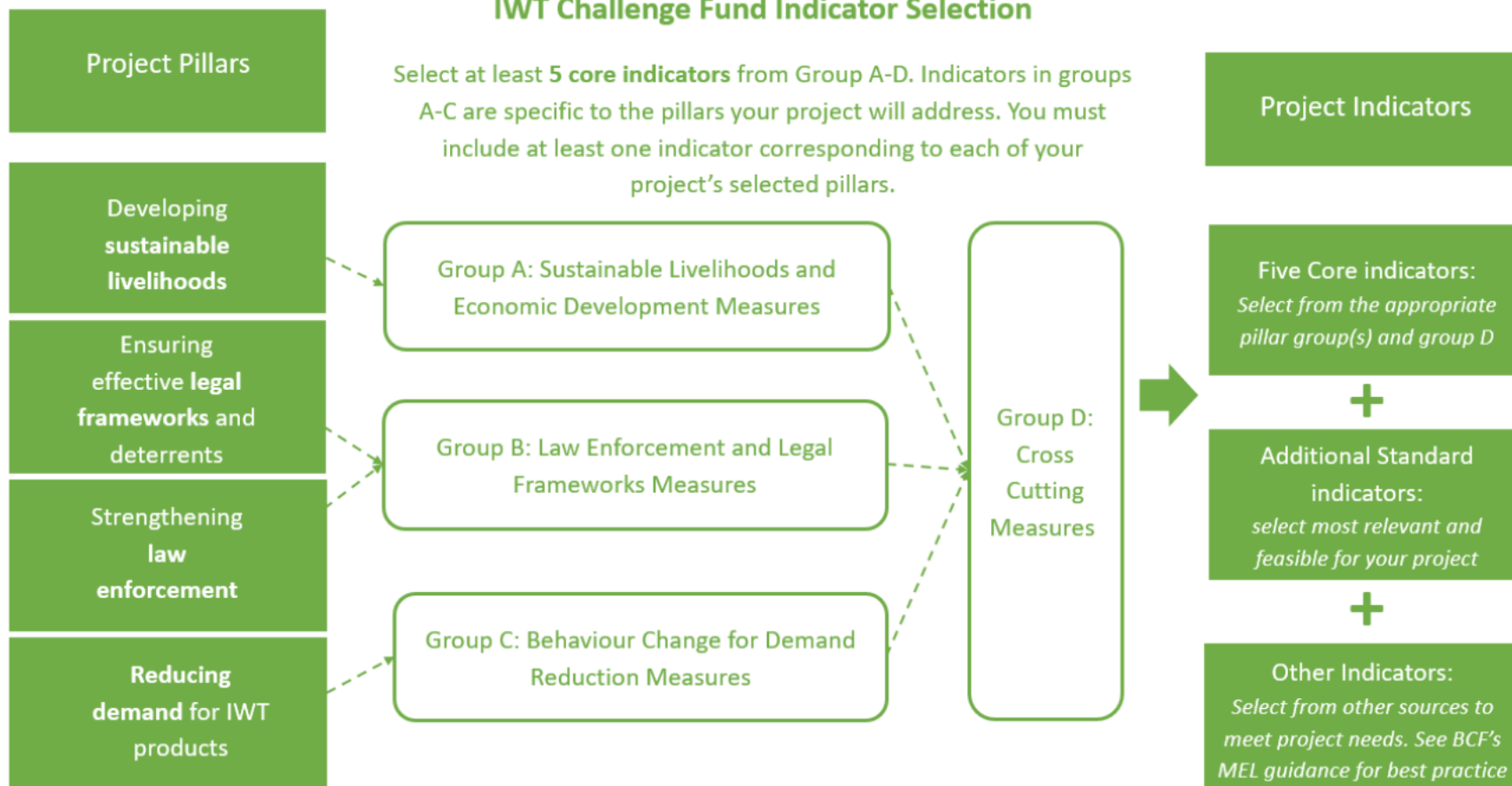
Darwin Plus



IWT Challenge Fund

IWT Challenge Fund Indicator Selection

Select at least 5 **core indicators** from Group A-D. Indicators in groups A-C are specific to the pillars your project will address. You must include at least one indicator corresponding to each of your project's selected pillars.



Report Templates



Table 1 Project Standard Indicators

DI Indicator number	Name of indicator using original wording	Name of Indicator after adjusting wording to align with DI Standard Indicators	Units	Disaggregation	Year 1 Total	Year 2 Total	Year 3 Total	Total to date	Total planned during the project
<u>E.g.</u> DI-A01	<u>E.g.</u> People who attended training on CBD Reporting Standards	<u>E.g.</u> Number of officials from national Department of Environment who attended training on CBD Reporting Standards	People	Men	20			20	60
<u>E.g.</u> DI-C17	<u>E.g.</u> Articles published by members of the project team	<u>E.g.</u> Number of unique papers published in peer reviewed journals	Number	None	1			1	4

In addition to reporting any information on publications under relevant standard indicators, in Table 2, provide full details of all publications and material produced over the last year that can be publicly accessed, e.g. title, name of publisher, contact details, cost. Mark with an asterisk (*) all publications and other material that you have included with this report.

Table 2 Publications

Title	Type (<u>e.g.</u> journals, manual, CDs)	Detail (<u>authors</u> , year)	Gender of Lead Author	Nationality of Lead Author	Publishers (<u>name</u> , city)	Available from (<u>e.g.</u> weblink or publisher if not available online)



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Flowchart



Step 1:

Look at your logframe



Step 2:

Check relevant Standard Indicators Menu



Step 3:

Tailor wording and map against Standard Indicator coding

FAQs



Who needs to use Standard Indicators?

All new applications are required to select five Core Indicators. For existing projects (like you) there is no strict requirement but it is strongly encouraged.

How many indicators need to align?

As many as you want! For existing projects, no lower or upper limits but there are more specific requirements for new projects.

Where should we report on indicators that do not map to Standard Indicators?

As in previous years, you should report on your existing indicators in the Annex 1 - “Progress against achievements in the logframe” table.

FAQs



Does this apply to projects under all funds and schemes?

Yes, there is a mix of indicators relevant to all types of projects including small projects like Darwin Initiative's Capability and Capacity, IWT Challenge Fund Evidence, and Main projects across all funds, up to the largest projects like Darwin Initiative Extra.

Do changes to indicator wording to better align with Standard indicators require a change request?

Minor changes to your indicator wording to align with Standard Indicators is allowed, but more significant changes will need to be agreed via change request. If you are not sure, please contact the BCFs team for advice.



Any questions?

Thank you!



As a reminder, your Annual Reports are due on 30th April.

Slides and recording of this session will be available online soon.

Please take 5 minutes to share feedback in our survey!

If you have any questions, please contact us below:

- Questions on reporting more generally - BCF-Reports@niras.com
- Darwin Initiative – BCF-Darwin@niras.com
- IWT Challenge Fund – BCF-IWTCTF@niras.com
- Darwin Plus – BCF-DPLUS@niras.com