



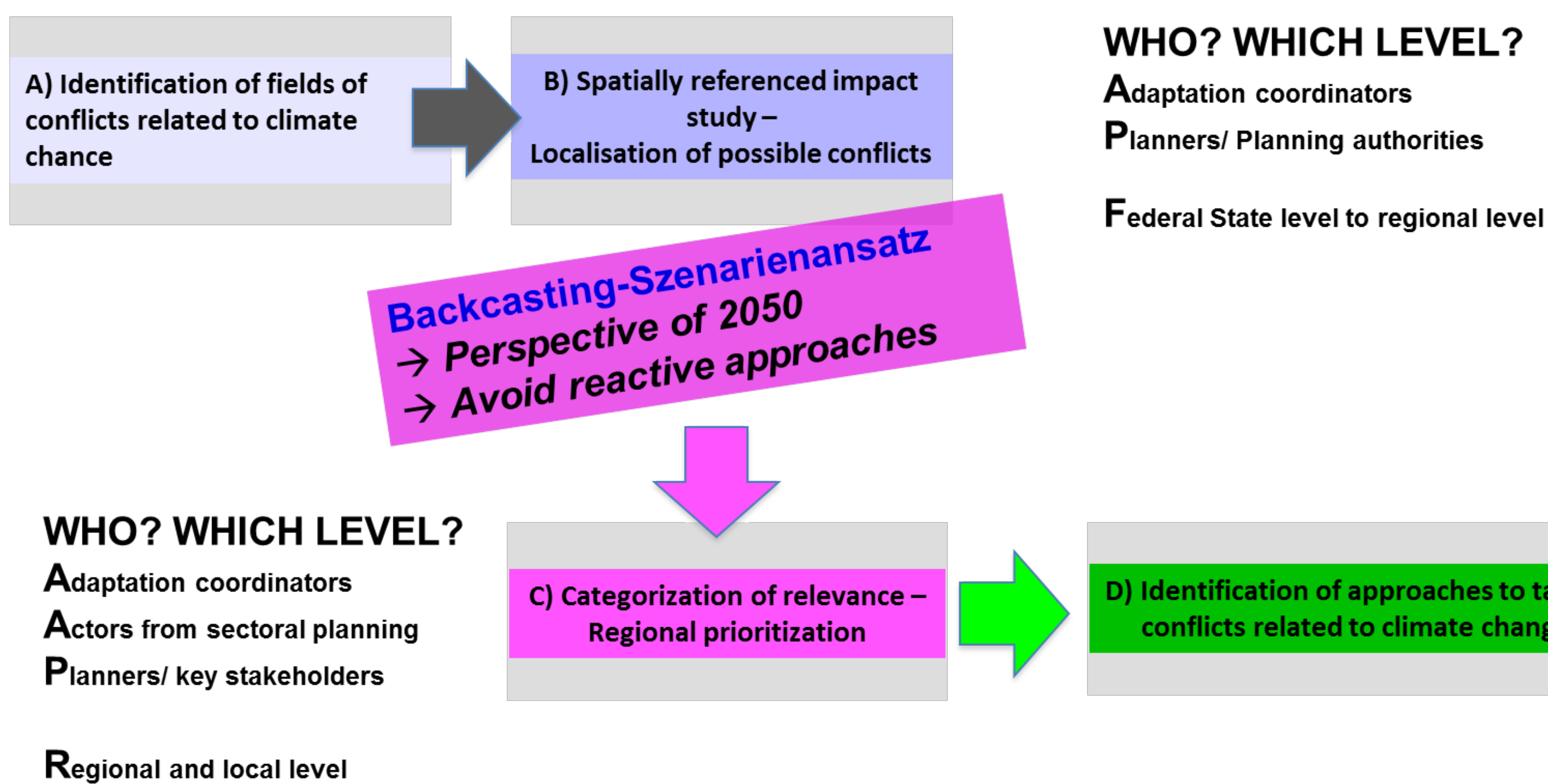
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Coping with conflicts from climate change and response to it in mountainous areas

STEP BY STEP APPROACH FOR THE IDENTIFICATION AND MINIMIZATION OF CONFLICTS

Key Questions – Step A:

- Do the cc adaptation strategies (NAS & Federal AS) address conflicts?
- Are there any existing concurrences of resources or contradicting interests?
- Which adaptation measures could lead to new conflicts of interests or exacerbate existing ones?
- Which sectors are concerned?



Key Questions – Step B:

- Are there any areas already concerned by concurrences of resources or contradicting interests?
- Where could climate change impacts aggravate them and which utilizations are prevalent?
- Which other influencing factors are relevant in this spatial unit?

Key Questions – Step C:

- Who are the key actors in the area?
- Which areas are in fact (likely to be) concerned of emerging conflicts?
- What are the central fields (topics) of conflict?
- What is the likely timeframe for conflicts to occur (presumably)?
- Where is the highest priority in solving conflicts?

Key Questions – Step D:

- Do AS suggest measures beneficiary to tackle conflicts or avoid them?
- Can a formal approach tackle conflicting interests?
- Are informal approaches necessary to handle emerging conflicts?
- Which timeframe seems appropriate for preventing/minimizing & monitoring conflicts?
- Which actors should be essentially be involved in the conflict prevention and/or minimization process?

“THE 4C-PRINCIPLES TO COPE WITH CONFLICTS”:

COMMUNICATION – COOPERATION - CONSIDERATE ACTION - CONSISTENCY



Further reading:

- Jiricka-Pürner A.; Wachter, T. (in print): Coping with climate change related conflicts – The first framework to identify and tackle these emerging topics, *Environmental Impact Assessment Review*



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