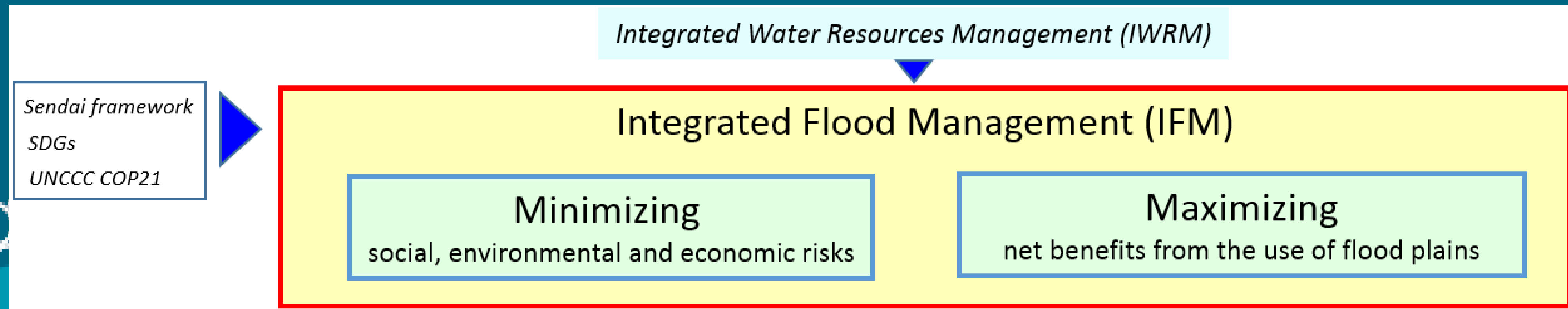


INTERNATIONAL FLOOD INITIATIVE ACTIVITIES TOWARD ROBUSTNESS FOR FLOOD MANAGEMENT

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World Conference on Disaster Reduction (WCDR) in Kobe, Japan, in January 2005

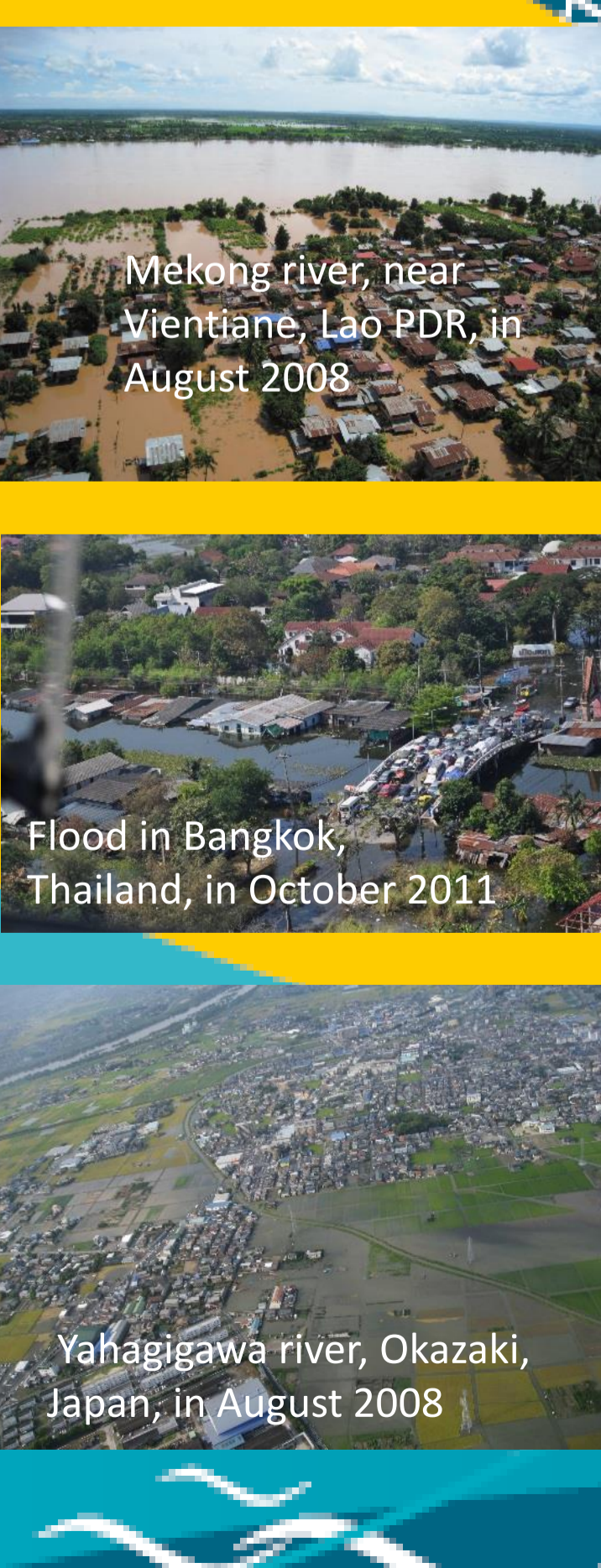
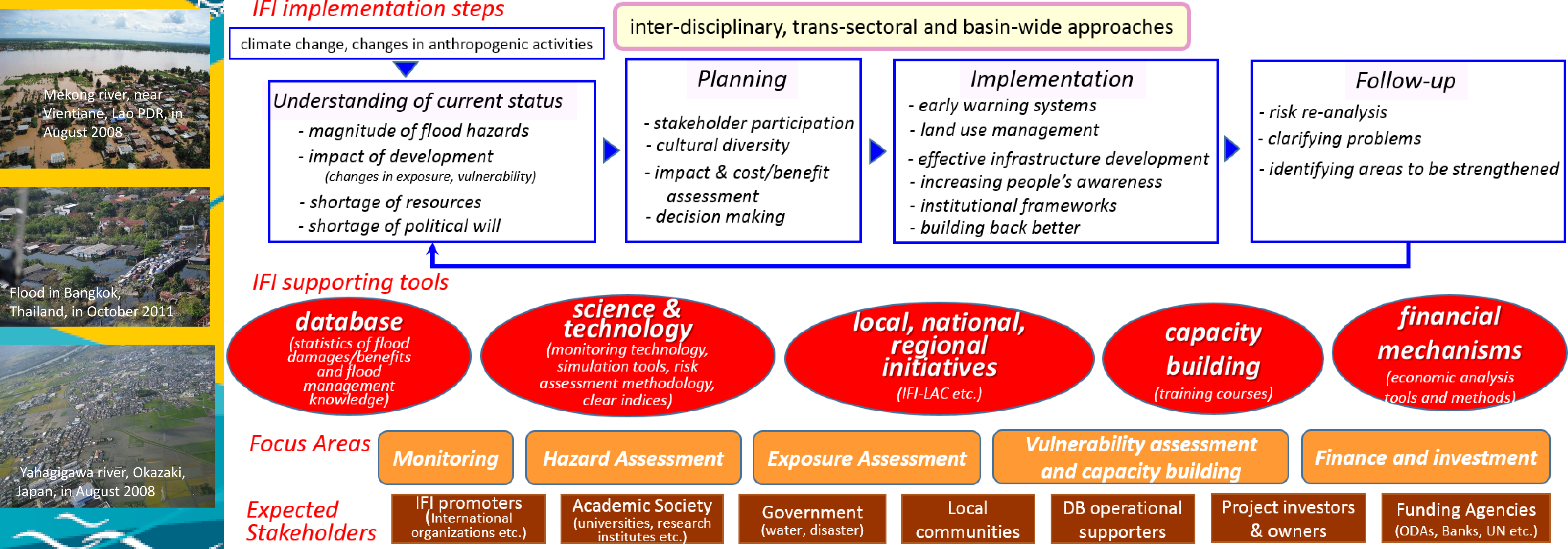
IFI made its official launch, as a joint initiative by UNESCO and WMO to address existing management gaps through a holistic approach and to provide a platform for further collaborative efforts, in close collaboration with UNU, UN/ISDR, IAHS, IAHR. The IFI Secretariat is located in ICHARM to coordinate the IFI activities.

•**First decade (2005-2015):** With respectful contributions from participatory organizations, IFI has been making an effort to conceptualize, design and implement flood mitigation and protective actions and activities, such as IFM HelpDesk initiated in 2009 by WMO/GWP APFM, IFI Book Series “Flood Management in a Changing Climate” by UNESCO IHP, and IFI flagship project by UNESCO IHP, WMO and other partners (eg. BfG, ICHARM) since 2013.

Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai, Japan in March 2015

The post-2015 framework (Sendai Framework) for disaster risk reduction (DRR) was adopted which represented a unique opportunity for countries to adopt a concise, focused, forward-looking and action-oriented DRR framework. The framework gives the first of these four priorities, “Understanding disaster risk” lists as actions to promote the collection, analysis, management and use of data, the assessment of disaster risk, the use of geospatial information, and disaster-related education, dissemination and awareness raising, which emphasizes the role of science and technology.

•**For the next step forward as the post-2015:** It is the time for IFI to provide a stepping-stone for the implementation of Sendai Framework by revitalizing its activities aimed at building on the successes of the past, while addressing existing gaps in implementing a holistic approach to flood management strategies comprising optimal structural and non-structural measures and thereby mainstreaming disaster risk reduction and addressing sustainable development. As one of the focus on practical scales for the IFI next decade to be step forward at regional levels, **a new mechanism in Asia Pacific region** try to facilitate the IFM through monitoring, assessment and capacity building.



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