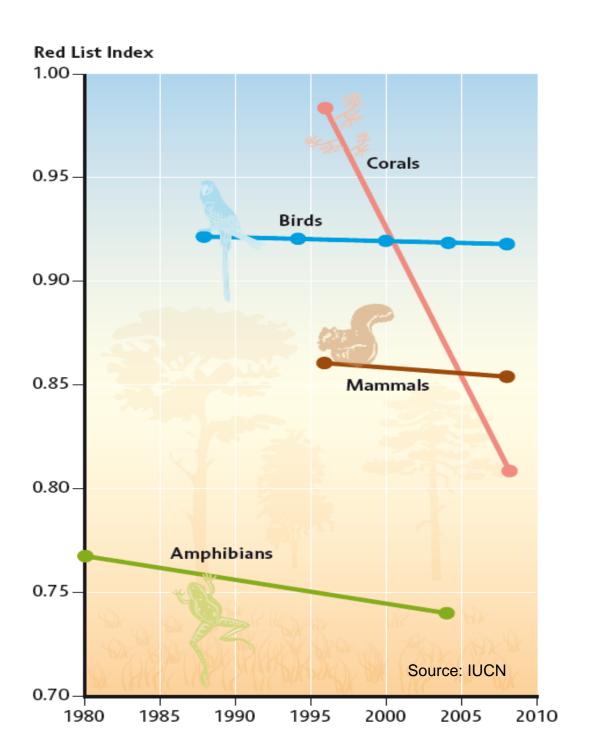


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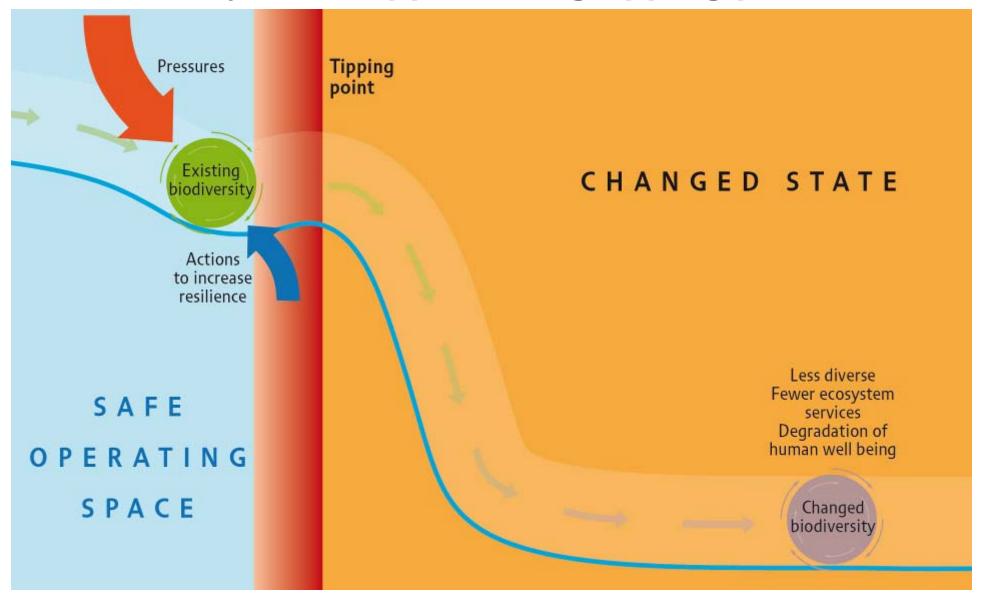








Ecosystems approaching tipping points





October 2010: Nagoya Biodiversity Summit



Life in harmony, into the future いのちの共生を、未来へ COP10 / MOP 5

*18 650 accredited participants

*427 side events

2011-2020 Strategy: Strategic Goals

- Address the underlying causes of biodiversity loss
- Reduce the pressures on biodiversity
- Safeguard biodiversity at all levels
- Enhance the benefits provided by biodiversity
- Provide for capacity-building

2011-2020 strategy: Selected Targets

- At least halve and where feasible bring close to zero the rate of loss of natural habitats including forests
- Protect 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water areas and 10 per cent of marine and coastal areas
- Restore at least 15 percent of degraded areas
- Make special efforts to reduce the pressures faced by coral reefs
- Substantially increase in the level of financial resources in support of implementation of the Convention

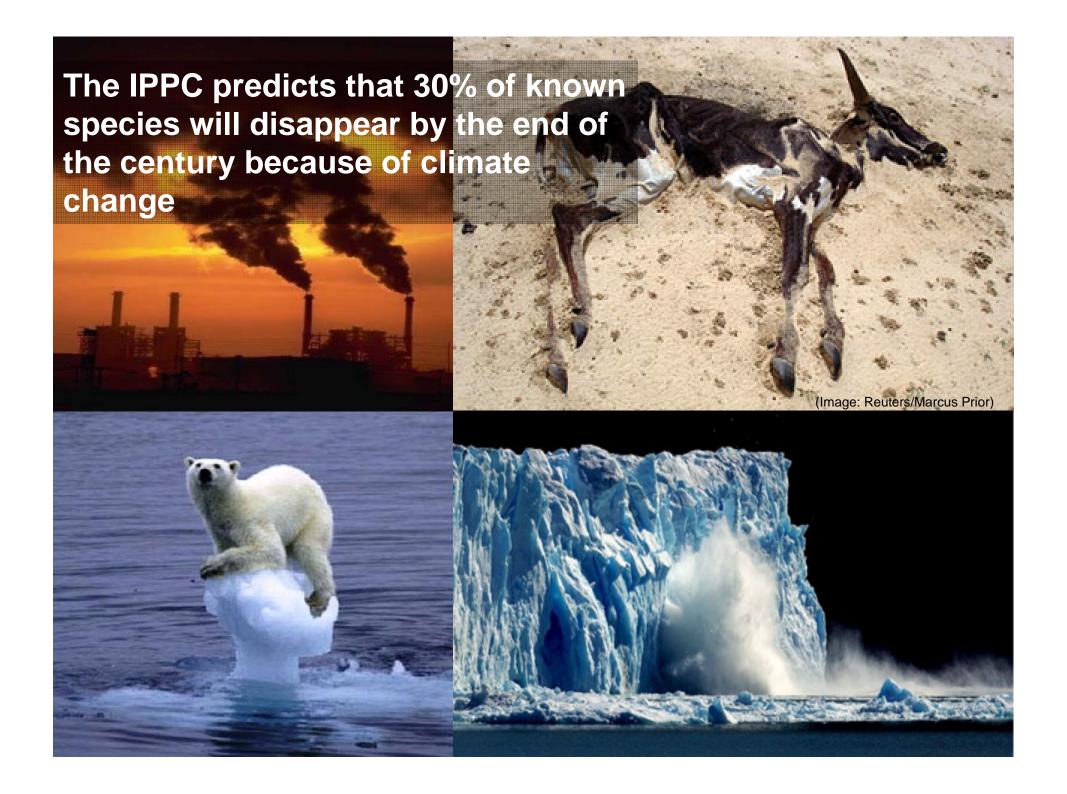
2011-2020 strategy: Implementation

- •The "Aichi Target" will be the overarching framework on biodiversity not only for the biodiversity-related conventions, but for the entire United Nations system.
- Parties agreed to translate this overarching international framework into national biodiversity strategy and action plans within two years
- Actions in support will also take place at sub-national and local levels















The role of the CBD

The Convention on Biological Diversity, of which the GTI is a part, does not itself actually carry out research or directly preserve the biota. What it does, though, is to make countries aware of issues and possible solutions, to help them to share ideas and resources, and to highlight the need for funding and the most effective way to direct finances. This works particularly through the 'Financial Mechanism' of the Convention, the GEF, and the many other bodies that provide funds.

While it is still early days in the development of the GTI, there are already clear indications that involvement of taxonomy in conservation and sustainable use projects can have very positive results, and more projects will be building on models like this in the future. While we are still a long way from identifying, separating and giving names to all of the animals, plants and microorganisms with which we share our planet, we are beginning to be able to tell where our taxonomic expertise is needed, to help more people develop the skills needed to do the work, and to share the information we have more equitably among the peoples of the World.

