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# Poland FY25–30 Country Partnership Framework

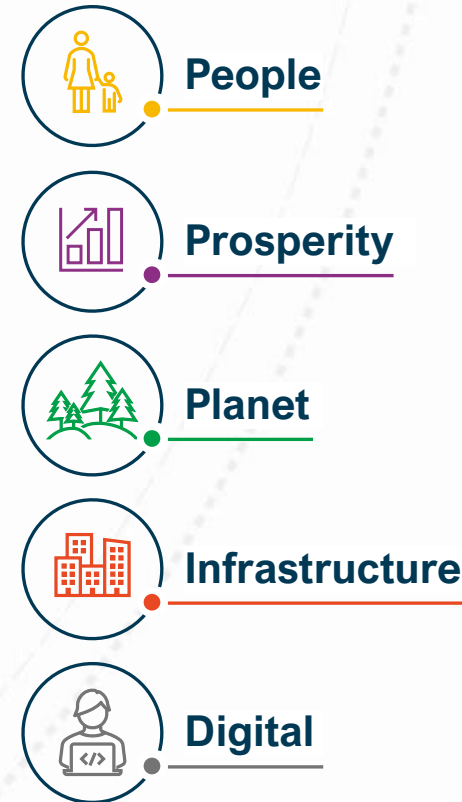
## OVERVIEW

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# A New Playbook for the World Bank Group

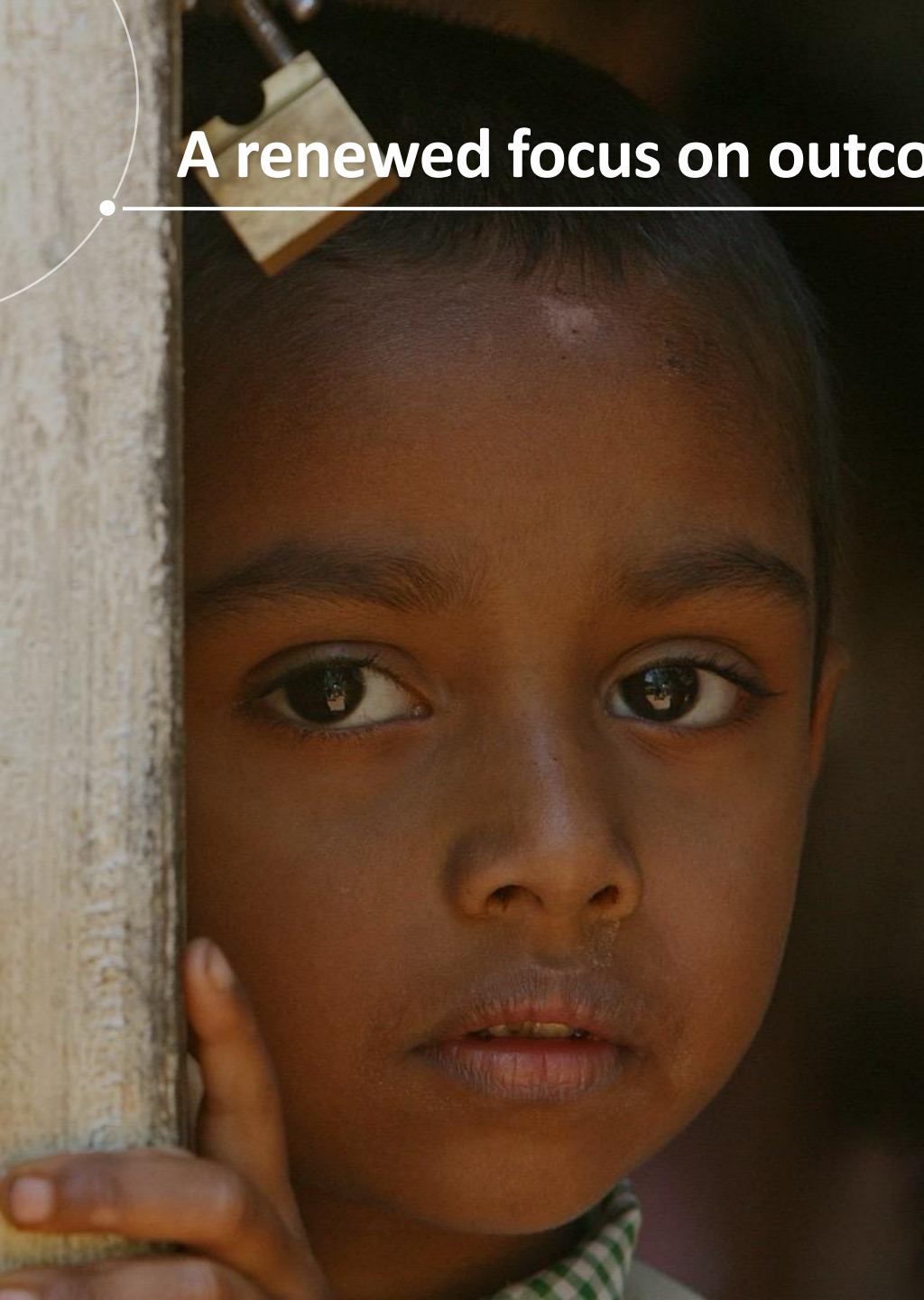


## Five Verticals



## Six Global Challenges

- Enhanced Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response**
- Food and Nutrition Security**
- Accelerating Digitalization**
- Fast-Track Water Security and Climate Adaptation**
- Energy Access and Transition**
- Forests for Development, Climate and Biodiversity**



## A renewed focus on outcomes

### The World Bank Group **Scorecard**

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## Results Indicators

- Total private capital mobilized
- Number of new or better jobs
- GW of renewable energy capacity enabled
- Beneficiaries with enhanced resilience to climate risks

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Vision  
Indicators

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Client Context  
Indicators

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Results  
Narratives

The new World Bank Scorecard is at the core of the effort to achieve stronger development outcomes and will provide a yardstick to measure how the Group delivers on its mission to end extreme poverty and boost shared prosperity on a livable planet.

# World Bank Group in Poland 2019–2024

Volume of  
The World Bank lending: **US\$795 million**



## Program-for-Results Financing (PforR)

- Clean Air Through Greening Residential Heating Program for Results (PforR)



## Investment Project Financing

- Odra-Vistula Flood Management Project



## Reimbursable Advisory Services

- Poland Long Term Care, RAS (FY25)
- State Purchasing Strategy, RAS (FY25)
- Cities Partnership Initiative 3, RAS (FY26)



## Analytical Products

- Systematic Country Diagnostic Update
- Poland Country Climate Development Report

IFC Capital  
invested  
and mobilized: **US\$1.172 billion**  
in **12 projects**

## Investments focused on



## Catalyzing Green Innovation

## Enhancing Access to Climate Finance



## Fostering Connectivity with new Global Value Chains

## Bridging Remaining Inclusion Gaps





# Clean Air Priority Program

The World Bank Group is supporting Poland's flagship anti-smog and energy efficiency program through a EUR 250 million Program-for-Results loan, and ongoing technical assistance on program design and implementation.





# Odra-Vistula Flood Management Program

Since 1997, the World Bank has been a key partner in Poland's flood protection efforts, particularly through the Odra and Odra-Vistula Flood Protection Projects, which aims to protect the population from severe flooding and improve flood risk management



# Select IFC transactions in Poland

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- 2024
- €500 million
- Green bond issue



- 2024
- \$35 million
- Equity investment

 Santander

- 2023
- \$17 million
- Synthetic Risk Transfer
- Loans to Ukrainian FDPs



- 2023
- \$300 million
- Green loan
- Electric vehicle

 ACP

- 2023
- \$20 million
- Equity
- Financial services

polsat 

- 2022
- \$99 million
- Sustainability Linked Bond
- Renewable energy



elemental

- 2022
- \$90 million
- Convertible preferred shares
- Circular economy



- 2022
- €15 million
- Equity
- Growth Equity Fund

 INNOVA  
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- 2022
- €40 million
- Equity
- Financial services

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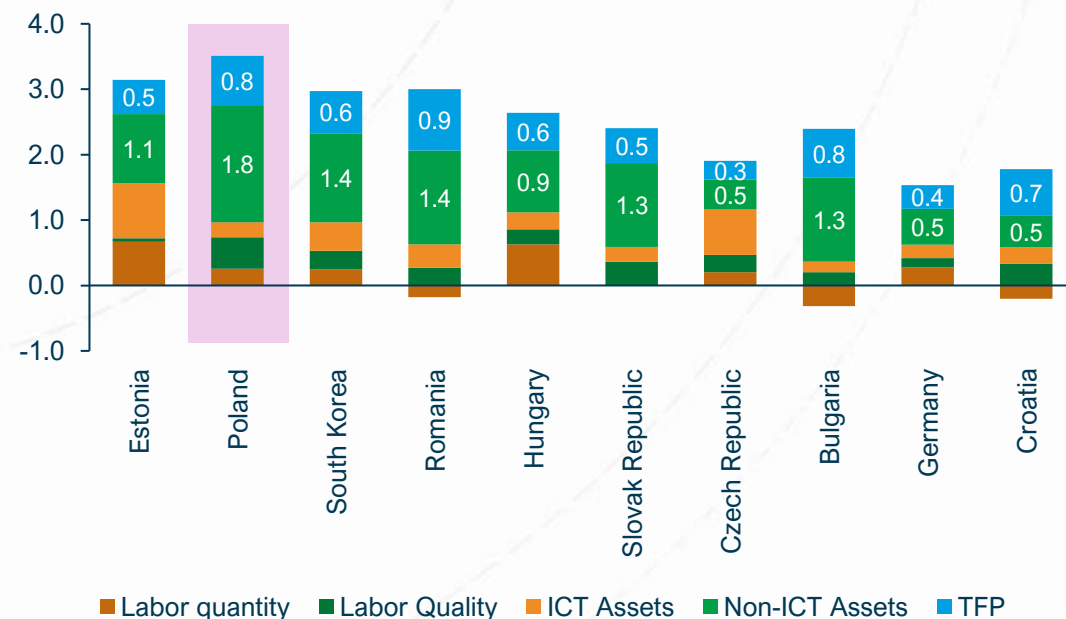
- 2021
- \$17.6 million
- Equity
- Mid-cap financing



# Where does Poland stand today?

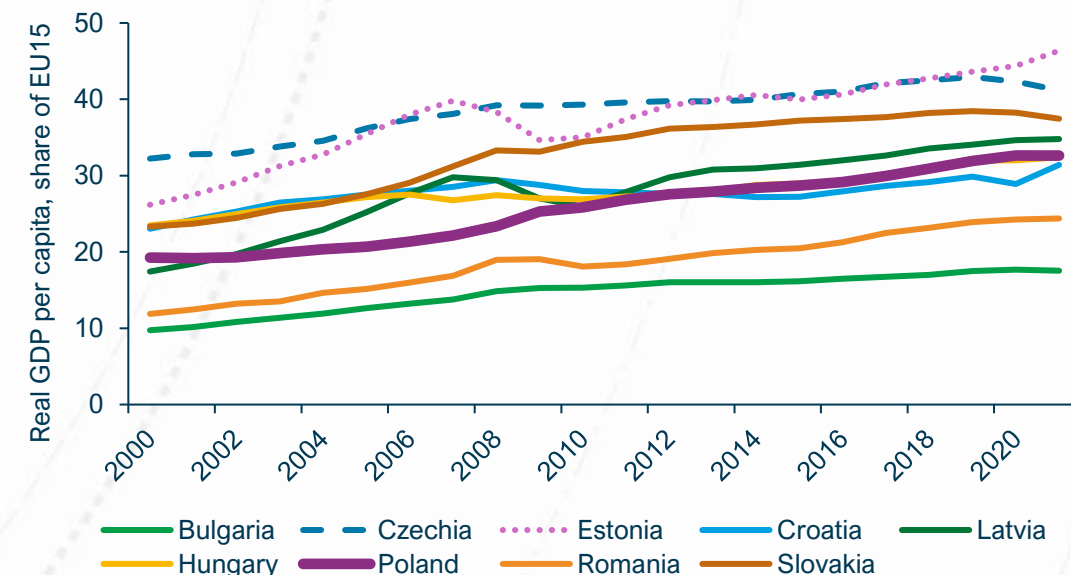
Poland continued its income convergence with the EU since 2017, feeding into rising household incomes

## Growth exceeded that of peers' over 2010-2021



Source: World Bank staff analysis based on Conference Board  
Note: Data, 2010-2022.

## Convergence to EU-average has been strong, but is incomplete: Poland's GDP per capita is 1/3 of EU-15



Source: Eurostat AMECO database.

Income per capita reached 80 percent of EU-27 average in 2023 (in PPS), up from 48 percent in 2000 and 70 percent in 2017.



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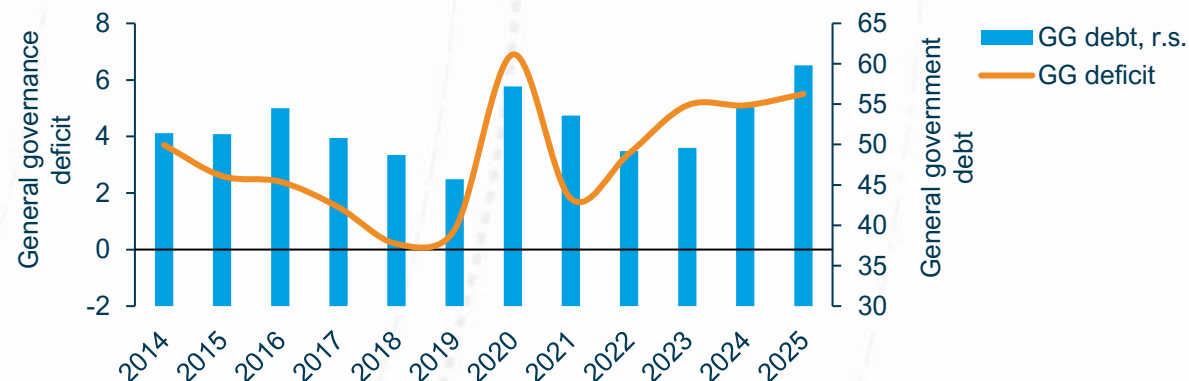
Global and regional shocks require updating the growth model, and call for stronger institutions

## Tumultuous start to the decade

- Economy has been challenged by unprecedented global and regional shocks
- Fiscal space has narrowed, economic governance institutions will need to be reinforced
- Pace of poverty reduction has moderated and been slowed down by shocks, and inequality has risen
- Deterioration in quality of core governance institutions will need to be reversed to meet emerging headwinds.

## Narrowing fiscal space as spending pressures mount

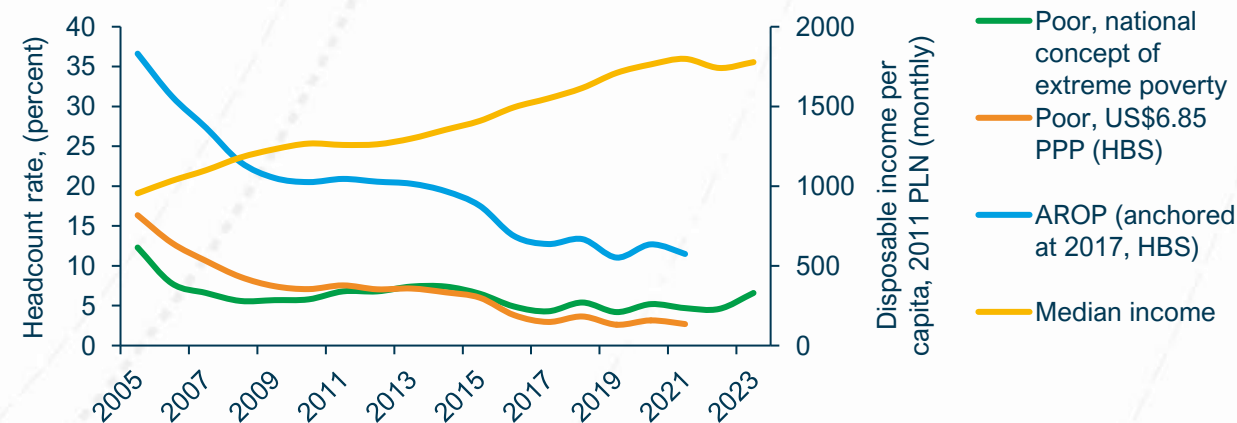
Deficit and debt, % of GDP



Source: Eurostat, 2025 budget draft

## Long term progress in reducing poverty slowed between 2017-2022. National extreme poverty rose to 2015 level in 2023

Median incomes and headcount poverty rate



Source: World Bank staff analysis using HBS; GUS (2023, 2024)

# What structural trends will shape outcomes?



## 1. Climate change

- Second most GHG emissions intensive economy in the EU
- Progress uneven across EGD dimensions
- Air quality among the worst in Europe, with significant health impacts
- Climate vulnerability is increasing, and will require adaptation to shifts
- It is important to ensure a just transition – leaving no one behind



## 2. Productivity

- Global slowdown in growth
- Global trade fragmentation and rising protectionism could challenge productivity



## 3. Labor market

- Continued shifts in labor demand with technological change and the green transition
- Strengthening labor force resilience will require strong foundational skills



## 4. Demographics

- One of the fastest aging populations in the EU and OECD
- Shrinking workforce could exert significant drag on growth
- Uneven strain on public service provision across regions and gminas

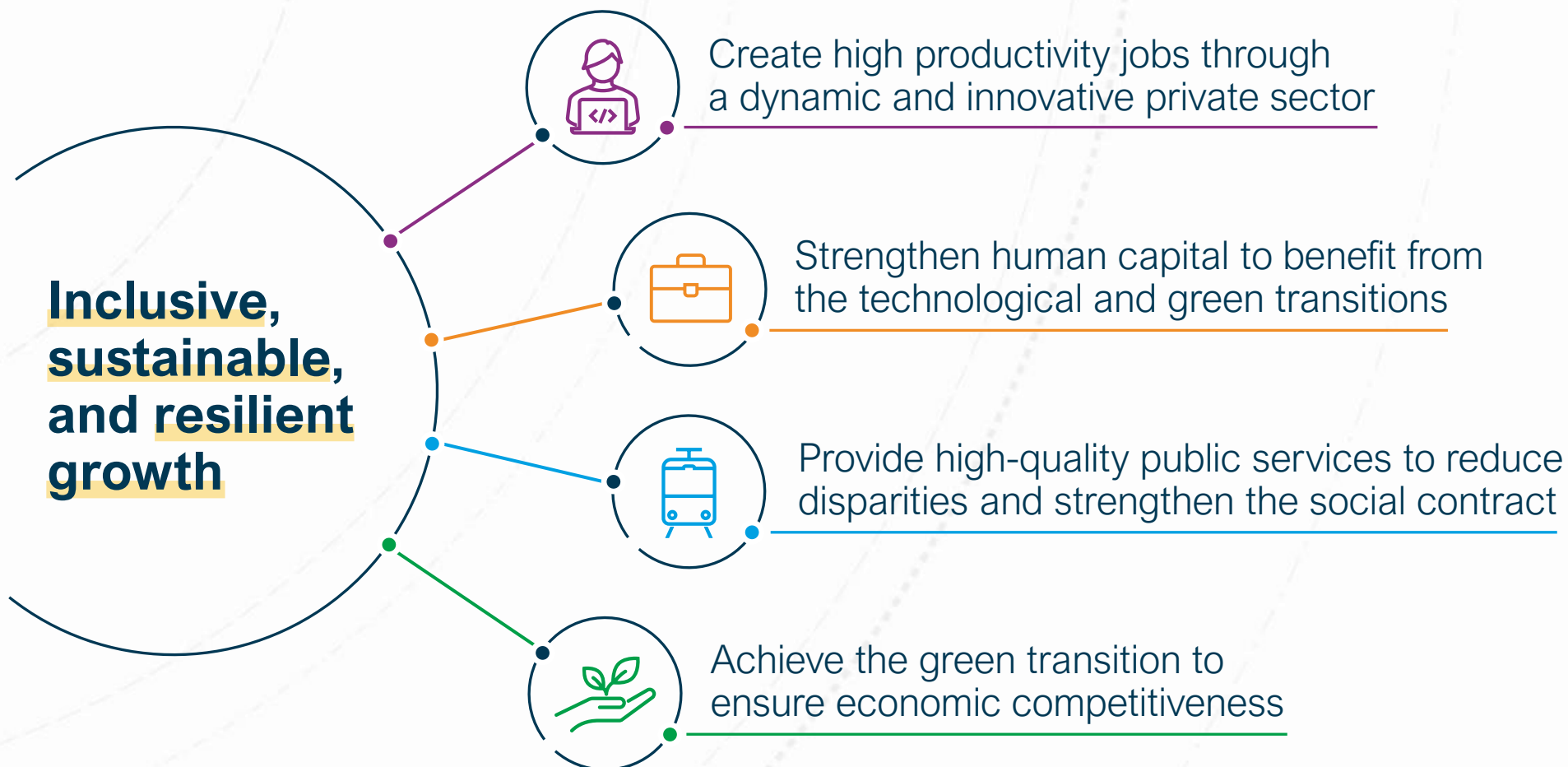


## 5. Evolving EU

- Poland's EU Presidency comes at a moment when the bloc faces many of its hardest challenges
- Ukraine reconstruction may put Poland front and center
- Institutions and convergence policies will need to ready themselves for transitions

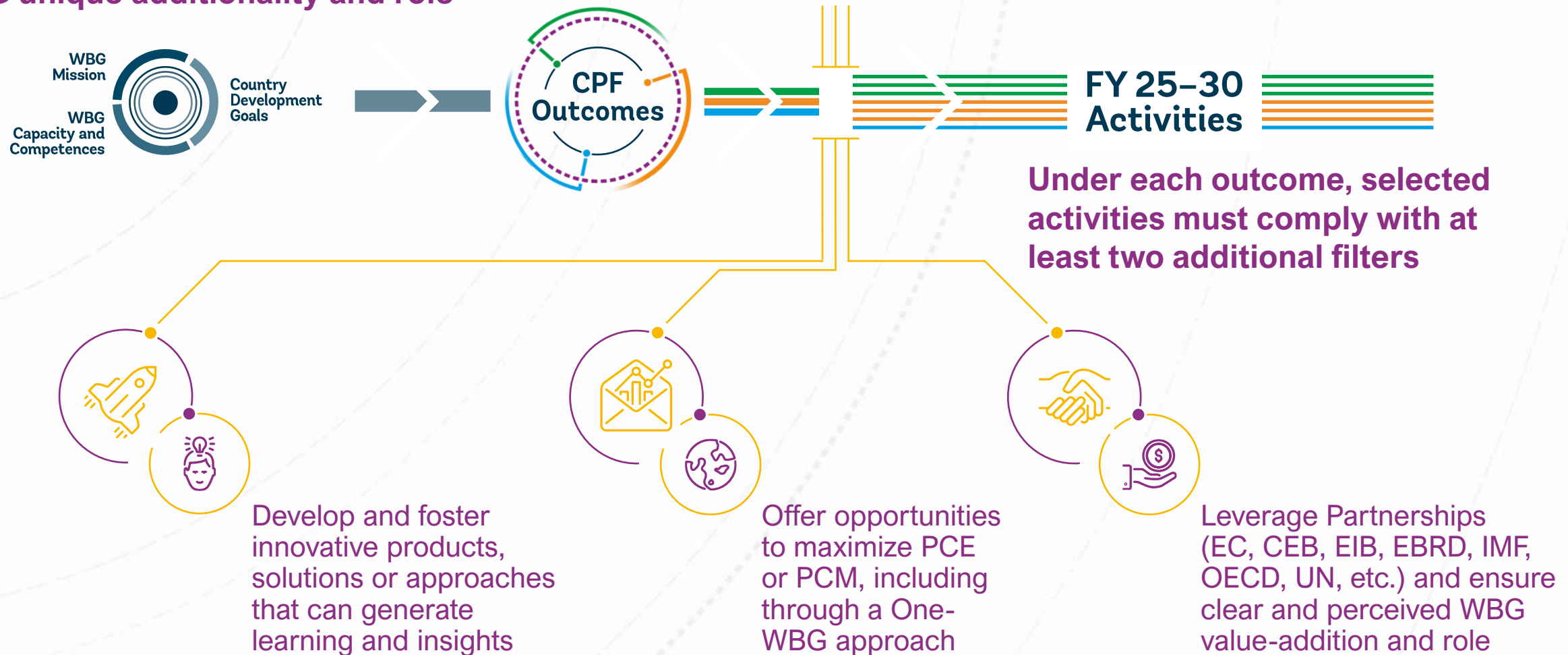


# What should Poland's priorities be in the next 5–10 years?



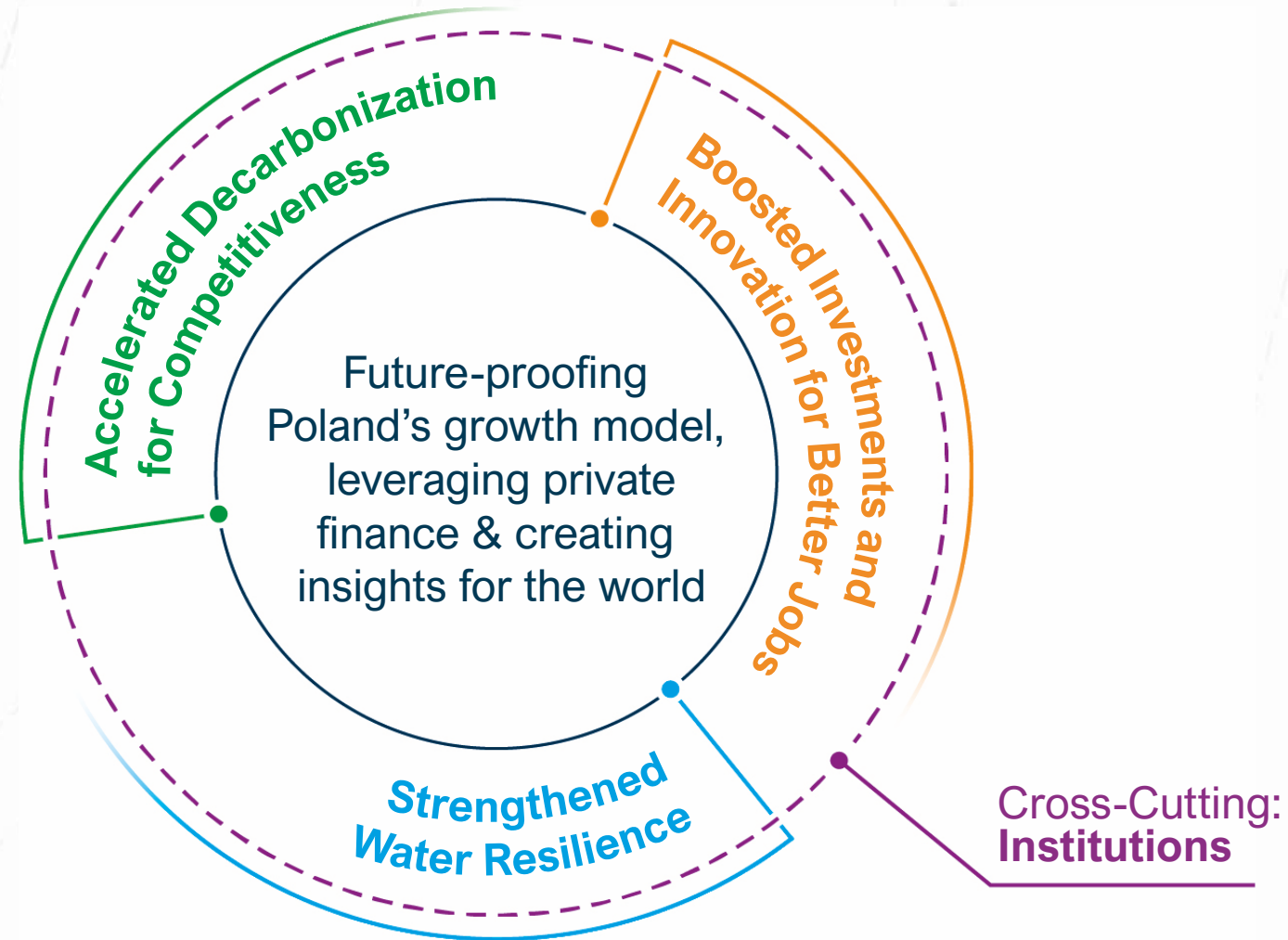
# Building a highly selective WBG Country Partnership Framework

A reduced number of CPF Outcomes based on Core diagnostics, Government demand, WBG unique additionality and role





# Proposed FY25-FY30 CPF



# CPF Outcome 1: Accelerated Decarbonization for Competitiveness

Development Challenges	WBG Programmatic Activities	Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>High reliance on fossil fuels</b> making the Polish economy uncompetitive in medium to long-term</li> <li>• <b>High energy intensity across economic sectors</b> linked to slow deployment of energy efficient technologies</li> <li>• <b>Underdeveloped climate finance markets</b> for energy security and transition</li> </ul>	<p><b>Accelerate policy and technology innovation in renewable energy generation</b>  <i>Policy dialogue and investments for innovation in RE, grid capabilities, energy storage</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Innovative RE Generation [Ongoing]</li> <li>• Power markets integration, Transmission, Storage [Planned]</li> <li>• Just Transition Out of Coal [Multi-programmatic, Planned]</li> </ul> <p><b>Increase energy and resource efficiency</b>  <i>Policy dialogue and investments to deploy energy efficient technologies across sectors</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential heating [Ongoing Clean Air P4R]</li> <li>• District Heating and Sustainable Municipal Infrastructure [Ongoing Cities Partnership Initiative, and IFC Circular Economy; Planned District Heating]</li> <li>• Industrial Decarbonization [Ongoing EE for firms, and IFC decarbonization of hard-to-abate industries]</li> <li>• Transport sector Decarbonization [Tentative]</li> </ul> <p><b>Deepen access to climate finance</b>  <i>Policy dialogue and investments to enhance climate finance</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green Taxonomies, Climate Finance investments, Derisking investments in innovative RE [Ongoing/Planned]</li> </ul>	<p><b>Proposed activities will aim to help Poland shift to more sustainable and clean sources of energy for a more competitive economy.</b></p> <p><b>Primary impact indicator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced GHG emissions [Scorecard]</li> </ul> <p><b>Other indicators:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GW of renewable energy capacity enabled [Scorecard]</li> <li>• Number of people exposed to hazardous air quality [Scorecard]</li> <li>• \$ Billions in total private capital mobilized [Scorecard]</li> </ul>
<b>Core Analytics:</b> CCDR		



# CPF Outcome 2: Boosted Investment and Innovation for Better Jobs

Development Challenges	WBG Programmatic Activities	Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Limited investment and innovation necessary for sustained economic competitiveness</b> due to FDI skewed to mid productivity sectors, slow technology adoption, lagging innovation capacity, shallow capital markets, and a declining labor force that is not ready for future jobs.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Increase private sector investment to boost innovation capacity and enhance infusion</b>  <i>Identifying key reforms needed to advance evolving Polish growth model, in conjunction with investments in new technologies and high-value-added value chains</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poland's evolving economic growth model: policy dialogue with MoF and line ministries on reforms and investments needed for higher-productivity jobs, including through considering the potential of AI and strengthening the innovation ecosystem [Ongoing/Planned]</li> <li>Access to equity and/or credit, develop capital markets, financial resources for sustainable and inclusive on-lending [Ongoing]</li> <li>Advance digitalization, innovation and value-chains (incl. PE/VC) [Tentative/Ongoing]</li> <li>Coordinated IBRD-IFC-MIGA initiatives to strengthen SOE governance, access to financial markets, and private participation in infrastructure [Tentative]</li> </ul> <p><b>Enhance investments in labor market and skills transitions</b>  <i>Analytics and potentially operations to address aging demographics and facilitate labor market and skills transitions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Long Term Care, related investments in silver economy [Ongoing/Planned]</li> <li>Women's participation in the labor force [Ongoing/Planned]</li> <li>Skills and education, incl. integrating Ukrainian refugees [Ongoing]</li> <li>Possible interventions in Childcare, Rental/Affordable Housing [Tentative]</li> </ul>	<p><b>Proposed activities will aim to help Poland future-proof its growth model and boost investments and innovation for better jobs.</b></p> <p><b>Primary impact indicator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Better jobs [Scorecard]</li> <li>\$ Billions in total private capital mobilized/enabled [Scorecard]</li> </ul> <p><b>Other indicators:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of SMEs reached with financial services, disaggregated by gender [IFC Intermediate Indicator]</li> <li>Number of research-firm partnerships for RDI forged [IBRD Intermediate Indicator, Tentative]</li> </ul>

**Core Analytics:** CEM, SCD, WDR, RER

# CPF Outcome 3: Strengthened Water Resilience

Development Challenges	WBG Programmatic Activities	Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Limited resilience to floods and growing water resource constraints</b> due to increasing water demand, unsustainable water use, and insufficient flood protection</li></ul>	<p><b>Enhance flood, drought and water management</b> <i>Lending on flood protection and investments on sustainable water use</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Water management and flood &amp; drought protection [Ongoing/Pipeline]</li><li>• Water (incl. blue loans), waste-water management, climate-smart agriculture [Planned/Tentative]</li></ul>	<p><b>Proposed activities will aim to help Poland increase its resilience to floods.</b></p> <p><b>Primary impact indicator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Millions of people with enhanced resilience to flood risks [Scorecard]</li></ul> <p><b>Other indicators :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$ Billions in total private capital mobilized [Scorecard]</li><li>• Total area benefitting from enhanced protection [Intermediate Indicators]</li></ul>
<b>Core Analytics:</b> CCDR		

# Discussion

## Q&A

**ALIGNMENT OF PRIORITIES** - Are the key development priorities in the CPF aligned with Poland's development plans?

**STRATEGIC FOCUS** - Are there specific sectors or areas where you think the World Bank Group should focus its efforts?

**MISSING FOCUS AREAS?** - Are any major areas of engagement missing from the WBG scope of operations?

**LEVERAGING OPPORTUNITIES** - Are there any emerging opportunities that the CPF should leverage to promote sustainable development?

**ENSURING COLLABORATION** - How can the World Bank better collaborate with local stakeholders, including government, private sector, and civil society, to achieve the CPF objectives?

**PICKING THE RIGHT INDICATORS** - What indicators or metrics should be used to measure the success of the CPF?



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