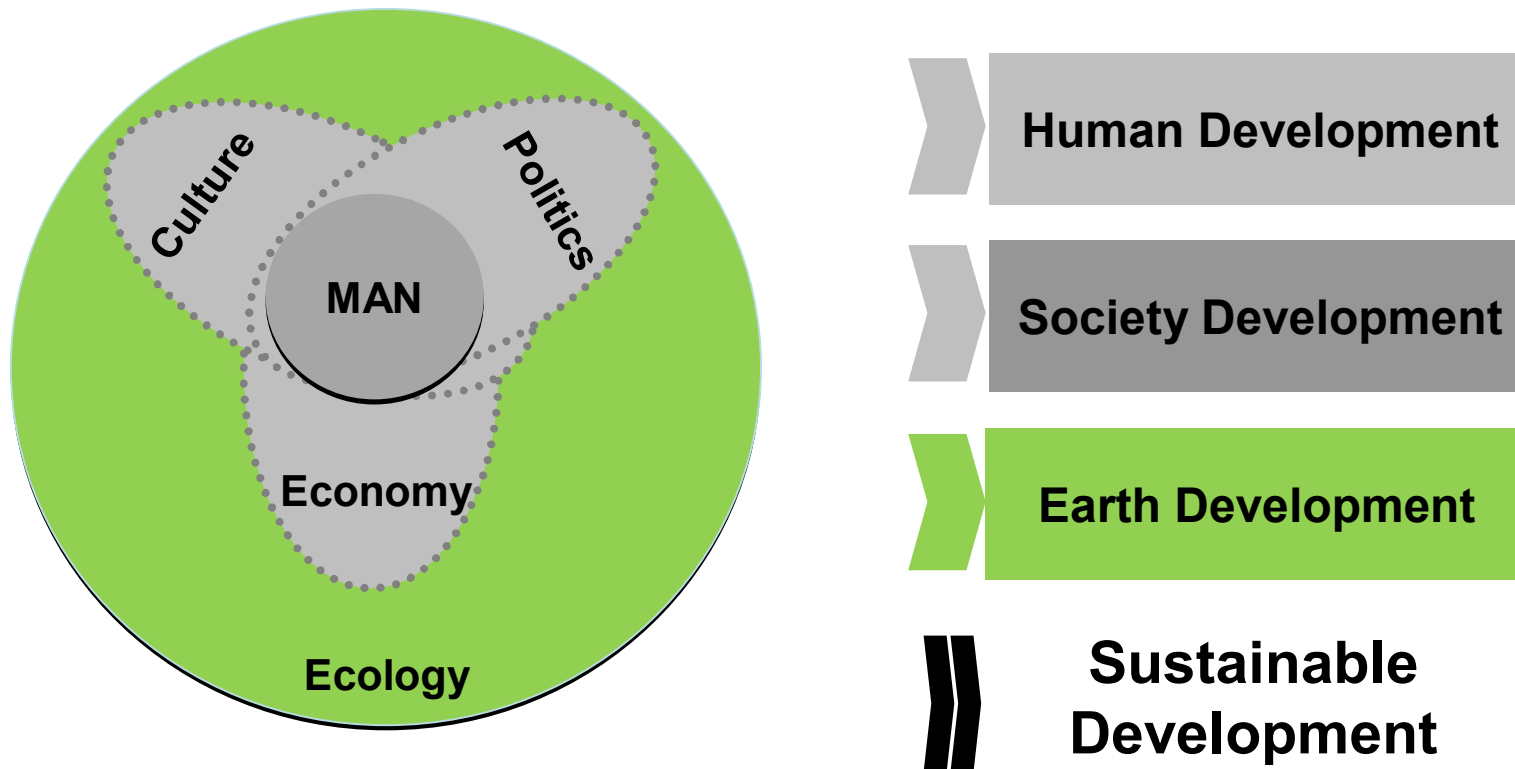


The SEKEM Initiative – Vision to build a sustainable community



“We aim towards living together according to social forms which reflect human dignity and further development, striving towards higher ideals. Our main goal is to give a development impulse for people, society and the earth.”



Integrative value chains create Win-Win situations



Business Benefits

- Security of supply
- Traceability and quality control of raw material
- Lower transaction costs
- Shared risks
- Access to knowledge and local networks
- Better relations with the government
- Positioning in fair trade

Community Benefits

- Fair prices and benefits
- Guaranteed market
- Creation or expansion of jobs
- Training and technical assistance
- Knowledge and technology transfer
- Access to financing
- Business environment and investment climate

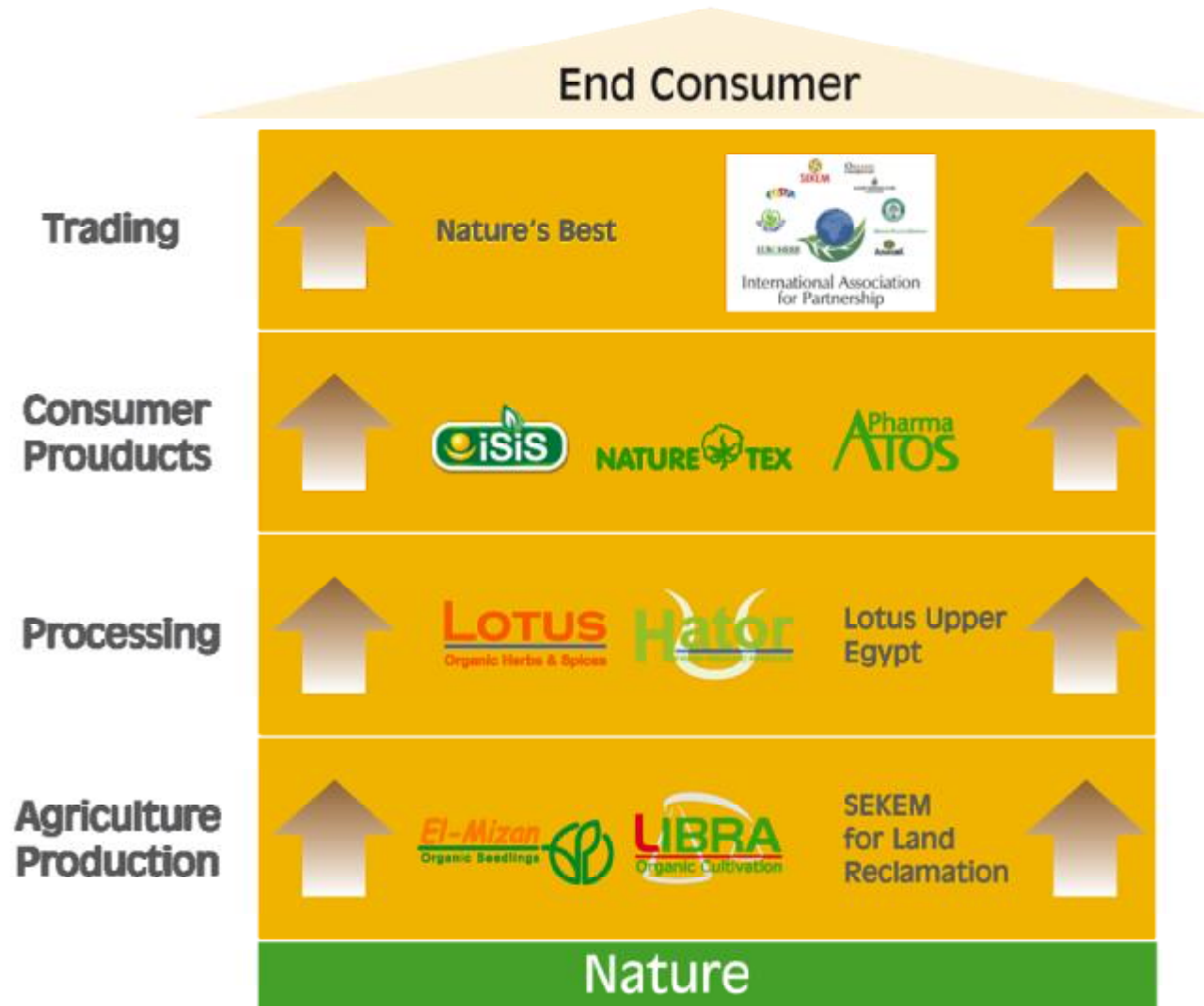
Source: World Business Council for Sustainable Development - Inclusive Business, p. 4

Organic Cotton: Factors for Sustainable Success



- Biodynamic farming offers the farmers the chance to gain good income without using harmful chemicals
- SEKEM helps the farmers to become successful in biodynamic farming with extension service of EBDA
- SEKEM makes favorable contracts with the farmers to ensure their income at the end of the season so they can concentrate on their farms and farming skill, not on sales
- SEKEM uses (most of) the biodynamic cotton for its own textile production to create added value within the country
- SEKEM works in close and long term cooperation with customers, not in spot markets

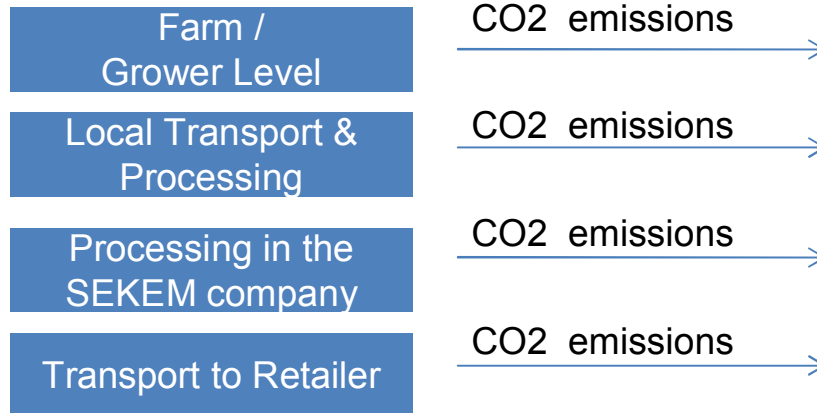
The SEKEM Companies



Carbon Footprinting at SEKEM



A carbon footprint consists of ...



due to...

- Land preparation
- Irrigation
- Fertilizers
- Packaging
- Transportation
- All energy consuming processes

SEKEM's CO₂ abatement strategy

- Assessment of emissions
- Reduction of imperiling emissions
- Emission offsetting

