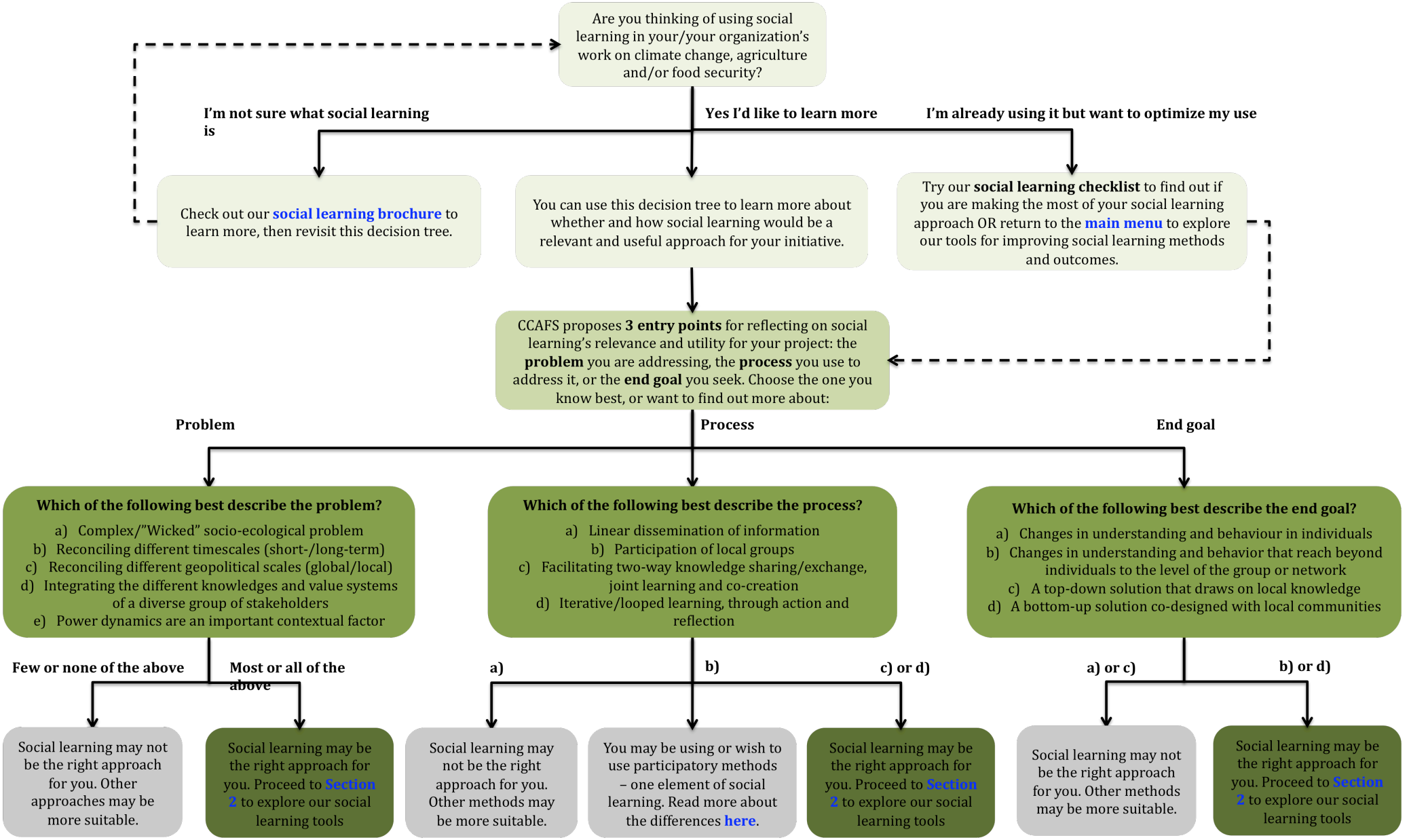
Are you thinking of using social learning in your/your organization's work on climate change, agriculture and/or food security?
I'm not sure what social learning is
Yes I'd like to learn more
I'm already using it but want to optimize my use
Check out our social learning brochure to learn more, then revisit this decision tree.
You can use this decision tree to learn more about whether and how social learning would be a relevant and useful approach for your initiative.
Try our social learning checklist to find out if you are making the most of your social learning approach OR return to the main menu to explore our tools for improving social learning methods and outcomes.
CCAFS proposes 3 entry points for reflecting on social learning's relevance and utility for your project: the problem you are addressing, the process you use to address it, or the end goal you seek. Choose the one you know best, or want to find out more about:
Problem
Process
End goal
Which of the following best describe the problem?
a) Complex/"Wicked" socio-ecological problem
b) Reconciling different timescales (short-/long-term)
c) Reconciling different geopolitical scales (global/local)
d) Integrating the different knowledges and value systems of a diverse group of stakeholders
e) Power dynamics are an important contextual factor
Which of the following best describe the process?
a) Linear dissemination of information
b) Participation of local groups
c) Facilitating two-way knowledge sharing/exchange, joint learning and co-creation
d) Iterative/looped learning, through action and reflection
Which of the following best describe the end goal?
a) Changes in understanding and behaviour in individuals
b) Changes in understanding and behavior that reach beyond individuals to the level of the group or network
c) A top-down solution that draws on local knowledge
d) A bottom-up solution co-designed with local communities
Few or none of the above
Most or all of the above
a)
b)
c) or d)
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You may be using or wish to use participatory methods – one element of social learning. Read more about the differences here.
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