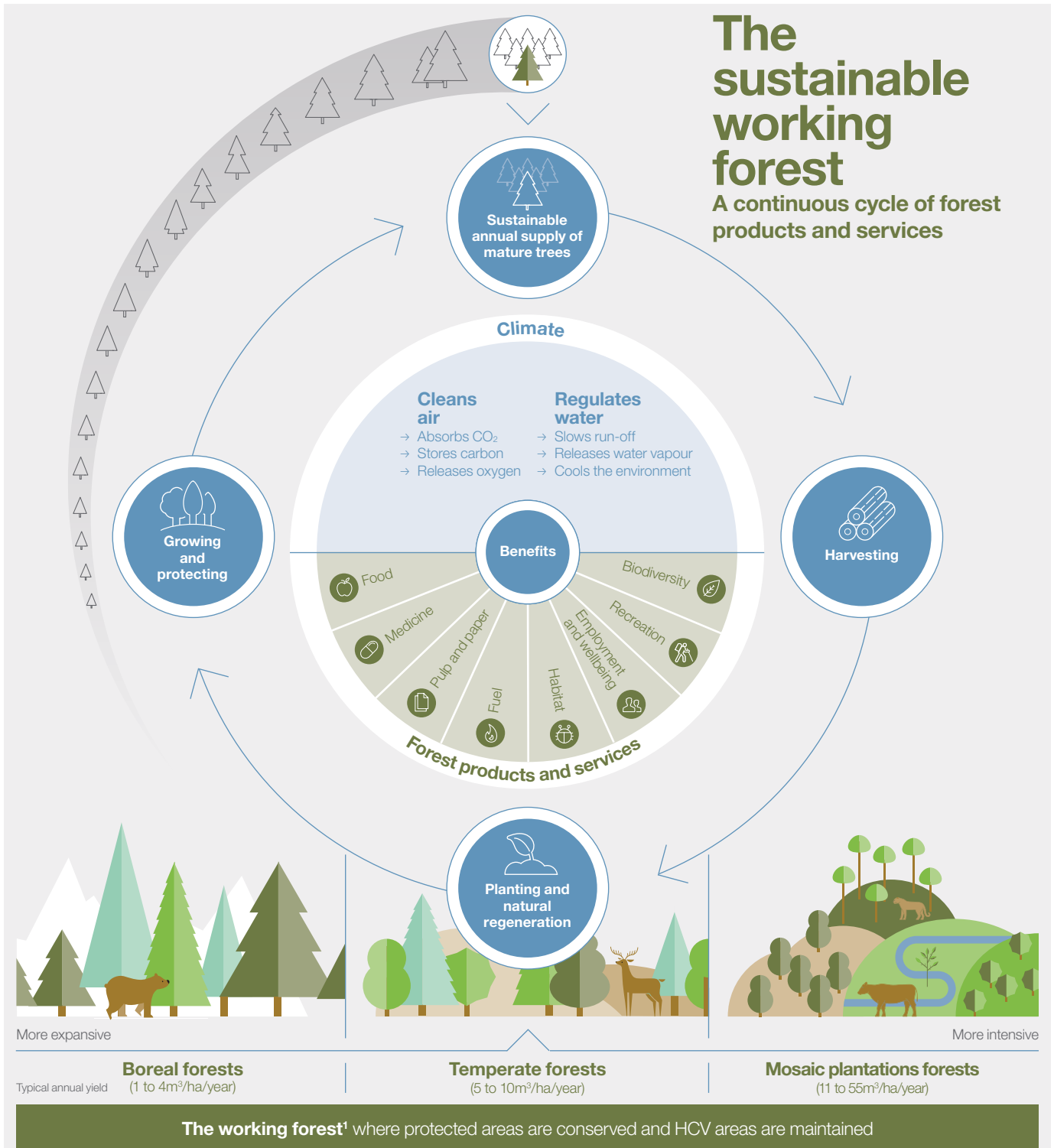


In focus:
Applying the working forest concept in Russia

The boreal forests of Russia are vitally important nationally and to local people – providing food, hunting, recreation and supporting many important species, along with all the other forest products and services. We've worked with our partners for many years to develop a best-practice approach that

provides increasing wood and fibre yield from commercial areas while mimicking natural forest dynamics, thereby maintaining ecosystem services now and into the future. Science-based management plans result in a mosaic of managed areas, areas where the forest regenerates naturally, areas of HCV

that are not harvested at all, and protective buffer zones along rivers and other sensitive areas. The working forest will play an important role in meeting the growing demand for wood and fibre while protecting the pristine forests and HCV areas of Russia.



¹ Tropical forests are most sensitive to disturbance and any commercial use of forest products requires a more sensitive and selective working forest approach