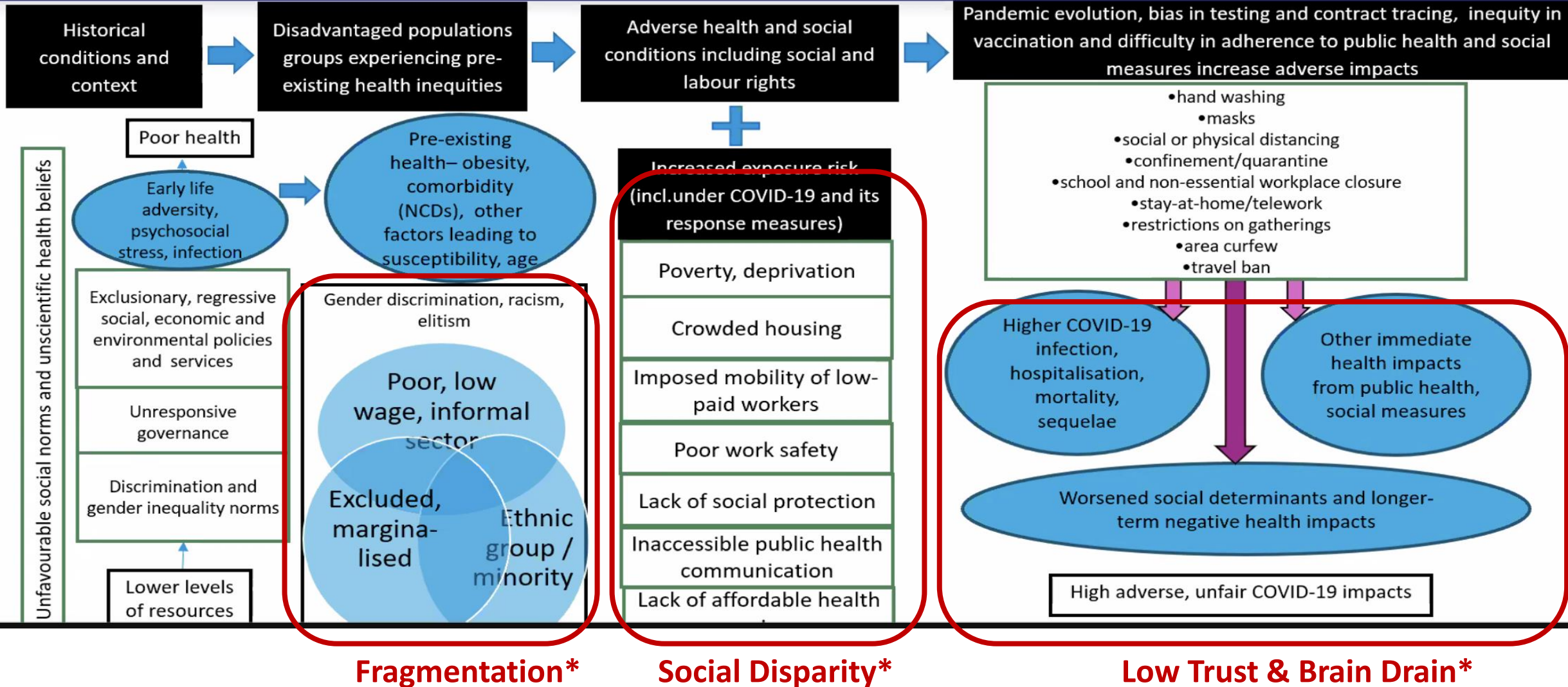


THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND SDH



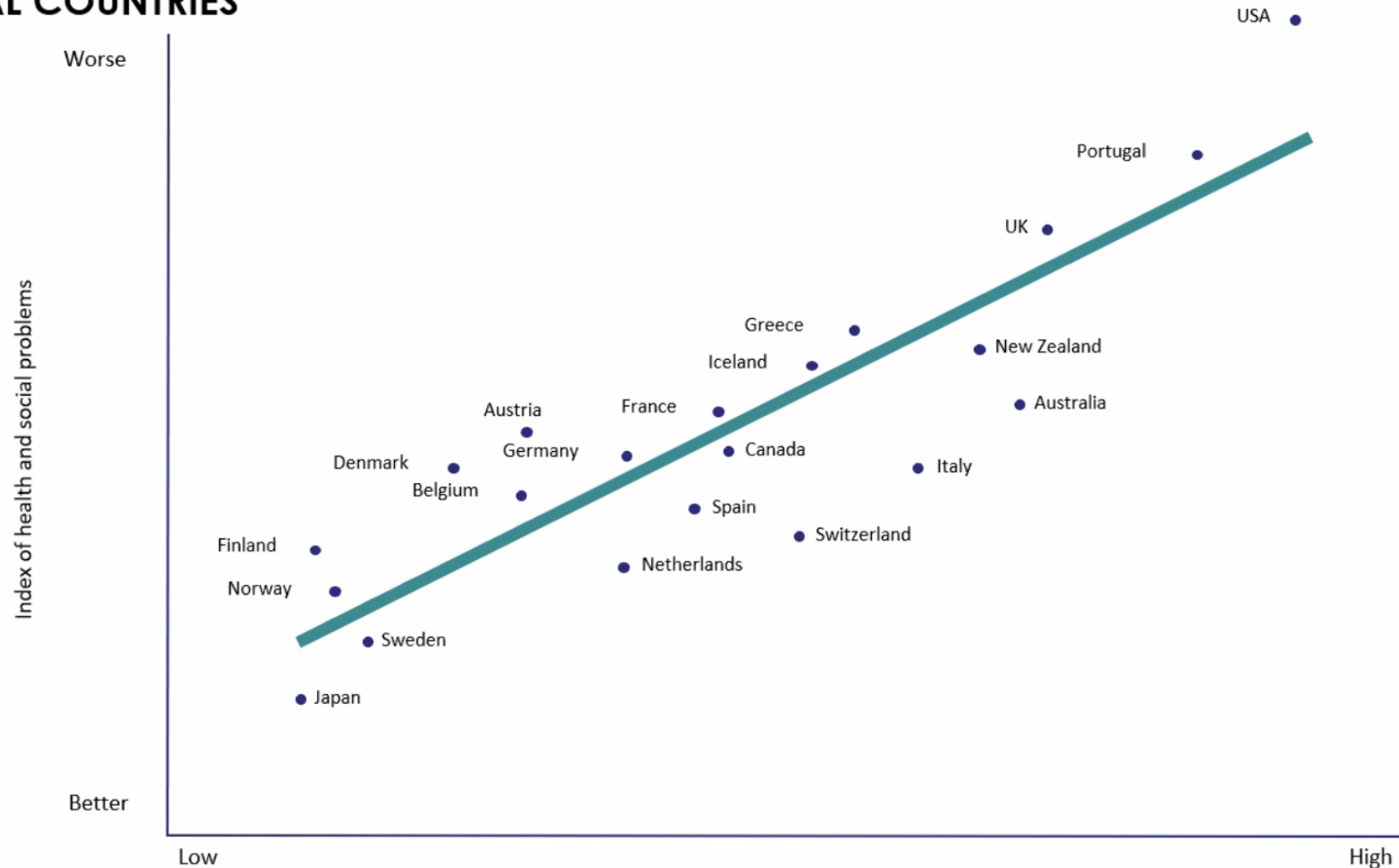
*The framed areas above indicate the correspondence between the four issues (i.e., low trust, brain drain, social disparity, fragmentation) that BRIDGE Project focused on and the WHO's theme of Social Determinants of Health.

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND THE PATHWAYS TO HEALTH AND ILLNESS

HEALTH AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS ARE WORSE IN MORE UNEQUAL COUNTRIES

Index of:

- Life expectancy
- Maths & Literacy
- Infant mortality
- Homicides
- Imprisonment
- Teenage births
- Trust
- Obesity
- Mental illness – incl. drugs & alcohol addiction
- Social mobility



Source: Wilkinson, Pickett 2009

DEVELOPING MODELS FOR COMPREHENSIVE ACTION: THEORY OF CHANGE

Structural Determinants

- Institutions
- Policies
- Culture
- Values
- Discrimination

Social clustering of “conditions”..

- Livelihoods
- Income and food security
- Housing and social services affordability/ accessibility
- Employment guarantees

A. Strengthening knowledge, data narratives and capacities

B. Focus in Pathfinder countries with demonstration sites

C. Intra- and inter-country networks

Initiative impact (2024)

Health, social and economic policies, including for COVID-19 recovery, **informed by and act on equity impact assessments of SDH**

VISION: Societies recognize, and take actions to prevent or reduce health inequities, through improving SDH for groups facing the most adverse living, learning and working conditions across the life course



Source: Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement, Going Beyond Clinical Walls: Solving Complete Problems (October 2014)

Next steps 2023

- World report on the social determinants of health (SDH) equity will be launched
- Operational guidance for monitoring SDH will be launched
- Guidance on sustaining multisectoral collaboration using Health in All Policies approaches to address the social determinants of health
- Education and training advocacy and release of a WHO book for health workforce educators
- Intensified work on equity in urban health and commercial determinants and linking to social protection and the well-being economy
- Country support and models for action developed through a Special Initiative for Action on the SDH and a global network for action on SDH

