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ENVIRONMENT

The Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment works to protect and nurture our planet, so it can meet the vital needs of people today and of generations to come. Drawing on the ingenuity, passion and pioneering spirit of Stanford University, we pursue this mission through research by Stanford's exceptional faculty and students, convening global experts, developing leaders and linking knowledge to action.

Woods serves as Stanford's go-to place for collaboration across sectors and disciplines to tackle the world's most critical, complex environmental challenges.

Through our collaborative, interdisciplinary approach, the Woods community partners with global experts beyond Stanford to find solutions that inform decision-making for a sustainable future. Together, we engage stakeholders and leaders from around the world to create practical solutions for people and our planet.

MISSION

To produce breakthrough environmental solutions that protect and nurture our planet to meet the vital needs of people today and generations to come

GOALS

- To catalyze and sponsor interdisciplinary research that yields breakthrough solutions to global environmental sustainability issues
- To link knowledge to action, advancing environmental decisions made by governments, NGOs and businesses
- To develop global environmental leadership for today and the future

WE ARE

The Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment is the hub of interdisciplinary environment and sustainability research at Stanford University. Comprising 10 percent of Stanford's faculty and research professionals, our 149 fellows and affiliated faculty are leaders in their academic fields. They bring expertise from across Stanford's seven schools – business, earth sciences, education, engineering, humanities and sciences, law and medicine – to our pioneering work on environmental and sustainability issues.

WE REACH

EXTERNAL AUDIENCES

Government, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), the business sector, foundations, donors and other engaged individuals

INTERNAL AUDIENCES

Stanford faculty and researchers, leaders, students, postdoctoral scholars and staff



FOCAL AREAS

Catalyzing Interdisciplinary Research

We find ourselves at a critical time in earth's history. The health of our oceans, climate, freshwater, land and air has declined precipitously. To tackle these challenges, the Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment sponsors solutions-focused research (more than 80 projects are under way in 22 countries around the globe), educates leaders and advances environmental decisions. Key to our approach are research programs and centers, including the Center for Food Security and the Environment, the Center for Ocean Solutions, Environmental Venture Projects, the Global Freshwater Initiative, the Natural Capital Project, the Program on Water, Health and Development, and the Water in the West program.

Educating Global Leaders

Advancing Environmental Decisions

We strive to:

- Link knowledge to action to produce breakthrough solutions
- Draw on the expertise, ingenuity, passion and pioneering spirit of faculty across all of the university's seven schools
- Pioneer approaches that transcend disciplines and sector boundaries
- Inform decision-makers with unbiased scientific data and information
- Educate global leaders around the world
- Partner with leading entities, including government, nongovernmental organizations, business and academia across multiple disciplines

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