



# IAI

Inter-American Institute  
for Global Change  
Research

# STRATEGIC PLAN

2024–2030



The IAI Strategic Plan 2024–2030 is the result of exchange and consultation with the representatives of the Parties, the members of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) and the Science-Policy Advisory Committee (SPAC), and the staff of the IAI Directorate. The plan sets out key actions to achieve scientific excellence, strengthen international cooperation and ensure the transparent and effective exchange of information on global environmental change.

We work with IAI member states, Associates and other IAI partners in the Americas to meet goals that contribute to the sustainability of our continent.

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**The plan is organized around three strategic themes:**



**Meeting the needs of Parties to address global environmental change challenges**



**Development of and contributions to science for the sustainability of the Americas**



**Ensuring the sustainability of the IAI**

These themes are divided into 10 strategic goals, detailed below with their specific objectives.

# 1 Lead regional scientific cooperation on global environmental change issues of priority to Parties



Promote transdisciplinary research on priority topics through **seed grants and calls for funding**



Promote **transdisciplinary capacity-building** to address priority themes



Assess the **global environmental change** challenges that are priorities for Parties



Promote **regional alignment** of research, training, and political action

## 2 Promote transdisciplinary scientific production under a nexus approach on priority global environmental change issues



**Biodiversity and ecosystem services**, with an emphasis on tropical and subtropical forests threatened by deforestation



Social inequality, **mobility**, and environmental change



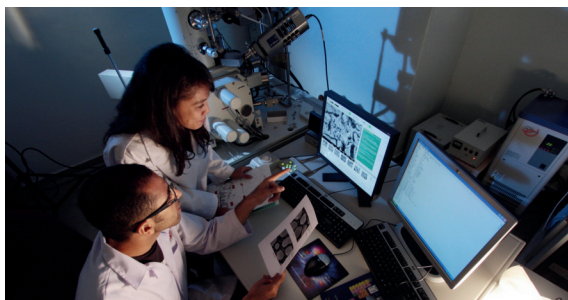
**Water, food, and energy**, especially in arid and mountain areas



Climate change adaptation and mitigation, with an emphasis on **oceans, coasts, and islands**



Climate, environment, and health



## 3 Strengthen regional science, science funding, and science-policy interface networks



Strengthen IAI networks of **scientists and practitioners** and **communities of practice**



Strengthen **networks of science funders** in collaboration with the Belmont Forum and other flexible mechanisms



Strengthen the networks of IAI **Associates and partners**

## 4 Parties increase their capacity to use scientific information to make decisions on global environmental change



Sustain and expand the **STeP program**



Establish partnerships with **intergovernmental scientific panels** and research institutes



Implement the **Open Data Policy**



Strengthen the **Virtual Campus**





# 5 Elevate science in the Americas to a global level



Promote and fund the **participation** of scientists, decision-makers, and civil society from IAI Parties in **science and policy forums**

# 6 Implement a solid communication strategy to increase visibility and impact



Improve **open communication with Parties** by strengthening science-policy dialogue



Increase the **Institute's visibility** in society



# 7 Promote a culture of equity, diversity, and inclusion in global environmental change



**Train and communicate** about equity, diversity and inclusion in global environmental change



Establish **advisory committees** on indigenous people and local communities

## 8 Establishes a sound financial outlook



Ensure **stable**, long-term **financing**



## 9 Increase the Institute's presence in the region



Increase the number of IAI **Member States**



Strengthen links with **organizations in the region**



Strengthen the IAI's presence in **Central America and the Caribbean**

## 10 Promote a healthy work culture at the Directorate



Implement, monitor, and report activities under the **Annual Operating Plan**



Promote the agreed visions on **leadership and a safe workspace**



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