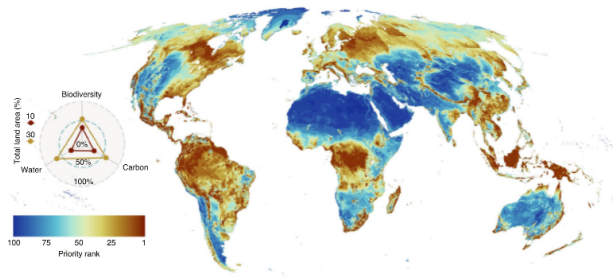


# NEWS

## Meeting Biodiversity, Climate, and Water Objectives Through Integrated Strategies



We are collectively failing to conserve the world's biodiversity and to mobilize natural solutions to help curb global warming. A new study carried out by the Nature Map Consortium, shows that managing a strategically placed 30% of land for conservation could safeguard 70% of all considered terrestrial plant and vertebrate animal species, while simultaneously conserving more than 62% of the world's above and below ground vulnerable carbon, and 68% of all clean water.

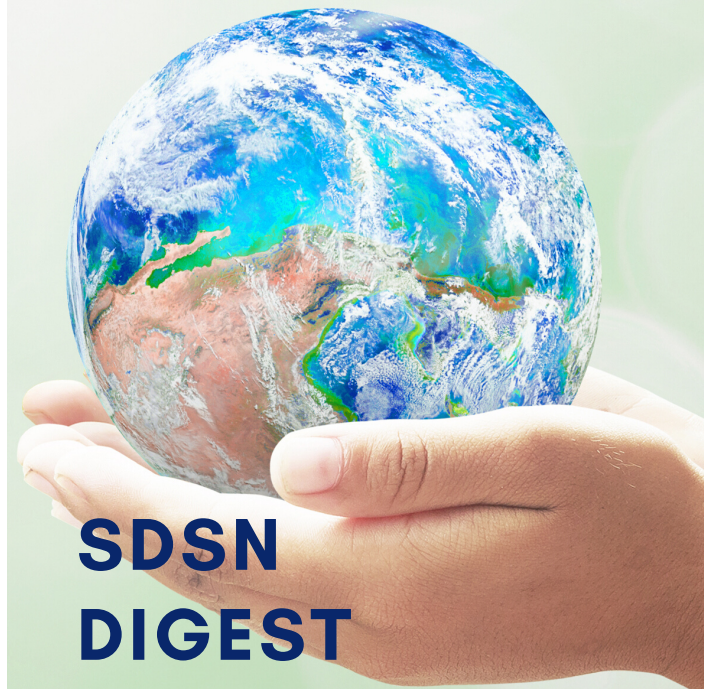


The paper set out to determine areas of global importance to manage for conservation to simultaneously protect the greatest number of species from extinction, conserve vulnerable terrestrial carbon stocks, and safeguard freshwater resources.

This effort is the first of its kind to truly integrate biodiversity, carbon, and water conservation within a common approach and a single global priority map.

Another distinct novelty of the work is the consideration of a comprehensive set of plant distribution data (about 41% of all plant species) in the analyses, and the setting of species targets for extinction risk.

Please see the [full study here](#).



# SDSN DIGEST

August, 2021



# GRANT-MAKING OPPORTUNITIES

## *New Minor Foundation for Major Challenges Small and Large Grants, UNIFOR*

To support communication projects which advance the transition to a low carbon economy. Supports projects that support urgent, large-scale transformation, with a focus on changing policies and practices in public or private institutions. Funding information: smaller grants of up to EUR 10,000. Projects above EUR 10,000 – typically in the range of EUR 20,000 to 200,000, although larger projects may be considered. Deadline: Oct 8, 2021.

## *Call for Applications, Getty Scholar Grants, The Getty Foundation*

For established scholars, or individuals who have attained distinction in their fields. Open to researchers of all nationalities who are working in the social sciences, humanities, or arts. Funding information: depending on the term duration (3, 6 or 9 months) – USD 21,500; USD 43,000; USD 65,000. Deadline: Oct 1, 2021.

## *AI for Earth Grants, Microsoft*

To support projects that use AI to change the way people and organizations monitor, model, and manage Earth's natural systems. Funding information: Azure compute credit grants provide you with Azure credits worth USD 5,000, USD 10,000, or USD 15,000, depending on your project scope, to start using Azure AI tools and cloud computing with your existing labelled dataset. Deadline: Oct 4, 2021.

## *Fund for Innovation in Development Grant Program*

A new initiative to support innovation that contributes to reducing global poverty and inequality. Through flexible grant funding, FID enables innovators and researchers to test new ideas, build rigorous evidence of what works, and scale the highest-impact and most cost-effective solutions. Deadline: ongoing

## *Call for Proposals, Social Science Research Council*

As part of the Just Tech program, seeks proposals from across the social sciences and related fields that address the risks, opportunities, and challenges posed by public health surveillance stemming from the Covid-19 pandemic. Funding information: awards will range from USD 5,000 to 10,000, with larger amounts directed to projects committed to research partnerships. Deadline: ongoing

## *Rapid Response Fund, Open Technology Fund*

Aims to facilitate the digital emergency response community to resolve threats in a timely and comprehensive manner for individuals, communities, and organizations whose free expression has recently been repressed. Funding information: total value of support cannot exceed USD 50,000. Average support amounts are between USD 5,000 and 25,000. Deadline: ongoing

# EVENTS

The Green Institute will hold [the 2nd Annual World Sustainability Conference \(WSC\)](#) on November 13, 2021, virtually. The Institute is pleased to invite all who wish to present at the conference, to submit their papers. Undergraduates, Graduate students as well as other Academicians are eligible to present at this event.

The year's conference will focus on **"Repositioning and Transitioning Global Sustainability beyond COVID-19."**

Participants are encouraged to submit and present original research articles and reviews under the sub-themes: **education, energy, environment, economics, and equality.**

A more detailed description of each theme can be found [here](#).

Interested participants should email an abstract of 250 words on or **before October 20, 2021**, to [\*\*wsc@greeninstitute.ng\*\*](mailto:wsc@greeninstitute.ng).



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