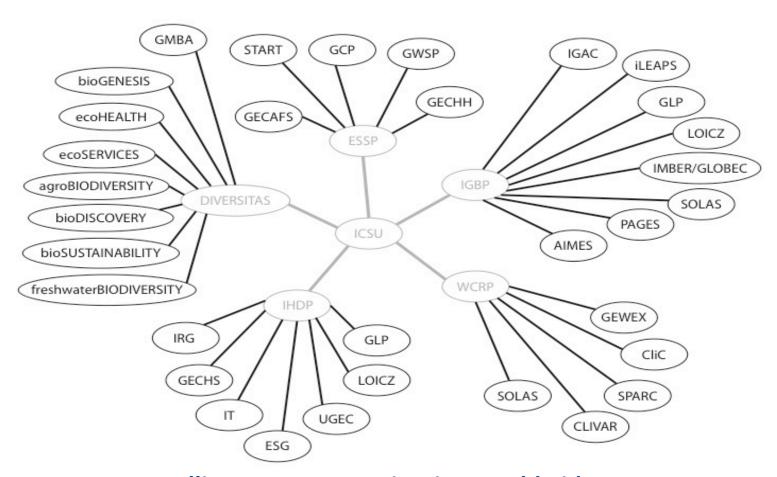
# GEC Core Projects



Calling on >60,000 scientists worldwide

## 2025 Vision Challenges

- Nexus of Sustainable water, energy, and food systems
- Low carbon socio-economic systems
- Safeguard the terrestrial, freshwater and marine natural assets
- Build healthy, resilient and productive cities
- Promote sustainable rural futures
- Improve human health by understanding complex environmental interactions
- Encourage sustainable consumption and production patterns
- Increase social resilience to future natural threats

# futurerth research for global sustainability Fast Track Initiatives (2014)

- Exploring nitrogen in Future Earth
- Scientific support for IPBES knowledge generation
- Liveable urban futures
- Bright spots: seeds of a good Anthropocene
- Global biodiversity monitoring, prediction and reporting
- Extreme events and environments from climate to society
- Linking earth system and socio-economic models to predict and manage changes in land use and biodiversity
- Sustainability for water, food and energy through integrated water information and improved governance

### **BELMONT FORUM**

**Collaborative Research Actions (2013-2014)** 

- Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability
- Scenarios of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
- Food Security and Land Use Change
- Freshwater Security
- Coastal Vulnerability
- 2015 Now Open
  - Mountains as Sentinels of Change
  - Climate Predictability and Inter-Regional Linkages

Transformation

# What are the modalities of analysis of biodiversity observations to SDG and society?

- How do we communicate observations of changes and trends?
- How do we apply this information into knowledge that is useful to multiple sectors of decision makers?
- What are the critical intersections between research disciplines and society?
- How do we define a practical strategy for coordination of joint efforts?

### **Developing other areas**

#### Process-oriented

- Future Earth strategy on youth mobilization [Cheikh Mbow]
- Sustainability strategy [Corinne LeQuere]
- Conflict of Interest policy [secretariat]
- New Initiatives Strategy [Susi Moser, Belinda Reyers, Heinz G]
- etc

#### Science oriented

- Engagement paper development [Susi Moser, Mark SS]
- Policy Brief on SDGs (and process for these) [Mark SS]
- etc

#### Community support and development

- Linking activities (e.g. ISSC Transformations project assessment)
- Conferences (many presentations by members; organising committees)
- etc

## **Other topics**

- New research directions/pilots
  - Emerging from Argentina
  - New initiatives more generally (from SC, from community, from other processes like ISSC, Belmont: modes of linking)
- Building new communities
  - Multiple modes, some mentioned
  - Unions? Reaching out to those we don't 'know'?
- Support needs
  - Meetings; other activities of SC, and work with EC
- Connecting Core Projects etc with SC





## **Enhancing Research Activities**

- Maintaining interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research to further our understanding of the dynamic earth system
- Provide knowledge sharing and translation of findings between research communities, practitioners, and decision makers
- Establish mechanism for co-development of research strategies with user community

