

BELMONT FORUM



Delivering knowledge to support
human action and adaptation to
global environmental change



THE BELMONT FORUM

Formed in 2009, the Belmont Forum includes the world's main funders of environmental change research and international science councils.

The forum aims to mobilize international resources at a scale that matches the challenge from global environmental change, in order to catalyze delivery of the environmental science-derived solutions that society needs.

The Belmont Challenge:

To deliver knowledge needed for action to mitigate and adapt to detrimental environmental change and extreme hazardous events.

This requires:

- Information on the state of the environment, through advanced observing systems;
- Assessments of risks, impacts and vulnerabilities, through regional and decadal analysis and prediction;
- Enhanced environmental information service providers to users;
- Inter- and Transdisciplinary research which takes account of coupled natural, social and economic systems;
- Effective integration and coordination mechanisms, to address interdependencies and marshal the necessary resources.

For more detailed information on the Belmont Forum, and the Belmont Challenge, please visit <http://www.belmontforum.org>



COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH ACTIONS

In order to make progress against the Belmont Challenge and help deliver international collaboration, the Belmont Forum develops Collaborative Research Actions (CRAs) that:

- Address the Belmont Challenge priorities (i.e. societally relevant global environmental change challenges)
- Leverage Belmont Forum members existing investments through international added value
- Bring together new partnerships of natural scientists, social scientists, and stakeholders

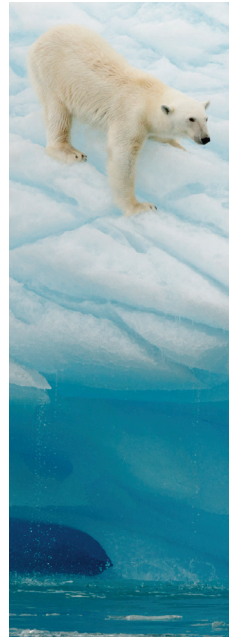
Past, Current, and Upcoming CRAs

- Mountains as Sentinels of Change
- Climate Services
- Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability
- Scenarios of Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
- E-infrastructures and Data Management
- Food Security and Land Use Change
- Coastal Vulnerability
- Freshwater Security



MEMBER AGENCIES

- The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organizations (Australia)
- Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economics (Austria)
- Belgian Science Policy Office (Belgium)**
- São Paulo Research Foundation (Brazil)
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (Canada)**
- Québec Research Funds (Canada)**
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FUTURE EARTH

The Belmont Forum is one of the sponsors of the [Future Earth](http://www.futureearth.org) initiative: www.futureearth.org

- Future Earth is a 10-year international research initiative that will develop the knowledge for responding effectively to the risks and opportunities of global environmental change and for supporting transformation towards global sustainability in the coming decades.
- Future Earth will build on the success of existing global environmental change programmes to help develop a stronger and broader community.
- Future Earth is sponsored by the Science and Technology Alliance for Global Sustainability, comprising the International Council for Science (ICSU), the International Social Science Council (ISSC), the Belmont Forum, the UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the UN Environmental Programme (UNEP), the UN University (UNU), and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

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