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Science Council**

Update on ISC Activity

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During the first 3 years of the ISC's existence, we have:

1. Put in place an efficient and energetic governance system
2. Developed and implemented forward-looking strategies, policies and work plans focused on operationalizing the ISC vision and mission
3. Invested in connecting and working much more closely with our members
4. Built an ambitious, relevant, and responsive portfolio of scientific activities that address major contemporary global challenges for both science and society

5. Expanded our science, policy and funding networks, developed new, action-oriented partnerships and worked to reduce further fragmentation of effort at the global level
6. Ramped up our communications and outreach capacity, increasing the visibility of the work of the ISC and its members amongst multi-stakeholder audiences across the world
7. Professionalized our management and organizational support function
8. Maintained operational cohesion and increased levels of productivity despite the disruption of a global pandemic

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Important outcomes from the ISC 2nd General Assembly

1. Adoption of the 2022-2024 Action Plan, with 27 initiatives (incl. 5 new)
2. Adoption of 2 resolutions
 - In favour of coordinated action in favour of necessary reform of the scientific publishing industry
 - Welcoming the UN SG's intention to re-establish the Scientific Advisory Board and to develop a strategy that mobilizes the expertise of members, scientific networks and partners
3. Consultation toward the finalisation of a Discussion Paper to frame the ISC's action to protect scientific freedom and advance the responsible conduct of science in the 21st Century

The ISC and Climate Science

1. Co-Sponsor of GCOS and WCRP, as well as GOOS and SCOR
2. Active Engagement in COP 26
 - Transform 21 platform
 - Involvement in UK-led Climate Risk Assessment initiative
 - Discussions for role in COP 27
3. New Action Plan includes a new, globally coordinated action on climate emergency, drawing lessons learned from COVID-19



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