

# Who is Future Earth?

Future Earth is a global network of scientists, researchers, and innovators collaborating for a more sustainable planet.

Our mission is to advance research in support of transformations to global sustainability.

Our vision is of a sustainable and equitable world for all, where societal decisions are informed by openly-accessible and shared knowledge.

## What does Future Earth do?

We exist to support collaboration between researchers and stakeholders from all different regions, backgrounds, and sectors who are working to generate actionable, solutions-oriented knowledge to help transform toward societies that provide good and fair lives for all within a stable and resilient Earth system.

Future Earth's global community is composed of diverse [Global Research Networks](#), Regional Partners, and National and Local Networks spread across regions, continents, and time zones, coordinated by [Secretariat-led Hubs](#).

The organization's [Governing Council](#), composed of 17 elected members representing the Future Earth community, oversees the scientific and strategic direction of the organization. The [General Assembly](#), which meets annually, is representative of the entire Future Earth Community and fosters knowledge-sharing, innovation, partnership, and participation. Future Earth is supported by four Custodian Organizations: UNESCO, UNEP, ISC, and the Belmont Forum, which help establish and support Future Earth's overall mandate by leveraging their networks, name, and reputations on behalf of the organization.



### Facilitate Research and Innovation

Our [27 Global Research Networks](#) explore interactions among humans and the planet's land, air, water, and biodiversity. We develop and partner on initiatives like the [Earth Commission](#) and the [Science-Based Pathways for Sustainability](#) convened by Future Earth that work to develop science-based targets for systems like land, water, and biodiversity.



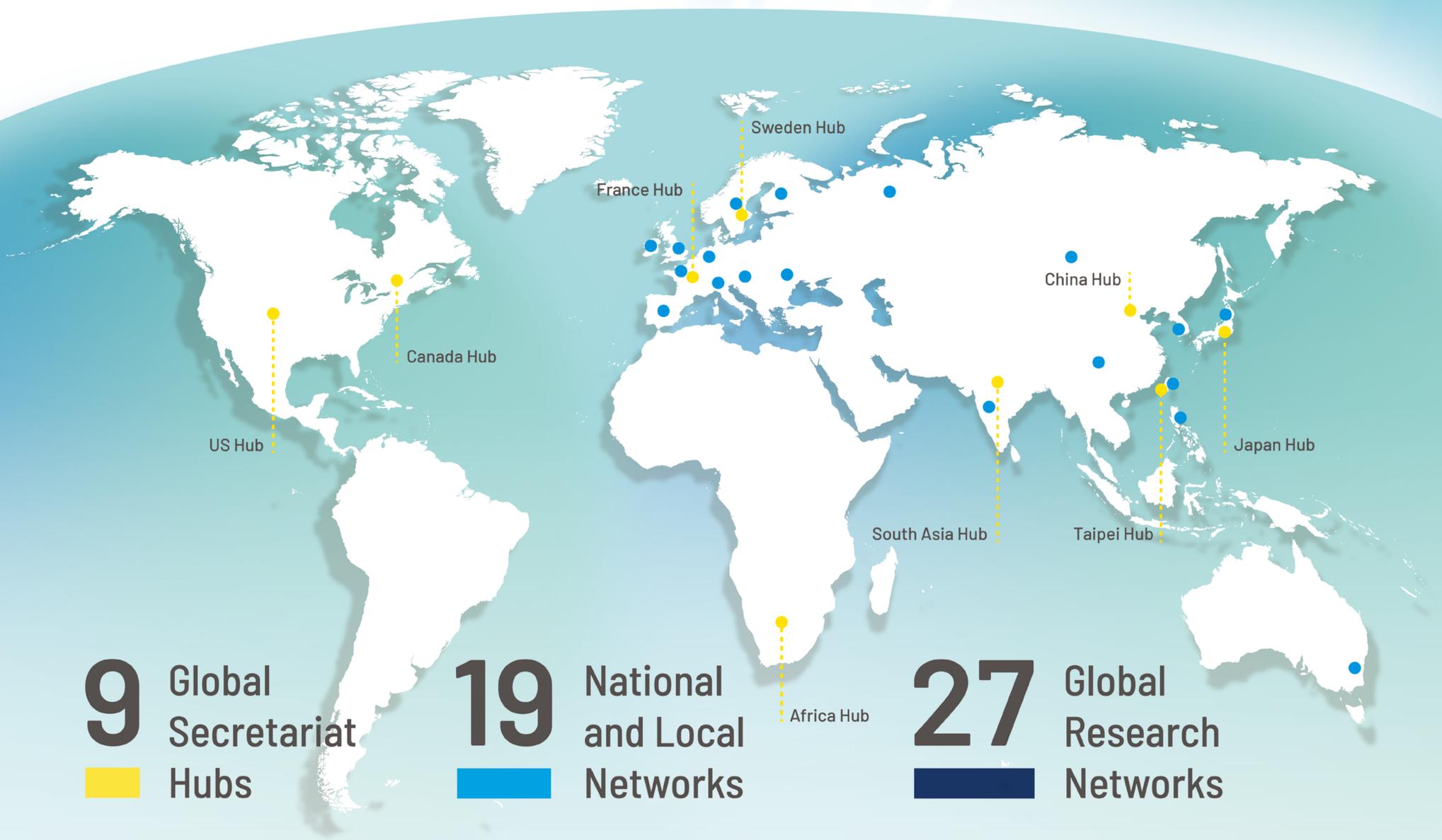
### Build and Mobilize Networks

Our vast, transdisciplinary networks link policy, business, and civil leaders with researchers to address key nexus issues, like urbanization, water resources, land-use change, emergent risks, and sustainable production and consumption. Together with the Belmont Forum, Future Earth organizes and hosts the [SRI Congress](#), an annual transdisciplinary gathering of scientists, leaders, innovators, and researchers—the largest global gathering in the sustainability science space.



### Shape the Global Narrative

We help incorporate the latest science into global decision-making and engage in conversations on sustainability solutions. By filling critical gaps in knowledge through transdisciplinary research, our network helps businesses, cities, and governments set meaningful, science-based targets and work toward effective solutions to issues of sustainability. Our [10 New Insights in Climate Science](#) and award-winning [Anthropocene Magazine](#) offer key takeaways and insights to spark new conversations and guide decision-making.



**9** Global Secretariat Hubs

**19** National and Local Networks

**27** Global Research Networks

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