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Climate change, ocean degradation, loss of biodiversity, the problems posed by the food, energy, and transportation needs of nearly eight billion people, the management of large cities, social inequalities, health, and pandemics are among the great challenges of our time.

These problems are global, political and scientific. To overcome them, it is not enough to act in a single part of the planet, at a local or national level; it is necessary to act in an cooperative manner on all continents. To understand them, it is not enough to resort to one field of knowledge; it is necessary to combine several disciplines.

These difficulties and the urgency with which action is needed make the broad, open, and transparent sharing of scientific results a necessity. Everyone wins: the scientific community, the decision-makers, and the citizens.

Investing in open science is investing in our future.