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Commitment adopted by the Global Citizen Science Delegation

- Professional science alone cannot provide information at the scales and resolutions necessary to understand environmental change. The dominant culture of scientific expertise does not account for different ways of knowing, and often fails to engage the public.
- Citizen science emphasizes collaborative intelligence and co-creation to facilitate scientific and community-based solutions. It should become the bread and butter for environmental research and policy. To transform science there is a realistic target to engage 1 billion global citizens by 2020.
- Citizen science provides active and meaningful ways to fulfill the intention of treaties that call for the integration of local and indigenous knowledge.
- USIU-Africa will establish an African Citizen Science Association to mobilize local capacity to solve African problems by focusing on big data and analytics; water, air, and soil; and, pollution.
- The citizen science delegation will establish a Global Secretariat that will convene a standing committee to work with the UN and other public partners; promote regional leadership for citizen science; form a business advisory group; and, capture the global contribution of citizen science data to meeting the UN Sustainability Development Goals.

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