businesses and organizations—so that, together, we can more effectively address the world’s challenges. The Institute for a Sustainable Earth (ISE) at George Mason University (GMU) is dedicated to promoting a sustainable future by fostering collaboration, innovation, and education. ISE collaborates with partners such as the World Sustainability Forum in Geneva and the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (UN SDSN). In light of the current health and economic crises, ISE is committed to supporting research and initiatives that can contribute to a more resilient and sustainable world.

ISE invites proposals for the 8th World Sustainability Forum, which will take place in London, USA, and Nepal. The forum aims to discuss practical insights from data collection activities in four global contexts, including India, to address maternal, newborn, and child health and nutrition. This event provides a unique opportunity for researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to share knowledge and co-develop solutions for sustainable development.

The NSF is seeking proposals for a new initiative, the Civic Innovation Challenge, which aims to establish a National Innovation Assistance Program (NNA-CO) that will provide grants to support innovative solutions to pressing national issues. The NNA-CO will focus on the intersection of the built, social, and natural environments to improve sustainability. Successful proposals will be judged on their potential to create significant community impact within 12 months (following a four-month planning phase) — in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.