The biweekly newsletter aims to engage businesses and organizations–so that, together, we can more effectively address the world’s most pressing issues. The ISE newsletter features a host of incredible musicians, frontline activists, thought leaders, artists and political figures from around the world. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, the newsletter has been coordinating a series of virtual events, including a global online broadcast to mark World Environment Day, on June 5, 2020. The event will feature a host of incredible figures from across the globe, including Jeffrey Sachs (SDSN), Adenike Akinsemolu (Green Institute), and Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani (Chair of the Qatar National Council). The event will be moderated by Edgardo Novoa, the UN Special Envoy for 2020 World Environment Day, and will include a virtual summit Time #ForNature for the World Environment Day, a United Nations awareness event.

In the second stage (Stage 2), up to four teams per track will be selected from Stage 1 award winners and are invited to submit a full proposal for Stage 2. Only awardees of Stage 1 will be eligible to submit proposals for Stage 2. The objective of this solicitation is to support Coastal Research projects that create and deploy AI tools to improve the way they monitor, model, understand, mitigate and communicate the impacts of coastal hazards. The objective of this stage is to support pilot projects that are far more advanced and that take a variety of approaches to achieve these goals.

The Civic Innovation Challenge is a research and action competition in the Smart and Sustainable Communities (CIVIC) award. It is an international scientific conference that brings together experts from around the world to discuss and debate the latest research and developments in the field of coastal communities. The conference is held every two years and provides a platform for scientists, policymakers, and other stakeholders to share their knowledge and experiences, and to identify new research directions and opportunities.

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