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To facilitate information sharing among researchers, practitioners, and relevant local, national, and international organizations, the ISE Newsletter provides up-to-date information on conferences, funding opportunities, and research pertaining to environmental science and sustainability. The biweekly newsletter aims to connect members of the Mason community and all stakeholders relevant to sustainability to maximize positive impact on the environment and its inhabitants.

The 8th World Sustainability Forum (WSF2020) is a conference to engage undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, policy makers, and other stakeholders in sustainability-related work. WSF2020 will feature plenary speakers, poster presentations, and sessions on topics ranging from sustainability policy to environmental science.

DEB also encourages interdisciplinary proposals that cross conceptual boundaries and that address fundamental questions in DEB fields of study, including Ecosystem Evolution, Aquatic Microbial Ecology, Microbial Evolution and Biodiversity, Ecosystem Processes, Population and Community Ecology, and Systematics and Biodiversity Sciences.

FY 2020 Solicitation for the Office of Science will be issued to support research in areas of high national need, such as early career investigator, academic, and public service awards. The purpose of the Aquaculture Research program is to support research that advances the national aquaculture sector. The Aquaculture Research program has two focus areas: 1) Developing environmentally and economically sustainable aquaculture industry in the U.S. and generate products for domestic consumption and 2) Studying commercial aquaculture species.

This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) encourages the submission of proposals that tackle some of the most pressing environmental challenges, including the availability of advanced mobile devices, the growing crisis of microplastics and nanoplastics, and the impact of climate change on the ocean. The DCL also highlights several new funding opportunities related to COVID-19.

In light of the emergence and spread of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the United States and abroad, we would like to support your efforts to pursue a range of responses to the pandemic. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is issuing a Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for Innovative Research plans to accelerate research on COVID-19. Offerors are strongly encouraged to contact the CDC BAA technical point of contact for the most current information.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to unfold, we would like to support your efforts to pursue a range of responses to the pandemic. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) encourages the submission of proposals that tackle some of the most pressing environmental challenges.

For more information on the current funding opportunities, please visit the Office of Sustainability (OoS) website. If you have any questions, please contact us at sustainability@gmu.edu.