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SENIOR LEADERSHIP



Ellen Stofan

Under Secretary for Science and Research
Under Secretary Stofan oversees the Smithsonian science museums and six science research centers as well as the Smithsonian Libraries and Archives. Dr. Stofan is the former director of the National Air and Space Museum and NASA Chief Scientist.



Oris Sanjur

Dr. Oris Sanjur, Deputy Director of the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, has over 30 years of experience. She holds a B.S. in Biology from the University of Panama and a PhD from Rutgers. Sanjur has published 30+ papers, mentored 100+ students, and co-leads a \$3 million NSF RAMP grant, advancing biodiversity and science initiatives globally.



Rebecca Johnson

Dr. Rebecca Johnson is the CW Whitney Chief Scientist and Associate Director for Science at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History. She is responsible for overall science leadership and administration of the museum's research and collections.



Josh Tewksbury

Dr. Joshua Tewksbury is the Ira Rubinfeld Director of the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute (STRI). Headquartered in Panama City, Panama, STRI furthers the understanding and public awareness of tropical biodiversity and its importance to human welfare.



Peter Leimgruber

Dr. Leimgruber, Director of Conservation and Science, has more than 25 years of experience in international conservation with a special focus on developing science-based solutions to ecosystem change, habitat loss, and biodiversity conservation.

For over 175 years, the Smithsonian has been a leader in the pursuit and sharing of knowledge worldwide. While our iconic museums are well-known, the Smithsonian also powers a global scientific research, outreach, and education infrastructure. Our world-renowned scientists collaborate across research disciplines, tackling questions as vast as the mysteries of the cosmos and as intricate as ecosystem resilience. But most importantly, many of the Smithsonian's discoveries about Earth and our universe lead directly to viable solutions for people and our world.

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SUSTAINABLE USE OF LAND AND SEASCAPES



Steve Canty

Dr. Steven Canty coordinates the Marine Conservation Program at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center. His research supports decision-making of the management and conservation of marine resources, with a focus on mangroves and small-scale fisheries. Steve has over 15+ years of working in Latin America and the Caribbean region working with communities and governments to co-develop solutions that provide benefits to both people and nature.



Amy Johnson

Dr. Amy Johnson, Director of Virginia Working Landscapes at the Smithsonian National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute, fosters collaborative partnerships among the Smithsonian, private landowners, farmers, NGOs, state agencies, and scientists to develop science-based solutions that integrate biodiversity conservation with sustainable agricultural practices on working lands.



Emmett Duffy

Dr. Emmett Duffy is Founding Director of Smithsonian's MarineGEO, a global network studying coastal ecosystems. He serves on the Global Ocean Observing System's Biology and Ecosystems panel, co-leads the U.S. National Ocean Biodiversity Strategy team, and contributes to the National Nature Assessment. Duffy is an Aldo Leopold Leadership Fellow, Ecological Society of America Fellow, Kobe Prize recipient, and author of *Ocean Ecology* (2021).



Emily Pappo

Dr. Emily Pappo is a Smithsonian Postdoctoral Climate Change Fellow. Her work focuses on climate resilience in tropical agroecosystems and working landscapes.

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BIODIVERSITY AND TECHNOLOGY



Stuart Davies

Dr. Stuart Davies explores ecological and evolutionary factors shaping rainforest communities and species distributions globally. As ForestGEO's scientific leader, he drives research, secures funding, and expands the program's impact. With a PhD from Harvard, Stuart previously managed the Asia Program for the Center for Tropical Forest Science and held academic roles at Harvard and the University of Malaysia Sarawak.

SHARED HEALTH



Francesca Vitali

Dr. Francesca Vitali is a wildlife veterinarian and researcher with the Smithsonian's Global Health Program in Kenya. She is a member of the IUCN SSC Conservation Translocation Specialist Group and a National Geographic Explorer.

GLOBAL STRATEGY AND PARTNERSHIPS



Lacey Hughey

Dr. Lacey Hughey is a Research Ecologist with the Smithsonian Movement of Life Initiative, where she leverages animal tracking data to guide conservation efforts across rapidly changing landscapes and seascapes.



Britta Garfield

Britta Garfield is the Senior Advisor in the Office of Global Affairs. Her role focuses on aligning the Smithsonian's scientific research with key conventions like the CBD and UNFCCC, and strengthening international partnerships to enhance the impact of the institution's global science and nature conservation programs.