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SUSTAINABLE EARTH OBSERVATION FOR A SUSTAINABLE EARTH

As humans continue to impact Earth's ecosystem it is becoming ever more important to keep a steady eye on our planet's health. Only with timely and accurate information can world leaders implement policies to assure a sustainable future. In an era of increased demand on all resources, the future of Earth observation also depends on its sustainability.

Sustainable Earth observation encompasses both the development of methods for Earth observation tools and the data flow from these tools. The Sustainable Land Imaging – Technology Program, led jointly by NASA and USGS, is one such initiative that supports the development of innovative technology for new Landsat-like measurements for the next two decades. Another example is NASA's Earth System Observatory program, where data from multiple sensors are amplified through a system of systems approach, increasing the benefit of the observations. Commercial industry is also becoming more active in orbit, providing additional opportunities to deliver sustainable Earth observations.

In this presentation, we will go over current plans for sustainable Earth observation, with some examples of how these data help us keep tabs on Mother Nature.

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