Enabling the sustainable and equitable use of Earth’s resources is the dominant challenge of our time. Global population growth, urbanization, and industrialization led to an improved human development index. But this ad hoc growth has rapidly consumed natural resources and resulted in extensive waste and environmental degradation. Despite the successes of the modern era, increased productivity and growth now threaten human health and catalyze climate change. Needed are better engineering solutions for a planet with sustained and equitable human development that treat classic "externalities" as first-class design goals.

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These problems require an “all-hands” approach. Each thrust has teamed with the School and Engineering and Applied Science and Columbia Earth Institute to reach across the University to best address critical needs. This outreach occurs via:

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