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IIASA Director Steps Down


MacDonald has been an important force at IIASA for the last four years, significantly furthering IIASA’s growth and development as a world-class research institution. Outstanding for the depth and scope of his scientific knowledge, MacDonald strengthened the scientific quality of IIASA’s work and articulated a clear vision in IIASA’s research agenda. Under MacDonald’s leadership, IIASA continued the tradition of excellence in research on issues relevant to policy-makers and the international scientific community.

As an eminent geophysicist and environmental policy-maker, MacDonald’s distinguished career encompasses scientific, corporate and political endeavors. MacDonald holds a B.A. (summa cum laude), M.A., and Ph.D. from Harvard, and has held tenured professorships and directorships at University of California at Santa Barbara, Los Angeles and San Diego; Dartmouth College; and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Professor MacDonald also served as Vice President and Chief Scientist of the MITRE Corporation, and as Vice President of the Institute for Defense Analyses.

Prof. Arne Jernelöv, Chairman of IIASA Council, is serving as interim director of IIASA, pending further decisions by the IIASA Council. IIASA is an independent, non-governmental, interdisciplinary research institution with sponsoring organizations in 15 countries.

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