

Pacific Institute Overview

Mission

The Pacific Institute is dedicated to protecting our natural world, encouraging sustainable development, and improving global security.

Methods

We conduct research, publish reports, recommend solutions, and work with decision-makers, advocacy groups, and the public to change policy.

Vision

We envision a world where the basic needs of all people are met, where resources are managed sustainably and the natural world protected, and where conflicts over resources are resolved in a peaceful and democratic fashion.

Current Research

Institute staff are currently working on a wide range of projects that include protecting water resources, reducing diesel pollution, improving resource efficiency, studying the impacts of globalization, and reducing the threat of conflict over resources.

Offices

Our main office is in Oakland, California with affiliates located in Washington, DC and Boulder, Colorado.

Budget

\$1.6 million (2001)

Tax Status

The Pacific Institute is a tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization established in 1987.

Websites

www.pacinst.org
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The Pacific Institute: Fifteen Years of Science and Solutions

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Founded in 1987 and based in Oakland, California, we provide independent research and policy analysis on issues at the intersection of development, environment, and security.

Our aim is to find real-world solutions to problems like water shortages, habitat destruction, global warming, and environmental terrorism.

Our Strengths

Since our founding, we've become known for independent, innovative thinking that cuts across traditional areas of study.

Our interdisciplinary approach not only helps us make connections that others miss, it also enables us to bring opposing groups together to forge effective real-world solutions.

"You want facts? Go to the Pacific Institute. You want a small, smart staff that is connected to policymakers in the private and public sectors around the world? Go to the Pacific Institute. You want to fund the best of the best, with academic credentials but without the academic molasses? Go to the Pacific Institute."

- Michael Fischer, Senior Fellow,
Hewlett Foundation

Our Programs

The Pacific Institute currently has five main areas of research: Water and Sustainability, Environment and Security, Community Strategies for Sustainability and Justice, Economic Globalization and the Environment, and Global Change.

The *Water and Sustainability Program* works on a wide range of water-related issues – from improving efficiency of water use and anticipating the impacts of climate change, to studying water privatization and ensuring that the billions of people without access to basic water or sanitation services are not forgotten.

The *Community Strategies for Sustainability and Justice Program* integrates the Pacific Institute's research skills with the strengths of community-based groups to democratize decision making, protect human health, and foster environmental justice.

The *Economic Globalization and the Environment Program* studies the effects of the increasingly integrated global economy on the environment and society. Current work focuses on performance-based regulatory innovation, and on the policy implications of international environmental standards, such as ISO 14000.

The *Environment and Security Program* examines the effects of environmental issues like climate change and water shortages on national and international security, and studies non-traditional threats like environmental terrorism and the ecological impacts of war.

The *Global Change Program* focuses on the impacts of climate change on water supplies, wildlife, the environment, and human society, and works to educate policymakers and the public.



Peter H. Gleick, President and cofounder of the Pacific Institute (right) works with Jason Morrison, Director of the Economic Globalization and the Environment Program.

Funding

As an independent, tax-exempt nonprofit we fund our work primarily through foundation grants and individual donations.

Institutional funders have included the Ploughshares Fund, the MacArthur Foundation, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Hewlett Foundation, and many more. We have also worked with agencies including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the United Nations Environment Programme (a full list of sponsors and partners is available online).

More Information

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