



# FUNDING TOWARDS A JUST WORLD ON A SAFE PLANET



Funding work related to climate, nature, or people requires navigating multiple layers of complexity at once — a connected Earth system, an unjust and unsustainable economy, a multifaceted change landscape, and an ecosystem of excellent organizations often still waiting to be connected. This program helps you connect your organization's priorities — climate, oceans, biodiversity, food, health — to the wider system. You will build the knowledge, peer connections, and practical tools to develop portfolios that contribute to systemic change as part of a growing philanthropic community.

## WHY NOW

*Our climate and environment are at breaking point; seven of nine critical 'planetary boundaries' have already been crossed. At the same time governance, business and even parts of society appear to be stepping away from their responsibilities to act.*

*Despite much good work, the ecosystem of organizations responding is uneven and disconnected — and philanthropic portfolios increasingly face the same issue: progress in one area is undone by inaction elsewhere. The question now is how to build the coordination and collaboration for lasting change.*



## WHAT YOU'LL COME AWAY WITH

- + An interconnected view of the Earth system— and where your portfolio sits inside it
- + An understanding of the leading scientific frameworks, economic models and what they agree on
- + A clearer picture of the key levers, where progress is real, and where it has stalled
- + Viable options for engaging with and supporting systems change
- + Case studies of what's working across science, culture, governance, and the economy
- + A structured reflection on your own portfolio, in dialogue with peers
- + Lasting relationships with other funders navigating the same questions

## SESSION ARC

A structured program of virtual sessions in a small cohort of peers

**01****THE EARTH SYSTEM +  
HUMANITY****02****THE SPECTRUM OF  
SYSTEMS CHANGE****03****CASE STUDIES 1 ·  
SCIENCE + CULTURE****04****CASE STUDIES 2 ·  
GOVERNANCE +  
ECONOMICS****05****PORTFOLIO  
STRATEGIES +  
INTEGRATION**

FOUNDATIONS · 1-2

APPLICATION · 3-4

INTEGRATION · 5

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THE EARTH COMMISSION, THE PLANETARY HEALTH ALLIANCE, SYSTEMS CHANGE LAB,  
CLIMATE SPRING AND OTHERS**

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