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The Role of the UNU

1. An international community of scholars with deep roots in the host country;
2. A bridge between the United Nations and the international academic community;
3. A think-tank for the United Nations system;
4. A research, postgraduate teaching and capacity building institution with particular focus on the needs of developing countries;
5. A global and regional platform for dialogue and creative ideas.
Mission of UNU-IAS

Advancing knowledge and promoting learning for policymaking to meet the challenges of sustainable development
UNU-IAS within UNU

- Maintains a research and policy niche within the UNU System; Programmes: Biodiplomacy; Ecosystem Assessment; International Satoyama Initiative; Education for Sustainable Development; Sustainable Urban Futures; Science, Technology & Innovation; Traditional Knowledge
ISI aims to promote human welfare/well-being and biodiversity

Integration and innovation to develop policy-relevant intellectual output

Science and Technology

Traditional Knowledge
Thank you!