Springer Nature commits to support collaborative solutions to society's grand challenges

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Springer Nature is helping to uncover research-based solutions to real-world problems, with the launch of its third Change the World, One Article at a Time campaign. The campaign — which launches today — will showcase more than 250 articles published in Springer Nature journals in 2017, which have been handpicked because the research within them has the potential to have a significant impact on society's grand challenges. All articles in the campaign are freely available until 31 July 2018 through the dedicated Change the World page on Springernature.com.

As one of the world's largest publishers focused on academic research, educational content and science journalism, Springer Nature's dissemination and application of evidence-based sustainability research is an initiative intended to help support the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. Successful delivery of these goals will require academic, business and policy leaders to work together to address the world's most pressing problems. The Springer Nature Grand Challenges programme, launched in 2017, aims to enable just this, by linking high-quality research and independent analysis published by Springer Nature to those policy and business leaders tasked with addressing these challenges.

Towards this end, on 11 July 2018, the Springer Nature Grand Challenges programme will hold its first global conference in Singapore. Science and the Sustainable City will bring together global experts to discuss and collaborate on solutions to the challenges of sustainable development in cities against the backdrop of climate change, population growth and soaring energy and water needs. The event, which will be co-located with the World Cities Summit, brings together speakers involved as city leaders with solutions providers from diverse fields including planning, construction and technology, as well as experts in ecology and urban development from leading global research institutions.

Mariette DiChristina, Editor in Chief of Scientific American and co-host of the Science and the Sustainable City Summit, said: "Science and evidence-based research holds so much potential as we try to address grand societal challenges. I am excited about the possibilities presented as we open up this research to new audiences. By bringing researchers, business leaders and policymakers together through the Change the World campaign; collections of related content on the Grand Challenges portal on SpringerNature.com; and our upcoming Science and the Sustainable City conference, we hope to support the creation of new

partnerships to generate new solutions and have an impact in the real world."

With Springer Nature's vast library of research, we recognise that world-changing articles may be out there, just waiting for the right combination of minds to make a critical connection.

- To read free-to-access articles as part of the Change the World, One Article at a Time campaign, go to: www.springernature.com/gp/researchers/campaigns/change-theworld
- Read the full agenda and speaker list for Science and the Sustainable City at: http://www.nature.com/natureconferences/sscs2018/index
- Find out more about Springer Nature Grand Challenges at: www.grandchallenges.springernature.com

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