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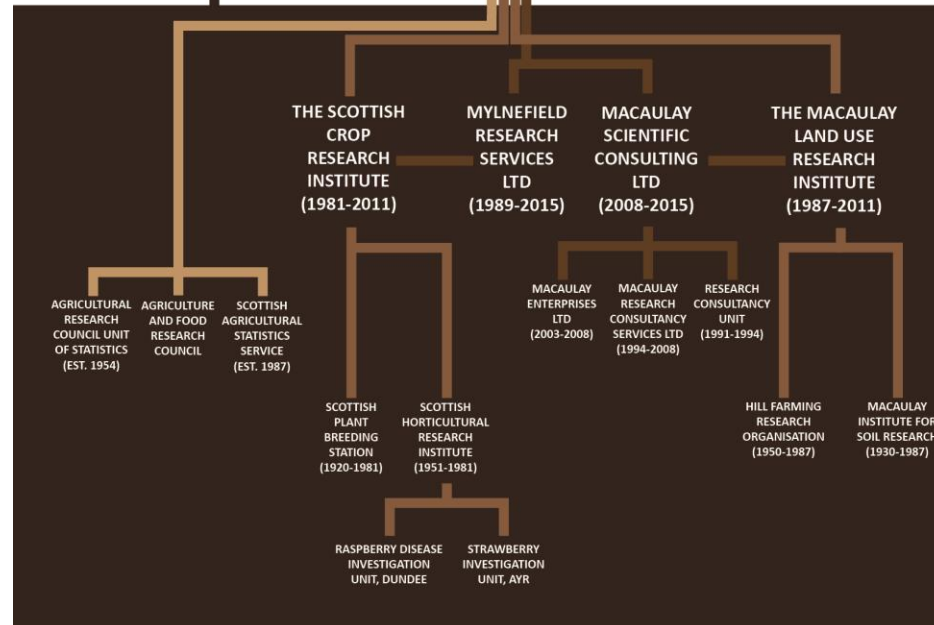

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Our Vision

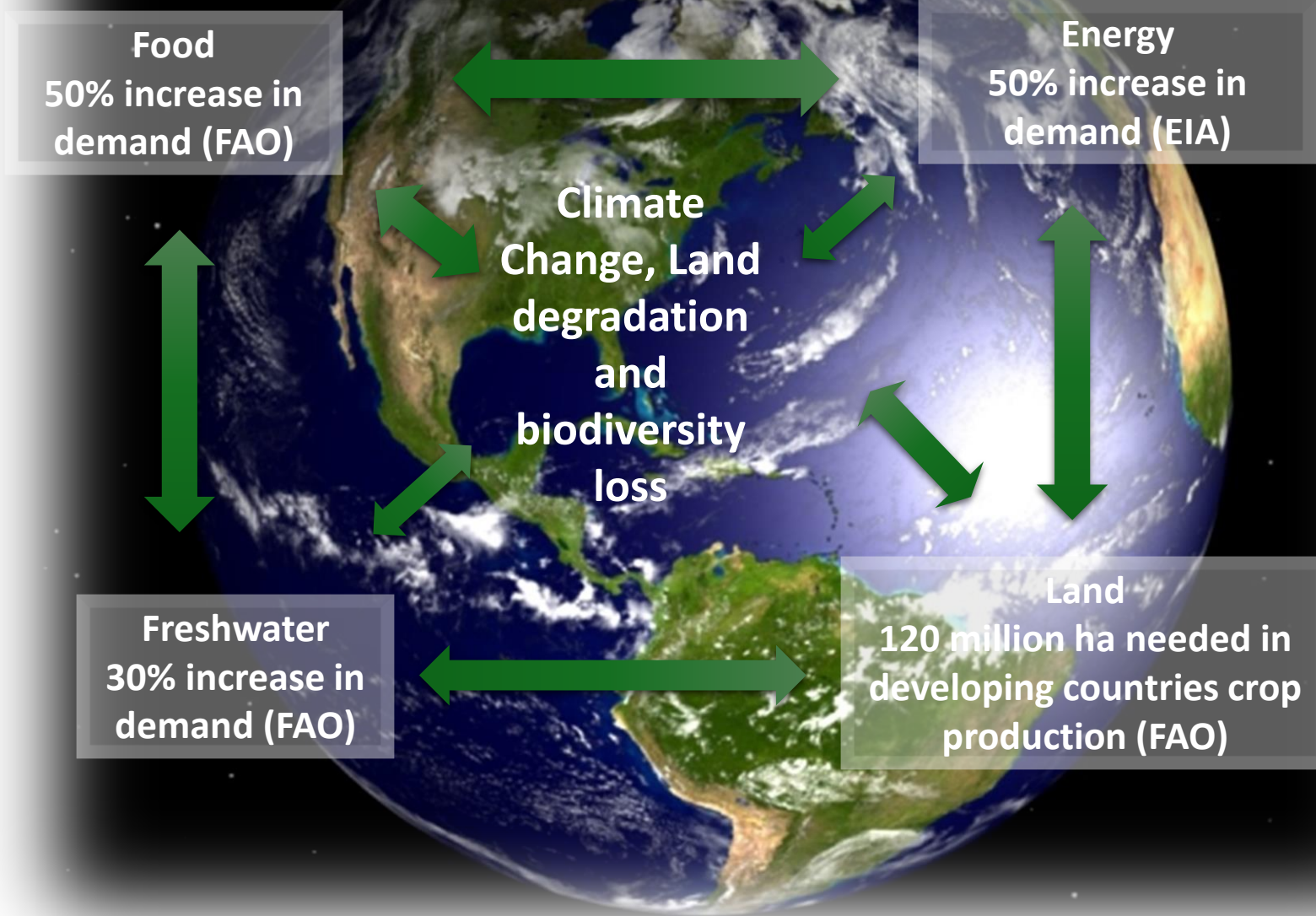
To be international leaders in science on land, crops, natural resources and the wider natural environment, working with communities to provide transformative solutions to global challenges in a way that supports the wellbeing of future generations.



James Hutton 1726-1797

Science connecting land and people

Population of 9.8 billion by 2050 (UN)



Global Challenges

Key Facts

- 500 employees of which 414 are science and technical and 86 professional services
- Two main sites in Aberdeen and Invergowrie and three Research Farms covering full range of land uses
- With UoD Plant Science Division (c60), c100 PhD students and spin in companies located on our campus there is a research environment of over 700 people
- Major National capability provider in terms of skills, knowledge, National spatial and longitudinal datasets on soils, land, vegetation, cropping, waters, socio-economic indicators
- Curate Internationally important scientific collections of soils, eDNA, crop germplasms and national seed store
- Part of national and internationally important earth observation networks such as ECN, COSMOS, National Pollen records, Pest and Pathogen surveillance



The James Hutton Institute collaborates and works in numerous global locations, exporting and importing knowledge, impact, innovation, skills, learning and experience.



Our
Impact

A Sense of Place

From Scotland to the World and Back

For every £1 invested in the Hutton we give back £15 to the UK economy



- Welcome!
- The Institute is proud to be hosting this symposium
- Hope the next couple of days are both productive and enjoyable

