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Our work

How we work

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Ylann Schemm
Director, The Elsevier Foundation
Unique contributions to sustainable development, in partnership with our research, health and tech communities

Creating an inclusive science landscape

Inclusive Health

Information technology can significantly advance the delivery of healthcare in vulnerable communities. Our partnerships support organizations working to improve health outcomes in underserved communities through the innovative use of health information.

Inclusive Research

The future of science requires a robust and diverse workforce drawn from all corners of society. Our programs advance women in science, encourage underserved youth to choose STEM careers, and widen access to academic knowledge for scientists in developing countries.

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