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CMCC Policy on Public Issues

CMCC identifies with the values enshrined in the Italian Constitution and with the views expressed by the President of the Republic, Sergio Mattarella, on Republic Day on June 2, 2025. In this historical moment marked by tragic scenes of open conflict, CMCC shares the belief that every individual and institution, within their respective fields of competence, must commit to achieving a just, comprehensive, and lasting peace for all populations affected by the many ongoing conflicts—from the aggression against Ukraine to the grave and inhumane war in Gaza.

The goal of the CMCC Foundation is to advance knowledge and support society by producing strong, evidence-based science. In doing so, the Foundation is not neutral: it is committed to the pursuit of truth, open inquiry, and respectful, reasoned debate.

CMCC actively supports free research, scientific rigor, and the free exchange of ideas—regardless of nationality or origin—because this is how knowledge grows for the benefit of all humanity, as was also recently recalled in the statement of the International Science Council¹. Truth takes different forms across different fields, from climate science to social sciences, as do the methods we use: experiments, models, analysis, and innovation. But in every area, CMCC fosters debate, updates its conclusions based on new evidence, and uses science to benefit people and the planet.

The "non-advocacy" character of CMCC's mission means the Foundation cannot intervene in matters of general national or international politics—except when these are the subject of socioeconomic research within the scope of our scientific mission. The CMCC community is built on scientific credibility, focus on its core mission, and a commitment to ensuring that all members of its diverse and multinational community feel accepted and welcome, regardless of their personal views.

CMCC must be a place where researchers can think and explore freely and responsibly. This means protecting fundamental values such as scientific integrity and freedom of research, as well as promoting open inquiry and respectful, tolerant dialogue between differing viewpoints.

However, the fundamental values of scientific research are bounded by respect for human rights. For this reason, CMCC is committed, through its initiatives, not only to ensuring respect for fundamental human rights within its own community

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¹ https://council.science/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/ISC-Statement-on-Role-of-Universities_11-July-2024.pdf



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but also to making every effort to ensure that these same rights are upheld in collaborations with public and private institutions, organizations, and entities. This is how, when a crisis occurs, such as a natural disaster, war or injustice, CMCC strives to help scientists and researchers to continue their research. In doing so, the CMCC contributes by strengthening the role that science offers as a builder of bridges of peace and as an element of union and dialogue rather than division and conflict.