

# The Importance of Diversity and Inclusive Leadership in Research and Innovation

Solving the complex problems that we face in our world today requires a more talented workforce than we have ever needed before. Such a workforce must be comprised of a wide range of diverse talents and creative insights. No segment of the population can be ignored or overlooked in this talent search. This presentation will describe the most recent research that demonstrates the positive impact that social and informational diversity has on science and scholarly advancement, the reasons for this impact and the importance of committed leadership in achieving a strong, supportive and inclusive workplace where creativity and productivity is maximized.

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