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Australian Academy of Science Support for the Integrity of Argentina's science system

On behalf of the [Australian Academy of Science](#) I write in support of the Argentine scientific community and affirm the critical importance of a thriving national science and technology system for the development of Argentina and its people. Science and technology are vital to national wellbeing, security and economic prosperity, and scientific research needs strong investment from government to flourish.

The world is at a pivotal time of both risk and opportunity, and science and technology are essential for developing the solutions to solve our most urgent challenges, including adaptation to climate change, energy transition, and health, food and water security.

Argentina has a deep reservoir of talent within the sciences, including some of the world's most eminent researchers and professionals, whose research has enhanced Argentina's economic complexity and the quality of life for its people. This talent has been nurtured through decades-long government investment in service of the nation.

Australia and Argentina cooperate on a range of issues of mutual interest, including trade, human rights, and Antarctica, and we share a long history of collaboration in the agriculture sector. We work together multilaterally in numerous forums, including the United Nations and its organisations, the G20, the International Atomic Energy Agency, and as Parties to the Antarctic Treaty.

Australian scientists regularly collaborate with Argentina through the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP) and international scientific unions. As members of the International Science Council (ISC), we support the [ISC's statement](#) expressing concern about the future of Argentina's science system. The Australian scientific community is hopeful that mutually beneficial scientific collaborations with Argentina continue, with both countries guided by and enjoying the benefits of science in pursuit of our national ambitions.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chennupati Jagadish'.

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