CREATE researchers develop tools to foster sustainable development. From agricultural waste to biofuels, natural gas, transportation, and energy efficiency, the solutions to today’s problems will come through multidisciplinary, cross-sector cooperation.

CENTRE DESCRIPTION

CREATE focuses on three main research areas: agri-food, energy and the environment, and transportation.

These areas reflect CREATE’s origins in the 2011 merger of three separate research centres: the Centre for Research in Agri-food Economics (CRÉA), the Centre for Research on the Economics of Energy Efficiency, the Environment, and Natural Resources (GREEN), and the Centre for Data and Analysis in Transportation (CDAT).

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