



AI's Sustainability and Climate Challenges: A Catholic Response to Protect Our Common Home

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See Brookings report: [The US must balance climate justice challenges in the era of artificial intelligence](#)

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