



Federal Foresight Community of Interest



## EMERGING TRENDS

Gig Economy

Opioid Use

Climate Change



## GET INVOLVED!

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## OUR NEXT MEETING

March 29, 2019

## Happenings & Requests

**STRATEGIC FORESIGHT IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:** *A Survey of Methods, Resources and Institutional Arrangements*, this study helped identify approaches and practices for improving Federal foresight efforts and the means for integrating foresight work into strategic planning and decision making. The authors conducted interviews with people involved in foresight from across 19 Federal agencies. The authors discussed where agencies use similar approaches and where their approaches diverge. The study focused on the "broader observations" regarding the state of strategic foresight efforts across the Federal government and how the findings relate to opportunities and challenges to institutionalizing foresight in the Federal government.

(POC: [Joseph Greenblott](#))

**VA MONTHLY FORESIGHT READS:** The Department of Veteran Affairs publishes insights to issues or trends, which may prove significant in the emerging future. The content covers various trend topics. In the upcoming issue read about "genetics" and "technology". Be sure to join the monthly distribution list. (POC: [Joseph Moore](#))

**UPDATE PROJECT ON FORESIGHT AND DEMOCRACY:** Over the summer, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund awarded Dr. Sheila Ronis and Leon Fuerth a grant in support of "Project on Foresight and Democracy". A series of "Roundtable" discussions will take place with individuals engaged in near term societal issues. As part of the session participants will be exposed to foresight methods and be able to apply these methods in discussing long-term trends. The focus will be on two sets of trends: technology and demography - the effects of the ongoing ethnic reconfiguration of the United States' population. Each of these trends has the potential to change society over the next two decades. The project concludes in September and updates will be forthcoming.

(POC: [Sheila Ronis](#))

## Admin & Announcements

**YEAR AHEAD AND BEYOND:** Welcome back to all. True in our planning nature and as foresight practitioners we wanted to start the New Year by sharing a few of the community's priorities. In the year ahead, the FFCOI plans to launch our official website. The website will provide a centralized place to host all relevant information in an accessible manner. Additionally, we hope to continue to increase our foresight toolkit by bringing relevant speakers to our meetings. In doing so, we look forward to a joint summer meeting with [PSFN](#) and [APF](#). Ultimately, we want to continue to grow the FFCOI outreach by leaving a legacy behind, now more than ever before. We hope you can join us at our quarterly meetings, become more active in our social media platforms and help us grow our foresight toolkit. In the meantime, if you have something to share send us an [email](#) or a message on [LinkedIn](#). (POCs: [Sharaelle A. Grzesiak](#), [Joseph Moore](#), and [Eric Popiel](#))