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OUR NEXT MEETING

Thursday, October 24

Happenings and Requests

DEEP FAKES TO DEEP SPACE CONFERENCE RSVP BY 9/4: Join the [Center for Strategic Foresight](#), part of [GAO's Office of Strategic Planning and External Liaison](#) in a discussion centered on issues of space policy and the growing use worldwide of "deep fake" synthetic media. The agenda includes speakers from Moon Express, Secure World Foundation, Fellows from both New America and Foreign Policy Research Institute, as well as a Keynote from the President of Arizona State University. The event is free, but seating is very limited. To attend register at [CSF Registration](#) by September 4, 2019. (POC: [Stephen Sanford](#)).

FUTURE PROJECTIONS FOR THE MIDDLE EAST: GAME CHANGERS 2030 AND BEYOND CONFERENCE: The Middle East Institute (MEI) is pleased to host a conference on future projections for the Middle East, assessing projected trends, drives, policy responses, and future challenges for the MENA region in 2030 and beyond. [The conference](#) will feature keynote addresses by the President of MEI Paul Salem and Representative Tom Malinowski from the New Jersey 7th District. (POC: [Kevin Cowl](#)).

ENABLING INFORMATION REASONING AT THE EDGE: Pushing data processing to the very edge of your network can accelerate data into decisions. For agencies, this [edge computing practice](#) can enhance awareness during large-scale forest firefighting, increase command and control situational awareness, automate search and rescue for first responders and enable smart medical imaging devices. Leaders across sectors are considering how to use this technology – [are you?](#) (POC: [Lindsay Laferriere](#)).

MILLENNIUM PROJECT: STEM EDUCATION AND THE FUTURE OF WORK: On September 2, 2019, the Millennium Project will release its three-year international study on [Work/Technology 2050: Scenarios and Actions](#). This study identified 93 actions and assessed each action by hundreds of futurists and related experts in 50 countries – including members of the FFCOI. (POC: [Jerome Glenn](#)).

Admin & Announcements

IN MEMORY OF EDWARD CORNISH: Pioneering Futurist and Founder of the [World Futures Society](#) passed away on August 14, 2019, at the age of 91 from Alzheimer's disease. Memorial services will be held Saturday, September 21, 2019, at 11am [Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church](#), 9601 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814.

PLANNING FFCOI'S OCTOBER MEETING: Help us plan the October meeting. We are looking to the community for ideas for speakers and presentations. Do you have a project your organization needs help with? Or perhaps you want to share your recent findings of a project? Reach out to **FFCOI** and share your efforts - we will be happy to add you to the next agenda. (POCs: [Sharaelle A. Grzesiak](#), [Eric Popiel](#), and [Robin Champ](#)).