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OUR NEXT WEBINAR

September 24th, 2020

Happenings and Requests

OMB INCLUDES NEW "FORESIGHT" DEFINITION IN CIRCULAR A-11:

In July 2020, the White House released an update to OMB Circular No. A-11 which provides guidance on preparing the FY 2022 Budget and Budget Execution. For the first time, OMB included a definition of "Foresight" in Part 6 Section 200.22. The definition explains incorporating foresight into strategic planning, to help agencies prepare for multiple possible futures. (POC: [OMB](#))

STATE OF THE FUTURE PANDEMIC INDEX QUESTIONNAIRE: The American Red Cross and The Millennium Project are requesting your judgement to contribute to the development of a unique: "[State of The Pandemic Index](#)" for the United States. This Index will summarize medical, health, and socioeconomic data to better understand the larger pandemic picture. Using Safari as your browser software, you are asked to share your judgments about the variables of the index focused on the US. (POC: [Millennium Project](#))

REFRAME MAGAZINE: Check out REFRAME Magazine, brought to you by Kedge and [The Futures School](#), an enhanced source for futures intelligence. Each month, a Wicked Problem will be reframed – incredibly complicated predicament that doesn't have a simple solution – into a Wicked Opportunity. Each week they will share a deep-dive into once facet of the Natural Foresight Framework (Discover, Explore, Map Create) sharing insights through tools and debuting The Wicked Opportunities Podcast. Be sure to sign up for free. (POC: [REFRAME Magazine](#))

ARTICLE: WHAT CHANGES LIE AHEAD: In this article from Pittsburgh Quarterly, [Futurist Mull What Changes Lie Ahead](#) in new COVID-19 era. Featuring member Steve Sanford and Futurist Amy Webb among others discuss a social distant century from school to health care in addition to how communities will need to reform and rebuild. (POC: [Bill O'Toole](#))

STATE OF FORESIGHT AMONG THE FORTUNE 500: Last fall the Houston Foresight program led an effort to explore the "[state of foresight](#)." The effort explored the basic question "who is actually doing foresight?" The study revealed that only 25% of US Fortune 500 companies practiced foresight in some form. While this is the first time the study has been conducted, there is much to learn from this impressively low figure. Future studies hope to identify the number of corporations, government agencies, etc. that practice foresight and the maturity level of the practice. (POC: [Andy Hines](#))

Admin & Announcements

WEBINAR ALERT: DR. J. PETER SCOBILIC: Join FFCOI and USSS on Thursday, September 24th, from 1:00 – 2:30pm (EST) as we host Dr. J. Peter Scoblic, Founder, Event Horizon Strategies. Dr. Scoblic will be discussing his Harvard Business School PhD Dissertation Research on Organizational Strategy and Foresight. Those wishing to join will need to RSVP via our website by September 18th. Please don't hesitate to contact [FFCOI](#) leadership if you have any questions or concerns, or want to suggest speakers for future webinars. Send us an [email](#) or a message on [LinkedIn](#). (POCs: [Sharaelle A. Grzesiak](#), [Robin Champ](#), [Eric Popiel](#), and [Joe Greenblott](#)).