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OUR NEXT MEETING

May 13, 2021

Happenings

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK – MAY 2 – 8, 2021: Since May 1985, public service has been celebrated annually. It is the time set aside to recognize individuals who serve our nation as federal, state, and local government employees. FFCOI will be participating in this year's events by showcasing the many government employees who stand out in the foresight arena. #PSRW (POC: OPM and [Partnership for Public Service](#))

FOUR LESSONS THAT SHAPED MY PATH TO THE SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE: "Leaders must take responsibility for people, money, and things- how they do it makes all the difference and distinguishes between less-than-great and great public servants." Mr. James-Christian Blockwood, Executive Vice President at the [Partnership for Public Service](#) shares his take on his 15-year career as a civil servant. He shares lessons learned about leadership and relationship-building over the course of his public service career. (POC: [James-Christian Blockwood](#))

ITTF DESIGN FUTURES (MAY): Join award-winning pioneer of experiential and design futures, Dr. Jake Dunagan of the [Institute For The Future](#), for an immersive, live-online course in [Design Futures](#) held once a week all through May. Learn new tools for your foresight toolkit. The course is open to participants of any skill level who want to enhance their ability to make the future come alive in the present. (POC: [Cindy Baskin](#))

NIC GLOBAL TRENDS 2040: In March 2021, the National Intelligence Council (NIC) published their 7th edition of the [NIC Global Trends 2040: A More Contested World](#). The global trends report provides an analytic framework for each administration as they craft a national security strategy and navigate an uncertain future. While NIC does not provide a specific prediction of the world in 2040, it does provide an idea of what may lie beyond the horizon to prepare for an array of possible futures. (POC: [ODNI](#))

TFS 6-MONTH VIRTUAL APPLIED FORESIGHT ACTIVATOR – APPLICATIONS CLOSE MAY 20: The [Futures School](#) is offering the [Applied Foresight Activator](#) program where learners will deep-dive into Natural Foresight tools to drive impact in strategy, innovation, change, and personal development. During the six months, learners will contribute to global trends bank with their diverse cohort. Be sure to [apply by May 20, 2021](#). (POC: [Kedge Futures](#))

FORESIGHT SANDBOX TRAINING: The Foresight Sandbox is a two-day foresight skills-building program for mid-to-senior professionals who want to sharpen their ability to anticipate and plan for the future of their organizations. The course is a live-online setting and will be offered June 8-9, 2021. Be sure to visit the [Prescient website](#) to [learn more and register](#). (POC: [Amy Zalman](#))

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NEXT MEETING: Join us on May 13th, as we hear from Cathy Hackl, Futurist and Virtual Reality expert. Be sure to RSVP at [FFCoI.org](#).

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