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OUR NEXT MEETING(S)

October 14, 2021

Happenings

EUROPEAN COMMISSION 2021 STRATEGIC FORESIGHT REPORT: The [2021 Strategic Foresight Report](#) has identified four global trends that could impact the EU's capacity and freedom to act in the coming decades. Those trends include climate change; tech transformations; democracy and values; and global order and demography. (POC: [Daniel Ferrie](#))

FTC 2021 CONFERENCE: Check out the [Future Technologies Conference \(FTC\) 2021](#), October 28 -29, 2021. The FTC 2021 is the world's pre-eminent forum for reporting technological breakthrough in the areas of computing, electronics, AI robotics, security, and communications. During the conference you will learn through hundreds of presentations and demonstrations; connect with tech experts from around the world; and discover how technologies are creating breakthroughs in important fields. Be sure to register. (POC: [FTC Conference](#))

FORESIGHT TRAINING: SCENARIO-BASED PLANNING: Learn how to write scenarios and run a workshop for your organization by taking [LBL's Mastering Foresight: Scenario-Based Planning training](#). The last training of the year will be held December 6-10. Receive a copy of Dr. Richard Lum's book "4 Steps to the Future" and more. Register by November 22 for early bird discount. Group discounts also available. (POC: [Doug Maris](#))

ARTICLE: A FUTURIST'S GUIDE TO PREPARING YOUR COMPANY FOR CONSTANT CHANGE: While finding "the right time" to prepare for change can be difficult, there are myriad ways to get started. A recent article by the Harvard Business Review, "[A Futurist's Guide to Preparing Your Company for Constant Change](#)" looks back at 2020 and 2021 as wake up calls for how quickly things can change. It is important to consider past experiences as warning for what's ahead – not necessarily a pandemic but more disruptions. (POC: [April Rinne](#))

PODCAST: MAD SCIENTIST LAB –WITH ROBIN CHAMP: Check out the latest [The Convergence](#) podcast episode, featuring Robin Champ, Chief, Enterprise Strategy Division, U.S. Secret Service, where she discusses women leading in national security, empowering diversity to think about the future, and how emerging technologies and trends will affect Secret Service missions. (POC: [Ian G. Kersey](#))

Admin & Announcements

NEXT MEETING: Join us on **October 14th, 2021, at 11am (EDT)** as we host our very own co-chair [Eric Popiel](#), Strategic Foresight Program Analyst from the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM). Eric will share with us how the application of strategic foresight can lead to actionable results. Please join us as we learn about how the Chief Financial Officers Council used Houston Framework Foresight to apply the theory, design a plan, and how the "[The CFO of the Future Now](#)" is being implemented.

Also, check out the upcoming **November 18th event at 11am (EDT)** webinar – where we will host the CEO from Future Think – [Lisa Bodell](#). Lisa will share with us Counterintuitive approaches to transforming the future. Be sure to RSVP soon.

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