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**OUR NEXT MEETING**

**February 10, 2022**

## Happenings

**THE META TRENDING TRENDS 2022:** The fifth annual [Meta Trend Report](#) synthesizes 500+ trends from 40+ reports, ranking the 14 most frequently reported cultural trends for 2022. Meta Trends are not the final product. They're the start...Rather than treating these Meta Trends as an accurate forecast, we must now also use them as filters to seek out what's NOT discussed...It's the weak signals and under-discussed which continue to spur true threats and opportunities: the messy, uncomfortable, and complex concepts these reports will never face. The overlooked — not the mainstream reportage nor this report — must be our focus. (POC: [Matt Klein](#))

**SANDIA LABS OPENING: STRATEGIC FORESIGHT:** Looking for a new place to work? Check out The Strategic Foresight Team at Sandia Labs! If you are passionate about foresight and national security, visit the [Sandia Career Site](#) to learn more and begin your application. [Job announcement closes February 7th](#). To apply check out their site. (POC: [Elizabeth Kistin Keller](#))

**MAD SCIENTIST PODCAST: THE FUTURE OF GROUND COMBAT:** Installment [Number 48](#) of The Convergence podcast offers a unique perspective on modern ground conflict. Using the perspectives of firsthand accounts of participants, the trained reporting assessments of journalists, and informed analysis of U.S. Army doctrinal experts, this podcast offers useful trend indicators for the combination of legacy and sunrise capabilities deployed in recent military engagements. Vignettes include action in Ukraine and Nagorno-Karabakh. (POC: [Army Mad Scientist Lab](#))

**ASU: CALL FOR IDEAS:** The 4th International Conference on Anticipation is November 16-18, 2022 at Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ (US). Anticipation 22 will explore how ideas of the future inform action in the present. With an emphasis on just futures, they seek contributions that explore equity and fairness and question who imagines futures and with what impacts. Submit your ideas on Public Futures - Politics, Justice, and Ethics of Anticipation - Decolonizing Anticipation - Critical Anticipatory Capacities - Creativity, Innovation and New Media - Time and Temporalities - Other ideas, by Feb 15, 2022. (POC: [ASU Anticipation 22](#))

## Admin & Announcements

**NEXT MEETING:** Join us at 11am (EST) on **February 10<sup>th</sup>** as we learn about Canada's foresight practice. In this panel we will host: [Dr. Thomas Mengel](#), Professor of Leadership Studies at the University of New Brunswick; [Ruben Nelson](#), Executive Director from Foresight Canada; and [Peter Padbury](#), retired Chief Futurist at Policy Horizons Canada and now CEO of ForesightLab.net, who will share how Canada does foresight. Learn about the history, academic approaches, and current government structures and processes. **Be sure to RSVP at [FFCoI.org](#) by 2/4/2022.**

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