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**OUR NEXT MEETING**

**October 20, 2022**

## Happenings

**ITTF SCENARIO BUILDING (NOV. 7 – 18<sup>TH</sup>):** Complement your foresight practice with a deep dive [into Alternative Futures Scenarios](#), as originally developed by world-renowned futurist Jim Dator. In this live-online training, you'll learn ITTF's unique approach to design plausible, provocative paths to multiple futures under the 4-category framework of Growth, Collapse, Constraint, and Transformation. For the FFCOI community use code FFCOI22 for a \$650 discount. (POC: [Cindy Baskin](#))

**DISPATCHES FROM THE FUTURE: FUTURES FORCES SHAPING WORK AND HEALTH:** Join the NIOSH Office of Research Integration on October 21, 2022, from 11am- 12pm (ET) as they host Rachel Maguire (Research Director, Institute for the Future (ITTF)). Rachel will provide highlights from ITTF research and human-centered forecasts to explore how work arrangements, economic policies, and technological forces are combining to influence the future of individual and collective health and well-being. [Be sure to register for this event.](#) (POCs: [NIOSH Office of Research Integration](#))

**GOOGLE PUBLIC SECTOR GOVERNMENT SUMMIT IN WASHINGTON, DC:** Join the Google Government Summit to learn how technology is helping government leaders achieve mission outcomes and unleash human potential. Google Public Sector is bringing together government and industry leaders from federal, state, and local government from the United States and around the world. Speakers include Jeanette Manfra, MK Palmore, Thomas Kurian and others. November 15th, 8AM to 7PM EST. (NOTE: [Invitation Request is needed](#))

**UNITED NATIONS ADVANCES IN STRATEGIC FORESIGHT:** In a recent report United Nations takes a look at [scenarios and whether they were breakdowns or breakthroughs](#). The top line from [a recent UN] report was to use foresight to move away from business-as-usual and put a new emphasis on scenario breakthroughs—those that foster sustainable recovery, promote a healthy planet and people, and build trust and social protection—to offset perpetual crisis breakdown scenarios like deadly pandemics, climate threats, and growing inequalities. (POC: [Steven Gale](#))

**FORESIGHT IS 20/20: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN CONGRESS' FUTURE:** To meet the public's needs in an increasingly complex world, government must have the ability to adapt to ever-changing realities. This is particularly important for Congress, an institution grappling with the many challenges of today and often leaving little time to think about the challenges of tomorrow. It was with this idea in mind that Partnership for Public Service developed the "Foresight is 20/20" project to help Congress to think about the future in a more proactive way, maximize its strengths, and build resilience and capability. (POC: [Chayenne Polimédio](#))

## Admin & Announcements

**NEXT MEETING:** Join us at **10am (EST) on October 20<sup>th</sup>** as we host: [the Partnership for Public Service](#) to speak on their recent project "Foresight is 20/20: Challenges and Opportunities in Congress' Future." They will introduce the project genesis; the unique challenges facing Congress; methodology; key findings; and what's next – overview of Partnership's Federal Futures Lab. **Be sure to RSVP at FFCoI.org by 10/14/2022.**

**CONNECT:** Be sure to stay connected to learn more about FFCOI. Check out our website ([FFCoI.org](#)) and follow our social media platforms on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#) to get the latest news and happenings. As always, we welcome ideas for future speakers and content. Send us an [email](#) or a message on [LinkedIn](#). (POCs: [Sharaelle A. Grzesiak](#), [Robin Champ](#), & [Eric Popiel](#)).