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OUR NEXT MEETING

April 8, 2021

Happenings

RETIREMENT ALERT- JOHN KAMENSKY: John Kamensky completed a 44-year career focused on government improvement. At GAO, he helped draft GPRA in 1993. He was a deputy director for the Clinton-Gore Reinventing Government effort, proposing the designation of agency chief operating officers and the President's Management Council. In his 20 years at the IBM Center, he led research on collaborative networks, performance improvement, and strategic foresight. Retirement plans include not setting an alarm clock or attending Zoom meetings during lunch. John plans on staying active via the National Academy of Public Administration and related professional activities, such as FFCOI. (POC: [John Kamensky](#))

OMB CIRCULAR A-11 REINSTATEMENT: On March 24, 2021, the [White House](#) reinstated OMB Circular No. A-11. This very important section containing important foresight references was removed in December 2020. The document will once again have federal agencies create and track performance goals that reflect the current administration's objectives. (POC: [FFCOI](#))

ARTICLE: "WE CAN'T PREVENT TOMORROW'S CATASTROPHES UNLESS WE IMAGINE THEM TODAY": In [Peter Scoblic's](#) recent article featured in the Washington Post, he writes about the events of the past year and the uncertainty of the future. Peter discusses the need for more than a strategy, specifically, the need for strategic foresight. In this call to action article, Peter gives mention to the pockets of strategic foresight in government such as the USSS, GAO, OPM, Forest Service, USAID, and various parts of DoD. But the pockets are scattered and to overcome such a challenge the President needs to make strategic foresight a priority. (POC: [Peter Scoblic](#))

Future of Work Disruptors: Most organizations are trying to figure out what work will look like in the future. [Toffler Associates](#) has put together an [executive guide](#) to create your own custom action plan. The guide includes 9 key disruptors to be aware of as organizations plan for the future of work. (POC: [Maria Bothwell](#))

Admin & Announcements

FFCOI TURNS 8 YEARS: On March 27, 2021, FFCOI turned the page on 8 years of networking, project, and knowledge sharing focused on the support and growth of FFCOI members. If you have not joined us on Twitter – do so now – it was a walk down memory lane and we hope to continue to build our growing community.

NEXT MEETING: Join us April 8th, as we hear from Allison Kuntzman and Matthew Santaspirt from the U.S. Army Mad Scientist Team. Allison and Matt will share with us the role of Mad Scientist, including activities and events, the Army's megacity strategy, and their team's blog and podcast. Be sure to RSVP at [FFCoI.org](#).

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