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OUR NEXT MEETING

Webinar: July 18 11:30 – 1:00 ET

Happenings

TOP 10 BEST PLACES TO WORK IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT: The Partnership for Public Service and Boston Consulting Group, in collaboration with The Washington Post, has released its list of the **2023** <u>Best Places to Work in</u> <u>the Federal Government®</u>, featuring the top 10 agencies in four size groupings: large, midsize and small agencies, as well as agency subcomponents. Congratulations to our partners at NASA (#1 large agency) and GAO (#1 midsize agency) for their outstanding employee engagement and satisfaction ratings!

SCENARIO PLANNING LEVERAGING GENERATIVE AI: <u>Mastering Foresight:</u> <u>Scenario-Based Planning</u> is a certification course, eligible for certification from the George Washington University Center for Excellence in Public Leadership and the Baldridge Foundation. This course will teach you about trends, writing scenarios, and how to run a workshop to get results. Mastering Foresight has two September cohorts: **September 9-13** for the Public Sector, and **September 16-20** open to all; both via Zoom. (POC: Robin Champ)

NEW FORESIGHT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM: <u>DMS Academy</u> and <u>American</u> <u>University</u> are launching a 12-week joint certificate program on Foresight starting in September 2024. Cohorts will meet weekly, with the first and last sessions to be held in-person in Washington, DC. Register for an upcoming information session or request more <u>here</u>. (POC: Daniel Silva)

FOUNDATIONS IN NATURAL FORESIGHT - **LOS ANGELES**: Despite our fastmoving world, we can stay ahead of the curve and create the future. Join <u>TFSX</u> and diverse peers in Los Angeles, California this **October 15-17** to apply proven frameworks that flip disruption into opportunity. All levels of foresight knowledge are welcome. <u>Applications</u> due by September 26. Tuition assistance is available. (POC: TFSX)

JOB OPPORTUNITY: <u>BluePath Labs</u> is seeking an experienced futurist for a significant initiative supporting the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) <u>National Risk Management Center (NRMC)</u> in Critical Infrastructure Risk Analysis. As a Senior Strategy Consultant, the selected canditate will help NRMC anticipate and prepare for future risks to critical infrastructure systems. For more information and to apply, see the <u>posting</u>. (POC: Rob Loomis)

2024 GOVERNMENT TRENDS: A new <u>report</u> from Deloitte Insights finds that governments are strategically combining multiple tools and techniques to achieve 10x improvement across operations, service delivery, customer experience, and mission outcomes. (POC: William Eggers)

Admin & Announcements

FFCOI WEBINAR: Anticipatory Governance for Democracy: A Systems Approach for Strategic Foresight (July 18). Leon Fuerth and Sheila Ronis, of Anticipatory Governance for Democracy, will talk about how disruptive forms of change are challenging the adaptive capacity of democratic governance. The talk will focus on the idea that the most effective forms of analysis that we can bring to bear relate to (1) systems as a way to study organizations; (2) complexity as a way to understand interactions within and among systems; (3) foresight, as a way to think about alternative futures; and (4) values, as a way to focus on people rather than abstractions. RSVP to Sharaelle A. Grzesiak by July 12.

CONNECT: Stay connected to learn more about FFCOI! Follow us on LinkedIn to get the latest news and happenings. Send us an email or a message on LinkedIn with ideas for future speakers and content. (POCs: Sharaelle A. Grzesiak, Eric Popiel, Jeremiah Cottle, and Grant Rafter)