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OUR NEXT MEETING

October 12 8:00 am - 9:30 am ET Webinar

Happenings

FFCOI CO-CHAIR, ROBIN CHAMP, RETIRES OCT 11TH FROM FEDERAL SERVICE: Congratulations to Robin Champ, with an exceptional career of 33 years in DoD and the Secret Service. Over the last few years, Robin has served an integral role as FFCOI's co-chair, bringing top speakers, in addition to the countless hours and efforts to expand the FFCOI network. Some of her achievements include IASP recognition for development of the FY23-27 Secret Service Strategic Plan; being proclaimed a U.S. Army Mad Scientist; and advancing foresight in the U.S. Government. Upon retirement, Robin will be serving as VP, Strategic Foresight for LBL Strategies - an education and consulting firm specializing in foresight and strategy. We will miss Robin serving as an FFCOI! Please join us in celebrating her as she moves on to new opportunities.

ASK THE EXPERTS: A CONVERSATION WITH STRATEGIC FORESIGHT **LEADERS:** Please join the CDC's NIOSH Office of Research Integration on October 13th at 11:00 am (ET) for Foresight Friday @ NIOSH. A panel of experts will provide insights into different methods and approaches to the application of strategic foresight across government, industry, and academia. Register here. (POC: NIOSH Office of Research Integration)

GLOBAL STOCKTAKE: The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) released the Global Stocktake synthesis report, which offers a comprehensive overview of climate action as well as a roadmap for governments moving forward. For more information about the Global Stocktake and other initiatives, see the UNFCCC website.

FIELD AND FORESIGHT PRACTITIONER EVALUATION BUILDING CAPACITY: BRIDGING THE GAP Is foresight work having the desired impact? Despite practical and intellectual hurdles, the knowledge base of foresight evaluation is significant and growing. The Association of Professional Futurists Foresight Evaluation Task Force Report contains insights into evaluating the quality of foresight and its impacts, and recommendations for evaluation capacity-building resources. (POC: Annette Gardner)

FUTURES STUDIES: CONTRIBUTIONS & RESOURCES: The Alternative Planetary Futures Institute (Ap-Fi) is proud to announce the release of its new publication, "Futures Studies: Contributions and Sources." This comprehensive work delves into many facets of futures studies and is set to be a resource for scholars, policymakers, and forward-thinkers alike. The new release includes an array of topics, meticulously explored by leading experts in their respective fields.

SURVEY: AI USE IN STRATEGY: The Army Strategist Association, IASP (Australia Chapter), Baldrige Foundation, and LBL Strategies are researching uses of Generative AI in strategic management, including potential impacts, benefits, and barriers. Be sure to take this quick, anonymous survey and share with other strategy professionals! Results will be shared at a webinar. (POC: Doug Maris)

Admin & Announcements

FFCOI Webinar: "Unlearning the future: - New thinking for new times." When we change the way we think about the future, we change the way we act in the present. On October 12 at 8am (ET) participants will discover how to "unlearn" the way they think about the future by thinking about the futures of work(ers). Speaker **Reanna Browne** is an academically trained and practicing futurist, industry fellow, strategic workforce planner, start-up co-founder, keynote speaker, creative practitioner and former elite athlete. Be sure to RSVP by 10/6 with an email to Sharaelle A. Grzesiak to be added to the calendar invitation.

CONNECT: Stay connected to learn more about FFCOI! Our website (FFCoI.org) is currently under construction, so follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter 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).