

Around the World on World Futures Day

So, how did all this “World Futures Day” business get its start? It grew from a 2012 effort by [Humanity+](#) to start a worldwide conversation called “Future Day.” Humanity+ describes its purpose as:

- Advocating for a more humane humanity
- Finding balance between opportunity and risk, seeking solutions to world problems
- Advancing science and technology for a better, more beneficial future

The organization urges visitors to “Change the world; advance healthy longevity; be the future.”

They aim to alleviate injustices and invulnerabilities with a focus on science, technology, culture and social issues.

Two years later, in 2014, The Millennium Project launched its World Futures Day, encouraging anyone anywhere in the world to “pull up a cyber-chair to this global table.” [This is the video](#) they produced to invite the world to their 2024 conversation, which just happened.

In 2020, an organization called Teach the Future initiated a *World Futures Day – Young Voices Edition*. For 24 hours, young people and futurists co-lead a session beginning each hour, having conversations about the future. But way back in 2002, the Association of Professional Futurists was established to advance the practice of professional foresight by fostering a dynamic, global, diverse, and collaborative community of professional futurists. They have committed to expand understanding, use, and impact of foresight.

Recently forward-looking organizations all over the world, like Envision, celebrated the tenth annual *World Futures Day* together on March 1, 2024. Our day together as a world officially began at 12 noon local time in New Zealand and moved westward around the world, hour-by-hour, ending 24 hours later in Hawaii. All over the globe, futurists, thought leaders, and engaged citizens celebrated with local events and hopped online to listen, share ideas, and discuss how to create a better tomorrow.

Here you can learn more about other organizations sponsoring such events: [The Millennium Project](#), a global foresight participatory think tank, the [Association of Professional Futurists \(APF\)](#), [Humanity+](#), the [Lifeboat Foundation](#), the [World Academy of Art and Science](#), and the [World Futures Studies Federation \(WFSF\)](#).