## The Future – of Civilization!

The <u>State of the Future 20.0</u> is a whopping 500-page overview of the current situation and prospects for the future of the world—a report card for humanity. "We are winning more than we are losing," writes Jerome Glenn, CEO of <u>The Millennium Project</u> and lead author, "but where we are losing is very serious; humanity has the resources to address these challenges, but not the decision making yet."

Nearly a thousand futurists, scholars, and other experts organized by The Millennium Project have produced global collective intelligence on the future of the world in the newest State of the Future. This magnum opus provides humanity's prospects for the future in clear, concise language.

This is possibly the most comprehensive synthesis of global issues and opportunities, covering subjects from AI, synthetic biology, energy, water, food, UN changes, robotics, and nanotech to the future of work, terrorism, climate change, population, gender, global ethics, and the next economics.

Jehangir Khan, Secretary-General, UN Council of Presidents of the UN General Assembly, advises, "As the UN prepares to convene its Summit of the Future, the **State of the Future 20.0** is a very timely and visionary publication that is a must read for all the world leaders and decision makers."

This global assessment of our future includes an executive summary and major sections on 15 Global Challenges; the State of the Future Index 2035; international assessment of the governance of the transition to Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) issues, regulations, and global governance models; beneficial AGI by 2045, international assessment of five foresight elements for the future of the United Nations; World Futures Day 24-hour around-the-world conversation; and Robots 2050; ending with key conclusions.

Some insights from the State of the Future 20.0:

- Managing the transition to AGI is the most difficult management problem humanity has ever faced, and we might have just three years to get it right.
- Zero-sum power geopolitics leads to unending conflict until more synergetic relations are established.
- Since the global challenges are transnational in origin and solution, global collective intelligence systems for water, energy, food, S&T, climate, economics, education, gender, crime, ethics, and demographics should be integrated to improve local, national, and global decision making.
- In the foreseeable future, an individual acting alone could create and deploy a
  weapon of mass destruction. A new social contract between government and
  citizens is needed to prevent this, including new family and community
  responsibilities.

• Doing everything right to address climate change, or AGI, or counter organized crime in one country will not make enough of a difference if other countries do not act as well; hence, far more attention to global collaboration is more important for the future than it was in the past.

The **State of the Future 20.0** is available for download at <a href="https://www.millennium-project.org/state-of-the-future-version-20.0/">https://www.millennium-project.org/state-of-the-future-version-20.0/</a>