



The “2006 State of the Future” Report is now available.

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"The Millennium Project—a global participatory think tank— recently released its 10th annual State of the Future. Its pre-released copies were the top seller at the July 28-31 World Future Society conference held in Toronto, Canada.

This “Report Card on the Future” distills the collective intelligence of over 2,000 leading scientists, futurists, scholars, and policy advisors who work for governments, corporations, NGOs, universities, and international organizations. The 2006 State of the Future comes in two parts: a 125-page print executive summary and a 5,400-page CD. The CD contains all the research behind the print edition, plus the Millennium Project’s 10 years of cumulative research and methods. Some unique features not available in other global assessments:

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“There is so much extraneous information that it is difficult to identify and concentrate on what is truly relevant,” says co-author [Jerome C. Glenn](#), director of the Millennium Project of the American Council for the UN University. “Our report cuts through this clutter by presenting short, clear summaries in print, while giving the full details in the attached CD.”

Some of the issues discussed in the report:

- *Just as computer code is written to create many kinds of software, genetic code will be written to create many varieties of life, including those that make hydrogen from plants.*
- *\$1 trillion was paid in political bribes last year and organized crime's annual income is over \$2 trillion. By comparison, all military budgets combined worldwide are \$1 trillion.*
- *The worldwide race to connect everything not yet connected is just beginning.*
- *Sales of nanotech-related products exceed \$20 billion a year, while the health and environmental impact studies proliferate that may knock out some of the nano-producers.*
- *Buffett/Gates will have more implementation power in the developing world's health policies than the United State or the World Health Organization—showing the evolution of power from nations, to corporations, to individuals.*
- *The Chernobyl plant is still leaking radioactivity 20 years after the accident—Ukraine's President has asked for \$1 billion for better containment, 27,000 nuclear warheads still exist, smuggling of nuclear waste is up again; hence, we are still out to lunch on nuclear management.*
- *25 million are likely to die if avian flu mutates for human-to-human transmission.*
- *While electoral democracies increase, press freedoms are actually falling worldwide.*
- *In the best case scenario, China's water situation does not start to improve for another 10 to 15 years, which could lead to future mass migrations.*
- *Dramatic increases in collective human-machine intelligence are possible within 25 years. It is also possible that within the same time frame single individuals acting alone might create and use weapons of mass destruction.*
- *Conducting regional water negotiations in the Middle East may be the best way to build confidence that peace is possible in the region.*
- *Using a State of the Future Index can improve decision making and setting priorities.*

The 125-page "2006 State of the Future" print executive summary and 5,400-page CD is available at \$50.00 and can be ordered by sending an e-mail to: eu-digest@europehouse.com