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Join the 10th anniversary of the 24-Hour Round-the-World Conversation to Celebrate World Futures Day, Hosted by the Millennium Project!

Beginning March 1st in New Zealand at 12 noon NZ time, the open conversation on how to build a better future will move west each hour. Anyone can join in at 12 noon their time or any other time that is convenient, and join futurists and others to explore possibilities for our common future.

WASHINGTON, D.C., February 27, 2023 - World Futures Day, March 1. This will be the tenth year that futurists and the general public will conduct a 24-hour, round-the-world conversation on the future on March 1st at 12 noon in whatever time zone they are in. Each year, total strangers discuss ideas about possible worlds of tomorrow in a relaxed, open, no-agenda conversation. Futures research and studies are shared, new ideas come up, and new collaborations and friendships are made.

[The Millennium Project](#), a global foresight participatory think tank, will host this conversation on the future in collaboration with the [Association of Professional Futurists](#) (APF), [Humanity+](#), the [Lifeboat Foundation](#), the [World Academy of Art and Science](#), and the [World Futures Studies Federation](#) (WFSF).

"Anybody can pull up a cyber-chair at this global table and join the discussion on ZOOM at bit.ly/WorldFuturesDay2023 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89593394905?pwd=ODBWRi8wUXVsTzAvNXMxazZ2M1BUdz09#success> " says Jerome Glenn, CEO of The Millennium Project. "Whatever time zone you are in, you are invited at 12:00 noon in your time zone. People drop in and out as they like. If people can't come online at 12 noon, they are welcome to come online before or after that time as well."

Each year, for the past nine years, global thought leaders have shared their views about future global issues, such as – from COVID-19 to governing the transition to Artificial General Intelligence, living in space, inventing future work, reducing climate change, giving rights to the living planet, guaranteeing safe water and energy, fighting transnational organized crime, developing future forms of democracy, countering information warfare, incorporating futures generations and global ethics in decision-making, enforcing safety standards for synthetic biology, and the future of humanity. Who knows what will be discussed this year? You can also share your ideas on social media: #worldfuturesday #WFD.

"For the fourth time, we will be joined at 11 am East Coast US time by Vint Cerf, Internet pioneer, and Theodore Gordon, Futurist pioneer" according to Glenn. "Gordon was also the manager of the third stage of the Apollo rocket

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to the moon and co-developed Delphi, Cross-Impact Analysis, and the State of the Future Index.

Members of the press are most welcome to join the conversation asking questions to this diverse group of future-oriented people; however, Chatham House Rule applies: you can quote, use material, but not cite the source. "So," Glenn continues, "come online and join the conversation with others working to build a better future."

A side event called [World Futures Day - Young Voices](#), co-organized by Teach the Future in collaboration with The Millennium Project together with other partners and friends, will make sure that young people are also part of the conversation.

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Resources

- World Futures Day Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h1GalUZ62Vw>
- 2022 WFD short report by Jerome Glenn: <https://www.millennium-project.org/wow-the-9th-world-futures-day-24-hour-conversation-around-the-world/>
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- World Futures Day - Young Voices: <https://www.millennium-project.org/world-futures-day-young-voices-2023/>
- [Work/Technology 2050: Scenarios and Actions, Executive Summary](#) (pdf)

Additional Links

- <https://www.apf.org/> Association of Professional Futurists
- <https://www.humanityplus.org/> Humanity+
- <https://lifeboat.com/> Lifeboat Foundation
- <https://www.teachthefuture.org/> Teach the Future
- <http://www.millennium-project.org/> The Millennium Project
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