

Global Future Councils Nominations 2020 – 2021 Term

Overview

The World Economic Forum's network of [Global Future Councils](#) is the world's foremost multistakeholder and interdisciplinary knowledge network dedicated to promoting innovative thinking to shape a more resilient, inclusive and sustainable future.

The network convenes more than 900 of the most relevant and knowledgeable thought leaders from academia, government, international organizations, business and civil society, grouped in expertise-based thematic councils. It is an invitation-only community and members are nominated for a one-year period.

Mission

Global Future Council members provide strategic insights, scientific evidence, forward guidance and multidisciplinary understanding of major issues that will shape the post-COVID world through:

- Identifying and monitoring the latest trends, scientific research and frontier technologies with significant potential to transform societies, industries and regions
- Contributing their expertise and knowledge, sharing key lessons and developing innovative ideas to “building back better” initiatives of industry, regional and solution platforms
- Providing decision-makers from business and government with a multidisciplinary understanding of the strategic implications
- Deepening understanding of the drivers and enablers of the Fourth Industrial Revolution and how emerging technologies can be leveraged to address global, regional and industry issues
- Informing the World Economic Forum's strategic initiatives by providing feedback on the direction of existing projects as well as new areas of focus
- Increasing public awareness of the potential benefits and risks related to major breakthroughs

Membership and benefits

Membership to a Global Future Council is individual and for one year. Each council is led by two co-chairs and comprises 20-30 leading experts from academia, government, international organizations, business and civil society.

Members can take advantage of the following benefits:

- Collaboration with a global network of experts across disciplines
- Interaction with the Forum's stakeholder communities, including the chief executive officers of some of the world's largest corporations, decision-makers from government and international organizations, leading academics and leaders from other stakeholder groups
- The extensive reach of the Forum's platforms to disseminate ideas and opinions
- The opportunity to put ideas into action by being engaged in initiatives, task forces and activities undertaken by the Forum and its partners
- The possibility to engage in global, industry and regional dialogues and events organized or hosted by the World Economic Forum

The council term will run from October 2020 to September 2021. Membership will be revoked if a member fails to participate in three consecutive activities of the council (the Forum may review this decision if the member has been prevented from participating by force majeure).





Engagement

Council members participate regularly in online interactions and council activities via the Forum's TopLink platform, emails and regular virtual meetings. The council delivers its outcomes as part of the Forum's ongoing projects, initiatives and meetings.

Global Future Council portfolio 2020-2021

The portfolio is composed of 40 councils across 10 areas:

Shaping the global economic growth and a new trajectory of growth

- New Agenda for Economic Growth and Recovery
- New Agenda for Fiscal and Monetary Policy
- Responsive Financial Systems

Strengthening labour, well-being and the social contract

- Healthy Ageing and Longevity
- Mental Health
- New Agenda for Education and Skills
- New Agenda for Equity and Social Justice
- New Agenda for Work, Wages and Job Creation

Restoring our global commons through the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement on climate change

- Clean Air
- Nature-Based Solutions
- Net Zero Transition
- SDG Investment

Developing successful, sustainable and resilient business models

- Advanced Manufacturing and Production
- Clean Electrification
- Energy Transition
- Investing
- Media, Entertainment and Sport
- Sustainable Tourism
- Urban Mobility Transitions

Strengthening regional development and cooperation

- China
- Cities of Tomorrow
- Japan
- Korean Peninsula

Building future resilience to global risks

- Cybersecurity
- Frontier Risks
- New Agenda for Fragility and Resilience

Harnessing and disseminating the new technologies of the Fourth Industrial Revolution

- Agile Governance
- Artificial Intelligence for Humanity
- Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality
- Cryptocurrencies
- Data Policy
- Quantum Applications
- Space
- Synthetic Biology

Promoting global cooperation and revitalizing the multilateral system

- Geopolitics
- Scientific Collaboration
- Trade and Investment

Strengthening cultural ties and human values globally

- Human Rights
- Systemic Inequalities and Social Cohesion

Assuming greater stakeholder responsibility

- Transparency and Anti-Corruption