

GAMING THE FUTURE(S): PEDAGOGIES FOR EMERGENT FUTURES

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A symposium hosted by Tamkang University, in association with Kyung Hee University and the Hawaii Research Center for Futures Studies.

Concept

Traditional pedagogical approaches to Futures Studies focused on expert based lecture formats. Scenario planning opened up the process by using groups of experts. In the past few decades, however, the workshop format - futures workshops, knowlabs, immersive futures - all have attempted to include participants in the futures process. They are not mere spectators or receivers of the futures, but active creators - mind, body, and spirit. The futurist becomes thus a content facilitator, helping participants explore alternative futures and create desired futures. It is in this context that gaming the future has become more important. Futures games go further than the cognitive or the emotional, rather, they focus on embodied foresight. Drawing from many approaches - gestalt, play, role-playing, board games - a number of games have become part of futures doxa.

These include the Polak game, the Sarkar game, the CLA game, the time travel game, strategic gaming systems, foresight card decks, immersive experiences, geo-location gaming, for example. However, this is just the beginning. Games as apps, as virtual reality systems, indeed, the gamification of knowledge, process and action, is likely to grow as digital natives move to global and national decision-making and policy positions of defining how and what we learn.

Developments in futures studies

Along with the dominant gaming stream, the conference will also feature presentations on Futures Studies and thinking in general. It is sponsored by Tamkang University, Kyung Hee University, and is part of the Unesco Chair in Futures Studies Asia-Pacific agenda.

Administrative issues

The meeting will be held at Tamkang University, Taiwan in November 10-11 2016. The meeting is sponsored by Tamkang University. Conference papers will be published in a special symposium of the Journal of Futures Studies. Contact Professor Jeanne Hoffman - jeannehoffman71@gmail.com.

Conference registration fee: 100 usa \$ (this covers transfer from the airport to the hotel plus conference meals. This does not include accommodation costs). For waivers and scholarships, please

contact the organizers: Associate Professor Shun-jie Ji (jishunji@mail.tku.edu.tw) and Professor Sohail Inayatullah, (sinayatullah@gmail.com)

Hotels: There are many hotels in the Tamsui area. We recommend Hotel Regelees (around 100 \$ per night). <http://www.regalees-hotel.com.tw/>. No 89 Shie Fu Road. Arrival: Taipei International airport on 9th (Or 8th if required) and departure November 12th. Some conference participants, however, will be staying on campus at Faculty Housing. For assistance, please contact Shun-jie Ji at jishunji@mail.tku.edu.tw. If you need to stay later or arrive earlier, Faculty Housing may have a small additional daily charge.

Please note: for all administrative (travel, pick ups, diet, etc) issues, contact Associate Professor Shun-jie Ji (jishunji@mail.tku.edu.tw) and for all content issues contact Professor Sohail Inayatullah (sinayatullah@gmail.com).

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November 10, 2016

Time	Event	Chair	Venue
09:00-09:30	Registration	-	
09:30-09:35	Opening Remarks	Shun-jie Ji, Director of Graduate Institute of Futures Studies (GIFS)	Chueh-sheng International Conference Hall (10th Fl.)
09:35-09:40	Flora Chia-I Chang, President of Tamkang University		
09:40-09:45	Welcome Stephen Yong-Seung Park Dean, Office of International Affairs, Kyung Hee University		
09:45-09:50	Welcome Cindy Frewen Association of Professional Futurist		
09:50-10:20	Why Alternative Futures: why Gaming? Jim Dator Emeritus Professor, University of Hawaii		
10:20-10:30	HRCFS Award Presentation From Professor Dator to President Flora Chia-I Chang		
10:30-10:45	Break		
10:45-12:15	Theory-Linking Gaming and Futures: the Emergent Pedagogies of Tomorrow	Kuo-Hua Chen, Associate Professor, GIFS, Tamkang University	
	Gaming-The Current State of Play Thadani Dimple, The University of Nottingham, Ningbo China		
	Insights from Foresight Workshops and Gaming - CLA, Sarkar and The Futures Triangle Sohail Inayatullah, Professor/ UNESCO Chair for Futures Studies		
	Action Learning, CLA, Geospatial Mapping Jose Ramos, Action Foresight, Australia		
12:15 -13:15	Lunch		
13:15-15:00	Theory Plus Practice	Jeanne Hoffman, Assistant Professor, GIFS, Tamkang University	
	The Time Machine Mei-Mei Song, Assistant Professor, GIFS and Director, Center for Futures Intelligence and Research (C-FAR), Tamkang University		
	Games for Policy Makers in the UN and The European Commission John Sweeney, Centre for Postnormal Studies, London, UK.		
	The Fred Polak and the P.R.Sarkar Game - Using Gaming in Integral Futures Peter Hayward, Swinburn University, Australia		
15:00-15:15	Break		
15:15-16:15	Workshops		I201
16:15-17:00	Playing The Sarkar and/or Polak Game Peter Hayward Card Games and Futures John Sweeney		
16:15-17:00	Panel Discussion-all-and Insights Participants: Jim Dator, Cindy Frewen, Thadani Dimple, Stephen Park, Jose Ramos, Peter Hayward, Mei-Mei Song, and participants.	Moderator: Sohail Inayatullah	

17:00	Close		
November 11, 2016			
Time	Event	Chair	Venue
09:30-10:45	Gaming the Futures	Shun-jie Ji, Associate Professor and Director, GIFS, Tamkang University	Chueh-sheng International Conference Hall (10th Fl.)
	Futures Studies and Gaming		
	Jake Dunagan, CENTRO, Mexico		
	An App for Gaming		
	Victor Motti, Director Vahid Think Tank, Iran		
	City Futures and Gaming		
	Cindy Frewen, Association of Professional Futurists		
10:45-11:00	Break		
11:00-1:00	Futures Studies in the Region	Ivana Milojevic, Director, Metafuture. Serbia and Brunei.	Chueh-sheng International Conference Hall (10th Fl.)
	Towards Global Eminence: Humanity and Peace Studies at Kyung Hee University		
	Jong-Pil Jeong, Kyung Hee University		
	Teaching Futures Studies for 3 Decades		
	Wilhelm Chen, Associate Professor, GIFS, Tamkang University		
	Futures Studies in Taiwan		
	Mei-Mei Song, Assistant Professor, GIFS, Tamkang University		
Outside the Comfort Zone: Pedagogical Learnings and Critical Reflections on Futures for Students			
Nur Anisah Abdullah, Hamdan Bin Muhamad Smart University, Dubai, and John Sweeney			
Teaching the future and featuring teaching in Bangladesh			
	Shakil Ahmed, Associate Director, Teach for Bangladesh.		
1:00-2:15	Lunch		
14:15-14:30	Special lecture: Social Fiction in the Next 50 Years		I201
	Byongjin Ann, Professor, Kyune Hee University		

14:30-15:15	<p>The Politics and Futures of Gaming - Fish Bowl</p> <p>Opening Speaker: Ivana Milojevic</p> <p>Participants:</p> <p>Jang-bang Deng</p> <p>Jake Dunagan</p> <p>Victor Motti</p> <p>Li-Hui Peng</p> <p>Mei-Mei Song</p> <p>Shakil Ahmed</p> <p>Then round 2 - speakers from day 1</p>	<p>Moderator</p> <p>Sohail Inayatullah</p>
15:15-15:30	Break	
15:30-16:30	<p>A Game for Future Generations</p> <p>Kewulay Kamara, Actor and Director, Badeya, Sierra Leone, A TEDX Speaker</p>	
16:30	Close	