



TRAVEL AND CONNECTIVITY

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What if the perception of both time and space changed?

Prospects for humanity

With the world becoming more physically and digitally connected, what are our future prospects for ourselves and our communities as as places become closer, realities merge and time may take on a different meaning?

FOCUS	WORLD MAJLIS TOPIC	DESCRIPTION	DATE
PLANET	Off the Beaten Path Achieving sustainable ecotourism for the discerning traveler <i>Co-curated with India</i>	Ecotourism is a growing facet of tourism focused on protecting the environment and keeping it as natural as possible. How to make mass market tourism slow down and make ecotourism the new norm? How to involve the tourism sphere to work with natives to make this happen? How to involve travelers and adopt new behaviors?	Thursday 13th Jan '22
INNOVATION	Digital Twins and New Realities Living and thriving with new realities <i>Co-curated with UK</i>	As physical space becomes layered with data and digital media, new "worlds" that use data and storytelling to transcend physical barriers and time are becoming more mainstream. How will lifestyles, interactions, social and work culture change as these technologies grow more pervasive and available? What opportunities and risks do these pose for us in various industries? What ethical considerations and responsibilities will their use entail?	Tuesday 11th Jan '22
NEXT GEN	Screen Time vs. People Time Winning on Mobile	In public transportation, in the street, at restaurants... it's not hard to see the prominent place smartphones have taken in our lives. To the point where, in 2019, on average, smartphone users spent 3 hours and 40 minutes per day on their devices. What would we do with our time if we got off our phones? What would we create, innovate, and/or change if we got our time back?	Sunday 9th Jan '22
WOMEN	All Aboard? Not Yet Vulnerabilities of women in mobility	Women represent the largest share of public transport users around the world, yet they face many barriers that limit their mobility. Today's transportation sector is not gender neutral. World Bank research shows that globally, 80 percent of women fear harassment due to their gender when taking public transport. How do we address the barriers women face in mobility, both as transport users and transport providers? How would gender-inclusive transport and mobility improve economic growth and sustainable development? How do we promote gender-equitable employment and decision-making in the transport sector?	Monday 10th Jan '22