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Foundation For the Future Hosts Workshop on Energy Challenges in the Thousand-Year Future

BELLEVUE, WA, March 22, 2007—The Foundation For the Future will convene a workshop in its Humanity 3000 program series March 30–April 1, 2007, in Bellevue, WA, bringing together energy experts from Europe and North America to discuss renewable energy science and technologies anticipated to emerge during coming centuries.

Featured during the workshop will be three keynote presentations: Dr. Jerome C. Glenn, Director of the Millennium Project, Washington, DC, will speak on “State of the Future: Energy.” Sir Crispin Tickell, former British Ambassador and currently Director of the Policy Foresight Programme at the James Martin Institute for Science and Civilization, Oxford University, will speak on “Energy Challenges: The Next Thousand Years,” which is also the title for the workshop. Dr. Gustav R. Grob, founder of the International Clean Energy Consortium, Zurich, Switzerland, will address “Energy Technologies: Near, Medium, and Far Future.”

“The workshop will elicit discussion and debate among the participants about all potential sources and technologies for energy production over three time frames: the rest of this century (near term), the next few centuries (medium term), and the next thousand years (long term),” said Sesh Velamoor, Foundation Deputy Director. “This contrasts with most studies pertaining to the future of energy, which do not consider beyond the next fifty years.”

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The workshop “Energy Challenges: The Next Thousand Years” will also convene panels of experts on energy for each of the three time periods. Participants are gathering from Germany, Switzerland, England, and various locations in the United States for the face-to-face presentations and dialogues.

Though participation in the workshop is by invitation only, the results of the workshop and transcripts of the presentations and discussions will be published and available for downloading from the Foundation For the Future website.

Humanity 3000, established in 1998, is an ongoing program hosted and conducted by the Foundation For the Future to bring together scholars for workshops, annual seminars, and bi-decade symposia focused on the next thousand years.

Besides hosting scientists, scholars, and futurists for discussions about the long-term future of humanity, the Foundation For the Future also annually awards the Kistler Prize for original work in the relationship between the human genome and society, the Walter P. Kistler Book Award, the Walter P. Kistler Science Documentary Film Award, and the Walter P. Kistler Science Teacher of the Year Award. It also funds research programs, publishes scholarly works, and undertakes public awareness and education programs concerning the long-term future of humanity. The Foundation is presently developing a four-program television documentary series entitled *The Next Thousand Years*. Details on all of its programs are available at www.futurefoundation.org.

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