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A KNOWLEDGE LAB TO EVALUATE AND IMPROVE THE USE OF FORESIGHT IN ADDRESSING SOCIETAL CHALLENGES

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LEGEND

	#PLENARY
	#3PERSONGROUP
	#CASEGROUP
	#SPECIALIZED GROUP

GROUNDING at the Joint Research Center

DAY1
26/08

The first day will focus on familiarizing participants with each other and the case studies

08:45 Depart Hotel for JRC

9.30 - 10:00 REFRESHMENTS

10:00 - 11:10 **Session 1**

P Opening Session Plenary
Welcome - Introduction to the Knowledge Lab by Hosts
Overview of the Agenda

11:15 - 12:45 **Session 2**

CG Case Study Inquiry
Learning about the Cases

12:45 - 14:00 LUNCH

14:00 - 15:30 **Session 3**

P Case Study Inquiry

15:35 - 13:50 BREAK

15:50 - 17:30 **Session 4**

CG Case Study Implications Exploration

17:30 - 17:40 **Session 5**

P Closing Circle

DEEPENING at the Villa Borghi

DAY2
27/08

The second day uses participants deeper understanding of the cases to:
leverage their specialized knowledge;
surface case-specific recommendations;
and advance cross-perspective knowledge sharing

09:30 - 10:20 **Session 6**

P Introduction to the Day
Groups Present Case Study Implications

10:20 - 10:35 BREAK

10:35 - 11:35 **Session 7**

SG Leveraging Specialized Knowledge

11:35 - 13:00 **Session 8**

P Sharing of Specialized Knowledge Insights

13:00 - 14:15 LUNCH

14:15 - 15:45 **Session 9**

CG World Café:
Case Study Recommendations

15:45 - 16:00 BREAK

16:00 - 17:30 Session 10

CG Recommendation Testing
via Case Re-Design

17:00 - 17:30 Session 11

P Showcase Re-Designs

17:30 - 17:40 Session 12

P Closing Circle



DAY1
26/08

CREATING at the Villa Borghi

The third day aims to synthesize
and extend the case-specific learning
to broader insights or questions
of relevance to the philanthropic,
development, and public sectors.

09:00 - 09:15 Session 13

P Introduction to the Day

9:15 - 9:45 Session 14

CG Thinking Beyond the Cases
Revisit Designs & Top 10s

09:45 - 10:30 Session 15

P Report Back

10:30 - 10:45 BREAK

10:45 - 12:00 Session 16

Clustering Exercise - Big Group Work

12:00 - 12:45 Session 17

P Meaning of Clusters

12:45 - 14:00 LUNCH

14:00 - 15:30 Session 18

Relevance of Clusters

15:30 - 16:00 Session 19

Working Break

Moving Forward and Personal Applications

16:00 - 16:15

Written Evaluations

16:15 - 17:00 Session 20

P Concluding Reflections

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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

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professional challenge is to connect science, technology and society. Peter has more than 15 years of scientific experience in designing, managing and evaluating European and regional projects in Integrated Assessment, Foresight, Strategic Road Mapping and Horizon Scanning. By working together with experts and stakeholders Peter drives forming an interdisciplinary understanding on non-sustainable trends to support policy-makers by delivering futures scenarios, visions and integrated solutions. He is also a regular guest lector in Foresight and Policy Innovation (UGent, European Commission). Currently, Peter works at the Joint Research Centre (EC, JRC) as a Foresight Analyst.

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During his tenure, Fred has taken Nike executives shopping, helped to guide the realization of a future-focused education center at Stanford University, and collaborated with patients and staff to build innovative service models for the Mayo Clinic and Kaiser Permanente. He's also collaborated with the American Red Cross to redesign its donation experience and the Transportation Security Administration to evolve airport security. Other clients include the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Rockefeller foundation, the University of Phoenix, the US Agency for International Development, the US Office of Personnel Management, and the US Social Security Administration. Fred currently serves on the Advisory Board for Aspen Institute's Business and Society Program, the Board of Governors at Parsons The New School, and IDEO.org's Board of Directors. He lectures widely on various topics, including design methodology, future experience trends, and social innovation.

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