

# Horizons of Futures Research and Education

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## Theories, Methods, Applications



20–21 October 2011, Nordic Centre  
Shanghai, Fudan University

*A two-day conference on research and education  
issues of futures studies.*

### **Joint Organizers of the Conference:**

University of Turku: Finland Futures Research Centre,  
Finland Futures Academy and Millennium Project / Helsinki Node  
FINLAND

Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm: Centre for Sustainable Communications  
SWEDEN

Fudan University, Shanghai: School of Social Development and Public Policy  
and Nordic Centre  
CHINA

# Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

## Speakers in order of the presentations



Director Juha Kaskinen  
Finland Futures Research Centre,  
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Professor Sirkka Heinonen  
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Associate Professor, Director  
Mattias Höjer,  
Centre for Sustainable  
Communications, Royal Institute of  
Technology, Stockholm, Sweden

Time	Program
9.00–9.20	Arrival, Registration & Coffee
9.20–9.40	<b>SPECIAL KEYNOTE:</b> Director <b>Juha Kaskinen</b> , Finland Futures Research Centre, University of Turku: <i>Best from Nordic Countries</i>
9.40–10.10	Professor <b>Sirkka Heinonen</b> , Finland Futures Research Centre, University of Turku: <i>The Academic Futures Research Landscape – what, why and how</i>
10.10–10.40	Professor <b>Pan Tianshu</b> , School of Social Development and Public Policy, Fudan University, Shanghai, China: <i>Shanghai's Showcase: Critical Reflections on the Ethnographic Aspects of World Expo 2010</i>
10.40–11.10	Associate Professor, Director <b>Mattias Höjer</b> , Centre for Sustainable Communications, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden: <i>Images of the Future City</i>
11.10–12.10	Lunch
12.10–12.40	Coordinator <b>Sari Söderlund</b> , Finland Futures Academy, University of Turku: <i>Network Learning (NL) as an Approach to Academic Education and Research</i>
12.40–13.10	Adjunct Professor <b>Osmo Kuusi</b> , Aalto University and Government Institute for Economic Research, Helsinki, Finland: <i>The Delphi Method and how the Finnish Parliament used it for the development of health care system</i>
13.10–14.10	Poster sessions and book exhibition – Networking
13.10–14.10	PhD candidate, <b>Josefin Wangel</b> , School of Architecture and the Built Environment, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden: <i>Add actors! The social implications of techno-biased futures</i>
14.10–14.40	Professor <b>Ka Lin</b> , Department of Social Security and Risking Management, Zhejiang University, China: <i>Social policy models and global governance: in reference to the East Asian experience</i>
15.10–16.15	Meeting of the organizers and networking of the participants
19.00	Dinner



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# Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Time	Program
10.00–10.20	Arrival & coffee
10.20–10.40	<b>SPECIAL KEYNOTE:</b> Professor <b>Pan Tianshu</b> , School of Social Development and Public Policy, Fudan University, Shanghai, China: <i>Best from China</i>
10.40–11.10	Professor <b>Shen Yifei</b> , School of Social Development and Public Policy, Fudan University, Shanghai, China: <i>Different Interests of Education, Unequal Future of Children</i>
11.10–11.40	Professor, Director <b>Zhouying Jin</b> , Center for Technology Innovation & Strategy Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Chair of China Node of Millennium Project: <i>Long term strategic system integration and Early Warning System - 2050 China</i>
11.40–12.10	Futures Window and Mindset for Futures Cliniques
12.10–13.10	Lunch
13.10–14.10	<b>Futures Clinique on Socio-Technological Innovations</b> 1) New Opportunities of Health Care Technologies facilitated by Dr. Osmo Kuusi and a Chinese expert 2) Innovations of Urban Development facilitated by Prof. Sirkka Heinonen and Dr. Mattias Höjer
14.10–14.40	Director <b>Juha Kaskinen</b> , Finland Future Research Centre, University of Turku: <i>Millennium Project – Global Networking for a Better World</i>
14.40–15.40	Poster sessions and book exhibition – Networking and refreshments

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**The Conference is open** to all experts in futures research and education, as well as to public authorities, private company representatives, and to all those who are interested in the field and wish to gain more insight of foresight activities, with a special emphasis on Nordic and Chinese dimensions.

**The aim** of the conference is to facilitate knowledge sharing and cooperation between Nordic countries and China and to bring together experts from the field of Futures Studies. Futures studies offers valuable tools to understand and shape the development of our societies. The focus is on encouraging researchers in using futures studies methodologies and concepts in their own research and further develop them.

Futures studies is a multidisciplinary study of postulating possible, probable, and preferable futures and the worldviews and values that underlie them. Futures studies seeks to understand what is likely to continue, what is likely to change, and what is novel.

### Registration

There is no registration fee but it is obligatory to register in order to participate to the conference. Registration is by **17th October** by email to **Elisa Pöyhönen**, [elisa.poyhonen@tse.fi](mailto:elisa.poyhonen@tse.fi)

Include the email following information: your name, organization, special diets and contact details (during the conference).

If you want to exhibit a book or a poster, please contact the Scientific Committee Chair Professor **Sirkka Heinonen**: [sirkka.heinonen@tse.fi](mailto:sirkka.heinonen@tse.fi)

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