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Welcome to the End of July Edition of What's Emerging

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In the next few weeks Paul will have a couple of weeks off to go skiing present a keynote on the future of Agriculture, work with the NFF on the future of the NFF Blueprint for Agriculture, and work with the Bendigo Bank on the future of their community banking model. If any of these approaches interest you then please contact us at info@emergentfutures.com.

We hope that you continue to find then newsletter interesting and useful.

Cheers,


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What are we writing about?

Paul's presentation to the Servcorp Business Shorts Program is now up on our website. You can access it by going to www.emergentfutures.com and looking under latest downloads on the home page. As always our presentations are designed to be an experience for the audience rather than asset of detailed notes. If you are interested in an online run through of any of our presentations then please contact us at info@emergentfutures.com. This is also a service that we offer clients during the presentation preparation phase for conference and workshops to fine tune our focus on the audience and the client requirements.

Business Tips

The BIG 5 in fundraising performance metrics

The Big Five are Volume, Expenditure, Income, Retention and Return on Investment. [Read More...](#)

Thirty Things I've Learned

Great list from Nick Crocker. [Read More...](#)

In case you missed it: Most popular links from the Last Edition

[Break These 7 Habits to be a Highly Successful Business Revolutionary](#)

Don Tapscott presented these to the convocation of the MBA graduating class of INSEAD -- the Paris Business School. Do they work for you?

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How DARPA's Brain Chip Could Restore Lost Memories

The newly launched \$40 million Restoring Active Memory program aims to develop a neural prosthesis. [Read More...](#)

Waking up hidden HIV is one step closer to curing disease: study

Scientists say they are now able to wake up hidden reservoirs of HIV in patients, leading to hopes the virus could one day be eradicated. [Read More...](#)

MIT Student Creates a Robot That Plays Connect Four for a Course Final

MIT student Patrick McCabe created a robot capable of playing Connect Four for the final project of a Microcomputer Project Laboratory course. The robot features adjustable levels of difficulty and gives users hints if they need one. [Read More...](#)

The internet of things (to be hacked).

Hooking up gadgets to the web promises huge benefits. But security must not be an after thought. [Read More...](#)

Smart Feeder With 'Cat Facial-Recognition' Tech Lets You Track Kitty's Appetite

Cat owners who worry about their furry friend's eating habits can breathe a sigh of relief. A startup based in San Mateo, California, has created Bistro, a smart feeder that can track Kitty's appetite and weight change using "cat facial-recognition technology." [Read More...](#)

Protect Society from Our Inventions, Say Genome-Editing Scientists

Scientists working at the cutting-edge of genetics say one possible application of a powerful new technology called genome editing has the potential to cause ecological mayhem and needs attention from regulators. [Read More...](#)

Japan Wants 2020 Robot Olympics Alongside Human Olympics

"In 2020 I would like to gather all of the world's robots and aim to hold an Olympics where they compete in technical skills," said Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe last week. [Read More...](#)

Why Will Economic Growth Be Slower in 2060 Across the Globe?

The global economy is one thing that may not be getting better with time. [Read More...](#)

Flexible, Printed Batteries for Wearable Devices

A California startup is developing flexible, rechargeable batteries that can be printed cheaply on commonly used industrial screen printers. [Read More...](#)

Miami, the great world city, is drowning while the powers that be look away

The Miami coastline: there are fears that even a 30cm rise in the sea level could be catastrophic. [Read More...](#)

Melbourne-made 3D-printed body parts could replace cadavers for medical training

A team of medical experts in Melbourne has created a 3D-printed anatomy kit that is set to revolutionise medical training around the world. [Read More...](#)

Economist examines empirical evidence of file-sharing on box-office revenue

A paper from University of Kansas economist Koleman Strumpf (whose work we've featured here for years) empirically examines the impact of file-sharing on box-office revenues. [Read More...](#)

Urban Resilience: Climate Actions for Urban Areas

What priority actions can urban areas take to increase their resilience to climate change?. [Read More...](#)

FingerReader Is a 3D-Printed Device That Reads Text Aloud to the Blind

Researchers at MIT have developed a new technology that enables blind and vision-impaired people to read any printed text without the use of braille. [Read More...](#)

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A Fully Mechanical 3D Printer is Mind Blowing

It's been a while since we've been seriously impressed with a project like this one. [Daniël de Bruin], a student at the Art Academy in Utrecht has just put the final touches on his mechanical 3D printer. [Read More...](#)

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