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Welcome to the Mid-April 2017 Edition of What's Emerging

Welcome to our Mid-April edition of our newsletter.

Paul is busy preparing for a number of keynote presentations in May , putting together our new foresight network, designing a new workshop approach combining Wardley Maps and Foresight techniques for SME businesses, and adapting that model for individual clients. We have started testing the individual client model with a variety of businesses/organisations. If you are interested in participating in that test process then we have room for 3 more clients in the test program. We need to get test clients across a range of industries so please contact us if you are interested and we will talk to you about suitability. It requires an initial 2 hr session and then a follow up review session with some online/phone interaction in between. We get to test a new approach and you get to review your business/organisational strategic approach. The value proposition is : Our Mapping the Future Approach + our Foresight Network helps SME Businesses who want to Make Better Short and Long-Term Decisions by Reducing Uncertainty and Increasing Strategic Awareness unlike Standard Strategic Planning Processes.

If that interests you then please contact us at info@emergentfutures.com or call Paul on 0408 557 583.

We hope that you continue to find the newsletter interesting.

Cheers,

Paul Higgins, Sandy Teagle, Ranjitha and Samantha Kyle-Little

■ What are we writing about?

Paul has written a piece the [Future For Accountants](#) and what they might need to do as automation increasing eats part of their business model.

■ Business Tips

What are 'coffee naps' and can they help you power through the day?

Paul: I am big fan of these. They do require you to be able to fall asleep before the caffeine kicks in though. Something I am world champion at. [Read More...](#)

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

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■ What's Emerging

Autonomous Car Race Creates \$400k Engineering Jobs For Top Silicon Valley Talent

The rush to develop self-driving cars is fueling lucrative deals for autonomous tech firms, from GM's \$581 million purchase of Cruise, Uber's \$680 million Otto acquisition and Ford's \$1 billion Argo Ai project, and has made the founders of those startups wealthy. [Read More...](#)

How to Upgrade Judges with Machine Learning

Software that helps judges decide whether to jail a defendant while they await trial could cut crime and reduce racial disparities amongst prisoners. [Read More...](#)

Latest Helicobacter pylori breakthrough could lead to eradication of bacteria

A breakthrough in identifying how a common ulcer-causing bacteria survives in the human stomach will lead to new medications and possible eradication, according to a WA Nobel Prize-winning scientist. [Read More...](#)

Stargazing citizens and scientists share hunger to find Planet Nine

The idea of a new planet, the so-called Planet Nine, has captured the attention of scientists and the public alike. [Read More...](#)

The world has made great progress in eradicating extreme poverty

To people who believe that the world used to be a better place, and especially to those who argue that globalisation has done more economic harm than good, there is a simple, powerful riposte: chart 1, below. In 1981 some 42% of the world's population were extremely poor, according to the World Bank. [Read More...](#)

Dementia patients using robots, virtual reality to engage

High-tech tools, like humanoid robots and virtual reality are transforming the lives of people living in Australian dementia care facilities. [Read More...](#)

Kniterate is a digital knitting machine that lets you 'print' your own clothes

Sew good! Spanish designer Gerard Rubio is back on the scene with his revolutionary digital knitting machine, rebranded as Kniterate [Read More...](#)

America's largest body-camera supplier is giving police free AI to analyze crime footage

Taser International, the company most associated with electrical weapons used by police, is adopting the freemium business model of Silicon Valley. [Read More...](#)

Last month wind power provided enough energy for 136% of Scottish households

Last month wind turbines provided enough energy to meet the electrical needs of 136 per cent of Scottish households, the equivalent of 3.3 million homes. [Read More...](#)

Robot Restaurant Eatsa Makes Move Into Personalized Food

Eatsa has gotten lots of press over the past few years for two things: One, they serve lots and lots of quinoa. [Read More...](#)

Scientists Are Developing a Contact Lens That Tells You When You're Sick

Imagine a biosensing contact lens that can tell when your blood sugar is getting too low, or if there's something wrong with one of your organs. [Read More...](#)

Why More Tech Companies Are Hiring People Without Degrees

One of Donald Trump's loudest—and likely most impossible to fulfill—promises is to bring back coal jobs. He has made this appeal to people whose factory skills aren't in demand anymore and likely don't have the secondary education necessary to enter into other industries.

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A robot can print this \$32,000 house in as little as 8 hours — take a look inside

Building a house by hand can be both time-consuming and expensive. Numerous homebuilders have chosen to automate part of the construction (i.e., by printing the home's parts) instead.

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Dreaming 'hot zone' found at the back of the brain

The stuff of dreams has bewildered science for years, but a new study has found a so-called "hot zone" near the back of the brain that is always active during dreaming. [Read More...](#)

Aged care provider trials use of robot for heavy lifting, giving staff more time with residents

A NSW aged care provider is trialling the use of a robot to transport meals, linen, waste and pharmaceutical goods. [Read More...](#)

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