

International Scientific-Practical Conference

**Global Challenges of the Future:
Causes, Strategies, and Consequences in Scientific and Speculative
Perspective**

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In the future, human civilization potentially may face numerous natural and man-made disasters, social and political problems. Foreseeing coming global cataclysms leads not only to creation of pessimistic images of the future, but also becomes a challenge for researchers in their search for the ways for humanity to survive.

Unfortunately, rapid technological acceleration, linked to yet more dynamic scientific research, does not eliminate the existential threats. Universal scale of this phenomenon calls for the fresh perspective not only from the point of view of exact sciences, but also of humanities and social projects, including

literary and artistic speculation that combine the perspective of scientific prediction and assumed reconstruction of the potential consequences.

It becomes yet more evident that the global scale of the problems faced by the human civilization, would be related not only to their universal geographical scope, but also to the combination of various aspects influencing their development. In essence, it is about technological evolution and its impact on humanity and society. It is important not only to diagnose the causes of the challenges we face, but also to project the course of these events and their aftermath for a man, culture, and for civilization in general.

As the expected future threats would encompass many aspects of human everyday life, social engineering and global intervention into many spheres of existence of our planet, it seems possible for all spheres of science to join forces: for the natural, social sciences, and humanities. For that reason, conference presentations are grouped in the following thematic clusters.

ANTHROOCENE AND THE STATE OF CIVILIZATION

Environmental pollution, deforestation, desertification, species extinction.
Issues of energy sources, drinking water, and raw materials.
Wars for natural resources of the planet.
Digital ecosystems.

NEW TECHNOLOGIES: DEVELOPMENT OF CIVILIZATION AND RISKS OF DEHUMANIZATION OF MANKIND

New technologies and their impact of the labor market and society.
Evolution of political and social systems.
Micro and Nanosystems as the driving force of technological changes.
Space research.

POSTHUMANISM, TRANSHUMANISM, AND CULTURE

Tradition and the search for identity.
Axiology of future.
Individual and contemporary art: edges of new reality.
Art discourse of post-reality.
Art during the pandemic era.

TECHNOLOGICAL TRENDS

Technological trends in education.
Culture in modern technology.
Digital art: at the edge of reason.

Participation. The conference would be run in mixed mode — a combination of virtual (Zoom-based) and physical participation.

Room and board. Organization committee does not provide room and board for the participants.

Expenses and fees. Publishing fee for conference proceedings is 60 UAH per page.

Registration. Please email your forms and conference abstracts to:
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Working languages of the conference: Ukrainian, Polish, and English.

Proceedings publication. Publication of peer-reviewed proceedings of collected papers is planned in the University of Zielona Góra (Poland).

Abstract submission deadline. Conference abstracts should be submitted by September 15, 2021.