



Where the futures of Al and foresight meet

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Call for Partners

CIFS Horizon 3 Al Lab is a long-term-oriented, collaborative experimentation space initiated by the Copenhagen Institute for Futures Studies (CIFS).

What is the H3 Al Lab?

Rooted in a Horizon 3 perspective, the H3 AI Lab is designed as a think-and-do tank where we explore the interplay between AI and foresight in order to reframe our perceptions of plausible future paths for people, societies, businesses, and their established interconnections. It is a place for challenging and redrawing our understanding of how long-term futures will be shaped by intelligent systems.

The Three Horizons framework, developed by Bill Sharpe, illustrates how change unfolds over time. Horizon 1 is today's systems, Horizon 2 the space of transition, and Horizon 3 transformative futures.

We prototype AI-native foresight tools and co-develop adaptive "liquid foresight" – an approach that is modular, AI-driven, and built on curiosity, co-creation, and strategic relevance, rooted in CIFS' 50+ years of explorative, structured and futures-oriented thinking.

Why the H3 Al Lab?

We are living through the unfolding of a new technological revolution: an AI transformation is taking place before our eyes. Whether we interact with the technology periodically, explore it at its fringes, or cautiously stand on the sidelines, its imminent impact on society, and every one of us, will be profound. It will reshape how we learn, work, travel, build, and live. We will feel its force in geopolitics, business, health, and even in our human relationships. It may also redefine the very way we practice foresight.

At the moment, no one really has good answers to the multitude of questions this accelerating transformation continues to raise. It is a time to be explorative, bold and curious.

Why Al and foresight together?

AI is transforming not only potential futures but also how we imagine, conceptualise, and work with them. As disruption accelerates across sectors, foresight frameworks themselves must also evolve in response. The H3 AI Lab expands the boundaries of imagination, experiments with new methods and tools, and explores radically different futures shaped by the convergence of AI and foresight. It's about rethinking the relevance and methods of futures work in an AI-augmented world.

Who is it for?

The Lab is for visionary organisations and individuals across sectors who want to engage with transformative change rather than react to it. Participants help shape the evolution of foresight in an AI-mediated context, testing the path from incremental change toward deep, systemic transformation.

What kind of projects live in the Lab?

- Exploring Horizon 3 AI futures across institutions, sectors, organisations, and cultures, focusing our attention on the potential long-term outcomes of current disruptions.
- Testing innovative foresight and AI tools that complement existing standard foresight models, such as:
 - Prototyping AI-native foresight tools such as agentic dashboards, simulations, and future swarm tools.
 - Co-creating sandbox formats, including AI-mediated scenario cycles and augmented foresight sprints.
- Developing methodological provocations that challenge established foresight practices in an AI-driven world.

Join the H3 Al Lab

We welcome partners ready to explore the convergence of AI and foresight, test bold new methods, and examine the societal and strategic implications of emerging technologies. This is an open call to stakeholders from public, private, academic, and civic sectors to deepen their understanding of both foresight and AI – and to help shape the futures we choose.

Let's shape the AI & foresight futures together

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