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## First Transcultural Thematic Issue

"Transcultural Impacts and Perspectives on the Future"

Perspectives on the future from Armenia, Canada, France, Georgia, Germany, South Africa, Sweden, Ukraine, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

## We're Doing it Again!

## **Thematic Issue Encore!**

This special thematic FUTURE*takes* issue on "Transcultural Perspectives and Impacts on the Future" does several things:

- O Conveys and helps preserve the lessons that various nations, peoples, and cultures can offer that are useful for meeting the challenges of the future lessons that might otherwise be lost to deculturation and cultural hegemony,
- Focuses on alternative lifestyles and cultural values that characterize various nations, peoples,
  and cultures that can impact the way that we live, work, and think,
- Challenges hidden culture-based assumptions, including values and everyday lifestyles taken for granted (for example, the alarm clock – commute – caffeine syndrome, or notions of prosperity or identity), that tend to limit futurist thinking and constructive solutions,
- o Takes interdisciplinary education to the next level, and
- Extend constructive dialog on the future to those cultures that are often marginalized, thereby giving a voice to those who otherwise have none.

But there is much more that we must do together. Likewise, in addition to the authors featured in this issue, there are others authors who had planned to contribute articles but who did not have the opportunity to do so. For this reason, we are pleased to announce a second special issue – same theme – to be published in April-May 2008. As for this issue, planned distribution includes embassies, selected educational institutions and international think tanks, and various other international, ethnic, and cultural organizations.

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