

# FORESIGHT FEST/VAL

science meets vision



Thinking **technological innovation** and **society** together, developing a **vision**, making a **short film** out of it ...

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## FORESIGHT FESTIVAL N° 5

In **March 2021** the Foresight Festival will take place for the fifth time. Together with researchers and filmmakers, we would like to set off into new futures, at the centre of which is our motto "science meets vision", the interdisciplinary encounter, the fruitful exchange and cooperation between research and film.

**What does Foresight mean?** It is a process of strategic foresight. We want to think technological innovation and social designs together and shape common futures for all of us. To do this, we need your creative skills and professional expertise!

**Until February 14, 2021** the Foresight Festival invites researchers, filmmakers, artists, philosophers and all others who do not want to leave the future to chance, to submit visionary short films (min. 30 seconds and max. 5 minutes) on the following topics:

### **„Energy“ on March 18, 2021 embedded in the FUTURIUM's Energy Week**

Energy is everything - except simple: that's how we live on a gigantic ball of thousand-degree hot rock. And under a sun that radiates many thousands of times more energy onto the earth than the entire global community needs. And yet we still satisfy more than 80% of this global hunger for energy by burning fossil fuels. What will happen if the world community does not succeed in time to implement a global energy transition towards renewable energies? And what happens in the opposite case, if it succeeds in finally overcoming the fossil age?

### **„Changing social values“ on March 30, 2021 as part of the BMBF Foresight Conference**

In a study on values, the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research asked how people in Germany would like to live and where they see society heading. The results are contradictory: On the one hand, most people want a more solidary and sustainable society. On the other hand, they do not believe that the others want the same and fear a development towards an elbow society characterised by social coldness and destructive materialism. Where does this discrepancy come from and where does it lead? Expanded to include the context of global developments, paths are emerging that could not be more different. It is worthwhile to imagine them further - or to draw counter-designs. Let's start the mental cinema and illuminate what lies ahead of us, in utopias, dystopias and everything in between, because our future is worth it.

## Foresight Festival N° 5 - At a glance

**What makes it special:** The Foresight Festival No5 is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and has been held under the direction of science2public - Gesellschaft für Wissenschaftskommunikation e. V. since 2015.

The Foresight Festival takes up selected topics of the current BMBF Foresight Process and is thus the first "co-researching" festival that invites visionaries from research, film, media, art and society to come together in conversation, to dare to look into the future from both a technological and a social perspective and to concretely shape visions in words and moving images for a common future.

**The festival dates:** The Foresight Festival will take place on two dates, in the digital space. On March 18, 2021 with the theme „Energy“ and on March 30, 2021 with the theme „Changing social values“.

**Who can take part in the competition?** Visionaries from all disciplines - research, media, film, culture - who want to engage with each other, against each other, with themselves, for society and convey their visions of the future in short films.

**How can you participate?** Register your spot (min. 30 seconds and max. 5 minutes) on our website by February 14, 2021, fill out the rights declaration form and upload it to the website. You will then receive an email with a link to the platform Filmfreeway where you can upload your short film.

**The Jury:** A selected jury of experts from research and film, business, culture and media will choose the best 10 short films per theme to participate in the Foresight Festival N°5 and determine the winning film in each category.

### The criteria:

- Clear representation of a vision of the future
- Reference to the question posed in the call for entries
- Innovation potential
- Scientific correctness / sound research
- Creativity and originality in conception and implementation
- Communicative competence vs. scientific jargon
- Objectivity / balanced presentation
- Artistic ambition

**The prize:** Our transdisciplinary jury of experts will select a 1st place winner for each festival theme ("Values.Change." and "Energy.Turnaround."), who will be awarded 2,000 euros each. Regardless of the theme, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded 1,000 euros in prize money. Our audience will also get the chance this year to choose an audience favourite on both 18 March 2021 and 30 March 2021 and award them with something very special: Four weeks artists-in-residence stay on Pellworm, the energy self-sufficient island and smart region.

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