Newsletter is growing with the development of the field of studies of which it gives information, this issue is bigger than the previous ones though the information is related only to the last couple of months and to the forthcoming months.

We are also glad to be able to update and render much more precise the part of information on Germany which we had published in Social Forecasting '72, updating which will continue in the next issue, this is due to the help of our friends and readers in Germany and shows how the help we can receive from other countries is also of service all our readers.

SCHEME

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BILDUNGSWERK EUROPÄISCHE POLITIK

This institution was created in April 1959 as a coordinating body for the associations and institutions of the federal Republic of Germany concerned with educational research work. The main accent has been put on educating the public in European political questions. Its task consists in establishing the scientific basis for the work of the associated institutions. In order to reach this objective, research contracts are granted, expert conferences and seminars organized.

Research activities and studies

"Europa 1980" A study of the political, social and economic development of Europe as a whole with the exception of the Soviet Union up to 1980. The analysis is carried out on the development of several specific models at the preliminary stage of the enquiry. Three models have been formulated as a hypothesis:

1. The model of 'status quo' prolongation
2. The model of Western European Integration
3. The model of all European Cooperation

Responsibles Dr. Gerda Zellentin in collaboration with Hans Ehnert and Beate Kohler, the study is prepared by the Bildungswerk Europäische Politik in cooperation with the Research Institute for Political Science and European Questions of the University of Koln (Forschungsinstitut für Politische Wissenschaft und Europäische Fragen der Universität Koln, 5-Koln/ Lindenthal Gottfried-Keller-Strasse 6, Director F.A. Hermens)

"The Future of Europe" A selected bibliography on the future development of Europe, an overall survey of organisation and institutes active in the field of long-range forecasting, an analysis of methods of Future Research

Responsibles Beate Kohler and Renate Nagel

Published in 1968

President Friedrich Carl von Oppenheim

Secretary General Katharina Focke

(Further inf Bildungswerk Europäische Politik, Stolkgasse 1, 5-Koln, Germany)
THE DREYFUS CORPORATION announced that it has acquired a 30% interest in The Futures Group, a systems research and management consulting firm located in Glastonbury, Connecticut. The Futures Group specializes in forecasting future technological and social development and their implications for planning and decision-making, and has performed this function for many corporations throughout the world. One venture resulting from this association is the development of an advanced forecasting service for industry and the financial community. This service, which is called 'Prospects', will be based not only on extrapolation of past data as is typical of most forecasting reports today, but also on explicit consideration of a wide range of significant future developments. The first publication of Prospects is planned for early next year.

(Further info: David Bronheim, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10022, USA)

FONDATION EUROPEENNE DE LA CULTURE (European Cultural Foundation) FEC - ECF

(please add to pag 84-85 of Social Forecasting 1972)

Founded in 1955, Paris

Private foundation, non-profit

Aims to encourage and support multi-national European projects in scientific, educational and artistic fields,

Is interested in social forecasting and forecasting in general with activities of study, research and information, long term forecasting

Working method international, multi-disciplinary

Research ‘Plan Europe 2000’ a five year research plan operating since 1966 for the determination of a place for man in the society of the XXI century. The plan is composed of the following four research projects:

Project no 1 Educating man for the XXI century

Project no 2 The Future of Mankind and Industry

Project no 3 Urbanisation-Creating a Way of Life for Europe

Project no 4 Rural Society in the Year 2000

has organized various seminars for Plan Europe 2000

Periodical publications Newsletter, Europe 2000, monthly

Non periodical publications various studies launched or supported by ECF

— Citizen and City in the Year 2000 (proceedings of the 7th Congress of the European Cultural Foundation) AEE Kluwer, Deventer

— The Future is Tomorrow (General Prospective Studies) M Nijhoff, the Hague

— Fears and Hopes for European Urbanization (Urban Prospective Studies) M Nijhoff, the Hague

— L’Europe en l’An 2000 (Etudes prospectives generales) Artheme Fayard, Paris

— Perspectiven Voor Enr Aavaardbare Toekomst (General prospective studies) AEE Kluwer, Deventer


— Zie Zukunft Des Europaischen Bildungswesens (Friedrich Edding, Gruppe 2000, Jan Tinbergen) Verlag Moritz Diesterweg, Frankfurt

— Possible Futures of European Education (F Edding, J Tinbergen, B Hake), M Nijhoff, The Hague

President His Royal Highness the Prince of the Netherlands

Vice-President Prince Peter of Greece and Denmark

Secretary General George Sluizer

(Further info: Fondation Europeenne de la Culture, Jan van Goyenkade 5, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, tel 760222)
ORGANIZATIONS
aims, intentions, activities of groups

INSTITUT FUR ARBEITSMARKT – UND BERUFSFORSCHUNG (Institute for Employment and Occupation Research)
Research activities and studies (among others)
Research on Manpower in the OECD, Occupational Trends among Old Workers, The Cooperative Productivity of the Various Sectors
Long-term Forecasting of the Labor Market in the Federal Republic of Germany, Techniques, Problems, Possibilities and Limitations
In this Institute, many projects on forecasting the future trends in occupations and of the labour market are done
Publications: Mitteilungen (published 5 times a year), with reports on the results of the projects of the Institute
Forschungsdokumentation zur Arbeitsmarkt – und Berufsforschung (Research Documentation of the Employment and Occupational Research), Yearly (with 2 editions each year)

(Furter info: Institut fur Arbeitsmarkt und Berufsforschung, D-852 Erlangen, Strumpellstrasse 14, Germany)

OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT – OTA voted in September 1972 by the Senate
Small staff of professionals whose work will be overseen by a Board of Congressmen divided equally between Democrats and Republicans
Advising this board will be a committee of 12-10 members of the public and two civil servants, who will probably have the authority to revise the findings of the office staff. Subjects for study by the office will most likely emanate from senior Congressmen and the Board. As to methods of pursuing this relatively new subject, the office expected to rely heavily on the National Science Foundation.
Aims: it will evaluate for the congress, the likely effects of new legislation involving Scientific and Technological issues

UNIVERSAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER
ICC’s Headquarters in Northridge, California (see also Social Forecasting 1972, p 85-86) contains a Universal Development Center, whose aim is to seek out and utilize all possible means toward the growth of the whole person, the emergence of the universal man

UNIVERSITAT KARLSRUHE
(p 56 of Social Forecasting 1972)
Please consider this organization in category technological forecasting

WERNER REINER STIFTUNG (Werner Reiner Foundation)
Founded in 1963, Bad Honburg
Foundation, private
Aims: the scientific work of the foundation must cooperate to the understanding of the development of man and his institutions, to analyze his present problems, to understand the trends of his development in order to open his way to the future.
The foundation was first founded in order to promote anthropological forecasting. Now it plans the establishment of a interdisciplinary study group whose themes of study will be
1) Language of Science and Spoken Languages
2) Early Childhood Education
3) Human Ecology Anthropology of Building
4) The Future of Progress
5) Family in the Industrial Society
6) Aesthetics in View and Social Sciences
7) Analysis of a Valid Cultural Presentation
Director Konrad Muller
(Further info: Werner Reiner Stiftung, Am Wingertsberg 4, 638 Bad Homburg, Germany)

ZENTRUM BERLIN FUR ZUKUNFTSFORSCHUNG
ZENTRUM BERLIN FUR ZUKUNFTSFORSCHUNG EV – ZBZ (Berlin Center for Future Research)
(Please add and substitute on p 150)
The working groups are concerned with the following subjects: 1) Urban Development, 2) Research on Old Age, 3) Technological Innovation, 4) Simulation Model for Natural Education Systems, 5) Center for Science and Technology, 6) Future Tasks for the Churches, 7) Attractivity of Big Cities, 8) Experiment in Goal Finding (the Goals have to be weighed and evaluated from different points of view: Federal Republic of Germany at present time, Europe 1980, United Nations View 200 etc.)

Research Mid 1972 the following studies have been completed
1) System Analysis Aids for Decision Making in Politics Project leader H H Koelle, sponsored by Department for Foreign Affairs, Bonn,
2) Structural Development in the Economics and Societies of Single Countries and Groups of Countries Project leader H H Koelle, sponsored by Federal Chancellor’s Office, Bonn (Federal University for Economic Affairs, Bonn) Council of Europe, Strasbourg,
3) Feasibility Study for Organizing an ‘Institute for Old Age Problems’, project leaders H Klages, H H Koelle, sponsored by Senator for Labour Health and Social Affairs, Berlin (Federal Ministry for Inter-German Relations, Bonn),
4) Construction of a Simulation Model for the Study of Structural Changes in Urban Areas and Conception of a Community Management System, project leaders H H Koelle, Rainer Mackensen, sponsored by Senator for Economic Affairs, Berlin

5) Methods for Developing Preferences Concerning R & D – Activities on Natural Level, project leaders Jurgen Bommes, H Klages, sponsored by Federal Ministry for Education and Science, Bonn,
6) Warning – System Regarding the Viability of Berlin (West) Project leader H H Koelle, sponsored by Federal Ministry for Inter-German Relations, Bonn,
7) Berlin in the Future An Information – System for Future Oriented Information Project leader Fritz Lienemann, sponsored by Federal Ministry for Inter-German Relations, Bonn,
8) Private Consumption and Environmental Pollution, Examplified on Case Studies of Berlin (West) Project leader Fritz Lienemann, sponsored by Federal Ministry for the Interior, Bonn,
9) System Analytical Study of the Feasibility of Different Concepts and Strategies for Evolutionary Development of the Short-Distance Traffic, with Special Regard to Agglomeration Areas Responsible for the Future, Peter Baz, Gunter Zietlow Sponsored by Association of German Automobile-Industry, Frankfurt

Current Studies
10) Study of the Possibilities and Limitations of the Use of Electronic Data Processing for Planning – Aids Within the Federal Administration Project leader H Klages,
a) Experimental, Integrative Information – and Planning-System as an Instrument for Decision-Help within the Federal Administration Project leader H Klages,
b) Development of Experimental Information-System for Energy-Policy, project leaders W Dregel, F Lienemann,
c) Design of Alternative Goal System for the Transport-Sector with Special Regard to the Use of Formalistic Goal-Systems for the Federal Planning of Transportation – Ways Project leader H H Koelle

Conference and Seminar
Seminar on “Science-Planning with Relevance to the Society” planned for 1973
Conference on “Professions of the Future and the Future of Professions”
planned for 1873 or early 1974

Publications
Analisen und Prognosen – Über Die Welt Von Morgen, bimonthly
ZBZ Reports (ZBZ Berichte)
Chairman of the Board of Directors Prof Helmut Klages
Deputy Chairman Prof H H Koelle
Deputy Chairman Ing Sigrid Kressmann-Zschach
Members Dr Jurgen Bommer, Dr Heinz Busch, Ing Lothar Juckel,
Prof Rainer Mackensen, Prof Claus Zoegel von Manteuffel
Staff-Director Fritz Lienemann

(Further inf Zentrum Berlin fur Zukunftsforschung e V, 1, Berlin 31, Hohenzollernstrasse 170)

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Professor of Educational Engineering
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technic Institute, Dean of Engineering, University of Connecticut
Present activities research on social, political, cultural and technological evolution during the next quarter century, chairman of the Committee of Industry Relations Engineering College Research Council, writing,
Author of Science and Technology in the World of the Future, John
Wiley and Sons, 1970, Can an Advanced Society Deal with its Future?
in The Futurist, June 1971, Engineering and Natural Policy Planning,
presented as a Panel Member on “Philosophy of Electrical and Electro-
nic Engineering” at the winter meeting of IEE, New York, March 16,
1972, Is Industry-University Research Collaboration Possible? in Engi-
neering Education, vol 62, 8, May 1972, Creative Dynamics of Advanc-
ed Societies, to be published

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06268, USA)

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(Please add to information given on p 463)
Born 1922, Saarbrucken
Director of the department “New tasks and Long-Term Planning” of
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Author of several papers on methods of prognosis, practical experiences
with forecasting methods (Delphi Brainstorming, Regression Analysis, Sys-
tem Dynamics, Preference Analysis)
(Among others) Planung, Langfristige Zielvorstellungen und Zukunftsfors-

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(Please add to information given on p 465)
Professor of Psychology at the Freie Universität Berlin, Director of the Sigma Institut for Marketing Research
Member of the Board of Trustees of the Zentrum Berlin fur Zukunftsforschung
Several publications and papers, especially on psychology, communications and information Science, expert in the field of future consumer’s behaviour

GERHARD KAIDE
(Please add to information given on p 465)

HELMUT KLAGES

HEINZ HERMANN KOELLE
(Member to information given on p 466)
Member of the Board of Directors of the Zentrum Berlin fur Zukunftsforschung
(Permission cancel Wirtschaftliche, technische und Gesellschaftliche
This paper is not by Mr Koelle)

PATRICK QUINN
Ballina, Ireland, 1940
Previously clinical psychologist
Present activities Social research for industry, Government, community, Social indicators and social planning
Cooperates to Human Resources Centre, Professor staff member
Research “Family Needs as a Criterion of Social Planning”, with the contribution of E D Stern, H Murray (Human Resources Centre), J M M Hill, R A Jones, A Bain, Sheila N Scott (Centre for Applied

Social Research) to be published in 1973-74

(Further inf Patrick Quinn, Human Resources Centre, Tavistock Institute of Human Relations, Tavistock Centre, Belsize Lane, London, N W 3 England)

FREDERIC VESTER
Saarbrucken, Germany 1925
Founder and Head of the Studiengruppe fur Biologie und Umwelt GmbH
Previously Fellow and Assistant professor at the Universities of Heidelberg, Yale, Saarbrucken, guest of the Max-Planck-Institute, Munchen
Present activities writing, broadcasting, Television films, adviser to the Government, the City of Munich
Research in teaching methods based on biological mechanisms in the brain (Two TV films, Seminars and Courses) Curricula-Research on informatics, on the conception of environmental Sciences including Planning and conception of a New type of ecological Institute, future medical treatment
Conferences Systemzusammenhänge des Umwelt-Problematik (System Relations of the Environment Problems), 1971, Leben Als Regelkreis - Umweltschutz Als Herausforderung Einer Neuen Zivilisationsstufe (Life as Circle of Norms - Environment Protection as a Challenge to a New Civilization Degree), Regional Academic Hans Renneberg Bei Bielefeld, 11, 1, 1972, Netzwerkplanung und Rationelle Forschung in Team und Damit Verbundene Psycho-Soziologische Effekte (Planning Networking and Rational Forecasting in Group and for Psychosociological Related Effects), Universität Regensburg, 18, 1, 1972, Biologische Prinzipien als Vorbed für Neue Denkansätze (Biological Principles for a Model of a new Thought), Literarischen Gesellschaft, Grafelfing, 26, 1, 1972, Technische Entwicklungen und Medizin Tendenzen-Prognosen Probleme (Technological Development and Medicine Trends Forecasting Problems) Conference on the Future of Man in Medicine, 14/15 April 1972, Deutsche Klinik für Diagnostik, Die Umwelt als Ein Biologisch-Ökologisches Regelsystem Unter Besonderer Berücksichtigung Ökonomischer Aspekte (The Environment as a Rule System Biological and Ecological Under Different Aspects and Economic Considerations), Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsbeziehungen
CONVEGNO INTERNAZIONALE PER LA PRODUZIONE DI DOCUMENTARI E TELEFILM SULL'IMPIEGO DEL TEMPO LIBERO (International Conference for the Production of Documentaries and Telefilms on the Use of Leisure) was a meeting held in Milano from 26th to 27th of October, 1972, by Società Italiana degli Autori ed Editori – SIAE – (Italian Society for Authors and Editors), in cooperation with Mercato internazionale del film e del documentario – Mifed – (International Marketing of Film and Documentary)

Discussion on Concetto del tempo libero nell’attuale elaborazione scientifica (The Concept of Leisure in Scientific Thinking Today), Il problema educativo del tempo libero (The Educational Problem of Leisure), Proposta di una organizzazione internazionale permanente per la protezione di documentari e telefilm per l’impiego del tempo libero (Proposal of a Permanent International Organization for the Projection of Documentaries and Telefilms on the Use of Leisure),

Speakers: Commissario Generale of Mifed Cav Lav Dr Michelo Guido Franci (Italy), President of SIAE Dr Antonio Ciampi (Italy), Prof Max Kaplan, Director of the college of Social and Behavioral Sciences – Leisure Studies Program of University of South Florida, Tampa (USA), Rapporteur Prof Joffre Dumazedier of University of Paris, Maître de Recherches au Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique de Paris (France), participation of Prof Ugo Spirito of University of Rome (Italy), Communications of France Govaerts (Belgium), Leo Perlis (USA), Jim Domville (Canada), were present also members of UNESCO and other organisations.

Conclusion by Roberto Rossellini (Italy), Relator Prof Luigi Volpicelli of University of Rome, Director of Institute of Pedagogy and President of the National Center of Film for the Youth, Communications by Alexandre Ciucu (Romania), M Oljewska (Poland), Alessandro Blasetti (Italy), Participation of Members of FIAPF (International Federation of Association of Films’ Producers) and de l'Office Catholique International du Cinema (OCIC)

(Further info: Ufficio di Rappresentanza della SIAE di Milano Foro Buonaparte, n 18, Milano)
CREATIVE CHANGE is a four day workshop sponsored by the Association for Humanistic Psychology, the Group Relations Training Association, and Ananda.

Papers on the programme ranged through 'high', 'medium', and 'low' risk activities, lecture on the distribution of power in conventional modes of teaching Global Village, the new experience centre in the arches under Charging Cross Station.

THE DESIGN ACTIVITY is an international Conference organized in London scheduled for October or November 1972 and sponsored by Design Research Society (UK) and Design Methods Group (USA).

The themes of the seminar are:
1) Design Morphologies, the Nature of the Design Activity, the Sequence and Inter-Relation of Analysis, Synthesis, Evaluation in Decision-Making, etc.
3) Design Objectives, Objectives and Constraints, Value Judgments, The Politicians, the Designer and Society, Action Research, Participation and Education, etc.

(Further inf. T.W. Mavio, ABACUS, Department of Architecture & Building Science, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow G4 ONG, Great Britain)

ENVIRONMENT is an international Conference to be organized in Vienna in March 1973 by Conseil d'Europe

(Further inf. Conseil d'Europe, 67 Strasbourg, FRANCE)

FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS is the theme of a Conference to be organized in the Netherlands on May 4-10, 1973 by the International Society for Technological Assessment.

(Further inf. The International Society for Technology Assessment, Suite 5038, 1629 K Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20006, USA)

LA MESURE DU DEVELOPPEMENT SOCIAL (The Measure of Social Development) is a conference held by Dr Jacques Delors at IRADES, in Rome on 27th of November 1972, on Social Indicators.

(Further inf. IRADES - Istituto Ricerche Applicate Documentazione e Studi - via Giovanni Pasti 6, 00198 Roma, ITALY)

DER MENSCH UND SEINE ZUKUNFT-MÖGLICHKEITEN UND GRENZEN DER FUTUROLOGIE (Man and His Future - Possibilies and Borders of Futurology) is the theme presented by Dr O. Ris during a meeting which will be held in Zurich by Paulus-Akademie in January 1973.

(Further inf. Secretariat of Paulus-Akademie, Carl Spitteler-Strasse 38, 8053 Zürich, SWISS)
THE NEW SHAPE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS is the theme of a Seminar organized in Schloss Leopoldskron, Salzburg, Austria, from August 19th to September 8th, 1973 by the Salzburg Seminar
Papers on
Prospects for Western Europe, and Relations between Western Europe and the United States
The Politics of Detente, Relations with the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe
Trans-Atlantic Economic Relationships and Problems, Including Trade and Monetary Policies
Political and Economic Relations of the United States and Europe with China and Japan
(Further inf Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Box 129, A–5010 Salzburg, AUSTRIA)

RELIGION AND THE CHURCH IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY is the theme of a Seminar organized in Schloss Leopoldskron, Salzburg, Austria, from the 20th of May to the 9th of June, 1973 by the Salzburg Seminar
Papers on
The Church and social Involvement
American Covenants and Communities How Americans Live in the Light of Two Historic Convenants, While a Third Approach to National Life Seeks Acceptance
The Relation of Religion’s Anthropological Function and its Concrete Institutional Manifestations
A New Religious Awakening An Examination of Reports of a Wave of Religious Enthusiasm in the United States
Separation of Church and State
(Further inf Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Box 129, A–5010 Salzburg, AUSTRIA)

SOCIALISATION AND THE COMMUNITY OF TOMORROW THE HUMAN POTENTIAL A TEILHARDIAN VIEWPOINT was a study directed by G F Austin Wise in London on 8th November 1972
First lecture Human Evolution and Cybernetics
(Further inf The Teilhard Centre’s Library, Cromwell Place, London SW 7 2JE, ENGLAND)

TECHNOLOGY, GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENT is the theme of a Seminar organized in Schloss Leopoldskron, Salzburg, Austria from February 18th to March 10th, 1973 by the Salzburg Seminar
Papers on
The Material Basis of Civilization
Revision of the Prevailing Relations among the Economic Variables Production, Population, Resources
The Implications of Any Move Towards a “No Growth” Society, and Possibilities of Reconciling the Objectives of Developed and Less Developed Countries
The Interface Between Energy and the Environment
Expansion and Refinement of Our Understanding of Science and Technology and Their Interaction With Society
Michael Carpenter, Head of the Division of Environmental Problems, European Economic Communities, Guest Lecturer
(Further inf Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Box 129, A–5010 Salzburg, AUSTRIA)

URBAN PROBLEMS AND PLANNING is the theme of a Seminar organized in Schloss Leopoldskron, Salzburg, Austria from January 7th
to February 3rd, 1973 by the Salzburg Seminar
Papers on
Comparative Strategies for Urban Growth
Community Development Process by Which Existing Cities can be Rebuilt
and New Towns Created Through Integration of Social Economic and
Physical Planning
The Impact of Metropolitan Planning in the United States
Social and Political Problems of the City with Emphasis on American
Cities ‘Efforts to cope with Demands for Better Housing and Education-
al Facilities and for ‘Law and Order’
J K Bakema, architect and urbanologist, Rotterdam, Guest Lecturer

(Further info: Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, Box 129, A-5010 Salzburg
AUSTRIA)

UTOPIAS AND SCIENCE FICTION was a study directed by David Berry
lecturer in Film and Television Studies, Mass Media and Communications,
in London on 21st of November 1972
Convener Renee Marie Parry
First lecture Utopias in History

(Further info: The Royal Commonwealth Society, London WC 2, 18 Notham-
land, ENGLAND)

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COMMISSARIAT GENERAL DU PLAN (FRANCE)
Activities in Futures Research

Organizational Characteristics

No permanent “in-house” task force. Three approaches are jointly used:
1. Temporary working parties sponsored by the Commissariat General du Plan (CGP), either on an ad hoc basis or in a more or less formalized relationship with a Planning Modernization Committee,
2. Participation of the CGP with futures research committees set up by another government agency,
3. Contracts with outside research institutes

Classification of futures research activities

a) According to their output
- exploration of future context of long-term private/public long-term policies “contextual” futures research
- long-term policy alternatives formulation “decision-oriented” futures research.

In either case, futures research implies that background studies be available concerning description of current states, understanding of states generating processes, and finally evaluation of past policies. Nevertheless, such background materials and analysis are sometimes missing, so that the working party in charge of a futures research has to fill the in forward-looking reports with such extraneous elements as descriptive explanatory or evaluative statements that are not the outcome one could typically expect to find in this context.

b) According to the object of study
- economic or social sectors (agriculture, transport, housing...) “vertical” or sectoral futures research;
- processes and behaviours (urbanization, population changes, leisure activities...) “horizontal” futures research,
- a combination of the foregoing “synthetic” or comprehensive futures research.

NB — The first two classes are obviously overlapping as any sectoral futures research cannot ignore the environment of the problem it deals with, on the other hand, a horizontal futures research almost inevitably refers to public
policies, if only because it takes place in a decision-making situation (drafting of a 5-year Plan)
The latter distinction according to the object of study is above all useful for identifying neglected issues, for making division of labour between working parties and/or ministries easier, and for developing greater awareness of the interactions between areas where futures research studies actually take place As for the former distinction a), it usefully draws the attention to the oftentimes neglected characteristics of futures research for planning purposes, i.e. that they are in principle not designed for the advancement of learning but for clarification of long-term strategies

Existing studies

II/rd and IV/th Plans “synthetic” (unpublished) futures research, mainly contextual
V/th Plan synthetic futures research with sectoral and horizontal sections, combining contextual and policy-oriented outlooks
V/th Plan (1)

a) Sectoral Studies Nine sectors were involved
- cultural affairs, - agriculture, - manufacturing industries, - housing,
- post and telecommunications, - R & D, - Health, - Transport,
b) Horizontal Studies
- consumption and life styles, - population, - leisure, - manpower mobility, - elderly, - cities,
c) Synthetic futures research

Tentative ideas for the VII/th Plan (pending government final decisions)
- sectoral studies: energy, manufacturing industries, transport
- horizontal studies: preparation of background materials on contextual

(1) Most of the studies listed here below are published either in a series entitled “Plan et Perspectives” (Armand Colin, Paris, 8 volumes published to date) or in specialized periodicals Some others have appeared in the series of “La Documentation française”
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