

## BIOGRAPHY — SOHAIL INAYATULLAH



### ACADEMIC

Professor Sohail Inayatullah, a political scientist, is at Tamkang University, Taipei (Graduate Institute of Futures Studies), Visiting Academic/Research Associate at Queensland University of Technology (Centre for Social Change Research); Adjunct Professor at the University of the Sunshine Coast (Faculty of Social Sciences and the Arts); and, Associate, Transcend Peace University. Dr. Inayatullah is a Fellow of the World Futures Studies Federation and the World Academy of Art and Science. He is on the International Advisory Council of the World Future Society, and on the Professional Board of the Futures Foundation, Sydney.

In 1999, Dr. Inayatullah held the UNESCO Chair at the Centre for European Studies, University of Trier, Trier, Germany and the Tamkang Chair in Futures Studies at Tamkang University, Taipei, Taiwan. From 1981 to 1991, he was senior policy analyst and planner with the Hawaii Judiciary, where he coordinated the Court's Foresight Program.

### PUBLICATIONS

Inayatullah is co-editor of the *Journal of Futures Studies* and associate editor of *New Renaissance*. In addition, he is on the editorial boards of *Futures*, *Development*, *Peace and Democracy in South Asia*, and *Foresight*. He is theme editor of 'Globalization and World Systems' for the UNESCO *Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems*.

He has written more than 300 journal articles, book chapters, encyclopedia entries and magazine pieces. These have appeared in over 40 different journals including: *American Behavioral Scientist*, *Australia Science*, *Contemporary South Asia*, *Convergence*, *Debats Technologics*,

*Development, Edges, Euro-Asia Business Review, Future Generations Journal, Futures Research Quarterly, Futures, Futurics, Hawaii Bar Journal, In Context, International Foundation of Development Alternatives Dossier, International Journal of Science and Technology, International Studies in Sociology and Social Anthropology, Journal of Applied Social Behavior, Journal of Asian and African Studies, Journal of Futures Studies, Journal of Islamic Science, Journal of Technological Forecasting and Social Change, Law and Technology, On the Horizon, Periodica Islamica, Prospectiva, Seminar, Social Epistemologies, Suitcase, The American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences, Third Text, Tourism Management, Whole Earth Review, and World Futures.*

His articles have been translated into a variety of languages, including Catalan, Spanish, Urdu, Hindi, Bengali, Italian, Japanese, Russian, and Mandarin.

Inayatullah has also written and co-edited eighteen books/cdroms. These include:

- *Chaos and Coherence in our Uncommon Futures;*
- *Futures Studies — A Multimedia Reader (CDROM),*
- *Islam, Postmodernism and Other Futures: A Zia Sardar Reader,*
- *Judicial Foresight in the Hawaii Judiciary,*
- *Macrohistory and Macrohistorians: Perspectives on Individual, Social and Civilizational Change,*
- *Questioning the Future; Futures Studies, Action Learning and Organizational Transformation,*
- *Situating Sarkar: Tantra, Macrohistory and Alternative Futures;*
- *The Futures of Democracy in Pakistan and the Developing World,*
- *The University in Transformation: Global Perspectives on the Futures of the University;*
- *The Views of Futurists: The Knowledge Base of Futures Studies — Volume 4 (CDROM),*
- *Transcending Boundaries: P. R. Sarkar's Theories of Individual and Social Transformation,*
- *Transforming Communication: Technology, Sustainability, and Future Generations;*
- *Understanding Sarkar The Indian Episteme, Macrohistory and Transformative Knowledge; and,*
- *Youth Futures: Comparative Research and Transformative Visions,*
- *The Causal Layered Analysis Reader: Theory and Case Studies of an Integrative and Transformative Methodolog,*
- *Questioning the Future: Methods and Tools for Organizational and Societal Transformation (second edition),*
- *Neohumanist Educational Futures: Liberating the Pedagogical Intellect,*

Forthcoming in 2007 is:

- *Education for, about, and in Alternative Futures: Pedagogies for Emergent Worlds. And*
- *Futures Thinking (DVD)*

He has edited numerous special issues of the journal *Futures* in the areas of: Communication Futures; Alternative Futures of the University; What Futurists Think; The Futures of South Asia; Layered Methodologies and Anticipatory Action Learning. He has also co-edited a special issue of *Foresight* on Ageing Futures.

In Australia, he has contributed to the *Australian Financial Review*, having published articles on cyber-lobbying, revolutions in governance, digital home futures, dissent in universities, ageing, capitalism and the Internet. Most recently he has written for *The Age* and the *Sydney Morning Herald*. He has been interviewed for numerous television and radio programs, including the BBC radio and Internet special on 'Visionaries and Education in the 21st century'.

## RESEARCH

In October 2005, Inayatullah (and Daffara) prepared a report for Pine Rivers Shire Council on Trends and Scenarios impacting the Shire. In April 2005, Inayatullah prepared a report for Queensland Education on Alternative Futures of Education. In 2003, Inayatullah prepared a policy futures report for the Queensland Department of Families on the Futures of Ageing. In 2002, he prepared major social and environmental scans for Brisbane City Council ('Scanning for City Futures' and 'Alternative Scenarios for E-governance and Regionalization for Brisbane City Futures'), and for the Victoria Department of Justice, Office of Correctional Services Commissioner ('Scanning for Correctional Futures'). In 2001, he prepared a similar scan for the Judiciary, Victoria Department of Justice ('Scanning for Justice'). In addition, he prepared a report for the Foundation For the Future, titled 'Methodological Aspects of Humanity's Long-Term Future', and a report for the Western Agri-Food Institute (Western Canada) on the 'Futures of Food/Agriculture/Farming'. In 1999, he completed a UNESCO research project, in association with the World Futures Studies Federation, on culturally appropriate information and communication technologies.

## PRESENTATIONS AND CONSULTING

Inayatullah has conducted research, consulting, and workshops, or presented keynote addresses for a variety of organizations. These include:

- Academic Cooperation Association, Brussels Conference Vienna, Austria
- Academica Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan
- AEC Group Darling Downs and South-West Queensland Summit, Dalby, Queensland
- American Planning Association, Hawaii
- Ausforesight2006, Melbourne, 2006
- Apec Technology Foresight Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, 1999, 2005 and 2006
- Asia-Europe Foundation Colloquy on Universities of Tomorrow, Luxembourg
- Asia-Pacific Cities Summit 2003
- Asia-Pacific Conference on Innovation, Bangkok, Thailand, 2005
- Association of Risk and Insurance Managers of Australasian, Melbourne
- Australasian Association for Quality in Health Care Conference — Riding the Wave of Quality, Gold Coast
- Australia Association for Environmental Education Conference, Brisbane
- Australia Biosecurity Cooperative Research Centre Conference, Cairns
- Australia Communications Authority, Melbourne
- Australia Housing and Urban Research Institute, Brisbane
- Australia National Divisions of General Practice, Brisbane
- Australia Association for Environmental Education, Bunbury, 2006
- Australian College for Child and Family Protection Practitioners, Sydney
- Australian Government Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Division of Product Integrity and Plant Health, Canberra
- Australian Government, Department of Defense, Canberra

Australian Government, Department of Finance and Administration, Canberra  
Australian Government, Pharmaceuticals Industry Action Agenda Team,  
Department of Industry, Science and Resources, Melbourne  
Australian Government, Public Service Futures Forum, Canberra  
Australian Government, Senior Public Service Executives, Canberra  
Australia Marketing Institute, Gold Coast  
Australian Pharmaceutical Science Association, Melbourne  
Australian International Social Artistry Intensive, Frazer Island  
  
Brisbane City Council, Business Development Unit  
Brisbane City Council, Community Development Services  
Brisbane City Council, Community Information  
Brisbane City Council, Community Development Services  
Brisbane City Council, Finance Network  
Brisbane City Council, Labor Caucus  
Brisbane City Council, Library Services  
Brisbane City Council, Social Action and Equity Team  
Brisbane City Council, Strategic Planning  
Brisbane City Council, Vision Refresh  
Brisbane Ideas Festival, 2001 and 2003  
Brisbane North Division of General Practice, Brisbane  
Bristol Myers Squibb, Melbourne  
Bristol Myers Squibb, Singapore, Asia-Pacific Region  
  
Caboolture Shire Council, Caboolture  
Catholic Education, Brisbane  
Catholic Principals Conference, Rockhampton Diocese  
Commonwealth State Office of Health and Aged Care, Brisbane  
Community Consultation Network, Gold Coast  
Council of Social Sciences, Pakistan  
Craft Queensland, Brisbane  
CRS Australia, Sydney  
Education and Leadership Conference, Croatia  
Endeavour Foundation, Brisbane  
Environmental Institute of Australia Conference, Brisbane  
Ernst and Young and McCullough Robertson Lawyers, Employment and Industrial  
Relations Conference  
European Commission's Forward Looking Unit, Brussels  
European Peace University, Austria  
Foundation for the Future, Seattle  
Fuji Xerox Australia, Sydney  
Global Learning Centre, Brisbane  
Gold Coast City Council, Office of Chief Architect, 2006

Gold Coast Independent Schools Conference  
Hawaii Credit Union League, Honolulu  
Hawaii Judiciary, Honolulu  
Hawaiian Electric Company, Kauai  
Insurance Manufacturers Alliance, Sydney  
International Catholic Migration Commission, Geneva, Switzerland  
International Cities and Town Conference, Caloundra  
International Symposium on Veterinarian Epidemiology, Cairns  
Islamic Development Bank's Institute for Research and Training, Kuala Lumpur  
Land Com, Sydney, NSW  
Local Government Professionals, Victoria, Annual Conference, Melbourne, 2006  
Local Government Managers Association, Brisbane, 2006  
Local Government Managers Association, Queensland Annual Conference, Gold Coast, 2006  
Logan City Council, City Directions and Visioning  
Logan City Council, Tides of Change Conference  
Logan City Division of General Practice, Logan  
Malaysian Government, Ministry of Higher Education, Shah Alam  
Malaysian Government Institute for Policy Research, Penang  
Manpower Australia, Sydney  
Marketshare Queensland, Brisbane  
Maroochydore Shire Council, Early Childhood Conference, Sippy Downs  
Maroochydore Shire Council, Nambour  
Maroochydore Vision 2020, Sippy Downs  
Melbourne Business School, Conversations on Business in Australia  
Melbourne Business School, Futures of Australian Identity  
Mid-North Coast Regional Council for Social Development, Coffs Harbour  
Mid-Pacific Institute, Honolulu  
Mt. Eliza School of Business, Melbourne  
National Association of Graduate Careers Advisory Services, Canberra  
New Farm Community Centre, Brisbane  
New Visions Conference, Croatia  
New Zealand Futures Trust, Wellington  
New Zealand Ministry of Research, Science and Technology, Wellington  
NRMA, Sydney  
Organization of Islamic Conference's Committee on Science and Technology, Pakistan  
Pine Rivers Shire Council  
Queensland Advocacy Incorporated, Brisbane  
Queensland Department of Education and Training  
Queensland Diabetes, Brisbane  
Queensland Divisions of General Practice, Brisbane

Queensland Divisions of General Practice, Mooloolaba CEO meeting  
Queensland Government, Department of Communities, Disabilities Conference –  
Shared Visions 2006; and, Next Steps, 2006.  
Queensland Government, Department of Education  
Queensland Government, Department of Primary Industries  
Queensland Government, Innovation Conference  
Queensland Government, Department of Tourism, Racing and Fair Trade, Brisbane  
Queensland Government, Office of the Premiere  
Queensland Government, Office of State Development, Brisbane  
Queensland Government, Department of Families  
Queensland Government, Department of Mines and Natural Resources  
Queensland Rail  
Queensland Secondary Principals' Association Conference, Brisbane  
Queensland Transport and Main Road Conference – Where are our Travel Choices  
Taking Us? Brisbane  
Redcliffe Bribie Caboolture Division of General Practice Conference Future Health,  
Redcliffe  
Senior Officers Business Improvement Network, The Big I, 2004  
Singapore Subordinate Courts, Singapore  
Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia, Brisbane  
Southern Cross University, Australia  
Sunshine Coast Public Health Unit, Marcoola  
State of Hawaii, Office of Planning, Honolulu  
Straight out of Brisbane Festival, Ideas Festival, 2004  
Subtropical Cities Conference, Centre for Subtropical Design, Brisbane, 2006  
Sunshine Coast Education Leaders Conference, Noosa  
Sunshine Coast Sea Change Conference  
Swinburne University Foresight Conference, Adelaide, 2003  
Taiwan Government, Institute for National Policy Development, Taipei  
Tamkang University, International Conference on Teaching Futures  
Telstra Country Wide, Brisbane, 2004  
Thai Government, National Innovation Agency  
Thai Government, National Science and Technology Development Agency  
Thai Capital Market Academy Conference  
The Futures Foundation, Exploring the Futures of the Smart State, Brisbane  
The Heilbronn Group, Brisbane  
University of Sydney, School of Economics and Political Science, 2004  
University of Technology Sydney, Institute for Sustainable Futures, 2004  
University of Hawaii, Globalization Research Center, Department of Political  
Science and Hawaii Research Center for Futures Studies, Honolulu, 2004

University Sains Malaysia, Penang, Malaysia  
University of Newcastle, Australia  
Victoria Department of Justice, Corrections and Courts, Melbourne  
Victorian Community and Social Planners, Melbourne  
Victorian Department of Justice, Portfolio Planning, Melbourne  
Western Agri-Food Institute, Canada  
Western Region Alcohol and Drug Centre Conference, Warrnambool, 2005 and  
2006  
Woodford Folk Festival, Woodford, Queensland  
World Federation of Occupational Therapists Conference, Sydney, 2006  
World Technopolis Association Conference, Brisbane, 2006  
Zurich Corporation, Sydney

In the following months, Inayatullah will be making presentations and/or conducting courses and workshops for:

Queensland Local Government Managers Conference, Gold Coast October 2006  
Swinburne University, Foresight Practitioners, Melbourne, October 2006

## WORKSHOPS AND COURSES

Inayatullah has conducted planning–visioning workshops in more than a dozen countries. For the World Futures Studies Federation, he has taught international courses on a range of issues including education, ecology, development, and policymaking, in Andorra, Fiji, Thailand, and Malaysia. In the past few years he has given keynote, plenary, or public lectures on a range of subjects in Austria, Luxembourg, Thailand, Singapore, the Philippines, Thailand, New Zealand, Canada, the United States, Pakistan, Malaysia, Holland, Australia, Yugoslavia, Greece, India, Germany, Switzerland, Taiwan, and Japan.

In the past few years, he has run Futures–Oriented Policy courses for Maroochy Shire Council, Brisbane City Council, Queensland Tourism, Racing and Fair Trade, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Farming (Division of Animal Welfare and Product Integrity) and Apec Technology Foresight Division.

He runs a regular foresight course for CEOs at Mt Eliza Centre For Executive Education, Melbourne Business College, Melbourne.

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Web site: <http://www.metafuture.org>

Associated Web sites: <http://www.worldfutures.org>; <http://www.ru.org>;  
<http://www.transcend.org>; <http://www.proutworld.org>; <http://www.gurukul.edu>;  
[www.imcassociation.org](http://www.imcassociation.org); <http://www.ed.tku.edu.tw/develop/JFS>;  
[http://www.futurists.net.au/about\\_us.html](http://www.futurists.net.au/about_us.html);

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