

THE TOP TEN TRENDS THAT WILL SHAPE THE FUTURE OF AMERICA

- 1.** America's Future-Readiness, the nation's unique capacity to be resilient, to revitalize, to predict and adapt to extreme change, to prevent threats, and to seize new opportunities, is the single most powerful trend that will shape the future.
- 2.** Innovation investments will be the key trend that will promote future leadership, growth, security, quality of life, and global competitive advantage.
- 3.** Immigration will remain the lifeblood of the U.S. economy, but only as long as quality of life in the U.S. continues to attract productive newcomers.
- 4.** New global security threats, from how America deals with climate change to energy, will shape America's future stability and economic growth.
- 5.** Enlightened leadership, possessing a bold new vision for America's future and the future of democracy worldwide, will be needed.
- 6.** Quality public education, in crisis today, will either propel or crash the future aspirations of the American workforce.
- 7.** America's workforce must be transformed, made more globally competitive, with higher education, science, and innovation skills necessary to ensure future prosperity.
- 8.** In the battle for the future, America must embrace its destiny as the advocate of global democracy, free markets, free minds, and free enterprise.
- 9.** Meeting the challenges of a changing population—from the boomers to the multiculturals—will redefine America in the twenty-first century.
- 10.** The enemies of the future, free trade, and the rights of the individual, will threaten America, some committing acts of terror in an effort to extinguish global democracy.