

THE TOP TEN EXTREME ENERGY TRENDS

- 1.** We are running out of energy. New global demands from every nation will outpace supply within twenty-five years unless plentiful new sources are found. Less energy will be a drag on GDP.
- 2.** Democracy is at risk. Energy terrorism will become a future weapon threatening democratic reforms, the rights of the individual, global peace, and security.
- 3.** Energy, being linked to all vital services such as health, food, transportation, and commerce, will be a key driver of the future global economy.
- 4.** The world's addiction to oil must end. Clean, renewable energy sources such as solar, hydrogen, nuclear fusion, and wind will be essential for future prosperity.
- 5.** Foreign oil is politically risky, expensive, and unreliable as a long-term fuel for the future.
- 6.** New energy innovations must attract billions in investment. Economic growth and productivity will decline if non-oil energy solutions are not invented fast.
- 7.** Pollution from fossil fuels will be linked to a growing number of future public health risks like global warming.
- 8.** Energy security will become an explosive battleground in the twenty-first century, ushering in a new era of either global cooperation or conflict.
- 9.** Nations will rise and fall based on their access to future energy resources. New economies like China and India will compete with the U.S. and Europe in a new geopolitical power struggle.
- 10.** New energy innovations will invigorate global commerce, spawn new industries, and provide new jobs.

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