**7. Reflections on what lies ahead**

By connecting the dots . . . it’s becoming clear that this is the “Big One.” The microworld-exploration ‘Gold-Rush’ has begun . . . and it’s exponentiating due to gain in the exploration-ecosystems in emerging in ‘Silicon Valleys’ and ‘Maker Valleys’ all around the world . . . All the while exploiting and feeding back into the techno-social infrastructure of the emerging Social Age.

Furthermore, this revolution in human enterprise is technologically, economically, politically and socially inevitable, because the long term success of humanity depends upon sustainably providing ever-more infrastructural functionality and life empowerment per person, while consuming ever-less energy and ever-less material resources per person.

It can also move societies towards more diverse, inclusive and thriving futures, as ever more people migrate from being isolated consumers of mass-produced goods and entertainment towards being innovative participatory team-customizers of their habitats and life experiences . . .

It’s going to be quite an adventure!

*Some final thoughts:*

Remember: If you want to change the future, start living as if you’re already there!

And have no fear: Embrace and enjoy the escalating rate of techno-social change for it has a truly wonderful side effect . . . It’s enabling us to live further into the unfolding future than we ever could have imagined!”