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The human scale: technology and leadership in times of crisis

ABSTRACT

What happens when technological, political, biological and economic change outstrips the capacity of humanity to comprehend that change? Humans face a challenge of scale which has reached a moment of crisis. The exponential increase – which we are about to witness – in the power of technology and our dependence on it, co-incides with rapidly growing domestic and geo-political instability around the world. This co-incidence is taking us from a moment of drama to a moment of crisis. Facing four existential threats, humans have to revise their relations with each other and with the nature of governance.

BIOGRAPHY

Misha Glenny is an award-winning journalist whose books have been published around the world. He established his reputation as the BBC's Central Europe Correspondent covering the 1989 revolutions in Eastern Europe and the wars in Yugoslavia. More recently he has developed an unparalleled expertise in global organized crime and cyber security. His books include McMafia, made into a successful TV drama, and DarkMarket: How Hackers Became the New Mafia.

LINKS

<https://www.mishaglenny.com/>

<https://www.theguardian.com/theguardian/2017/dec/30/misha-glenny-organised-crime-uncertainty-brex-it-opportunity-mcmafia>

The talk will be given over Zoom and if you would like to join the webinar please email info@royalphil.org and joining information will be sent to you.