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Subject: 179. Rapid Learning + IT is the New Paradigm. The Obama Administration's Global Cancer (Rapid Learning + IT) Initiative

Dear Dr. Fischhoff and Colleagues:

Re global health, political opportunity analysis and the track-laying contribution of the DNI system ("Global Health as Opportunity," cited in # 4 at www.policyscience.net at II. D): You might be interested to know that the President's Council of Advisers on Science and Technology (PCAST) has a major initiative in the works for a bold, global, rapid learning + IT system for cancer research & fast discovery translational medicine that can affect the lives of billions of people.

The source is Harold Varmus, who said that nothing is public or finalized but that he is recruiting a new Deputy Director for International Activities at the National Cancer Institute with this initiative in mind. Harold Varmus was co-Director of PCAST before returning to NIH (where he used to be NIH Director) and he now heads the National Cancer Institute.

Is Rapid Learning + IT the new paradigm across all areas of international engagement?
Sounds right to me -

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