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To: Interested Colleagues

Re: Good news: <http://videocast.nih.gov>

You may be interested in the US Government's exciting initiative at <http://videocast.nih.gov>.

NIH has started with several of their strongest Institutes and prestigious crossroads lecture series, that bring leading researchers from US & foreign locations to NIH. At this point, 156 events are scheduled & 716 events have been recorded and archived for desktop video-on-demand availability to any Internet user.

This is an extraordinary national (& global) contribution that strengthens the curriculum at research universities and 4-year colleges, brings the best & latest ideas to the desktops of scientists (in non-profit and corporate settings) as quickly as possible, and can accelerate scientific innovation.

Recent data concerning rapid construction of a new generation of fiber optic cables, and transoceanic Internet capacity, are available at [www.policyscience.net](http://www.policyscience.net). The capacity for linkups between all continents is increasing exponentially and wholesale prices are falling at 50% - 60%/year. Any Internet-based project (text or colloquium series) will be, *de facto*, a global resource.

Sincerely,

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