MIT NEWS

Professor Joseph Sussman will present an upcoming webinar in the popular MIT SDM Systems Thinking Webinar Series. The webinar, entitled "Understanding and Designing Complex Sociotechnical Systems" will be on April 8th at noon. More details (including the link for registration) to follow soon.

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Professor Noelle Selin will give the next School of Science breakfast on Monday, April 1 (8-9am in the MIT Faculty Club; breakfast served at 7:30am). In her lecture, "The Science and Policy of Global Mercury Pollution," she will give an overview of the latest scientific findings on mercury that she and her students presented to negotiators for the Minamata Convention in January, and will discuss lessons from this experience in the context of science-policy education at MIT. (If you're interested in attending, RSVP to Jessica Boyle at jboyle@mit.edu by March 25th.)

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Reminder: Professor Nancy Leveson will be leading a second STAMP/STPA workshop at MIT March 26-28. (View conference agenda.) This event was tremendously successful last year, with more than 200 people from 19 countries attending. You can register (for free) online here.

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Read the latest news from BLOSSOMS—and view some video lessons—in the March newsletter.

IN THE MEDIA

Continuing coverage of Ernest Moniz as energy secretary nominee, including:
“Republican puts hold on EPA nominee; hearing set for Moniz”
Reuters – March 18, 2013

“Obama's energy pick powered by industry heavyweights”
Salon.com (originally ran in ProPublica) – March 20, 2013
Joe Coughlin weighs in on the “bucket list”
“The Experts: Do We All Need 'Bucket Lists'?“
The Wall Street Journal – March 19, 2013 (contains a link to a video interview)

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Bryan Reimer talks about redesigning automobile user-interface technology to make cars more responsive and safer for an aging consumer population
“A Truly Customized Vehicle“
MIT ILP website – March 14, 2013

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Alex (Sandy) Pentland talks about studying cellphone data for clues about our behavior
“Who Made That Cellphone?“

Also, article mentions Pentland and his research on “honest signals”
“How To Master Yourself, Your Unconscious, And The People Around You: Part 5“
Forbes – Online – March 19, 2013

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Seth Lloyd quoted in article about quantum computer
“Quantum computer could solve prime number mystery“
New Scientist - Online – March 18, 2013

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Article by Shalom Saada Saar (affiliated with CTL and SDM)
“Talent Strategies: The Challenge of Developing and Retaining Talent“
Supply Chain Management Review - March 15, 2013

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Mention of Production in the Innovation Economy Report (and recent Brunel Lecture speaker John Reed)
“The Stock Market and the Economy's Apparent Disconnect“
Bloomberg Businessweek - March 14, 2013

EVENTS

Monday, March 25, 2013
SDM Systems Thinking Webinar Series: Patient-centric Health Care: An Approach to Product Design and Development
Anand Yadav - Co-founder and product lead, Neumitra
Time: 12pm – 1pm
Wednesday, March 27, 2013
MIT Center for Biomedical Innovation (CBI) Seminar Series
Big Data and Serialization: Enablers for risk-based oversight and management of the biologics product lifecycle
Speaker: Stephen Miles, MBA - Research Affiliate and Consultant, CBI - MIT
Time: 3pm–4pm
Location: E25-401

Tuesday, April 2, 2013
ESD Faculty Lunch
Sanjay Sarma will discuss Digital Learning at MIT
Time: 12–1pm
Location: E40-298

Wednesday, April 3, 2013
ESS Doctoral Seminar Series
Time: 12–1pm
Location: E40-298
Don MacKenzie: Fuel efficiency regulations and technological change in U.S. Automobiles

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