

The Global Brain Institute (GBI) is a multidisciplinary research group at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB) focused on understanding the nature of distributed intelligence and the future of humanity. GBI is specifically focused on developing the theoretical foundations for the global brain concept: a self-organized planetary distributed intelligence hypothesized to emerge from the integration of people and information and communication technologies (ICT) via the Internet. These theoretical foundations should help to construct predictive models of the future of global collective intelligence, as well as develop practical applications for the future of human institutions (i.e., universities, governments). We further aim to popularize our research and results in order to generate a larger public awareness and understanding of the technological evolutionary processes building our modern information society.

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