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Humanity is in the midst of an unprecedented transformation. Since it is unprecedented, we are limited in our intellectual resources as to what we can learn from our past history. The unprecedented transformation of which we are inextricably a part can only be successfully coped with if we can remain creative—creative not only in its usual sense but also in the sense of being creative *vis-à-vis* creativity itself.

In other words, we must remain creatively creative. That is to say, we require the kind of creativity that is exponential, as the term transformation designates an exponential change wherein the nature of evolution itself evolves.

The birth of a new age is concomitant with the birth of new knowledge. This we can learn from past history. However, we cannot learn from the past what new knowledge we can develop that will mark the event horizon for the birth of our new future and of a new civilization. The whole task is upon us to think into being a new model of knowledge for a successful future of humanity on the Earth.

The basic principle underlying the technology for creating an unpredictable (and unprecedented) result is called *synergy*, which is cogently defined by the design scientist R. Buckminster Fuller: Synergy is behaviors of whole systems unpredicted by behaviors of their parts or subsystems observed separately from the whole.

The Unified Science Conference has been conceived as a synergetic space in which a new model of knowledge can emerge—a model that is not predicted by any of the individual participants—through integrative dialogue amongst advanced thinkers and scientists who are each uniquely one or more steps ahead of today's leading-edge thinking and conceptioning in new paradigm creation.

The purpose of the Unified Science Conference is two-fold:

(1) In a supportive, cooperative, and dialogical environment, to assist each participant, as an individual scientist and philosopher, to enhance his or her own work by having access to the work and thinking of his or her peers in a way that seldom, if ever, occurs in typical professional gatherings.

In a creative and intellectually stimulating environment, to assist each participant to make his or her own model more integral, comprehensive, and evidence-based.

(2) To begin the articulation of an interdisciplinary or transdisciplinary, unified science model—one that would go far beyond the current integral and holistic models in science.

Walter Russell, the co-founder of the University of Science and Philosophy, was one of the truly original pioneers who envisaged and presaged an entirely new paradigm of scientific knowledge, which seamlessly united the science of matter and the science of spirit. As the result of our participation in this Conference, the USP Science Research Team is committed to re-developing the Russellian science in today's scientific language and to completing the work that was initiated by Russell in 1921 within the larger cultural context of envisaging and presaging a new model of scientific knowledge, which will contribute to the development of a new civilization on the Earth.

We are honored to have the participation in the Unified Science Conference of a group of such distinguished scientist-philosophers and philosopher-scientists. Given the remarkably high caliber and the demonstrably passionate commitment of the participants, we are optimistic that this group will jointly be able to accomplish the two-fold purpose that we have set forth for this Conference. On behalf of the University of Science and Philosophy, I would like to express our sincere gratitude for your participation and contribution.