Frederick S. Pardee Donates $4M to the University of Denver

DENVER—May 1, 2014—The Frederick S. Pardee Center for International Futures at the University of Denver’s Josef Korbel School of International Studies announced today the receipt of a $4 million gift from their namesake Frederick S. Pardee. The donation by Pardee is in support of the Center’s general endowment.

Pardee is an economist, businessman, and philanthropist who, in 2007, generously donated $7.45 million to the University of Denver to establish the Frederick S. Pardee Center for International Futures. This gift also supported the Center’s production of Patterns of Potential Human Progress, a series of five volumes on the future of the global human condition published jointly by Paradigm Publishers and Oxford University Press India.

“The entire Josef Korbel School community thanks Frederick S. Pardee for his generous gift and his ongoing support of the Frederick S. Pardee Center for International Futures,” said Christopher R. Hill, dean of the Josef Korbel School of International Studies.

The Pardee Center’s mission is to explore, understand, and shape alternative futures of global change and human development. It is home to the International Futures (IFs) model, one of the most sophisticated and comprehensive macro-level, long-term forecasting systems available to the public. IFs is deeply data driven and draws on today’s best understanding of global systems to produce forecasts for 186 countries to the year 2100 and is designed to enhance long-range thinking and policy analysis.

“The Center’s recent and current work with the United Nations, World Bank, and governmental and intergovernmental organizations in Africa and Latin America exemplifies its rapidly growing contributions to global public policy analysis,” said Barry B. Hughes, Ph.D., director of the Pardee Center and John Evans professor at the Josef Korbel School. “The new gift will solidify the Center with ongoing core support from the endowment and will make it possible for the Center in turn to solidify its emergent standing as the world’s leading institution for long-term, multi-issue global forecasting.”

To learn more about the Frederick S. Pardee Center for International Futures and IFs visit their website at http://pardee.du.edu/.

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