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## Breakthroughs

In 1997, 4,000 MIT founded companies employed 1.1 million people and had annual world sales of \$232 billion.

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## XPRIZE LAB



### Events

#### Upcoming Events

##### January IAP Workshop

##### **Brain-Computer Interfaces: Igniting a Revolution**

Two-day workshop

**January 7-8, 2010**, on the **MIT Campus**

Presented by the X PRIZE Lab and [Singularity University](#)

Imagine a direct connection between the human brain and the world's most powerful computers...

Would you type with your thoughts?

...help the blind to see?

...give an amputee control over his bionic arm?

...super-charge your memory with digital RAM?

If you had \$20 million to catalyze these sort of breakthroughs, what could the world achieve?

Join the X PRIZE Lab@MIT and Singularity University for a special IAP workshop on **Brain-Computer Interfaces: Igniting a Revolution**.

Special guests include:

\* **Ed Boyden**, Director of the MIT Synthetic Neurobiology Group

\* **Ray Kurzweil**, Chancellor of Singularity University

January 7-8, 2010 on the MIT campus

Broad participation is welcome, but seats are limited.

**REGISTER TODAY via email to** [xprize@mit.edu](mailto:xprize@mit.edu)

#### Recurring Events

Prize Theory Working Group, biweekly research meetings

Email [xprize@mit.edu](mailto:xprize@mit.edu) for more details, or to join in the discussion.

#### Previous Events

September 16, 2009 - 2nd Annual X PRIZE Energy Forum:

*Breakthrough Investments in Energy Storage*

With special guests:

[Hemant Taneja](#), Managing Director, General Catalyst Partners

[Bob Metcalfe](#), General Partner, Polaris Ventures

[Peter Diamandis](#), Chairman & CEO, X PRIZE Foundation

Join us January 7-8, 2009 for an amazing "Deep Dive" workshop on prizes for deep sea exploration. For details and registration, see our [IAP listing](#).

November 22, 2008: "The X PRIZE: How \$10M can change the world"

Splash! High School Immersion Program

Erika Wagner, Executive Director, X PRIZE Lab @ MIT  
<http://esp.mit.edu/learn/Splash/index.html>

November 20, 2008: "The Carrot at the End of the Stick: Prizes as Incentives for Innovation"

Kauffman Foundation Global Entrepreneurship Week

Erika Wagner, Executive Director, X PRIZE Lab @ MIT; David Ritter, CTO, Innocentive; Benjamin Mako Hill, open software developer and advocate

<http://unleashingideas.org/>

September 10, 2008: "X PRIZE Energy Forum: What Would I Advise the Next President"

With special guests Peter Diamandis, Ernest Moniz, Ray Kurzweil, George Church, and Saul Griffith

Video Recap: <http://nextprize.xprize.org/2008/09/revolutionizing-technology.html>

Event Summary: <http://nextprize.xprize.org/2008/09/seeking-radical-breakthroughs-in.html>



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