

# THE AUDIT OFFICE OF THE FUTURE

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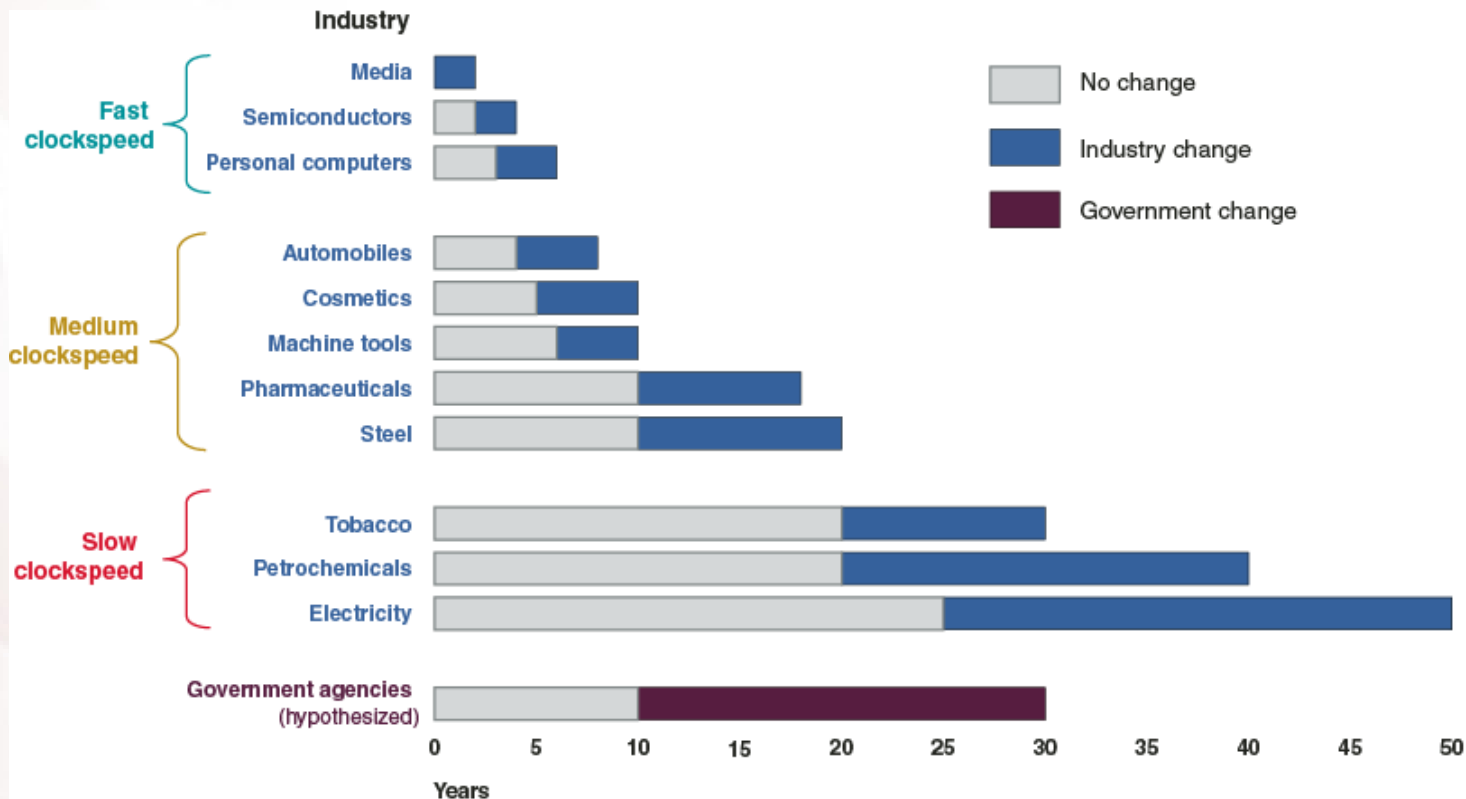
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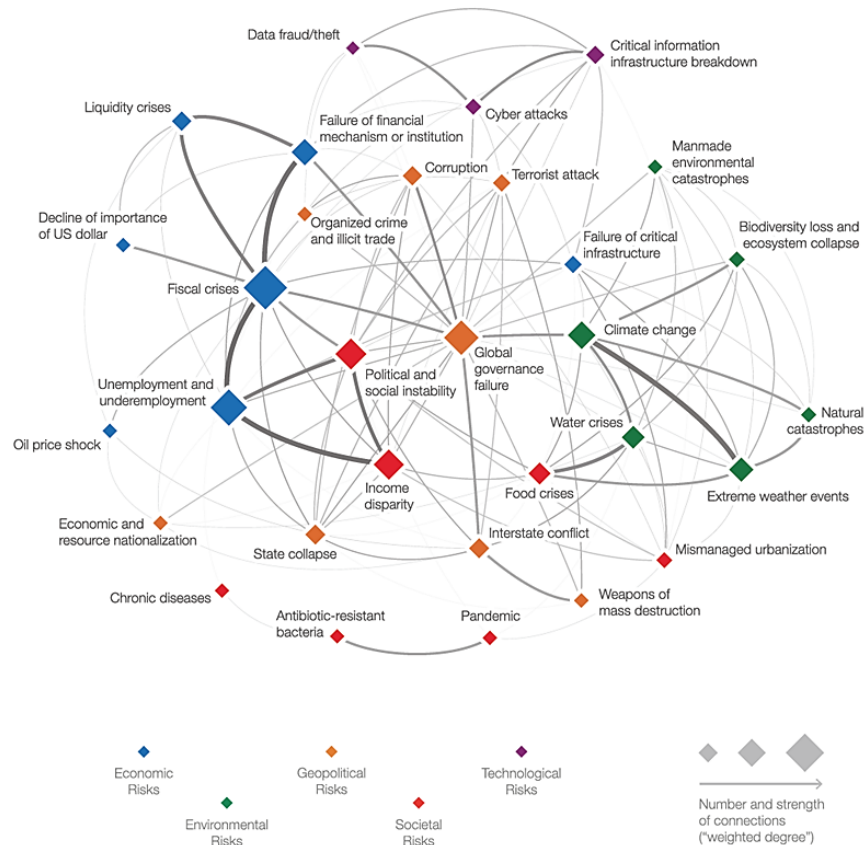
# CLOCKSPEED: The Rapid Pace of Change Will Require “Agile Auditing”

Organizational Clockspeed\* (Estimated Ranges)



\*Adapted from D. Rejeski, "S&T Challenges in the 21st Century: Strategy and Tempo," ch. 5 in *AAAS Science and Technology Policy Yearbook*, 2003. The clockspeed concept and assessment of industry clockspeeds shown above are based on C. Fine's *Clockspeed: Winning Temporary Control in the Age of Industry Advantage*, 1998. Clockspeed is defined as the rate at which organizations "change processes and products, reinvent mindsets, and modify organizational structures in response to external threats or opportunities."

# UNCERTAINTY & COMPLEXITY: Interconnected Risks Will Require “Anticipatory Auditing”

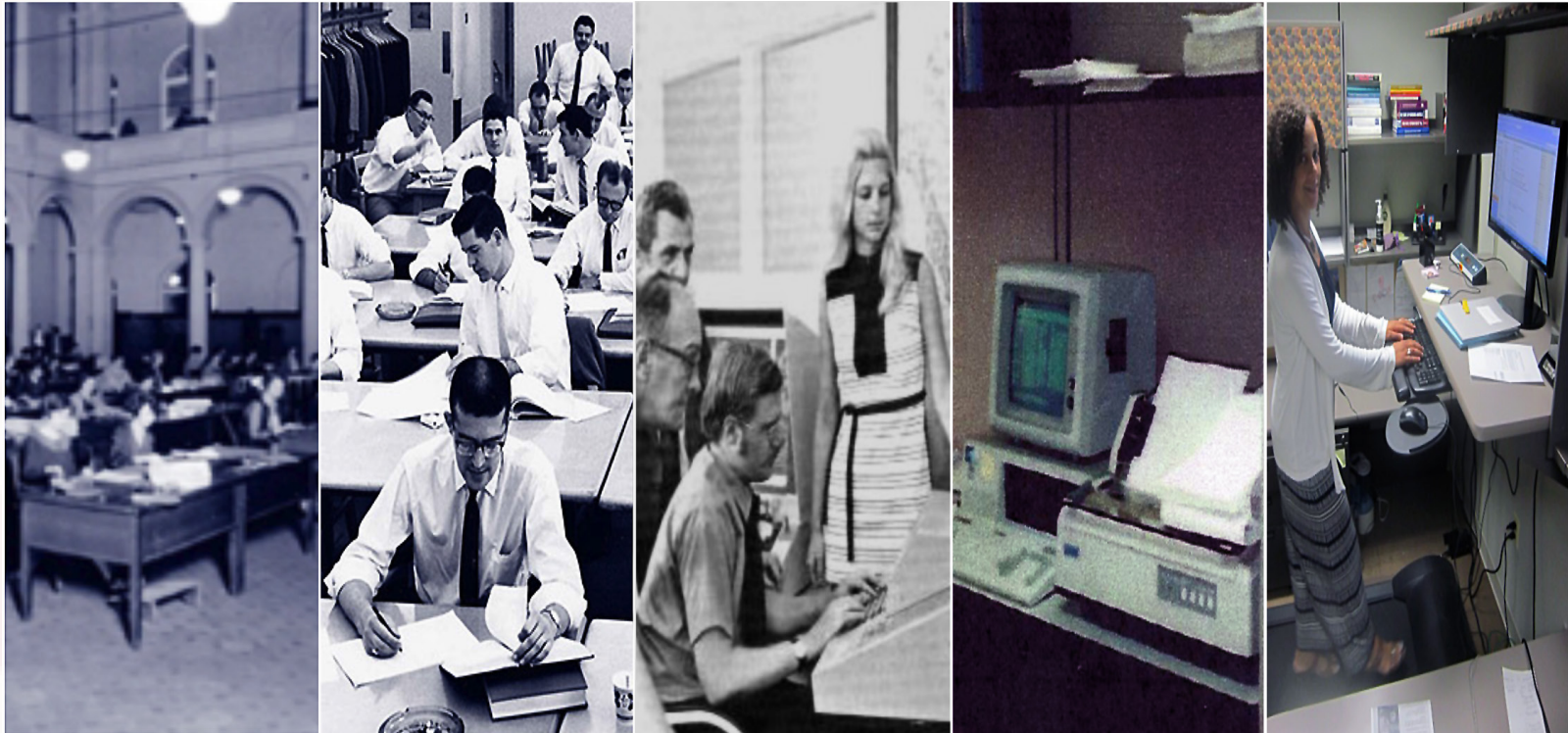


## Today's Efforts Will Shape the Audit Office of the Future

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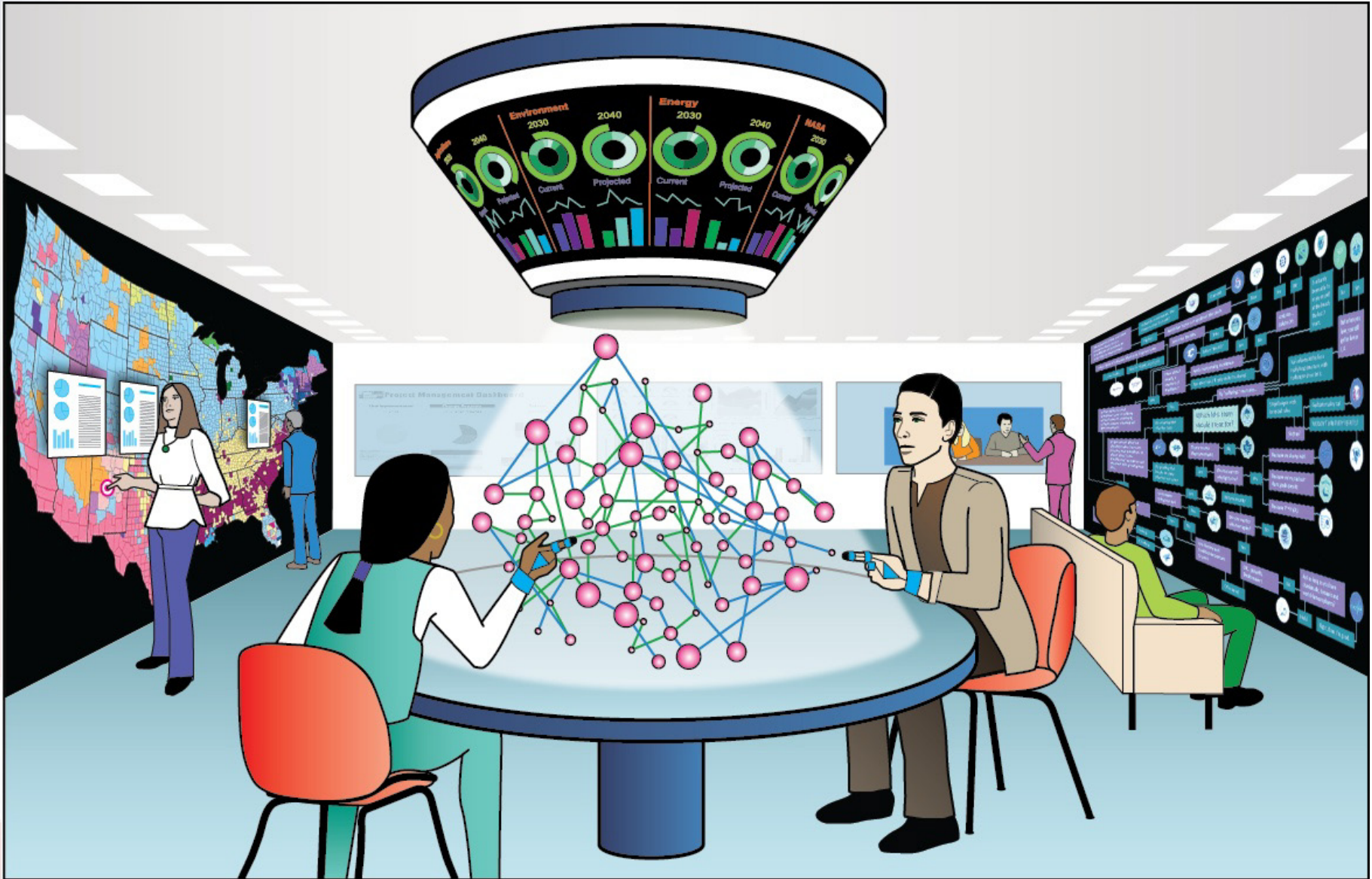
- **Integration of Oversight, Insight & Foresight in Audit Products**
- **Development of Agile Auditing Approach**
- **Transformation of Performance Audits to Address Complexity & Uncertainty** (assessing & improving connections across organizations, levels of government, sectors, and policy tools)
  - INTOSAI Strategic Plan Underway**
  - Support of Networks in Evaluation & Public Sector Foresight** (advancing methods, disseminating best practices)
  - Development of Risk Frameworks to Guide Audit Work**

# GAO: 1920s to Today





# WHAT WILL THE AUDIT OFFICE OF 2030 LOOK LIKE?



# THANK YOU

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**Questions? Comments? Ideas?**

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