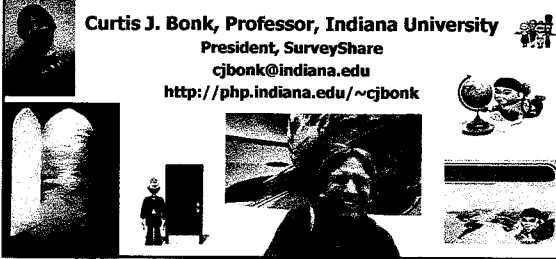
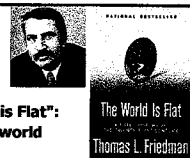



How the Learning World Became Flat (Open): Ten Knowledge Sharing and Technology Trends Equalizing Access to Learning

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- Thomas Friedman, author of "The World is Flat":
- Tools for collaboration are changing the world
- <http://mitworld.mit.edu/video/266/>




The Ten Forces that Flattened the World

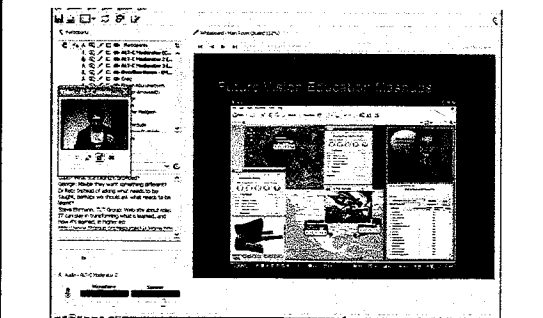
1. 11/9/89: Berlin Wall came down
2. 8/9/95: Netscape went public
3. Work Flow Software (e.g., PayPal and eBay)
4. Open-Sourcing (Self organizing collaborative communities; Mosaic, Apache, Wikipedia, Linux, Mozilla/Firefox,)
5. Outsourcing (Y2K)
6. Offshoring (e.g., China, Mexico, Thailand)
7. Supply-Chaining (e.g., Walmart)
8. Insourcing (UPS fixing Toshiba laptops)
9. In-forming (e.g., Google, Yahoo!, MSN Web Search)
10. The Steroids: Digital, Mobile, Personal, and Virtual (e.g., wireless, file sharing, VoIP, video camera in phone)



Telegraph: Flattening the world in 1860



Conference Attendance from Anywhere (e.g., Michelle Selinger, ALT-C Keynote, September 2007, Univ of Nottingham)



Conferences Participation from anywhere (Elliott Masie, Learning conference October 2006 and 2007)

