

# Research to Improve Intelligence Forecasting

The logo for PARATOS, featuring the word "PARATOS" in a bold, black, sans-serif font inside a white, rounded rectangular box with a subtle drop shadow.The logo for M/B Research, featuring the text "M/B Research" in a yellow, sans-serif font on a purple rectangular background with a red-to-yellow gradient at the bottom.A green highway exit sign with a white border, mounted on a metal structure against a blue sky with white clouds. The sign contains the text "The Future" in a large, white, sans-serif font, and "NEXT EXIT" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it.

The Future  
NEXT EXIT

***“The opposite of one profound truth may very well be another profound truth.”***



- **One profound truth:** Good Judgment Project improved forecasting by finding, cultivating superforecasters.
- **Opposite truth?** Preexisting teams of analysts & decision makers can learn to create and use highly accurate forecasts and use them effectively.
- **Let's try to find out.**
- Open Source paradigm: diverse teams => greater group intelligence; crowd can assist in troubleshooting bugs, develop apps for experiments, improve existing software.
- Replicability, replicability, replicability!
- No HARKing (Hypothesizing After Results Known): Preregister experimental protocols, hypotheses.

# Relevant team expertise



- Military, aerospace: Carolyn Meinel, Dr. Thomas Blau, Dr. James Browning, CAPT USN (Ret)
- Organizational behavior, strategic leadership: Browning, Dr. Dawna Coutant
- Experimental design: Coutant, Thomas Prigg
- Social sciences: Coutant, Andrew Sabisky
- Journalism, anticipation of breaking news: David Marash (11 Emmys), Meinel
- Speculative fiction: Larry Lasker (two Academy Nominations), Dan Mayland
- Venture capital forecasting: Blau, Meinel, e.g. 8 Rivers Capital
- Superforecasters: Mayland (#2 out of 3,000), Meinel (#3), Coutant, Prigg
- Technology Transfer: Blau, Meinel
- Design of multiplayer computer games: Vincent Larsen, Sabisky, Meinel
- Analyses of Good Judgment data, interviews with superforecasters: Coutant, Meinel, Prigg
- Red teaming: Michael Rehfeldt, Larsen, Meinel
- Computer security: Larsen, Meinel
- Intelligence policy: Blau

**All eleven have NDAs and consulting agreements in place.**

# We seek a prime contractor with these strengths:

- Experience with IARPA or CIA
- Sherman Kent Center a plus
- Software rapid prototype development
- Collective intelligence, game theory
- Research techniques focusing on scientifically verifiable, replicable results



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