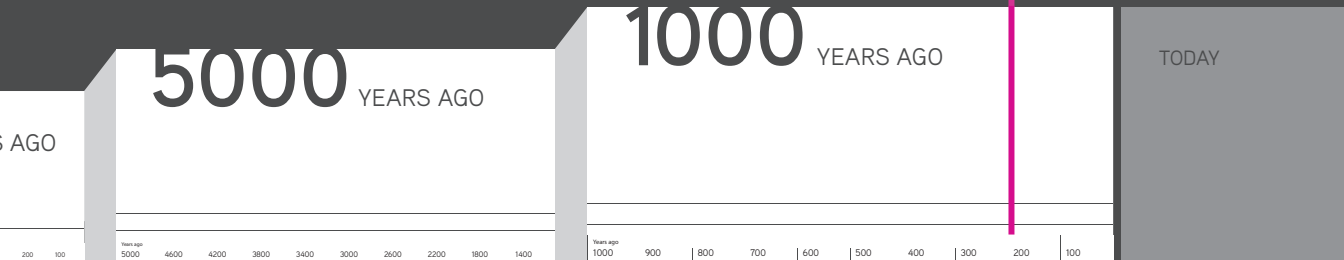


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THRESHOLD

THE MODERN REVOLUTION

Over a mere 200,000 years, humans have developed a complex and versatile exchange network. Today we are 7 billion people interacting as one interconnected global community. This society is so powerful that it impacts the fate of the entire biosphere. We have yet to experience the full implications of crossing this most recent threshold.



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THRESHOLD

THE MODERN REVOLUTION

INGREDIENTS

**Increasingly large
exchange networks**

With vast accumulated
information

**New energy
resources**



GOLDBLOCKS CONDITIONS

Globalization

Promotes commercialization
and accelerates innovation



NEW COMPLEXITY

**A globally connected
human society**

Enables increased control
over and consumption of
resources

Leads to rapid population
growth