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Thursday, January 24, 2002
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Mark Pesce

“The Sea of Knowledge: Intelligence Augmentation and the Material World”

Nearly forty years ago, Douglas Engelbart jump-started the world of interactive computing. His goal, to produce machinery that could augment and amplify human intellect, has partially succeeded. Yet augmented intelligence has left the confines of the "thinking machines" and is beginning to spread seamlessly throughout the world. The material environment is increasingly becoming a computing device; programmable, mutable and pliable, task-dependent and ever more capable. More than any interface, the world is becoming a tool for thinking, and will change how all of us think about the world.

*“cyberspace is the active participation within a space
that is essentially
mythic”*



Mark Pesce

Internationally recognized as the man who brought virtual reality into the World Wide Web, Mark Pesce has been creating the frontiers of the future for nearly two decades. In 1994, Pesce invented the Virtual Reality Modeling Language (VRML), the standard for virtual reality on the Internet. Pesce is an educator, journalist and the author of four books; his most recent work was the critically-praised *“The Playful World: How Technology is Transforming our Imagination.”*

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