Media Alert 25-03-2021



Humankind Delayed to August 17th, 2021

The dev team will be working to perfect Accessibility, Pacing, Balancing, Diplomacy, AI and much more.

When we first announced our upcoming historical strategy title HUMANKIND[™], we called it our magnum opus, and we meant every word of that. The response so far has been amazing: the community has been super excited and involved with the development at every step of the way, and we intend to honor their expectations for the game. Here's a few words from our Chief Creative Officer & Studio Head, Romain de Waubert de Genlis about the reasoning behind the delay:

"It's been exciting to see the community get their hands on the game during the last few OpenDev sessions, and to hear all the positive (and constructive!) feedback. Players have always been at the heart of Amplitude's philosophy and releasing HUMANKIND in August will allow us the extra time to keep working with the community and polishing the game for an amazing day one experience."

The team will be focused on improving areas of work identified by the community during our previous Lucy OpenDev, when players tested out 4 eras and 40 cultures of the game to give us their thoughts. Accessibility, Onboarding, Pacing, Balancing, Diplomacy and AI are just a few of the key areas we'll be concentrating on. For more detailed information, check out our dev blog available here.

To thank everyone for bearing with us on this, we've decided to include some extra free content for pre-purchasers of HUMANKIND[™].

Most of all, we'd like to thank our players for their support and patience. We can't wait for you all to see the result!

- The Amplitude Studios Team

Direkter Link zum SEGA-Presseserver: www.sega-press.com

SEGA Europe Ltd. Gehört zur japanischen SEGA Corporation, einem der weltweit größten Anbieter interaktiver Unterhaltung für den Heim- und Spielhallenbereich. SEGA entwickelt und vertreibt interaktive Unterhaltungs-Software für eine Vielzahl von Plattformen, darunter PC, Handhelds und Spielkonsolen von Nintendo, Microsoft und Sony Computer Entertainment. Weitere Informationen befinden sich auf der Website von SEGA Europe Ltd. unter: <u>www.sega-europe.com</u>

About Koch Media

The Koch Media Group is a global developer, publisher and distributor of video games, VR games, gaming hardware and merchandise.

The group's publishing activities, marketing and distribution extend throughout Europe, America, Australia and Asia. Koch Media has more than 25 years of experience in the digital media business and has risen to become a leading global publishing partner. The Koch Media Group runs a multi-label strategy with fully owned publishing units such as Deep Silver, Milestone, Vertigo Games and Ravenscourt which publish games for consoles, PC and VR platforms across all physical and digital channels.

Additionally, as global publishing partner Koch Media has formed long-term multi-national publishing collaborations with numerous game publishers including Bethesda, Capcom, Codemasters, Konami, Koei Tecmo, Sega, Square Enix, Warner Bros and many others. With its parent company in Höfen, Austria, and the Publishing HQ in Munich, Germany, Koch Media owns local publishing companies in Germany, UK, France, Spain, Italy, Sweden, the Netherlands, Austria, Switzerland, Poland, Australia, the United States as well as Japan and Hong Kong.

The Koch Media Group owns ten game development studios: Deep Silver Volition (Champaign, IL / USA), Deep Silver Dambuster Studios (Nottingham / UK), Deep Silver Fishlabs (Hamburg / Germany), Warhorse Studios (Prague / Czech Republic), Milestone (Milan / Italy), Voxler (Paris / France), Vertigo Games (Rotterdam /The Netherlands) and Flying Wild Hog (Warsaw, Rzeszów, Cracow / Poland). Additionally, the Koch Media Group collaborates with numerous independent development studios around the world.

Part of the Koch Media Group is also Koch Films, a European independent film distributor with business primarily in Germany, Switzerland, Austria and Italy as a cinema, TV, online and Home Entertainment distributor. The Koch Media Group also owns Gaya Entertainment, a leading video game merchandise company in Munich, Germany, and the Quality Assurance Facility in Olomouc, Czech Republic.

Koch Media is an Embracer Group company.