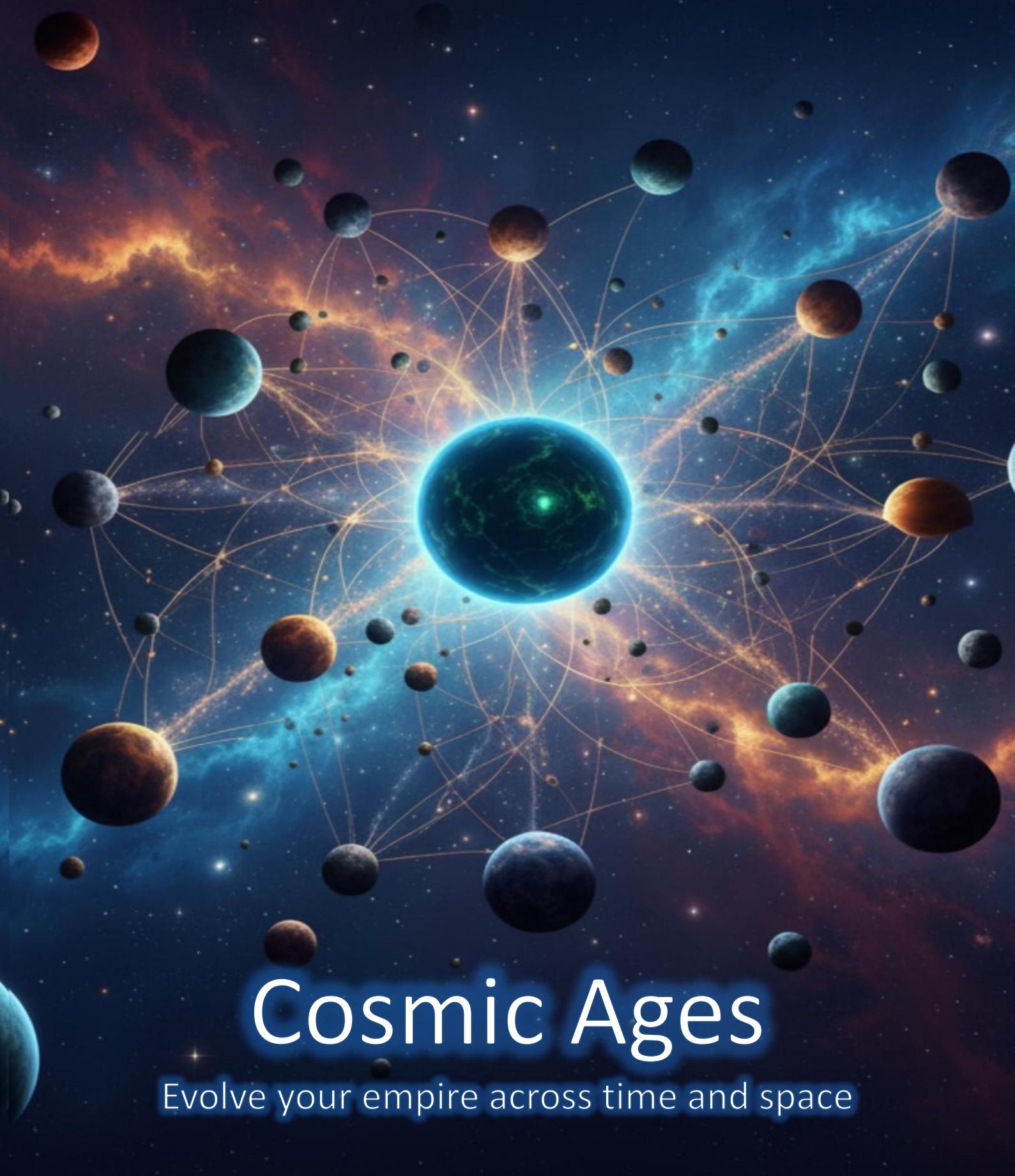


From your civilisation mother planet to an endless legacy
Command the stars



Cosmic Ages

Evolve your empire across time and space

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The Dawn of Empires

Imagine a universe where your choices ripple across light-years, transforming a single world into a thriving stellar civilization. *Cosmic Ages* is the grand strategy experience that redefines 4X gaming—explore uncharted voids, expand your influence through clever alliances and bold conquests, exploit rare resources that define your empire's soul, and exterminate threats before they eclipse your light.

At its heart lies an adaptive rhythm: real-time worlds that hum with life, paused only by your **SitRep**—a personalized situation report that curates chaos into clarity, bundling alerts into singular, decisive actions like "scout this anomaly" or "delegate sector defenses." This isn't endless scrolling; it's decisions that propel eras forward.

Whether you're a strategy veteran or charting stellar-scale epics for the first time, *Cosmic Ages* crafts worlds that breathe, interfaces that intuit, and narratives that endure—proving that true command lies in evolution, not exhaustion.



Decisions echo across voids – your saga, your stars

Ages Unveiled

The **Ages** system is *Cosmic Ages'* revolutionary pulse, channeling history's sweep into playable epochs that evolve your role from tactician to transcendent architect. Unlike static 4X sprawl, Ages are felt pivots: as your civilization ascends, micromanagement fades into ministerial automation, unveiling grander scopes while the interface—your **Dynamic UI**—reshapes to spotlight emerging priorities. No late-game drudgery; each era feels like a fresh canvas, with splash-screen cinematics heralding the shift.

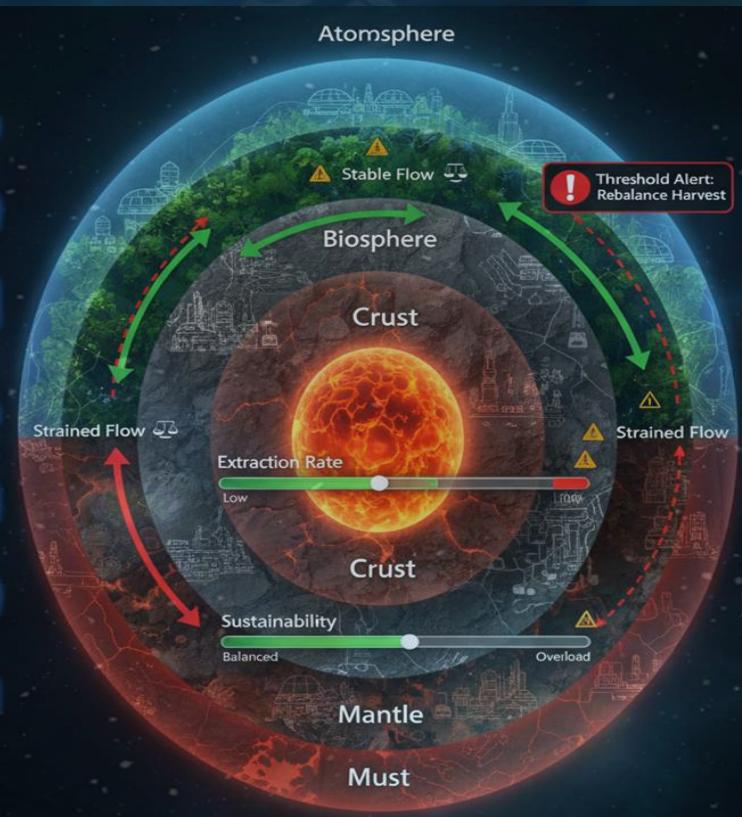


These aren't arbitrary gates but organic milestones, triggered by collective triumphs—like unifying planetary factions or cracking FTL barriers. Early Ages demand intimate oversight; later ones empower policy strokes that cascade across clusters. This agility keeps play crisp: tactile in youth, visionary in maturity, always with high-level levers over granular toil.

Mother-Planet Awakening

In the Mother-Planet Age, you're the cradle's guardian, sculpting a nascent world from wild ecosystems into harmonious outposts. Here, strategy is intimate: balance resource veins with ecological thresholds—overmine a luxury deposit like iridescent bio-crystals, and Gaia-like feedbacks stir, from soil depletion to morale ripples. Planets live as self-regulating systems, their inertia a teacher in restraint.

Build habitats that pulse with life, tuning policies for sustainable yields while fending off primal threats like seismic swarms. Delegation emerges early via proto-advisors, handling routine yields so you focus on foundational doctrines.

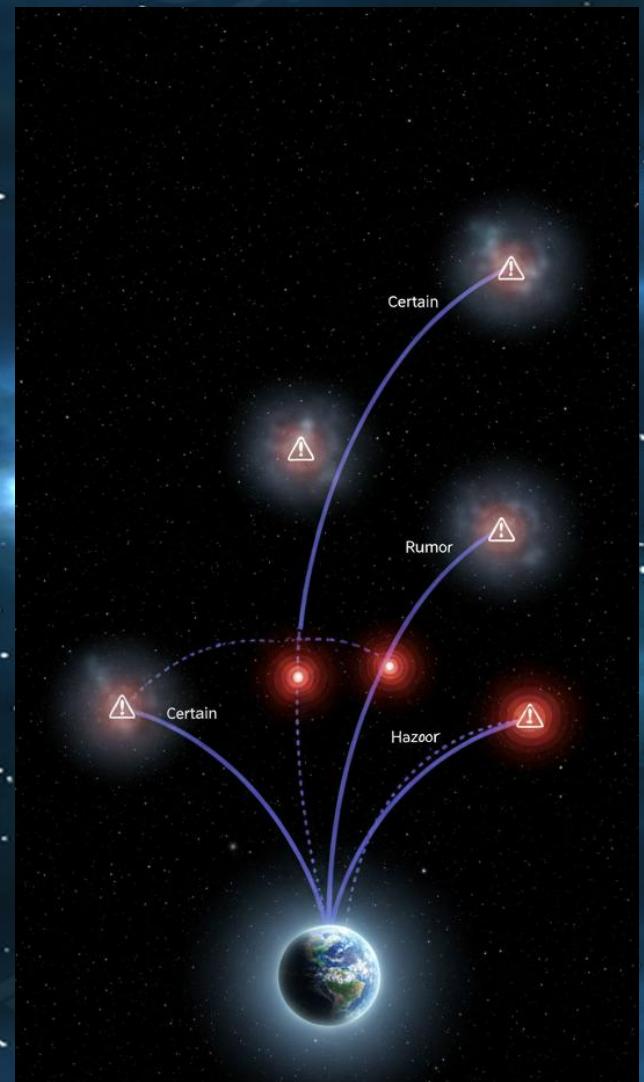


This Age grounds you in plausibility: every choice sows seeds for stellar-scale coherence, where a overlooked ethical quandary might later fracture alliances. As thresholds align—unified biospheres, proto-FTL whispers—you glimpse the Frontier, the UI subtly nesting planetary dials into orbital previews.

New Frontier Horizons

The New Frontier Age ignites with FTL's spark, hurling you into void-scouting amid discovery's raw thrill. Dispatch agile probes through jump corridors, where hazards like sensor mirages or gravitic eddies turn exploration into a profession—charts log uncertain intel, tagged from certain sightings to speculative whispers, veiling your UIISM (user interface star map) in perceptual fog.

Forge tentative trade threads, hauling essentials back to cradle-world forges, while luxuries tease identities: a frontier-veined alloy might bias your fleets toward armored juggernauts. Rivals emerge as rumors—nomadic scouts or corporate outriders—prompting first brittle contacts, where misread signals via comms lag birth rituals or rifts.



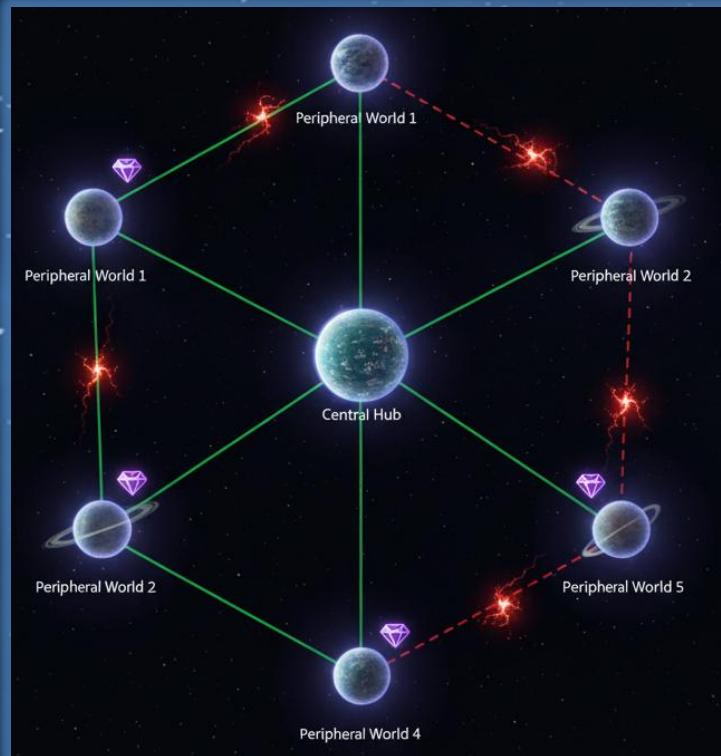
The Dynamic UI blooms with route planners, prioritizing intent over itineraries, as Ages' agility delegates convoy patrols to background simulations, freeing you for horizon-chasing wonders.

Colonial Webs

Colonial Age weaves your reach into multi-system tapestries, where logistics become the empire's sinew—supply chains snake through relays, vulnerable to interdictions that cascade shortages from flickering hab-domes to legitimacy tremors. Coordinate outposts as organic clusters, their growth emergent under policy constraints: set extraction rhythms, and watch ecologies rebound or rebel, always with SitRep warnings flagging thresholds.

Luxuries shine here, non-uniform scatters shaping paths—a neural spice world might unlock empathetic diplomacy modes, turning colonies into cultural beacons.

Factions stir internally, their tensions echoing in event cards: a labor rift demands choices with upfront costs, threading fail-forward into richer arcs, like improvised alliances that bolster trade webs.

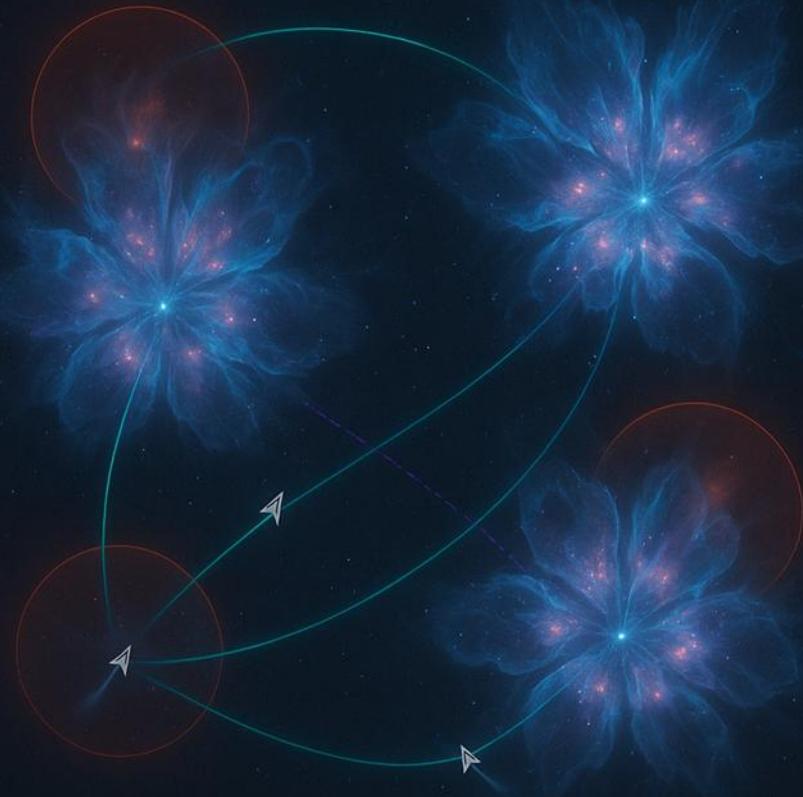


Ages' pivot streamlines: planetary micromanagement submenus to sector overviews, with ministerial AIs handling yields so you orchestrate the web's resilient pulse.

The Living Starfield

The starfield in Cosmic Ages breathes with independent vigor—a vast, procedural expanse where distance enforces discipline, and logistics carve meaningful geography. Exploration thrives on scouts' logs: navigate chokepoints laced with stellar phenomena, from pulsar veils degrading intel to wormhole corridors offering risky shortcuts. Your UISM renders this perceived truth, fogged by delays and deceptions, turning every scan into strategic speculation.

Non-player life bustles autonomously: pirate enclaves evolve from lax patrols, traders haggle in neutral drifts, corporations probe asteroids unless policy-forbidden. Set high-level corridors and prohibitions, then watch emergence— a neglected vein might birth a rival outpost, flagged by SitRep as a probable incursion demanding one verb: interdict, observe, or integrate.

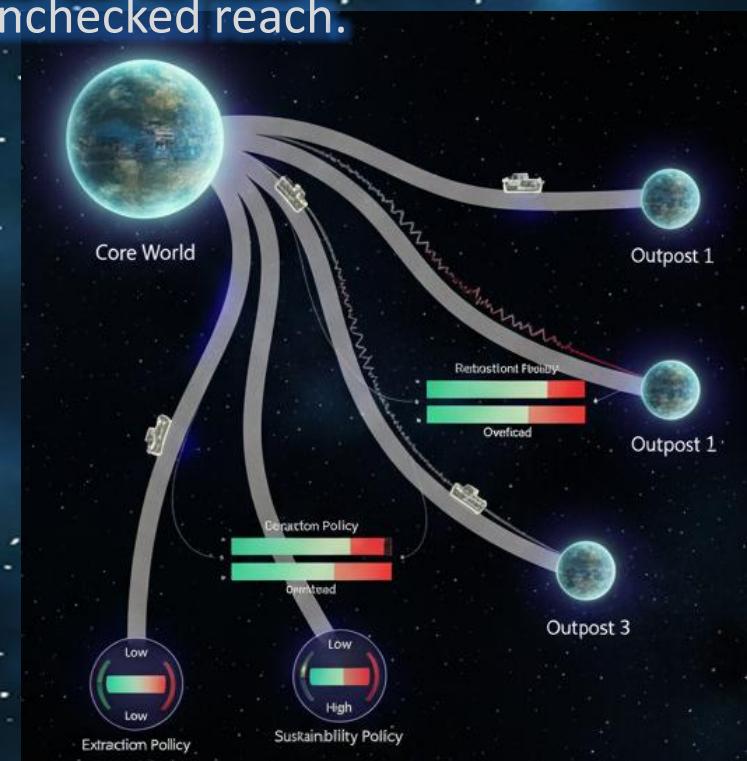


This living canvas ensures agility: the starfield adapts to your gaze, LOD (level-of-detail) sharpening distant hazes to vivid tactility without performance stutter.

Logistics: The Empire's Veins

Logistics pulses as Cosmic Ages' hidden engine, the throughput that sustains ambition across voids. Convoys ferry essentials and luxuries along secured veins, their efficiency hinging on relay networks and doctrinal escorts—overextend, and delays compound into crises, from stalled expansions to legitimacy erosions where crews question unchecked reach.

Ages infuse meaning: early hauls demand manual plotting; later, policy sliders tune fleet compositions for throughput biases, like luxury-optimized hulls that halve transit risks. Ethical gates in the Knowledge Web add depth—a moral framework might enforce sustainable routing, preventing ecological backlash while opening aesthetic morale boosts.

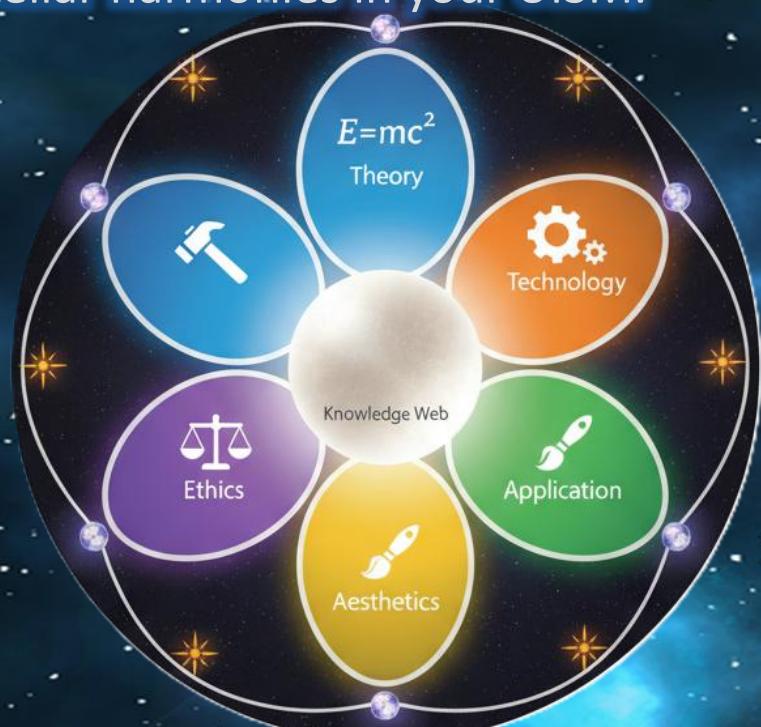


SitReps curate the flow: a major alert bundles "Convoy Ambush (Probable): Reroute (Time: 4 cycles) / Reinforce (Risk: Medium) / Delegate to Ministry," ensuring one action resolves the vein's kink, keeping your empire's heart beating steadily.

Knowledge Web Illuminated

The Knowledge Web radiates as your civilization's intellect—a interconnected mandala of domains: theory for foundational insights, technology for engineered might, application for pragmatic builds, ethics for principled gates, and aesthetics for cohesive visions. Unlocks aren't mere boosts; they reveal engagement modes, like an ethical lens curbing overexploitation or an aesthetic overlay visualizing stellar harmonies in your UISM.

Cross-domain synergies spark emergence: a theoretical quantum leap might fuse with aesthetics for memetic shields, blending defense with cultural sway. Luxuries catalyze this—an extreme material like void-forged metamatter gates application projects, ensuring plausibility through coherent trade-offs, where unchecked pursuit risks legitimacy fractures.



Ages weave it dynamically: early webs favor tactical nodes; later, ministerial doctrines automate research arcs, prioritizing high-level forks that define your empire's soul over exhaustive hunts.

UI & SitRep

Your Dynamic UI evolves as a silent co-pilot, adapting seamlessly to Ages' tides—tactical grids yield to policy canvases, with lenses (economy for flux maps, intel for threat veils, legitimacy for cohesion gauges) filtering the starfield's roar into legible whispers. Never does a control vanish; it nests intuitively, savable as presets, honoring reliance with overrides always at hand.

The SitRep anchors this agility—a rhythmic pause in real-time's tide, surfacing bundled imperatives with "one alert, one verb" precision: "Luxury Vein Exhausting (Certain): Exploit (Yield +20%, Risk: High) / Conserve (Time: 3 cycles) / Explain Projections." Tune its pulse for immersion or overview, and it explains contexts without barrage, turning perceptual gaps into empowered choices.



LOD ensures seamlessness: coarse simulations for afar, full fidelity on focus, all while the UI/SM mirrors your empire's true sight—deceptions and delays as features, not frustrations.

Conflicts of Will

War, Diplomacy, Emergence

Conflicts in Cosmic Ages extend diplomacy's shadow—space clashes resolve via preparation's calculus: doctrines guide auto-engagements, positions envelop foes, intel qualities tip scales. Reenactments replay pivots with highlights—"Comms lag exposed flanks; relay upgrades next"—layering planetary sieges with ethical recoils for conquests that scar legitimacy.

Diplomacy thrives on cultural fractals: first contacts, brittle through UIISM haze, ignite from factional philosophies—a misgesture births pacts or memetic sieges, eroding cohesion sans shots.

Triumphs embrace fail-forward arcs: a failed parley unlocks desperate threads, costs transparent (time, risk, yield), propelling richer sagas.



Emergence crowns it: luxuries fork identities, Knowledge synergies surprise, background lives adapt—pirates from lax veins, alliances from ethical nods. A narrative curator paces fairly, threading Ages into personal epics where agility reigns: delegate the grind, command the cosmos.

