Futureproof Perl 6

Why do so many people call Perl 6 "The 100-Year Language"?

It's a reference to an essay of the same name that contemplates what sort of a language people will use 100 years in the future: www.paulgraham.com/hundred.html

Perl 6 may well be such a language. Its novel features, such as the ability to lexically mutate its grammar, make it a very evolvable language, capable of adapting to all the demands of programming of the future.