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AI ETHICS FOR ORDINARY PEOPLE
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About the lecture

Our daily life is increasingly mediated and structured by AI systems. These systems have been used in predictive policing, in credit scoring, and in everyday mundane decisions, e.g. recommendations on books, music, etc. In the past few years, however, cases like the COMPAS recidivism algorithm and Cambridge Analytica have shown the possible grave consequences from their (mis)uses. The existing discussion and critiques of AI systems are either directed at the AI companies (in the form of legislation and regulation) or AI researchers and developers (in the form of code of ethics and best practice policy). Legislation, regulation, code of ethics, and best practice policy are certainly important for ensuring *better* and *more responsible* design and use of AI, but these endeavours often neglect the consideration of the *downstream* of AI systems, i.e. *individual users*. The role of users become obvious once we recognise they at least *partially* determine the outputs of AI systems by *being* the inputs. If it is so, users should not be excluded from critical reflection. In the talk, I offer three arguments for "user responsibility", and these arguments should call for the need to reflect more critically the role of users of AI systems.

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