

**Tools to Generate or to Solve Crises? History and Perspectives of the Development of Robots and Artificial Intelligence.**

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Call for proposals

Robots and AI were inaugurated as playthings and highlights of exhibitions. They are employed in production industries since the 1960s and meanwhile they are on the way playing an important role in service industries, too. Nowadays there is an intensive and controversial discussion on societal impacts of this development. In fact, this discussion has a quite long history, but now we might live in a decisive period for the inauguration of AI and robots –right time to shape future. Thus, the session aims to analyze the history of robots and AI as well as the history of robot and AI discourses. Based on knowledge about history, the aim is to contribute the ongoing discussion and to think about ethical guidelines for further development.

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Do you want to participate? Please contact me until 1.1.2020.

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