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Ethics, Principles & Practice

A Short Overview and Awareness Raising Workshop

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Overview of the Talk

- Definitions and Clarifications
- Principal Ethical Paradigms
- Emerging Guidance & Standards
- The Ethics Certification Programme
- Way Forward



Definitions I

➤ Ethics

A branch of knowledge that deals with moral principles (that govern a person's behaviour)

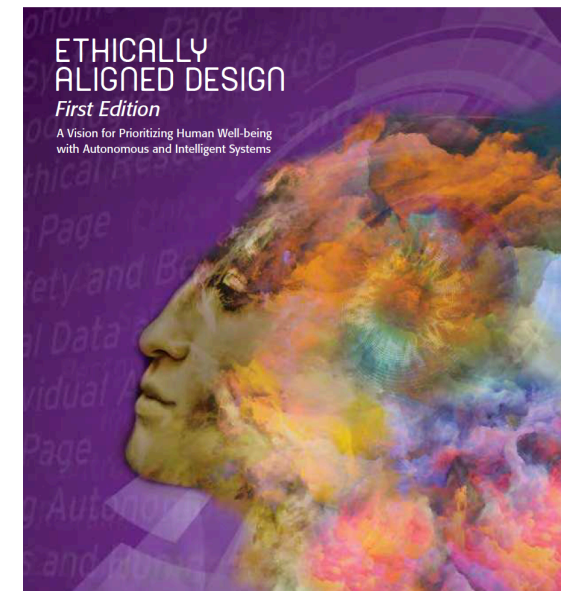
➤ Morals

Considerations of right & wrong behaviour (acceptable in a particular society/culture)



IEEE Ethically Aligned Design-EAD

		EAD Pillars		
		Universal Human Values	Political Self-Determination Data Agency	Technical Dependability
EAD General Principles	Human Rights	■	■	
	Well-being	■	■	
	Data Agency	■	■	■
	Effectiveness			■
	Transparency	■	■	■
	Accountability	■	■	■
	Awareness of Misuse			■
	Competence			■



IEEE-EAD: Ethically Aligned Design-Principles

1. **Human Rights**—A/IS shall be created and operated to respect, promote, and protect internationally recognized human rights.
2. **Well-being**—A/IS creators shall adopt increased human well-being as a primary success criterion for development.
3. **Data Agency**—A/IS creators shall empower individuals with the ability to access and securely share their data, to maintain people’s capacity to have control over their identity.
4. **Effectiveness**—A/IS creators and operators shall provide evidence of the effectiveness and fitness for purpose of A/IS.
5. **Transparency**—The basis of a particular A/IS decision should always be discoverable.
6. **Accountability**—A/IS shall be created and operated to provide an unambiguous rationale for all decisions made.
7. **Awareness of Misuse**—A/IS creators shall guard against all potential misuses and risks of A/IS in operation.
8. **Competence**—A/IS creators shall specify and operators shall adhere to the knowledge and skill required for safe and effective operation.

EAD General Principles

Human Rights

Well-being

Data Agency

Effectiveness

Transparency

Accountability

Awareness of Misuse

Competence

IEEE P7000- Standard

Model Process for Addressing Ethical Concerns During System Design

➤ Purpose

➤ help to create a shared mission around values, value priorities and value harms to avoid &

➤ help to assure value based system engineering, by building a bridge between the value mission and the actual development of a system.



Draft IEEE P7000 - Process

➤ Ethical Mission Analysis

- Define System of Interest and Context of Use
- Collect unstructured Ideas as Harms & Benefits and weight these
- Use Life Cycle as per ISO/IEC TR24748-1:2010

➤ Value Needs Refinement

- Identify Harms and Benefits' Underlying Values
- Conceptually Investigate Value Qualities

➤ Value Risk Management

- Treat Value Qualities as System Qualities at Risk
- Analyse, Evaluate and Treat Risks
- Identify and select System Controls for all System Qualities at Risk



P7000 WG Structure

Chair & VC

Technical Editor

Secretary

Sub-Groups; Ethics, Process, Risk, SoS &
Ontology

56+ WG members

IEEE-P7000 Suite

[P7000 - Model Process for Addressing Ethical Concerns During System Design](#)

[P7001 - Transparency of Autonomous Systems](#)

[P7002 - Data Privacy Process](#)

[P7003 - Algorithmic Bias Considerations](#)

[P7004 - Standard for Child and Student Data Governance](#)

[P7005 - Standard for Transparent Employer Data Governance](#)

[P7006 - Standard for Personal Data Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) Agent](#)

[P7007 - Ontological Standard for Ethically Driven Robotics and Automation Systems](#)

[P7008 - Standard for Ethically Driven Nudging for Robotic, Intelligent and Autonomous Systems](#)

[P7009 - Standard for Fail-Safe Design of Autonomous and Semi-Autonomous Systems](#)

[P7010 - Wellbeing Metrics Standard for Ethical Artificial Intelligence and Autonomous Systems](#)

[P7011 - Standard for the Process of Identifying and Rating the Trustworthiness of News Sources](#)

[P7012 - Standard for Machine Readable Personal Privacy Terms](#)

[P7013 - Inclusion and Application Standards for Automated Facial Analysis Technology](#)

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The Ethics Certification Program for Autonomous & Intelligent Systems-ECPAIS

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The Ethics Certification Program for Autonomous and Intelligent Systems (ECPAIS)

Developing metrics and processes towards the implementation of a certification methodology addressing transparency, accountability and algorithmic bias

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The Ethics Certification Program for Autonomous and Intelligent Systems



About

The goal of The Ethics Certification Program for Autonomous and Intelligent Systems (ECPAIS) is to create specifications for certification and marking processes that advance transparency, accountability and reduction in algorithmic bias in Autonomous and Intelligent Systems (A/IS).

The Ethics Certification Program for Autonomous & Intelligent Systems-ECPAIS

Expert Focus Groups - Formation

- 1) Experts self-declare interests and competencies
- 2) Three Expert Focus Groups for:
 - 1) Accountability (AEFG)
 - 2) Algorithmic Bias (BEFG)
 - 3) Transparency (TEFG)



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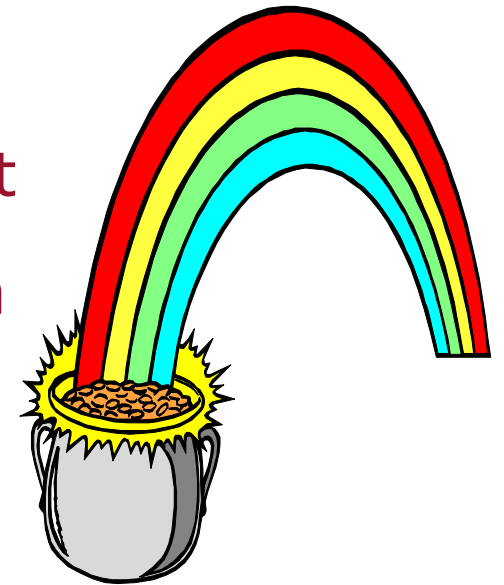
Schedule & Targets

- All three Expert Focus Groups progressing on Target
- Expected to have Interim Outcomes by mid-late July 2019
- Process Trials:
 - Members can Volunteer real-world Use Cases/Case Studies
 - ECPAIS will support Use Case Specification with bespoke Template
 - Interim Trials run by any of the Expert Focus Groups' Processes
 - Outcome shared with Members as Value from Support & Participation



Way Forward

- Humanity's destiny is increasingly intertwined
- Aim for public good should sit alongside/ transcend commercial gains
- Ethical Approach will have bottom line impact
- Need to go beyond conformity with minimum (Legal) Requirements
- Need A Holistic Auditable Systems Approach



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