Dear students,

The Research Cluster for Applied Ethics (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas) is pleased to announce the contest for the Applied Ethics Award of the RCAE. The primary goal of the contest (as well as the workshop to follow) is to promote high quality research in applied ethics. In the pluralistic context of the modern society, the questions of moral values have become of utmost importance. Be it the ethics of business or law, the newly emergent fields, such as machine ethics and robot ethics, or the classical questions of human life within the boundaries of bioethics, we do believe that there are right and wrong answers to these questions. As such, we take it as our duty to promote in-depth research in these areas, encourage rigorous moral reasoning, and to serve as an incentive for the interested students countrywide to continue working in the field of applied ethics and share their findings.

Prize question:
Should Artificial Intelligent Robots enjoy Moral Rights?

Eligibility:
All undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at a Lithuanian university

Guidelines for authors:
Submissions in English and must be professionally proofread before submitting
4000-5000 words

Criteria of assessment:
Originality and excellence

Awards:
400 €: sponsored by: RCAE and Prof. Dr. John-Stewart Gordon
The three best participants will be able to present their papers at a workshop

Important dates:
Submission deadline: 1.5.2018
Final decision: 1.6.2018
Workshop: 22.6.2018

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