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EVENTS

Currently, there are no planned upcoming events.

Collaboration Partner

The RCAE has a new collaboration partner - the Academia Kantiana of the Immanuel Kant Baltic University in Kaliningrad. It is planned to collaborate with the Academia Kantiana in researching topics related to Kant and applied ethics.

"Future Law, Ethics, and Smart Technologies" - Project News

Public Keynote Lecture

From the 14th to 18th of November, prof. Gordon was on a brief stay at Maynooth University (Ireland) during which he took part in the UNESCO World Philosophy Day 2018 and gave a public keynote lecture "AI and Ethics: Artificial Moral and Legal Personhood". The lecture was supplemented by responses from prof. Philipp Rosemann and dr. John Cullen (both from Maynooth University) and a round table discussion.

International Conferences

"Feminism & Technology"

On the 3rd and 4th of December, prof. Gordon has participated at the international conference "Feminism & Technology" at Cardiff University (Wales), where he gave a presentation titled "Child Robots as Sex Toys - Ethical Decisions at the Edge of Morality". The main aim of the conference was to facilitate an interdisciplinary dialogue between scholars working in different fields, such as feminist philosophy, philosophy of technology, technoscience, philosophy of mind, and epistemology.

"Criminological Research and its Implementation in Conditions of Transformational Processes: National and International Perspectives"

On the 12th and 13th of October, prof. Gruodyte took part in the international conference "Criminological Research and its Implementation in Conditions of Trans-

formational Processes: National and International Perspectives". Together with her colleague Olegas Sibgkovas, prof. Gruodyte gave a presentation titled "The Role of Criminal Law in the Age of Technologies: Problems and Perspectives".

Public Discussions: "Smart Technologies - Introduction"

On the 21st of September, the first public discussion on behalf of the project took place ("Smart Technologies - Introduction"). The discussion was aimed at introducing the general notion of smart technologies, as well as the main related legal and ethical issues. Presentations were given by prof. Gordon, prof. Fomin, dr. Astromskis, and dr. Darius Amilevicius.

"AI and Ethics"

The second public discussion, "AI and Ethics", took place on the 26th of October and was mostly focused on particular ethical problems of AI. Presentations were given by prof. Gordon, K. Mosakas, as well as the guest speaker Vladas Stoncius from "Vlantana", who outlined the ways in which smart technologies are utilized in advanced logistics companies. The video recordings of both discussions can be found [here](#), on the main website of the project.

Philosophy in Lithuania

Public Debate

A public debate "Aristotle against Plato" is taking place on the 9th of January at Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania. The debate will be moderated by Vilius Bartninkas (Vilnius University/Cambridge), and will be focused on critically examining different ideas of Aristotle and Plato against each other. While the event is free, one needs to register for it in advance. For more information, follow the link below:

<https://www.valdovurumai.lt/lankytojams/renginiai/viesi-debatai-klasiku-debatai-aristotelis-pries-platona>

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Our main website: <https://www.applied-ethics.com/>

Website of the "Future Law, Ethics, and Smart Technologies" project: <https://ateitis.vdu.lt/>