

# Desafíos neuro-éticos y brechas digitales

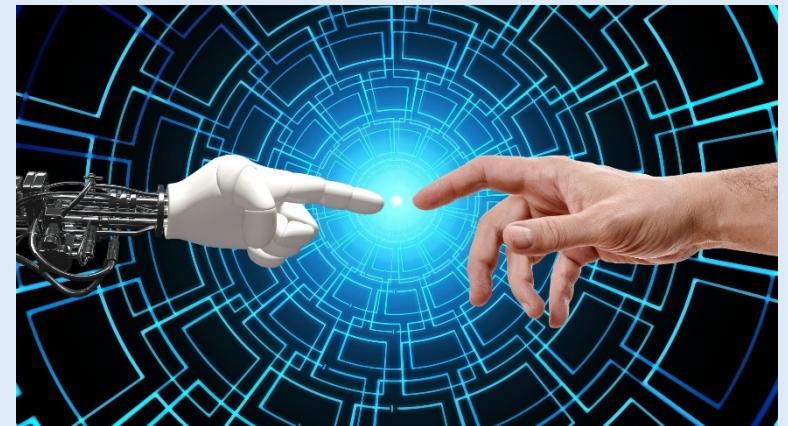
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*A pesar de los continuos esfuerzos por atajar los problemas de la humanidad por medio de la investigación científica y la innovación tecnológica, las respuestas siguen siendo fundamentalmente de carácter ético...*

*Carl Mitcham*

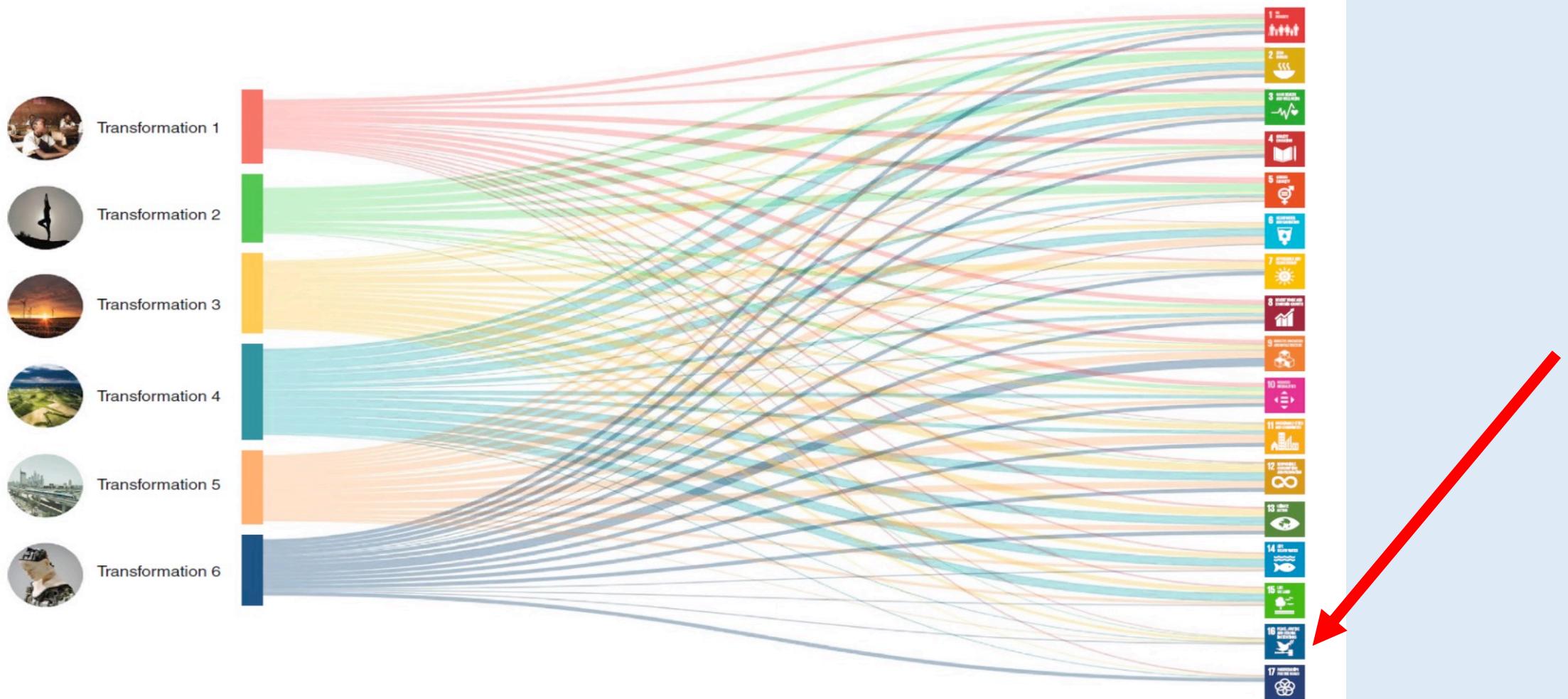


<https://www.bbvaopenmind.com/articulos/la-tecnologia-y-el-peso-de-la-responsabilidad/>



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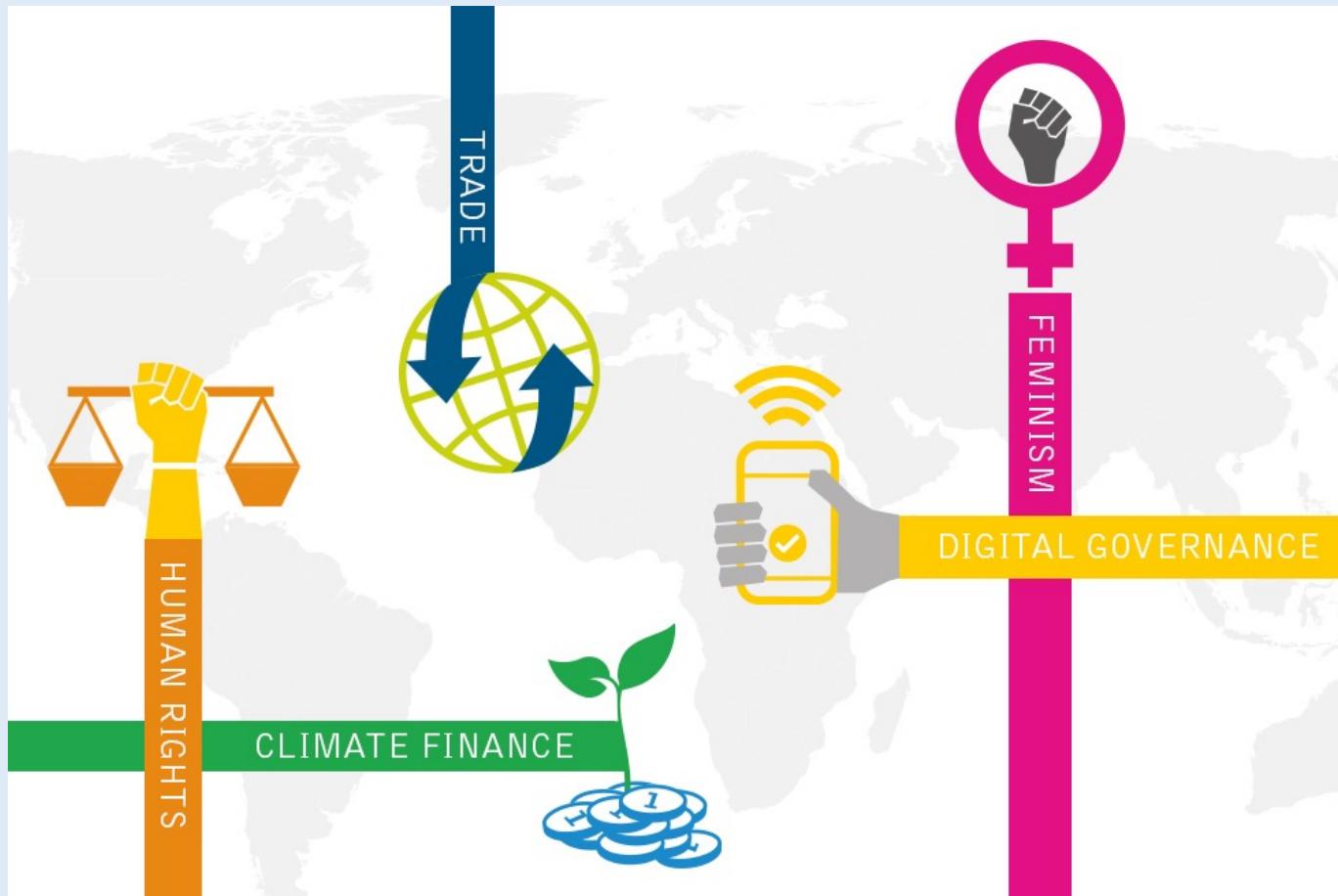
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**Fig. 2 | Contribution of each SDG Transformation towards the 17 SDGs.** Sankey diagram illustrating the relationships between each Transformation and the SDGs (Table 1). The thicker the line, the greater the contribution of that Transformation to meeting the SDGs (see Supplementary Section 5 for methods). SDG icons courtesy of UN/SDG.

Sachs, J.D., Schmidt-Traub, G., Mazzucato, M., Messner, D., Nakicenovic, N., Rockström, J. 2019. **Six Transformations to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals**, Nature Sustainability volume 2, pages 805–814 (2019)

# Tres transiciones: socio-económica, verde, digital



<https://eu.boell.org/en/future-of-multilateralism>

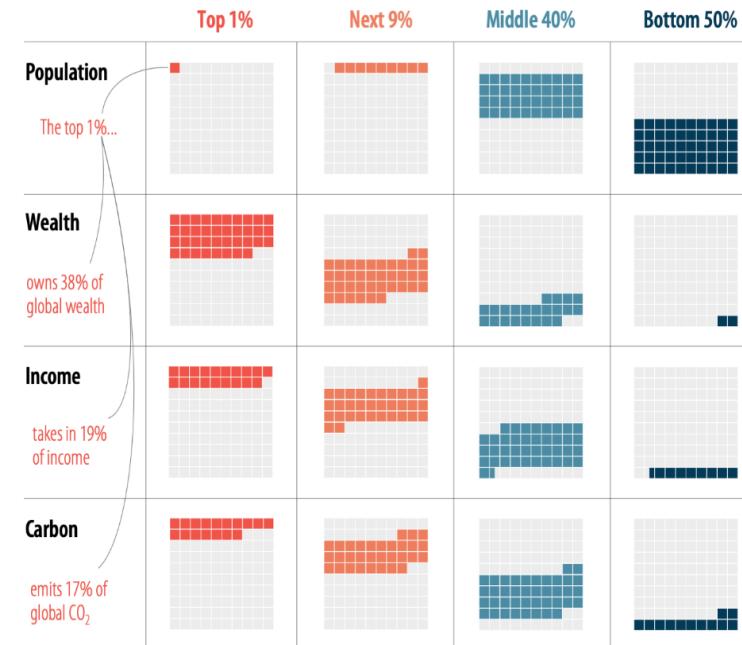
***Shaping the future of multilateralism  
Inclusive pathways to a just and crisis-resilient global order***

# TRANSICIÓN SOCIO-ECONÓMICA

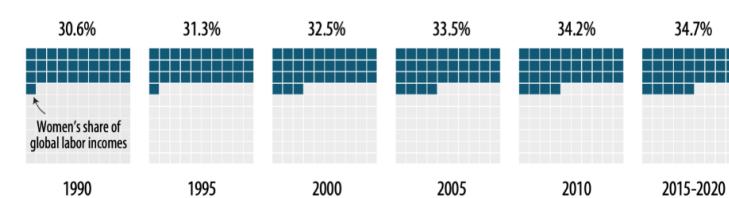
¡DESIGUALDAD!

## A lopsided world

Some 10 percent of the world's population owns 76 percent of the wealth, takes in 52 percent of income, and accounts for 48 percent of global carbon emissions.



Progress in reducing gender inequality has been slow, with women still accounting for only 35 percent of global labor incomes.



Source: World Inequality Report 2022 by the World Inequality Lab.

# TRANSICIÓN VERDE

Fracaso de la COP27

Teorías del COLAPSO, decrecimiento, etc. (Illich, Latouch, etc).

Andoni Alonso Puelles. CONTRA EL EVANGELIO DEL DESARROLLO O POR QUÉ VOLVER A LEER A IVAN ILLICH. ARBOR Ciencia, Pensamiento y Cultura 198 (805) julio-septiembre, 2022, a653 ISSN: 0210-1963, eISSN: 1988-303X

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# TRANSICIÓN DIGITAL

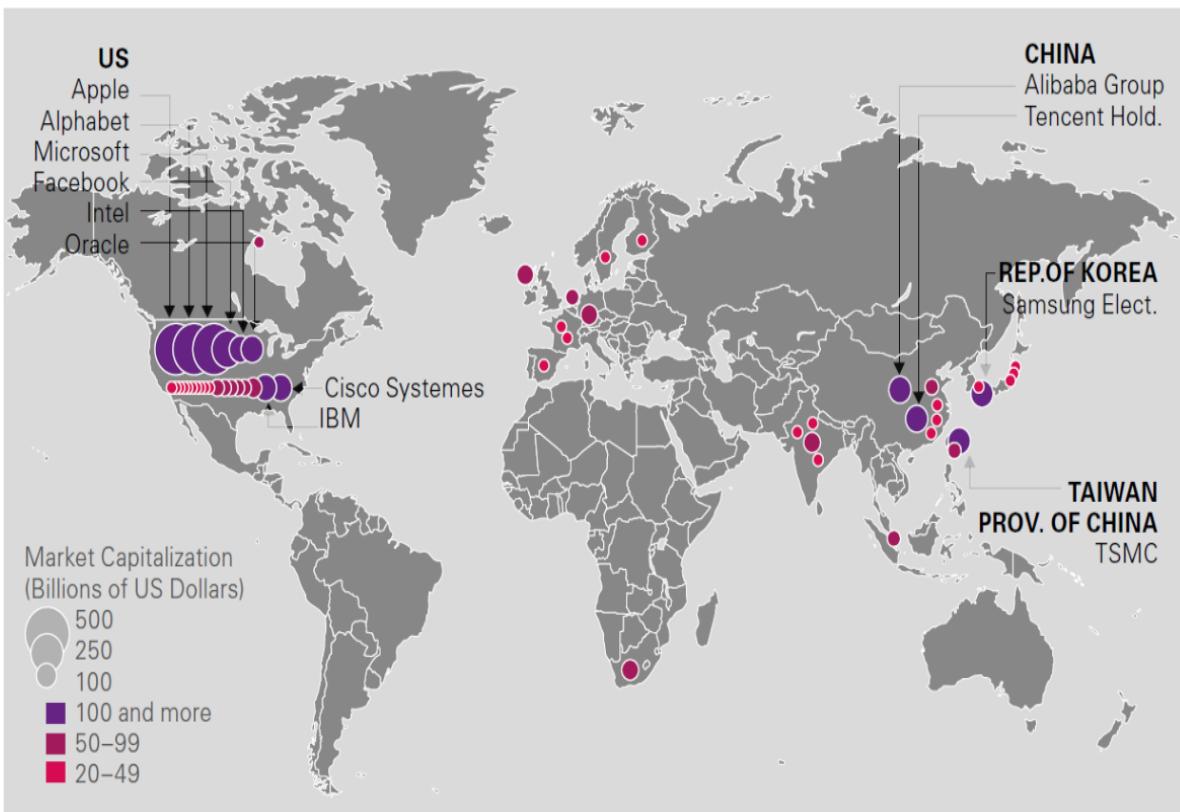


Figure 4 / Source: UNCTAD database of consolidation financial statements, based on Reuters Worldscope

James, Debora.

**DIGITAL TRADE RULES (2020).** A DISASTROUS NEW CONSTITUTION FOR THE GLOBAL ECONOMY, BY AND FOR BIG TECH

SHARES OF TOP 1 PER CENT COMPANIES FROM TECHNOLOGY, SOFTWARE AND IT-SERVICES SECTOR, 1996–2015 (in %)

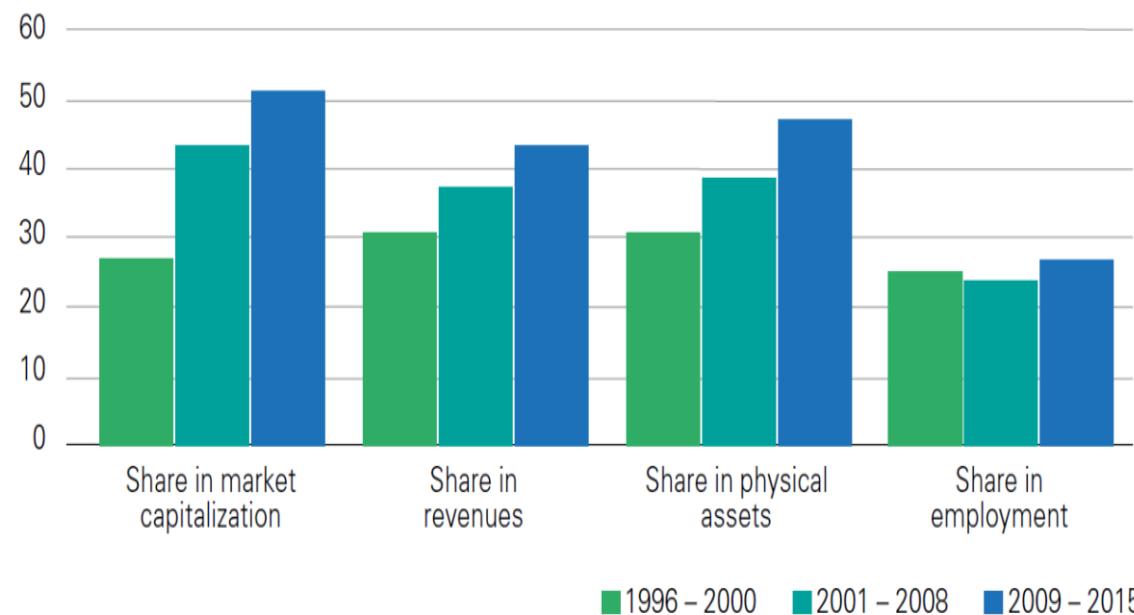


Figure2 / Source: Trade and Development Report, 2018. Note: Top 1 percent companies identified by intangible assets in the sector.

Cada vez más voces subrayan que el poder está en manos de quien controla los algoritmos, pues el mundo actual está cambiando radicalmente gracias a ellos, al *big data*, la robótica y la inteligencia artificial (Harari, 2017:429).



# NEUROTECNOLOGÍA

Técnicas de neurotecnología:

**neurociencia** –el estudio del cerebro–

**ingeniería** –la aplicación de la ciencia y tecnología para resolver problemas–

**inteligencia artificial (IA)** –la ciencia que estudia y crea sistemas artificiales inteligentes–.

Estas tecnologías reciben el nombre **NBIC** (nano-bio-info-cogno): nanotecnologías, biotecnologías, tecnologías de la información y ciencias cognitivas (IA, ciencia de datos, robótica, interfaces cerebro-máquina, biología sintética, nanotecnología).

Instituto de Filosofía del CSIC

<https://theconversation.com/la-urgencia-de-los-neuroderechos-humanos-176071>



# Concepto de Neurotecnología

Conjunto de tecnologías que permiten **visualizar, manipular, registrar, medir y obtener información del cerebro y del sistema nervioso con el objetivo de controlar, reparar o mejorar sus funciones.**

La neurotecnología utiliza **distintas técnicas** para registrar o estimular el cerebro. Estas técnicas se pueden dividir principalmente entre aquellas que requieren un contacto directo con el cerebro y el sistema nervioso ([invasivas](#)) y aquellas que no necesitan un contacto directo ([no-invasivas](#)).



# Impactos positivos y negativos

Una tecnología puede ser utilizada para cualquier otro propósito que no había sido previsto originalmente en su diseño.

Puede usarse en el ámbito de la salud (implantes, retraso en el desarrollo de alzheimer), pero también con fines delictivos.



- Salud (apoyo al diagnóstico)
- Acceso a la información (prevención de catástrofes, buscadores) **Global Pulse, UN**
- Proyecto Human Brain (R. Yuste)

<https://www.humanbrainproject.eu/en/science-development/scientific-achievements/showcases/>

# POSTURAS ÉTICAS

**TECNO-OPTIMISTA** (la tecnología mejorará nuestras vidas, nuestra inteligencia y nos hará más felices)

- Justicia (ciudadanos de primera categoría, brechas, etc)

- Alteración de la identidad de las personas

- Quién decide el rumbo de la innovación científica

**NEURO-DETERMINISTA** (nuestra estructura ética tiene un componente biológico, físico, químico)

**BIO CONSERVADORA** (oposición a cualquier modificación de la naturaleza humana)

Fte. Rafael de Asís. “Ethics and Robotics. A first approach” *The age of Human Rights Journal*



# Humanismo basado en los derechos humanos

Adela Cortina, Rafael de Asís:

La decisión moral tiene bases psicológicas, sociales y también “cerebrales” (bio físico químico).

- Apertura al conocimiento científico
- Que esté orientado al bienestar de la humanidad respetando los derechos humanos
- Teniendo en cuenta a las futuras generaciones
- Y a las actuales...a todas las personas (diversidad)



# REGULACIÓN

No existen muchos ejemplos de países que hayan regulado esta cuestión, salvo el intento de constitucionalización en Chile.

Carta de derechos digitales en España:

- El control de cada persona sobre su identidad
- La autodeterminación individual, soberanía y libertad en la toma de decisiones
- La confidencialidad y seguridad de los datos obtenidos o relativos a sus procesos cerebrales
- El uso de interfaces persona-máquina susceptibles de afectar a la integridad física o psíquica de la persona
- Asegurar que las decisiones basadas en neurotecnologías no sean condicionadas por el suministro de datos.

Una experiencia muy relevante es el caso del proyecto de ley que se está discutiendo en Brasil, en el que se define el **dato neuronal** como “cualquier información obtenida directa o indirectamente de la actividad del sistema nervioso central y cuyo acceso se realiza por medio de interfaces cerebro-ordenador, o cualquier otra tecnología, invasiva o no”. PROJETO DE LEI No , DE 2022, que modifica a Lei n° 13.709, de 14 de agosto de 2018 (Lei Geral de Proteção de Dados Pessoais



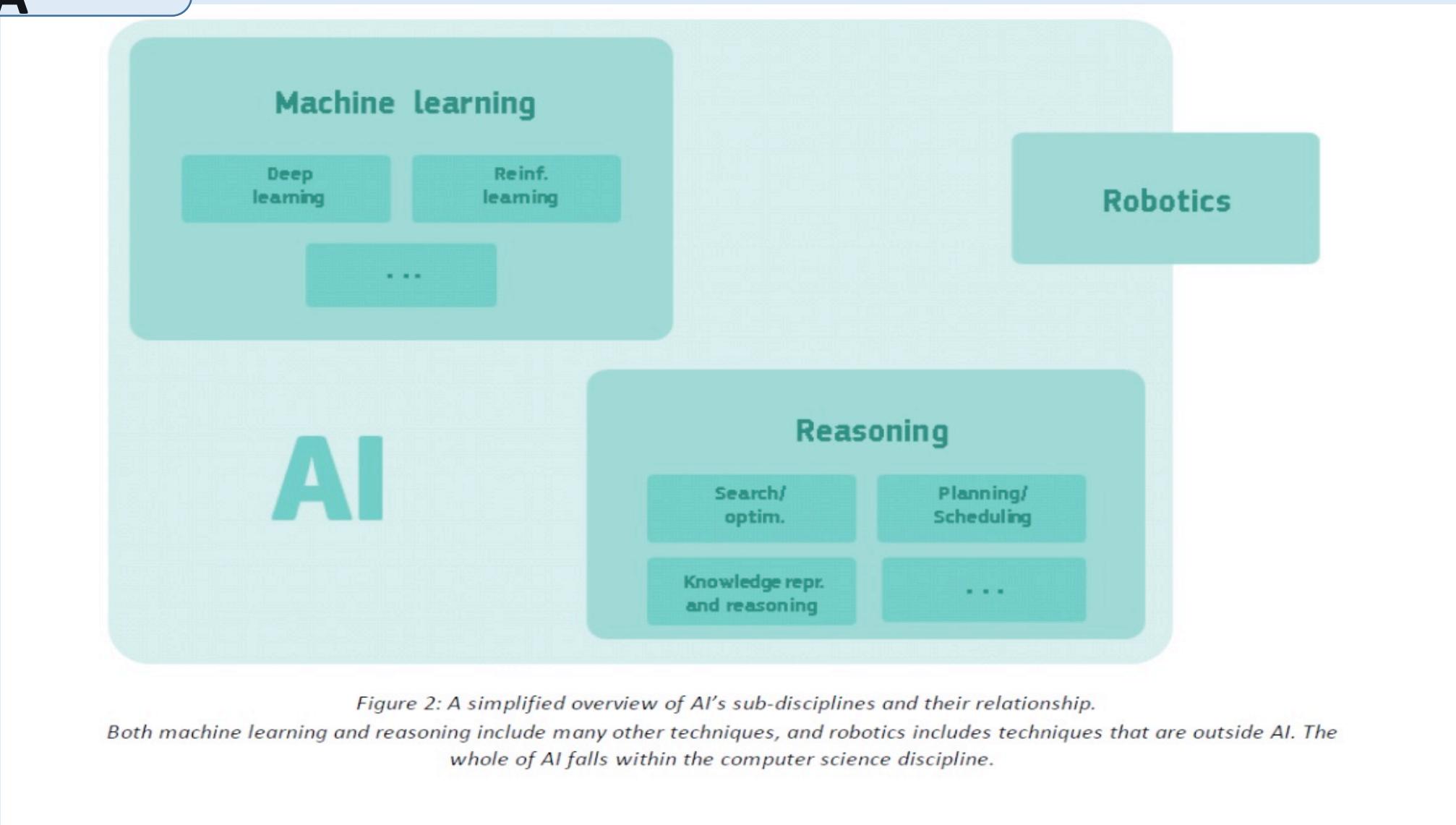
# INTELIGENCIA ARTIFICIAL

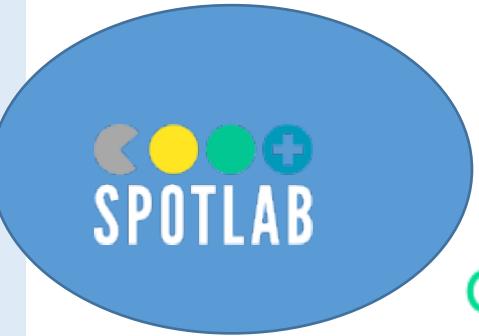
## Algoritmos

Las líneas de código programado que se necesitaron para poner al ser humano en la Luna en 1969 fueron 145.000 y en el año 2015 las líneas de código programado para gobernar Google fueron de 2 billones. Los sistemas algorítmicos son laberintos incomprensibles, en muchos casos hasta para los ingenieros, matemáticos y físicos que las escribieron (Steiner 2012)

Astobiza, Aníbal (2017) “Ética algorítmica: Implicaciones éticas de una sociedad cada vez más gobernada por algoritmos”. *DILEMATA*, nº24.

# Concepto de IA





**IBM  
WATSON**

**Global  
Pulse**

digital divide in ai

Tucuvi

algorithmic injustice

lack of transparency

lack of privacy

unfairness

bias

Deepl.com

positive impact on health

**mediktor**

good impact on education

lack of explainability

“It is not enough to teach a man a specialty. Through it, he may become a kind of useful machine but not a harmoniously developed personality. It is essential that the student acquire an ***understanding of and a lively feeling for values***. He must acquire a ***vivid sense of the beautiful and of the morally good***....He must learn to understand the motives of human beings, their illusions and their sufferings, in order to acquire a proper relationship to individual fellow men and to the community”.

Einstein, A. 1952. *The New York Times*.

“Tenemos que adaptar nuestros principios y valores éticos a las demandas de las tecnologías.

Debemos prestar atención a los sesgos que implícitamente incluimos en los desarrollos tecnológicos”

**Colin Allen, Wendell Wallach, Iva Smit, *Why Machine Ethics?***

Vol. 21, No. 4 July/August 2006

**La IA se entrena con datos sesgados (datos que incluyen desigualdades), y reproduce dichas desigualdades**

<https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/infographic-historical-bias-ai-systems>

## Ethics of AI

<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-17040-9>



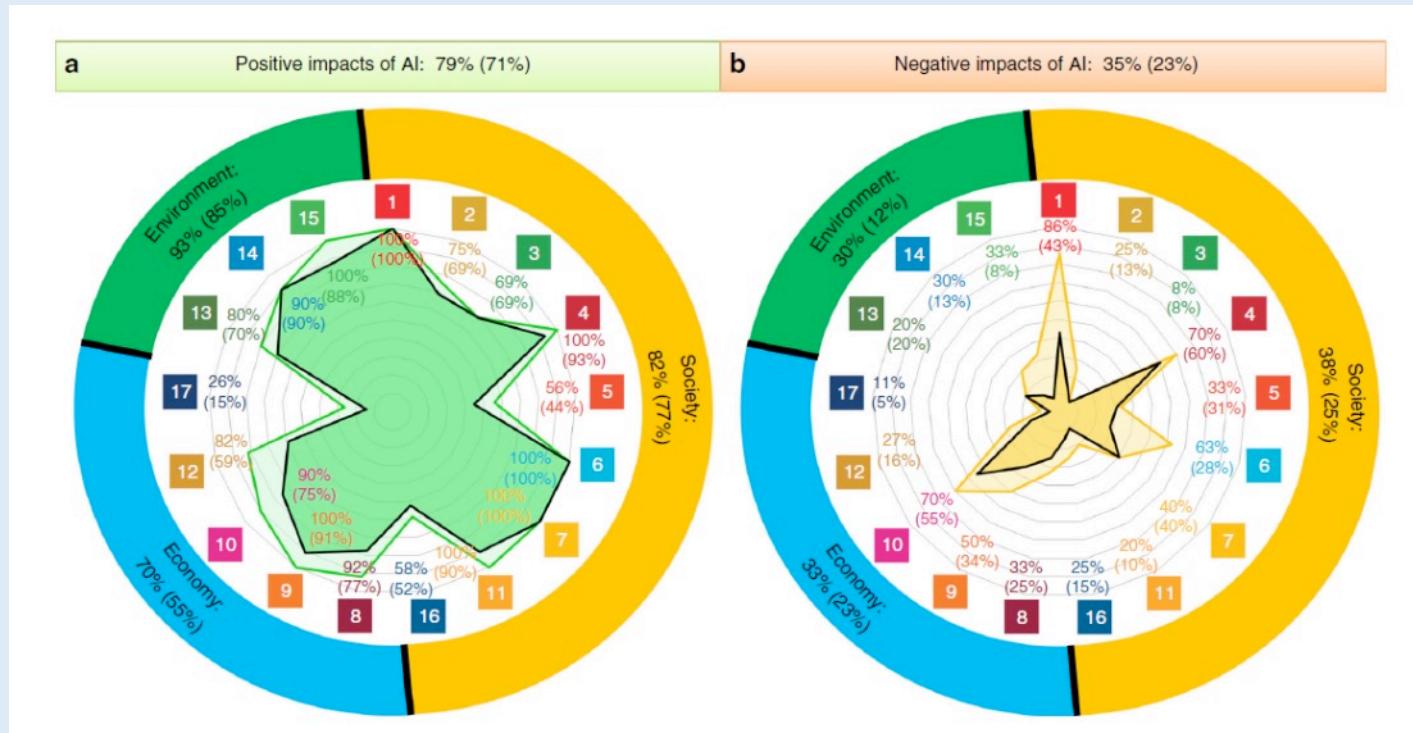
Fig. 4.1 Unveiled by whistleblowers

***Mitigating Bias in Artificial Intelligence:***  
<https://haas.berkeley.edu/equity/industry/playbooks/mitigating-bias-in-ai/>.

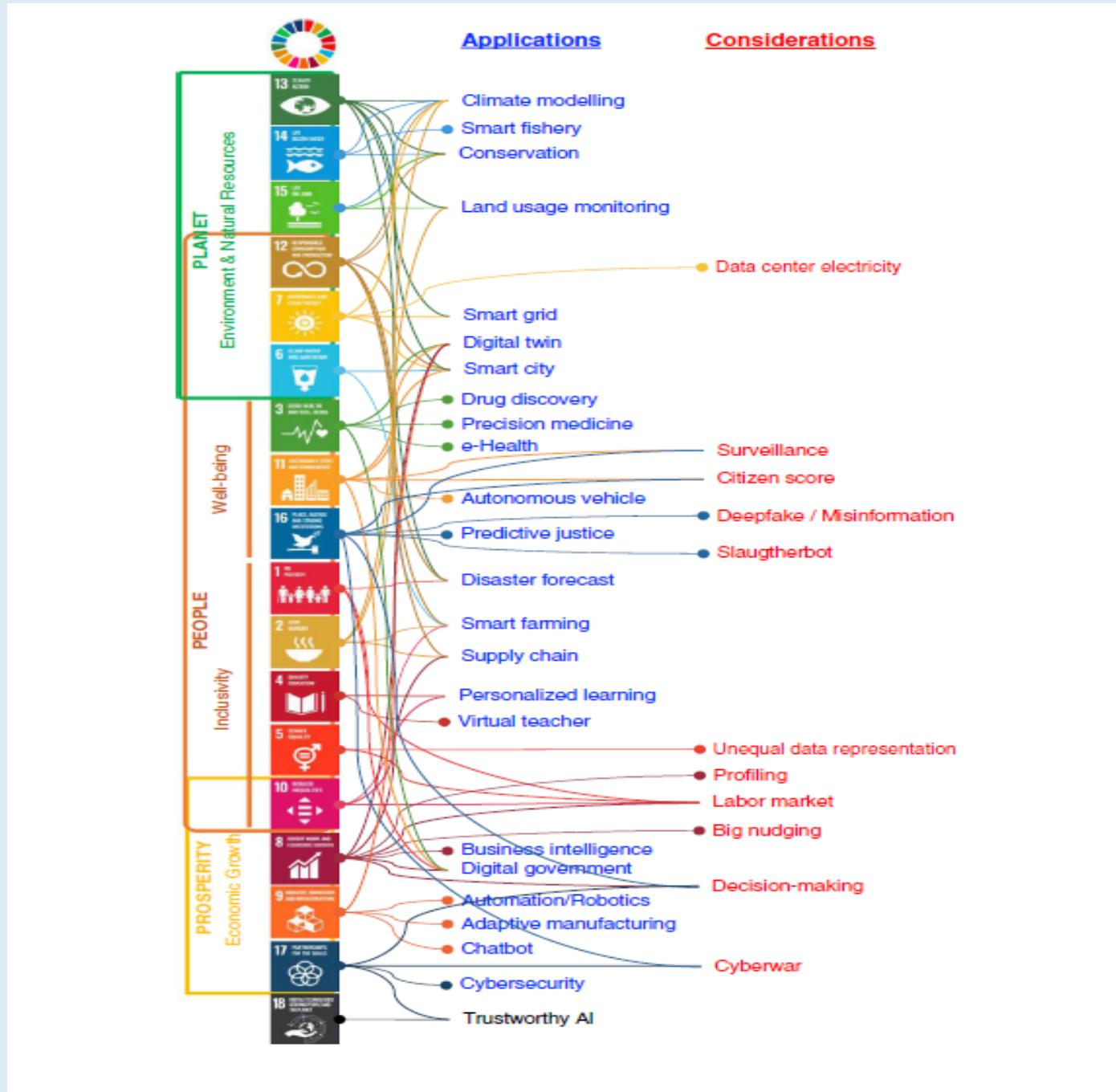
Timnit Gebru, Cambridge Analytica, IMPACT algorithm

[https://www.ted.com/talks/carole\\_cadwalladr\\_facebook\\_s\\_role\\_in\\_brexit\\_and\\_the\\_threat\\_to\\_democracy](https://www.ted.com/talks/carole_cadwalladr_facebook_s_role_in_brexit_and_the_threat_to_democracy)

# TECHNO SOLUTIONISM?



Vinuesa, R., Azizpour, H., Leite, I. et al. The role of artificial intelligence in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. *Nat Commun* **11**, 233 (2020).  
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-019-14108-y>



Goh HH, Vinuesa R. Regulating artificial-intelligence applications to achieve the sustainable development goals. *Discov Sustain.* 2021;2(1):52. doi: 10.1007/s43621-021-00064-5. Epub 2021 Nov 29. PMID: 35425914; PMCID: PMC8628838.

Los propios autores reconocen:

El propio interés puede sesgar a la comunidad investigadora y a la industria, puesto que hay presión hacia la publicación de resultados positivos. Encontrarán más fácilmente fondos los proyectos tecnológicos con resultados económicos prometedores.

Descubrir los aspectos negativos de la IA requiere estudios de largo plazo y faltan metodologías estructuradas para hacerlo.

# PRINCIPLED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

A Map of Ethical and Rights-Based Approaches to Principles for AI

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## HOW TO READ:

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**Document Title**

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## COVERAGE OF THEMES:



The size of each dot represents the percentage of principles in that theme contained in the document. Since the number of principles per theme varies, it's informative to compare dot sizes within a theme but not between themes.

## The principles within each theme are:

**Privacy:**  
Privacy  
Control over Use of Data  
Consent  
Privacy by Design  
Recommendation for Data Protection Laws  
Ability to Restrict Processing  
Right to Rectification  
Right to Erasure

**Transparency and Explainability:**  
Explainability  
Transparency  
Open Source Data and Algorithms  
Notification when Interacting with an AI  
Notification when AI Makes a Decision about an Individual  
Regular Reporting Requirement  
Right to Information  
Open Procurement (for Government)

**Fairness and Non-discrimination:**  
Non-discrimination and the Prevention of Bias  
Fairness

**Inclusiveness in Design**  
Inclusiveness in Impact  
Representative and High Quality Data  
Equality

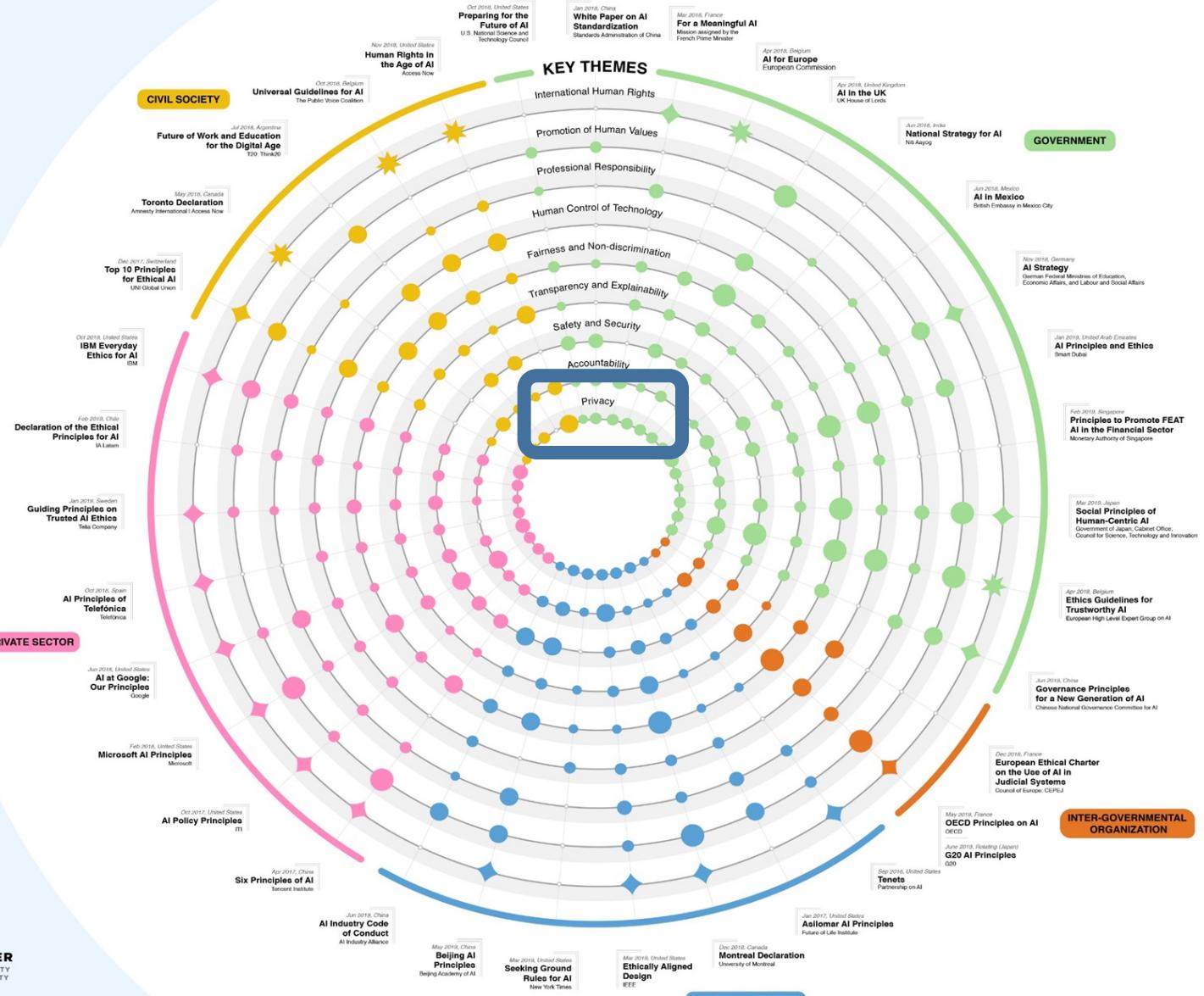
**Human Control of Technology:**  
Human Control of Technology  
Human Review of Automated Decision  
Ability to Opt out of Automated Decision

**Professional Responsibility:**  
Multistakeholder Collaboration  
Responsible Design  
Consideration of Long Term Effects  
Accuracy  
Scientific Integrity

**Promotion of Human Values:**  
Leveraged to Benefit Society  
Human Values and Human Flourishing  
Access to Technology

Further information on findings and methodology is available in *Principled Artificial Intelligence: Mapping Consensus in Ethical and Rights-Based Approaches* (Berkman Klein, 2020) available at [cyber.harvard.edu](http://cyber.harvard.edu).

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# Necesitamos la perspectiva ética

No single ethical principle common to all documents; an emerging convergence around transparency, justice/fairness, non-maleficence, responsibility, & privacy

Significant underrepresentation of solidarity, (human) dignity, & sustainability

Disagreement on interpretation, domain/stakeholders, implementation etc.

Jobin, A., Ienca, M., & Vayena, E. (2019). The global landscape of AI ethics guidelines,  
*Nature Machine Intelligence*

- Asilomar Principles  
<https://futureoflife.org/ai-principles/>
- Montreal Declaration for Responsible AI
- IEEE Ethically Aligned Design v2  
<https://ethicsinaction.ieee.org/>
- *Ethical Framework for a Good AI Society*, propuesto por el AI4People en diciembre de 2018
- *Ethics Guidelines for Trustworthy AI del High-Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence* de la Comisión Europea de abril de 2019
- UNESCO Recommendation
- WWW Consortium has a great proposal on Ethics and Technology

## Policy challenges for governing AI

- **The operationalization of social values**
  - Public interest
  - Tensions
  - Priorities
- **The scope of stakeholders**
  - Designers and developers
  - Public research vs. industry
  - (Non-)Users
- **The locus of (de-)regulation**
  - Technology & techniques
  - Deployment & use
  - Impact

# Necesitamos una metodología ética consensuada

- Explainable AI
- UE (Ethics by Design)
- IEEE (Ethically Aligned and Zinspection)
- Harvard (Embedded Ethics)
- Value-sensitive Design (Cummings)
- Etc.

*Ethics, initially, and for a long time, were closely related with religion and politics and more recently focused on communities of practice. The undergoing digital revolution enabled by Artificial Intelligence and Big Data are bringing ethical wicked problems in the social application of these technologies. However, a broader perspective is also necessary. We now face global challenges that cannot be reduced to individual-oriented solutions. Artificial Intelligence and digital technologies are global and make humans more connected and smart but also more homogeneous, predictable and ultimately controllable. The digital revolution is being an industry-driven movement. It is necessary to establish mechanisms to ensure that the society becomes conscious about its own future.*

(David Pastor Escuredo. <sup>1</sup>Computer Science Department, University College London, London WC1E 6EA, UK. <sup>2</sup>LifeD Laboratory, 28010 Madrid, Spain.<sup>3</sup>UNICEF, New York City, NY 10017, USA)

Fernández-Aller, Celia; Fernández, Arturo; Manjarrés, Angeles; Pastor Escuredo, David; Pickin, Salgado Criado, Ausín. *et al.*, "An Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence Strategy for Europe Based on Human Rights," in *IEEE Technology and Society Magazine*, vol. 40, no. 1, pp. 46-54, March 2021, doi: 10.1109/MTS.2021.3056283.

WORLD VIEW · 07 JULY 2020

## Don't ask if artificial intelligence is good or fair, ask how it shifts power



Those who could be exploited by AI should be shaping its projects.

Pratyusha Kalluri

WORLD VIEW | 01 May 2019

## Don't let industry write the rules for AI



Technology companies are running a campaign to bend research and regulation for their benefit; society must fight back, says Yochai Benkler.

Has your own thinking on the topic evolved?

Our overview of AI ethics guidelines has made clear to me that the devil is in the details. How meaningful is, for example, a pledge to 'human-centred AI' if there are no specifications as to how and by whom this will be defined, implemented, measured and controlled in practice? I have also realized that we should not let discussions about details make us lose sight of the big picture. For instance, it is crucial to pay attention to who gets to define the ethics of AI, and to the processes that decide what counts as ethical AI.

Jobin, A. et al. (2021). AI reflections in 2020,  
*Nature Machine Intelligence*



# Etica y enfoque basado en derechos humanos

ETHICS

HUMAN RIGHTS

No discriminación  
Participación  
Transparencia

No obligatoriedad

Exigible

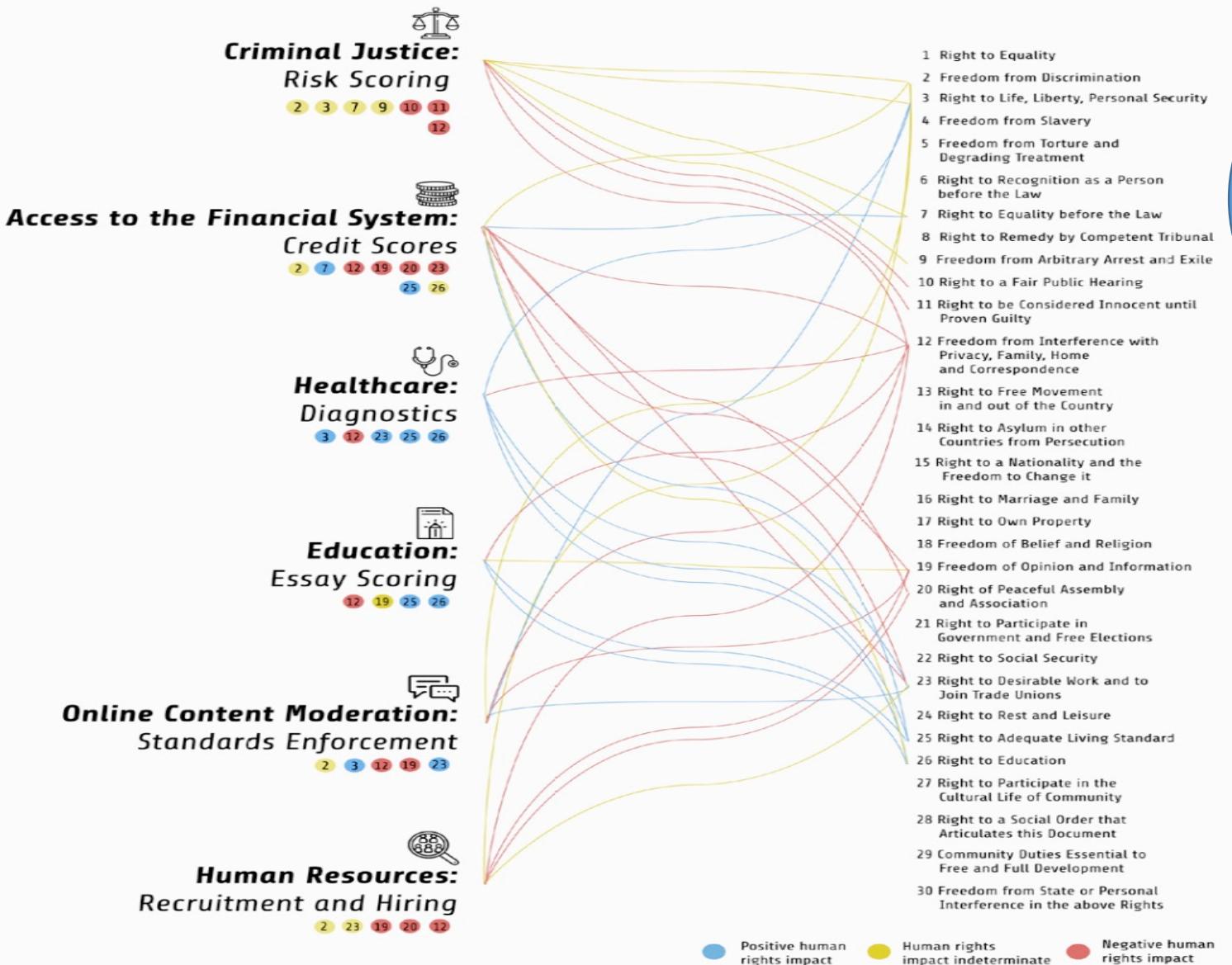
Do not have consensus

Have consensus  
(HHRR International  
Law)

Variety of principles

Universal principles

# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & HUMAN RIGHTS



Sarah case  
(algorithms,  
social care)

The Dutch tax authority ruined thousands of lives after using an algorithm to spot suspected benefits fraud — and critics say there is little stopping it from happening again.

<https://www.politico.eu/article/dutch-scandal-serves-as-a-warning-for-europe-over-risks-of-using-algorithms/>

- Sarah was remembering four years ago, when her sister Chantell, who had cerebral palsy and heavily relied on support, **had her home care visits dramatically cut from 56 to 32 hours a week**. A new algorithm had reassessed the amount of care her sister would be given.
- When the assessor entered the information about her health status, daily routines and needs for support into the computer, it ran through an algorithm that Brent council had recently approved, determining how many hours of help she would receive.
- And then there was her younger brother Jordan who **had been arrested and charged with burglary** and petty theft for grabbing an unlocked bike and a scooter with his mate. When Jordan was booked into prison, **a computer program** spat out a score predicting the likelihood of him committing a future crime.

# Buenas prácticas

A screenshot of a web browser window. The title bar shows three tabs: "human in the loop - Búsqueda" (with a red X), "Humans in the Loop: The Design" (with a red X), and "Artful Design: Technology in Sea" (which is active, highlighted in white). Below the tabs is a toolbar with icons for back, forward, search, and other functions. The address bar displays the URL "https://artful.design". To the right of the address bar are various browser controls like star, refresh, and download. On the left side of the main content area is the Artful Design logo, which consists of a stylized person icon inside a circle followed by the text "ARTFUL DESIGN" and a blue "BOOK" button. To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links: "ABOUT", "CHAPTERS", "AUTHOR", "TEACH", "EVENTS", "AD:TV", and "MORE...". The main content area features a large, blurred background image of a forest with autumn-colored leaves. Overlaid on this image is the text "ETHICS.", "PHILOSOPHY.", "TECHNOLOGY.", and "LIFE." stacked vertically in large, white, sans-serif capital letters.

# Moral machine



<< Please don't make me choose!  
Just tell me what to do. >>

- <https://www.moralmachine.net/>

# CONCLUSIONES

- La Política debe escuchar a la **Ciencia y a la Filosofía**

- Programa europeo S4P (Science for Policy)

COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT *Supporting and connecting policymaking in the Member States with scientific research* (2022)

- Y a la **sociedad civil organizada**
- Y por supuesto...a **otros actores** (pero no sólo y siempre a los mismos)



# RETOS

- ✓ ¿Cómo hacer para que los derechos que hemos consensuado off line también se apliquen adaptados (o nuevos) al mundo on line (sea el entorno que sea: internet, metaversos, etc)
- ✓ ¿Cómo conseguir que las preocupaciones éticas y de derechos humanos no frenen la innovación tecnológica, sino que fomenten una innovación más segura y participativa?
- ✓ ¿Cómo conseguir que los robots sean agentes morales?
  - ✓ Robot cuidador
  - ✓ Coche autónomo
- ✓ ¿Cómo concienciar y educar para una participación responsable en la Cuarta Revolución industrial?