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## **The Second AAAI / ACM Annual Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society**

**January 26 - January 28**

Hilton Hawaiian Village  
Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

### **Program Guide**

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# AIES-19 Conference Overview

On Saturday Jan. 26 at 7:30pm, we will have a **panel on “Perspectives on Responsible AI”** with Peter Hershock (moderator), Yolanda Gil, Huw Price, Francesca Rossi, and Dekai Wu. Location: *Spalding Building, Room 155, University of Hawaii - Manoa*. **The main program** (Jan. 27-28) takes place at the *Mid Pacific Conference Center at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, Coral 4*.

## Sunday, January 27

## Monday, January 28

<b>8:40 - 8:50</b>	Opening remarks	
<b>8:50 - 9:40</b>	Invited talk <b>Ryan Calo</b> (Univ. of Washington)	Invited talk <b>Anca Dragan</b> (UC Berkeley)
<b>9:40 - 10:00</b>	Spotlight 1: <i>Normative Perspectives</i>	Spotlight 3: <i>Empirical Perspectives</i>
<b>10:00 - 10:30</b>	Coffee + Posters	Coffee + Posters
<b>10:30 - 11:30</b>	Session 1: <i>Algorithmic Fairness</i>	Session 6: <i>Social Science Models</i>
<b>11:30 - 12:30</b>	Session 2: <i>Norms and Explanations</i>	Session 7: <i>Measurement &amp; Justice</i>
<b>12:30 - 2:00</b>	Lunch	Lunch
<b>2:00 - 3:00</b>	Session 3: <i>Artificial Agency</i>	Session 8: <i>AI for Social Good</i>
<b>3:00 - 4:00</b>	Session 4: <i>Autonomy &amp; Lethality</i>	Session 9: <i>Human-Machine Interaction</i>
<b>4:00 - 4:30</b>	Coffee + Posters	Coffee + Posters
<b>4:30 - 5:30</b>	Session 5: <i>Rights &amp; Principles</i> Spotlight 2: <i>Fairness+Explanations</i>	Invited talk <b>David Danks</b> (Carnegie Mellon) Closing remarks
<b>5:40 - 6:30</b>	Invited talk <b>Susan Athey</b> (Stanford University)	
<b>7:00 - 9:00</b>	Reception + Posters	

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Onsite registration and badge pick-up will be located in the foyer of the Coral Ballroom (outside Coral 2) on the sixth floor of the Mid Pacific Conference Center at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, 2005 Kalia Road, Honolulu, HI 96815, USA. Registration hours will be Sunday and Monday, 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM. All attendees must pick up their registration packets/badges for admittance to programs.

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## Social Events

**Student lunch, Jan 28 during the lunch break 12:30PM-2PM (only for those in the student program)**

**Where:** MW Restaurant, 1538 Kapiolani Blvd #107, Honolulu, HI 96814

20 minute walk or 8 minute ride from the conference venue.

# AIES 2019 Program

## January 26th

### Responsible Artificial Intelligence: Aligning Technology, Engineering and Ethics

7:30-9:00pm Saturday, January 26, 2019

Spalding Building, Room 155, University of Hawaii - Manoa

This moderated panel discussion will focus on the societal implications of progress in artificial intelligence and how perspectives on this vary around the world. The panel is open to all and no formal background in AI is required. The panelists include:

- **Dr. Yolanda Gil**, Professor of Computer Sciences and Spatial Sciences at the University of Southern California, Director of the USC Center for Knowledge-Powered Interdisciplinary Data Science, and the 24<sup>th</sup> President of the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence
- **Dr. Huw Price**, Professor of Philosophy at University of Cambridge and Academic Director of its Centre for the Study of Existential Risk and the Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence
- **Dr. Francesca Rossi**, the IBM AI Ethics Global Leader, distinguished research scientist at the IBM T.J. Watson Research Center, and Professor of Computer Science at the University of Padova
- **Dr. Wu Dekai**, Professor of Computer Science and Engineering at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology and a founding fellow of the Association for Computational Linguistics

The panel will be moderated by **Dr. Peter Hershock**, Director of the Asian Studies Development Program at the East-West Center.

**The main program** (Jan. 27-28, everything below) is at the *Mid Pacific Conference Center at the Hilton Hawaiian Village*, in **Coral 4** (sessions, some posters on the 28th), **Coral 3** (reception, posters on the 27th) and foyer (some posters on the 28th).

## January 27th

8:40 AM - 8:50 AM    **Opening Remarks**

8:50 AM - 9:40 AM    **Invited Talk** (Chair: Vincent Conitzer)

### **Ryan Calo (Univ. of Washington School of Law): *How We Talk About AI (And Why It Matters)***

**Abstract:** How we talk about artificial intelligence matters. Not only do our rhetorical choices influence public expectations of AI, they implicitly make the case for or against specific government interventions. Conceiving of AI as a global project to which each nation can contribute, for instance, suggests a different course of action than understanding AI as a “race” America cannot afford to lose. And just as inflammatory terms such as “killer robot” aim to catalyze limitations of autonomous weapons, so do the popular terms “ethics” and “governance” subtly argue for a lesser role for government in setting AI policy. How should we talk about AI? And what’s at stake with our rhetorical choices? This presentation explores the interplay between claims about AI and law’s capacity to channel AI in the public interest.

9:40 AM - 10:00 AM **Spotlight 1: Normative Perspectives** (Chair: Vincent Conitzer)

**Rightful Machines and Dilemmas**

Ava Thomas Wright

**Modelling and Influencing the AI Bidding War: A Research Agenda**

The Anh Han, Luis Moniz Pereira and Tom Lenaerts

**The Heart of the Matter: Patient Autonomy as a Model for the Wellbeing of Technology Users**

Emanuelle Burton, Kristel Clayville, Judy Goldsmith and Nicholas Mattei

**Requirements for an Artificial Agent with Norm Competence**

Bertram Malle, Paul Bello and Matthias Scheutz

**Toward the Engineering of Virtuous Machines**

Naveen Sundar Govindarajulu, Selmer Bringsjord and Rikhiya Ghosh

**Semantics Derived Automatically from Language Corpora Contain Human-like Moral Choices**

Sophie Jentsch, Patrick Schramowski, Constantin Rothkopf and Kristian Kersting

**Ethically Aligned Opportunistic Scheduling for Productive Laziness**

Han Yu, Chunyan Miao, Yongqing Zheng, Lizhen Cui, Simon Fauvel and Cyril Leung

**(When) Can AI Bots Lie?**

Tathagata Chakraborti and Subbarao Kambhampati

**Epistemic Therapy for Bias in Automated Decision-Making**

Thomas Gilbert and Yonatan Mintz

**Algorithmic greenlining: An approach to increase diversity**

Christian Borgs, Jennifer Chayes, Nika Haghtalab, Adam Kalai and Ellen Vitercik

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Coffee Break + Poster Session 1 (Posters from Spotlight 1)**

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Session 1: Algorithmic Fairness** (Chair: Gillian Hadfield)

**Active Fairness in Algorithmic Decision Making**

Michiel Bakker, Alejandro Noriega-Campero, Bernardo Garcia-Bulle and Alex Pentland

**Paradoxes in Fair Computer-Aided Decision Making**

Andrew Morgan and Rafael Pass

**Fair Transfer Learning with Missing Protected Attributes**

Amanda Coston, Karthikeyan Natesan Ramamurthy, Dennis Wei, Kush Varshney, Skyler Speakman, Zairah Mustahsan and Supriyo Chakraborty

**How Do Fairness Definitions Fare? Examining Public Attitudes Towards Algorithmic Definitions of Fairness**

Nripsuta Saxena, Karen Huang, Evan DeFilippis, Goran Radanovic, David Parkes and Yang Liu

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM **Session 2: Norms and Explanations** (Chair: Vincent Conitzer)

**Learning Existing Social Conventions via Observationally Augmented Self-Play (Best Paper Award)**

Alexander Peysakhovich and Adam Lerer

**Legible Normativity for AI Alignment: The Value of Silly Rules**

Dylan Hadfield-Menell, Mckane Andrus and Gillian Hadfield

**TED: Teaching AI to Explain its Decisions**

Noel Codella, Michael Hind, Karthikeyan Natesan Ramamurthy, Murray Campbell, Amit Dhurandhar, Kush Varshney, Dennis Wei and Aleksandra Mojsilovic

**Understanding Black Box Model Behavior through Subspace Explanations**

Himabindu Lakkaraju, Ece Kamar, Rich Caruana and Jure Leskovec

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **Lunch Break**

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM **Session 3: Artificial Agency** (Chair: Shannon Vallor)

**Shared Moral Foundations of Embodied Artificial Intelligence\***

Joe Cruz

**Building Jiminy Cricket: An Architecture for Moral Agreements Among Stakeholders**

Beishui Liao, Marija Slavkovic and Leendert van der Torre

**AI + Art = Human\***

Antonio Daniele and Yi-Zhe Song

**Speaking on Behalf: Representation, Delegation, and Authority in Computational Text Analysis**

Eric Baumer and Micki McGee

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Session 4: Autonomy and Lethality** (Chair: Ryan Calo)

**Killer Robots and Human Dignity\***

Daniel Lim

**Regulating Lethal and Harmful Autonomy: Drafting a Protocol VI of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons\***

Sean Welsh

**Balancing the Benefits of Autonomous Vehicles**

Timothy Geary and David Danks

**Compensation at the Crossroads: Autonomous Vehicles and Alternative Victim Compensation Schemes**

Tracy Pearl

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM **Coffee Break + Student Poster Session**

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM **Session 5: Rights and Principles** (Chair: Shannon Vallor)

**The Role and Limits of Principles in AI Ethics: Towards a Focus on Tensions**

Jess Whittlestone, Rune Nyruup, Anna Alexandrova and Stephen Cave

**How Technological Advances Can Reveal Rights**

Jack Parker and David Danks

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM **Spotlight 2: Fairness and Explanations** (Chair: Shannon Vallor)

**IMLI: An Incremental Framework for MaxSAT-Based Learning of Interpretable Classification Rules**

Bishwamitra Ghosh and Kuldeep S. Meel

**Loss-Aversively Fair Classification**

Junaid Ali, Muhammad Bilal Zafar, Adish Singla and Krishna P. Gummadi

**Counterfactual Fairness in Text Classification through Robustness**

Sahaj Garg, Vincent Perot, Nicole Limtiaco, Ankur Taly, Ed Chi and Alex Beutel

**Taking Advantage of Multitask Learning for Fair Classification**

Luca Oneto, Michele Doninini, Amon Elders and Massimiliano Pontil

**Explanatory Interactive Machine Learning**

Stefano Teso and Kristian Kersting

**Multiaccuracy: Black-Box Post-Processing for Fairness in Classification**

Michael P. Kim, Amirata Ghorbani and James Zou

**A Formal Approach to Explainability**

Lior Wolf, Tomer Galanti and Tamir Hazan



**Costs and Benefits of Fair Representation Learning**

Daniel McNamara, Cheng Soon Ong and Robert Williamson

**Creating Fair Models of Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease Risk**

Stephen Pfohl, Ben Marafino, Adrien Coulet, Fatima Rodriguez, Latha Palaniappan and Nigam Shah

**Global Explanations of Neural Networks: Mapping the Landscape of Predictions**

Mark Ibrahim, Melissa Louie, Ceena Modarres and John Paisley

**Uncovering and Mitigating Algorithmic Bias through Learned Latent Structure**

Alexander Amini, Ava Soleimany, Wilko Schwarting, Sangeeta Bhatia and Daniela Rus

**Crowdsourcing with Fairness, Diversity and Budget Constraints**

Naman Goel and Boi Faltings

**What are the biases in my word embedding?**

Nathaniel Swinger, Maria De-Arteaga, Neil Heffernan Iv, Mark Dm Leiserson and Adam Kalai

**Equalized Odds Implies Partially Equalized Outcomes Under Realistic Assumptions**

Daniel McNamara

**The Right To Confront Your Accuser: Opening the Black Box of Forensic DNA Software**

Jeanna Matthews, Marzieh Babaeianjelodar, Stephen Lorenz, Abigail Matthews, Mariama Njie, Nathan Adams, Dan Krane, Jessica Goldthwaite and Clinton Hughes

5:30 PM - 5:40 PM **Bio Break / Slack**5:40 PM - 6:30 PM **Invited Talk** (Chair: Gillian Hadfield)**Susan Athey (Stanford University, Graduate School of Business and Economics):*****Guiding and Implementing AI***

**Abstract:** This talk will provide theoretical perspectives on how organizations should guide and implement AI in a way that is fair and that achieves the organization's objectives. We first consider the role of insights from statistics and causal inference for this problem. We then extend the framework to incorporate considerations about designing the rewards for AI and human decision-makers, and designing tasks and authority to optimally combine AI and humans to achieve the most effective incentives.

7:00 PM -- 9:00 PM **Reception + Poster Session 2 (Posters from *Spotlight 2, Session 1, and Session 2*)**  
(with exception of papers marked \*)**January 28th**8:50 AM - 9:40 AM **Invited Talk** (Chair: Vincent Conitzer)**Anca Dragan (UC Berkeley, EECS): *Specifying AI Objectives as a Human-AI Collaboration Problem***

**Abstract:** Estimation, planning, control, and learning are giving us robots that can generate good behavior given a specified objective and set of constraints. What I care about is how humans enter this behavior generation picture, and study two complementary challenges: 1) *how* to optimize behavior when the robot is not acting in isolation, but needs to coordinate or collaborate with people; and 2) *what* to optimize in order to get the behavior we want. My work has traditionally focused on the former, but more recently I have been casting the latter as a human-robot collaboration problem as well (where the human is the end-user, or even the robotics engineer building the system). Treating it as such has enabled us to use robot actions to gain information; to account for human pedagogic behavior; and to exchange information between the human and the robot via a plethora of communication channels, from external forces that the person physically applies to the robot, to comparison queries, to defining a proxy objective function.

9:40 AM - 10:00 AM **Spotlight 3: Empirical Perspectives** (Chair: Gillian Hadfield)

**"Scary Robots": Examining Public Responses to AI**

Stephen Cave, Kate Coughlan and Kanta Dihal

**Framing Artificial Intelligence in American Newspaper**

Ching-Hua Chuan, Wan-Hsiu Tsai and Su Yeon Cho

**Perceptions of Domestic Robots' Normative Behavior Across Cultures**

Hua Li, Stephanie Milani, Vigneshram Krishnamoorthy, Michael Lewis and Katia Sycara

**Mapping Missing Population in Rural India: A Deep Learning Approach with Satellite Imagery**

Wenjie Hu, Jay Harshadbhai Patel, Zoe-Alanah Robert, Paul Novosad, Samuel Asher, Zhongyi Tang, Marshall Burke, David Lobell and Stefano Ermon

**Mapping Informal Settlements in Developing Countries using Machine Learning and Low Resolution Multi-spectral Data**

Bradley Gram-Hansen, Patrick Helber, Indhu Varatharajan, Faiza Azam, Alejandro Coca-Castro, Veronika Kopackova and Piotr Bilinski

**Human-AI Learning Performance in Multi-Armed Bandits**

Ravi Pandya, Sandy Huang, Dylan Hadfield-Menell and Anca Dragan

**A Comparative Analysis of Emotion-Detecting AI Systems with Respect to Algorithm Performance and Dataset Diversity**

De'Aira Bryant and Ayanna Howard

**Degenerate Feedback Loops in Recommender Systems**

Ray Jiang, Silvia Chiappa, Tor Lattimore, Andras Gyorgy and Pushmeet Kohli

**TrolleyMod v1.0: An Open-Source Simulation and Data-Collection Platform for Ethical Decision Making in Autonomous Vehicles**

Vahid Behzadan, James Minton and Arslan Munir

**The Seductive Allure of Artificial Intelligence-Powered Neurotechnology**

Charles Giattino, Lydia Kwong, Chad Rafetto and Nita Farahany

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Coffee Break + Poster Session 3 (Posters from Spotlight 3, Sessions 3-5)**  
(with exception of papers marked \*)

10:30 AM - 11:30 PM **Session 6: Social Science Models for AI** (Chair: Susan Athey)

**Invisible Influence: Artificial Intelligence and the Ethics of Adaptive Choice Architectures\***

Daniel Susser

**Reinforcement learning and inverse reinforcement learning with system 1 and system 2**

Alexander Peysakhovich

**Incomplete Contracting and AI Alignment**

Dylan Hadfield-Menell and Gillian Hadfield

**Theories of parenting and their application to artificial intelligence\***

Sky Croeser and Peter Eckersley

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM **Session 7: Measurement and Justice** (Chair: David Danks)

**Actionable Auditing: Investigating the Impact of Publicly Naming Biased Performance Results of Commercial AI Products (Best Student Paper Award)**

Inioluwa Deborah Raji and Joy Buolamwini

**A framework for benchmarking discrimination-aware models in machine learning**

Rodrigo L. Cardoso, Wagner Meira Jr., Virgilio Almeida and Mohammed J. Zaki

**Towards a Just Theory of Measurement: A Principled Social Measurement Assurance Program\***

Thomas Gilbert and McKane Andrus

**Putting Fairness Principles into Practice: Challenges, Metrics, and Improvements**

Alex Beutel, Jilin Chen, Tulsee Doshi, Hai Qian, Allison Woodruff, Christine Luu, Pierre Kreitmann, Jonathan Bischof and Ed H. Chi

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **Lunch Break**

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM **Session 8: AI for Social Good** (Chair: Vincent Conitzer)

**On Influencing Individual Behavior for Reducing Transportation Energy Expenditure in a Large Population**

Shiwali Mohan, Frances Yan, Victoria Bellotti, Ahmed Elbery, Hesham Rakha and Matthew Klenk

**Guiding Prosecutorial Decisions with an Interpretable Statistical Model**

Zhiyuan Lin, Alex Chohlas-Wood and Sharad Goel

**Using deceased-donor kidneys to initiate chains of living donor kidney paired donations: algorithm and experimentation**

Cristina Cornelio, Lucrezia Furian, Antonio Nicolò and Francesca Rossi

**Inferring Work Task Automatability from AI Expert Evidence**

Paul Duckworth, Logan Graham and Michael Osborne

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Session 9: Human and Machine Interaction** (Chair: Esma Aimeur)

**Robots Can Be More Than Black And White: Examining Racial Bias Towards Robots**

Arifah Addison, Kumar Yogeeswaran and Christoph Bartneck

**Tact in Noncompliance: The Need for Pragmatically Apt Responses to Unethical Commands**

Ryan Blake Jackson, Ruchen Wen and Tom Williams

**AI Extenders: The Ethical and Societal Implications of Humans Cognitively Extended by AI\***

Karina Vold and Jose Hernandez-Orallo

**Human Trust Measurement Using an Immersive Virtual Reality Autonomous Vehicle Simulator**

Shervin Shahrdar, Corey Park and Mehrdad Nojournian

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM **Coffee Break + Poster Session 4 (Posters from Sessions 6-9)**  
(with exception of papers marked \*)

4:30 PM - 5:20 PM **Invited Talk** (Chair: Shannon Vallor)

**David Danks (Carnegie-Mellon University, Dept. of Philosophy) *The Value of Trustworthy AI***

**Abstract:** There are an increasing number of calls for “AI that we can trust,” but rarely with any clarity about what ‘trustworthy’ means or what kind of value it provides. At the same time, trust has become an increasingly important and visible topic of research in AI, HCI, and HRI communities. In this talk, I will first unpack the notion of ‘trustworthy’, from both philosophical and psychological perspectives, as it might apply to an AI system. In particular, I will argue that there are different kinds of (relevant, appropriate) trustworthiness, depending on one’s goals and modes of interaction with the AI. There is not just one kind of trustworthy AI, even though trustworthiness (of the appropriate type) is arguably the primary feature that we should want in an AI system. Trustworthiness is both more complex, and also more important, than standardly recognized in the public calls-to-action (and this analysis connects and contrasts in interesting ways with others).

5:20 - 5:30 **Closing Remarks**

## Student Program

This year 23 exceptional students from different disciplines including computer science, political science, and law were selected to participate in the conference. These students received a free registration and a travel grant. Moreover, the accepted students will:

- present a poster (during the student poster session, in the afternoon of Jan 27th),
- meet senior members of the community,
- be invited to the student lunch on Jan 28th,
- have the opportunity to publish a 2-page extended abstract of their work in the proceedings.

## Awards (sponsored by the Partnership on AI)

**Best paper award:** Alexander Peysakhovich and Adam Lerer: **Learning Existing Social Conventions via Observationally Augmented Self-Play**

**Best student paper award:** Inioluwa Deborah Raji and Joy Buolamwini: **Actionable Auditing: Investigating the Impact of Publicly Naming Biased Performance Results of Commercial AI Products**

## Invited Speakers

**Susan Athey** is The Economics of Technology Professor at Stanford Graduate School of Business. She received her bachelor's degree from Duke University and her Ph.D. from Stanford, and she holds an honorary doctorate from Duke University. She previously taught at the economics departments at MIT, Stanford and Harvard. In 2007, Professor Athey received the John Bates Clark Medal, awarded by the American Economic Association to "that American economist under the age of forty who is adjudged to have made the most significant contribution to economic thought and knowledge." She was elected to the National Academy of Science in 2012 and to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2008. Professor Athey's research focuses on the intersection of machine learning and econometrics, marketplace design, and the economics of digitization. She advises governments and businesses on marketplace design and platform economics, serving as consulting chief economist to Microsoft for a number of years, and serving on the boards of Expedia, Lending Club, Rover, Ripple, and Turo.

**Ryan Calo** is the Lane Powell and D. Wayne Gittinger Associate Professor at the University of Washington School of Law. He is a faculty co-director (with Batya Friedman and Tadayoshi Kohno) of the University of Washington Tech Policy Lab, a unique, interdisciplinary research unit that spans the School of Law, Information School, and Paul G. Allen School of Computer Science and Engineering. Professor Calo holds courtesy appointments at the University of Washington Information School and the Oregon State University School of Mechanical, Industrial, and Manufacturing Engineering.

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What we do:

- Promote and support the growth and application of AI principles and techniques throughout computing
- Sponsor or co-sponsor high-quality, AI-related conferences

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**The Partnership on AI** <https://www.partnershiponai.org/>

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On Saturday Jan. 26 at 7:30pm, we will have a **panel on “Perspectives on Responsible AI”** with Peter Hershock (moderator), Yolanda Gil, Huw Price, Francesca Rossi, and Dekai Wu. Location: *Spalding Building, Room 155, University of Hawaii - Manoa*. **The main program** (Jan. 27-28) takes place at the *Mid Pacific Conference Center at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, Coral 4*.

	<b>Sunday, January 27</b>	<b>Monday, January 28</b>
<b>8:40 - 8:50</b>	Opening remarks	
<b>8:50 - 9:40</b>	Invited talk <b>Ryan Calo</b> (Univ. of Washington)	Invited talk <b>Anca Dragan</b> (UC Berkeley)
<b>9:40 - 10:00</b>	Spotlight 1: <i>Normative Perspectives</i>	Spotlight 2: <i>Empirical Perspectives</i>
<b>10:00 - 10:30</b>	Coffee + Posters	Coffee + Posters
<b>10:30 - 11:30</b>	Session 1: <i>Algorithmic Fairness</i>	Session 6: <i>Social Science Models</i>
<b>11:30 - 12:30</b>	Session 2: <i>Norms and Explanations</i>	Session 7: <i>Measurement &amp; Justice</i>
<b>12:30 - 2:00</b>	Lunch	Lunch
<b>2:00 - 3:00</b>	Session 3: <i>Artificial Agency</i>	Session 8: <i>AI for Social Good</i>
<b>3:00 - 4:00</b>	Session 4: <i>Autonomy &amp; Lethality</i>	Session 9: <i>Human-Machine Interaction</i>
<b>4:00 - 4:30</b>	Coffee + Posters	Coffee + Posters
<b>4:30 - 5:30</b>	Session 5: <i>Rights &amp; Principles</i> Spotlight 2: <i>Fairness+Explanations</i>	Invited talk <b>David Danks</b> (Carnegie Mellon) Closing remarks
<b>5:40 - 6:30</b>	Invited talk <b>Susan Athey</b> (Stanford University)	
<b>7:00 - 9:00</b>	Reception + Posters	