



## Invitation to Engagement and Dialogue with Researchers about Societal Aspects of Robotics

Robotic technologies pose fascinating new opportunities, but also yield controversial questions and new societal challenges. The closing event of the workshop series "Responsible Robotics" provides an opportunity for a broader public to discuss such societal aspects of robotics.

For this purpose, researchers of the Doctoral College "Trust in Robots - Trusting Robots" have developed a variety of methods (e.g. hands-on tools, audience engagement tools) for engagement and dialogue. Their research topics range from safety, trust and body language in human-robot-interaction to scepticism and overconfidence in autonomous robot decision making.

The main intended audience of this event are interested publics and people who are <u>not</u> familiar with robotics research. The aim is decidedly <u>not</u> to stage scientific talks for other researchers but to practice the increasingly more important skill of engaging with publics/science communication. This includes being able to identify aspects of research topics that are of societal interest (and may be subject of societal controversies) and developing creative ways of making them subject of open debate.

**Date:** Friday, 22 January 2021, 17.00-19.00

**Registration** is free and open until 15 January 2021 via e-mail to <u>lisa.sigl@tuwien.ac.at</u>

Due to the Covid19 situation, the event will take place online. To make sure there is enough time for everyone to take part in engagement and debate, the number of participants is limited to 30. You will receive the detailed programme and a Zoom-link after your registration.

**General event language** is English. If required, small discussion groups can be organised in the first language of the individual researchers. (If this applies to you, please inform us in your registration mail).

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