



# Ethical Data Stewardship

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Just because we *could*,  
does that mean we *should*?





How an AI grading system ignited a national controversy in the U.K.

AXIOS

AI and ethics: One-third of executives are not aware of potential AI bias

TechRepublic.

REPORT

## Credit denial in the age of AI

Aaron Klein · Thursday, April 11, 2019

BROOKINGS

**Study: Only 18% of data science students are learning about AI ethics**

The neglect of AI ethics extends from universities to industry

TNW

## Why IBM Decided to Halt all Facial Recognition Development

IBM disapproves of any technology that could lead to racial profiling.

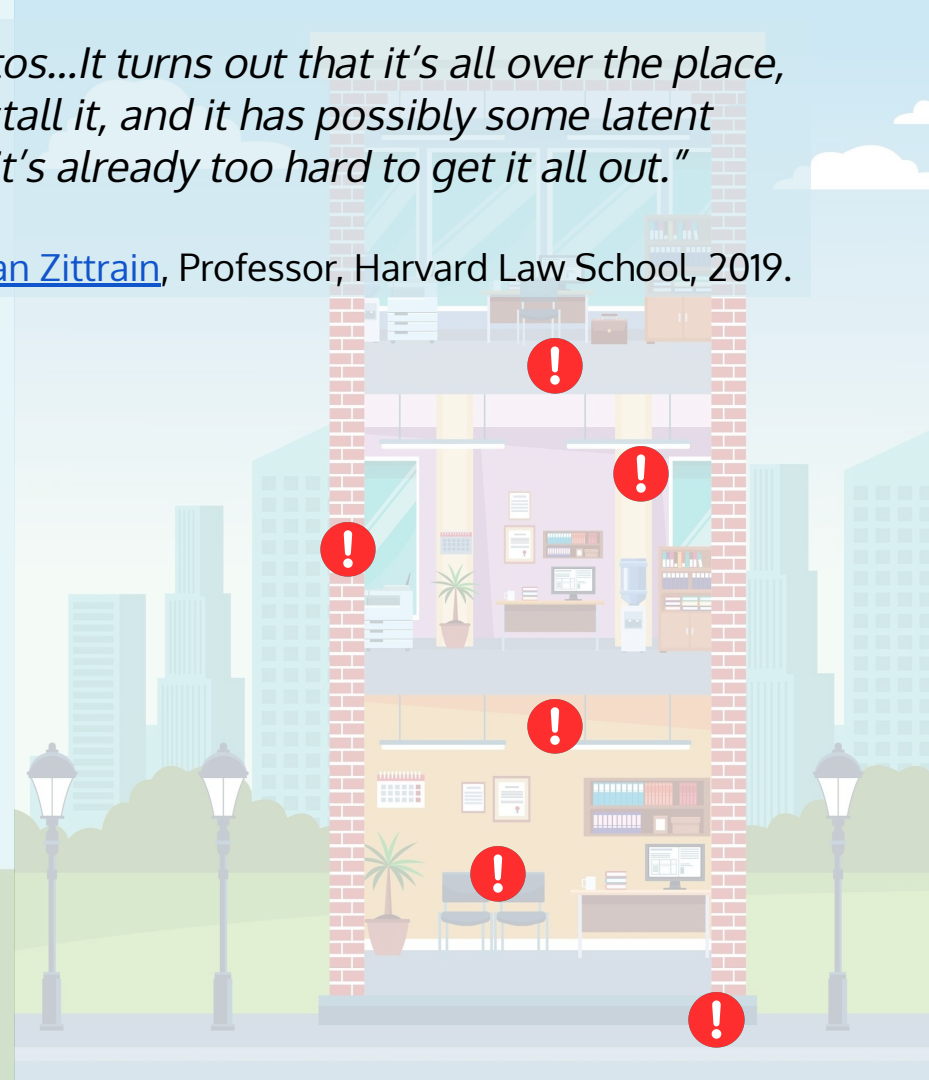
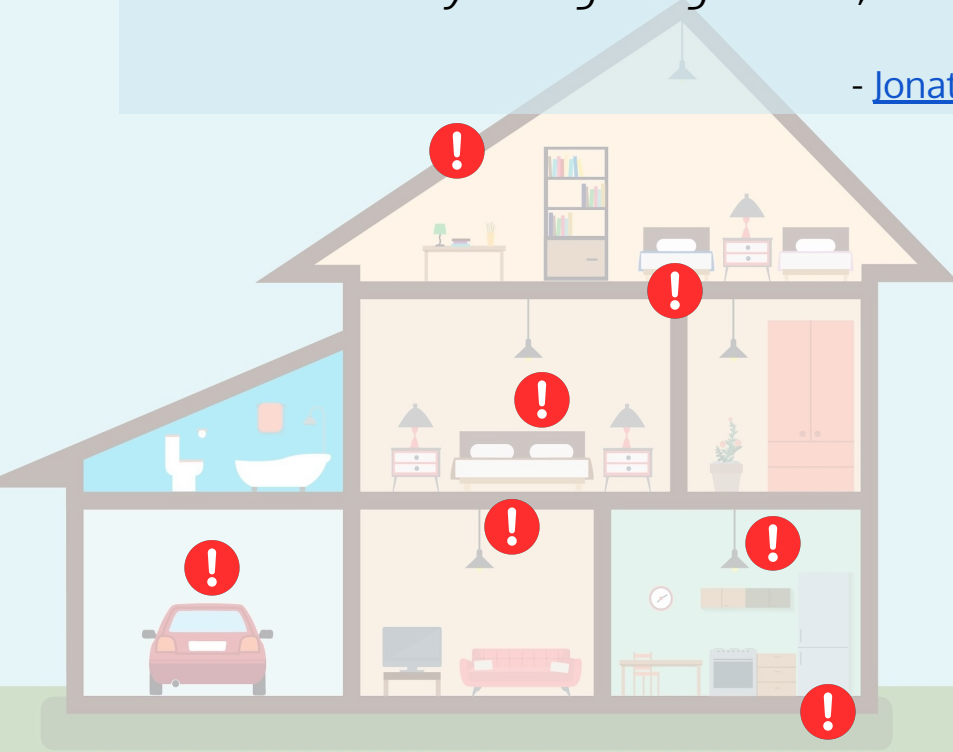
Medium

U.S. warns of discrimination in using artificial intelligence to screen job candidates

npr

*"I think of machine learning kind of as asbestos...It turns out that it's all over the place, even though at no point did you explicitly install it, and it has possibly some latent bad effects that you might regret later, after it's already too hard to get it all out."*

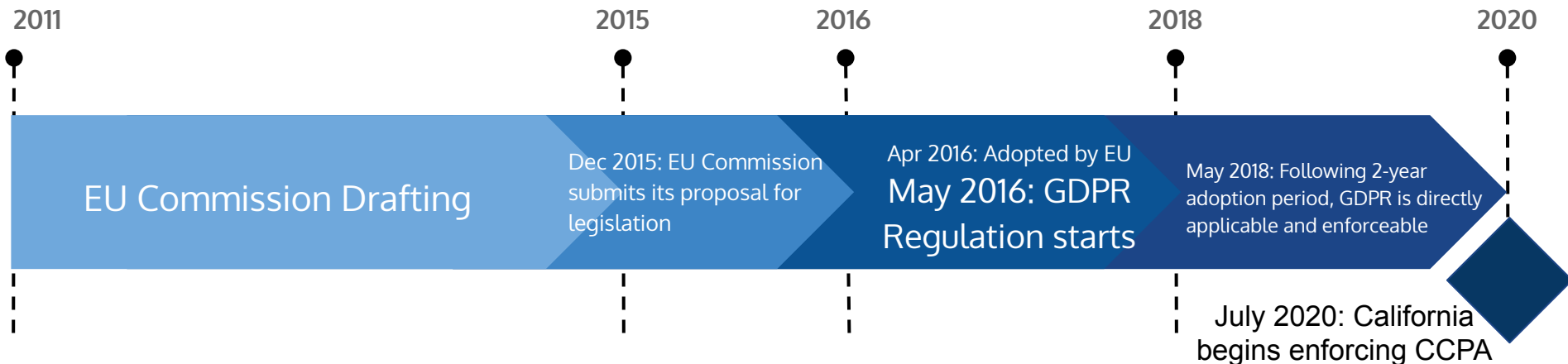
- [Jonathan Zittrain](#), Professor, Harvard Law School, 2019.



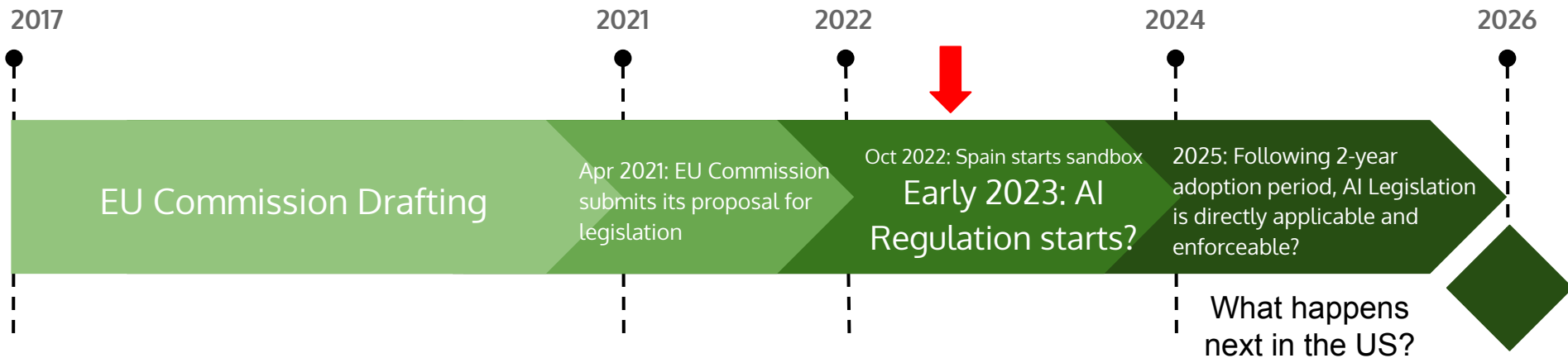
# EU Commission's Concerns for AI

**Rogue or Unsafe  
Compromising Privacy  
Biased & Discriminatory  
Damaging to Society  
Lacking Accountability**

# General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Actual Timeline



## EU [AI Act](#) Projected Timeline



# High Risk AI Systems (EU Commission)





# US Executive Order 13960 (Dec 2020)

## 9 Principles for designing, developing, acquiring, and using AI

1. Lawful and respectful of our Nation's values
2. Purposeful and performance-driven
3. Accurate, reliable, and effective
4. Safe, secure and resilient
5. Understandable
6. Responsible and traceable
7. Regularly monitored
8. Transparent
9. Accountable

# H.R.2231 Algorithmic Accountability Act of 2019



Monitoring Large  
Accessible  
Places



Privacy & Security  
of Personal  
Information



Human Rights,  
Unfair Bias, &  
Discrimination



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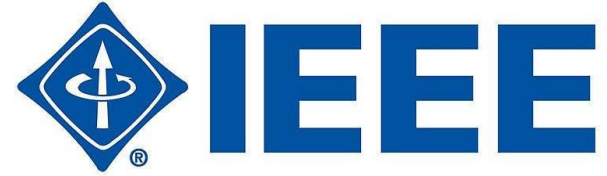


“ Not using people’s information illegally is the minimum responsibility for organizations, and it will not be enough to sustain trust, manage risk or be responsive to stakeholder expectations.

- [Accenture, 2019](#)



# IEEE P7000-2021 Series



## Strategic Fit



What: International Standard



Who: Businesses that build or deploy new or revised products/services that include AI/ML.



When: System design, concept, exploration

Read this first.  
Educate others.

[Ethically Aligned Design  
\(EAD\)](#)

Available now.

[P7000-2021 Series: Model  
Process for Addressing  
Ethical Concerns During  
System Design](#)



# ISO/IEC JTC1/SC42 Artificial Intelligence

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[Published Standards](#)

[Standards Under Development](#)

# NIST AI Risk Management Framework



Drafting stage; target release  
in early 2023:

[AI Risk Management  
Framework](#)

Others in draft:

[Cybersecurity for IoT](#)  
[Consumer Software](#)  
[Labeling for  
Cybersecurity](#)

## Strategic Fit



What: U.S. National Standard

Who:



- Especially businesses with federal contracts.
- Designing, developing, using, deploying, evaluating or governing AI



When: Any stage of the above

# World Economic Forum



## Strategic Fit



What: International Guidance



Who: Organizations and citizens who need broader education and understanding of why ethical AI is important.



When: Anytime. The earlier in product/service lifecycle, the better.

[AI Toolkit for Boards of Directors](#)

[AI Procurement in a Box for Government Entities](#)

[Ethics by Design](#)

# Singapore's Partnership with WEF



## Strategic Fit



What: International Guidance;  
Singapore's Personal Data  
Protection Commission (PDPC)



Who: Designing, developing,  
using, deploying, evaluating or  
governing AI



When: Any stage of the above

[Model Artificial Intelligence  
Governance Framework](#)

[Implementation &  
Self-Assessment Guide for  
Organizations](#)



# Other Countries



[Brazilian Artificial Intelligence Strategy](#)



[Pan-Canadian AI Strategy](#)



[China, Ethical Norms for the New Generation Artificial Intelligence](#)





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# Example: Datasheets for Datasets - Like MSDS for Data!



## MATERIAL DATA SAFETY SHEETS

Chemical Name:	
<b>HEALTH HAZARD</b> 4. Deadly 3. Extreme Danger 2. Hazardous 1. Slightly Hazardous 0. Normal Material	<b>FIRE HAZARD</b> (FLASH POINT) 4. Below 73°F 3. Below 100°F 2. Below 200°F 1. Above 200°F 0. Will Not Burn
<b>REQUIRED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Glasses	<input type="checkbox"/> Gloves
<input type="checkbox"/> Splash Goggles	<input type="checkbox"/> Synthetic Apron
<input type="checkbox"/> Face Shield & Eye Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Suit
<input type="checkbox"/> Dust Respirator	<input type="checkbox"/> Boots
<input type="checkbox"/> Vapor Respirator	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<b>SPECIFIC HAZARD</b> Use NO WATER W Oxidizer OX Simple Asphyxiant SA Acid ACID Alkali ALK Corrosive COR Radiation Hazard ☢ <small>Note: Non-standard symbols in gray.</small>	<b>INSTABILITY HAZARD</b> 4. May Detonate 3. Shock And Heat May Detonate 2. Violent Chemical Change 1. Unstable If Heated 0. Stable



# The Open Ethics Canvas

v1.0

Designed For	Designed By	Date	Version
<b>Scope</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is this product designed for?</li> <li>In which context it operates?</li> </ul>	<b>Training Data</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How was the training data collected?</li> <li>How do you ensure its representativeness?</li> <li>Does your training dataset contain personal data?</li> <li>Who annotates the data and how quality is controlled?</li> <li>What is the data labeling process that you employ?</li> </ul>	<b>Algorithms &amp; Source Code</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do you use open or proprietary sources?</li> <li>Who in the team is setting the heuristics influence the output?</li> <li>How do you ensure the quality of used 1 codebases?</li> <li>What is your process of making the key choices?</li> </ul>	
<b>Users</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What type of users does this product have? (customers/admins/ etc)</li> <li>What are their roles?</li> </ul>			
<b>Key Stakeholders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Who are the key stakeholders?</li> <li>What influence do they have over the product?</li> <li>How do stakeholders interact with each other?</li> <li>How is the power distributed?</li> </ul>	<b>Personal Data Processing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Which personal data is collected by the product?</li> <li>What is the purpose of collecting personal data?</li> <li>How is this data processed? Used? Stored? Deleted?</li> </ul>	<b>Components &amp; Subprocesses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Which third parties are engaged by the product?</li> <li>How do you evaluate the potential impact the quality of your product's output?</li> <li>How do you check the reliability of your processing contractors?</li> </ul>	
<b>Values &amp; Interests</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What values do stakeholders/users have?</li> <li>Where these values clash or create tensions?</li> <li>What is known at the moment and how assumptions are tested?</li> <li>How can you align your technology to the values you want to support/people desire?</li> </ul>	<b>Explainability</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How is interpretability defined for the system?</li> <li>What interpretability methods are used?</li> <li>What metrics are used in result interpretation?</li> <li>How interpretations of the output are communicated?</li> </ul>	<b>Human in the Loop (HITL)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is the role of a human agent in the validation/verification of the outputs?</li> <li>What is the role of a human agent in ref performance?</li> <li>What is the decision-making power over agents responsible for the quality of our</li> </ul>	
<b>Impact Assessment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What potential harms can your product cause? (loss of opportunity, discrimination, economic loss, social stigma, detriment, emotional distress, etc)?</li> <li>What are the risks of the product's failure?</li> <li>What impact product can cause if deployed at scale?</li> <li>How is the product influencing the existing markets?</li> </ul>		<b>Regulatory Landscape</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is the regulatory context in which your product operates?</li> <li>Is the model portable to other markets?</li> <li>What are the involved regulatory risks?</li> </ul>	
<b>Changes in Behavior</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do the automated decisions have significant legal or similar effects on the users/stakeholders?</li> <li>How the users may change their behavior after use?</li> <li>What are the potentials for power imbalance?</li> </ul>	<b>Group Interactions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are potential changes in group behavior?</li> <li>How is the product addressing group interests?</li> <li>What new groups could be born due to the product deployment at scale?</li> </ul>	<b>Comments</b>	



## Data Ethics Canvas

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