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Programme

AI and creative destruction: how will current rapid advances in AI through large 'foundation' models impact on society, the economy and governments?

23-24 February 2023

(with departure on 25 February for in-person guests)

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A note about the programme:

This conference represents a return to the pre-pandemic, largely residential Ditchley conference format, but with Ditchley's bespoke 'Bridge' technology permitting the inclusion in the briefings and plenary sessions of a number of remote participants and invited speakers.

The programme provides timings for participants in multiple time zones (these are not comprehensive, due to space limitations).

Please note the timings as they relate to you.

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Legend

GMT: Greenwich Mean Time
CET: Central European Time
EST: Eastern Standard Time
EET: Eastern European Time
IST: India Standard Time

JST: Japan Standard Time
KST: Korea Standard Time
PST: Pacific Standard Time
SGT: Singapore Time
AEDT: Australian Eastern Daylight Time

Day 1 – Thursday 23 February

	In-person participants	Remote participants
	Arrivals: Guests arriving by train will be collected from the 1050 service from London Paddington, arriving at Charlbury at 1205	
1245 GMT	Lunch	
0545 PST 0845 EST 1345 GMT 1445 CET 1545 EET 1915 IST		<i>Ditchley host opens Zoom call for remote participants who wish to join early, to check their connection.</i> Ditchley telephone number, in case of need: +44 (0)1608 677346 (landline)
0555 PST 0855 EST 1355 GMT 1455 CET 1545 EET 1925 IST	In-person participants take their seats in the Library	Remaining participants join the Zoom call. <i>Please mute your audio (to silence background noise) and keep your video on (for a more collaborative experience).</i>
BRIEFING	“FOUNDATION” MODELS, THEIR METHOD, CAPABILITIES AND FEATURES: A BRIEFING FOLLOWED BY QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION	
0600 PST 0900 EST 1400 GMT 1500 CET 1600 EET 1930 IST	Welcome Director, James Arroyo, opens the conference and explains how the conference will unfold. Introductions Director introduces the Speakers: Professor Michael Wooldridge Mr Jack Clark	
	After introductory remarks from the Speakers, interventions are invited from the participants. Please use the ‘Hand Raise’ function in Zoom or raise your nameplate if you are in the room, to indicate that you would like to speak.	

	<i>Your active participation in the discussion is encouraged. Remote guests: please familiarise yourself ahead of the conference with the location of the Hand Raise button: depending on your device, it is usually found under the 'Reactions' menu; under 'Participants', next to your name; or under 'More' on mobile devices.</i>	
0725 PST 1025 EST 1525 GMT 1625 CET 1725 EET 2055 IST	After closing remarks from the Speakers, Director provides explanation for the remainder of the day's programme.	
	In-person participants	Remote participants
0730 PST 1030 EST 1530 GMT 1630 CET 1730 EET	Coffee in the Saloon	Break
0755 PST 1055 EST 1555 GMT 1655 CET	In-house participants take their seats in the Library	Remote participants re-join the Zoom call, using the <i>same</i> Zoom link.
PLENARY I	WHAT DO CURRENT ADVANCES IN AI MEAN FOR SOCIETY, THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND GOVERNMENTS?	
0800 PST 1100 EST 1600 GMT 1700 CET	Introductions Director introduces the Speakers: Professor John Tasioulas	
	After introductory remarks from the Speakers, interventions are invited from the participants. Please use the ' Hand Raise ' function in Zoom or raise your nameplate if you are in the room, to indicate that you would like to speak. <i>Your active participation in the discussion is encouraged. Remote guests: please familiarise yourself ahead of the conference with the location of the Hand Raise button: depending on your device, it is usually found under the 'Reactions' menu; under 'Participants', next to your name; or under 'More' on mobile devices.</i>	
0925 PST 1225 EST 1725 GMT 1825 CET	After closing remarks from the Speakers, Director provides explanation for the remainder of the day's programme.	
0930 PST 1230 EST 1730 GMT 1830 CET	Coffee in the Saloon	Close, until tomorrow at: 0910 GMT 1010 CET 1110 EET 1440 IST 1710 SGT 1810 JST 2010 AEDT
1755 GMT	In-house guests take their seats in their break-out rooms .	

Working Group discussions – Session One		
1800 GMT	<p>Group A: The impact on information systems, intellectual property and liability</p> <p>Group B: The impact on the future of work by humans in an age of creative machines</p> <p>Group C: The impact on the relationships between government, the private sector and society</p>	
1930 GMT	Drinks in the White Drawing Room	
2000 GMT	Dinner <i>Seating plan displayed in the Hall.</i>	
2215 GMT	For those guests who have been notified that they will be accommodated at The Bear hotel, transport leaves Ditchley for The Bear	

Day 2 – Friday 24 February

	In-person participants	Remote participants
0815 GMT	Transport leaves The Bear Hotel for Ditchley	
0830-0910 GMT	Breakfast	
0905 GMT 1005 CET 1105 EET 1435 IST 1705 SGT 1805 JST/KST 2005 AEDT		<p><i>Ditchley host opens Zoom call for remote participants who wish to join early, to check their connection.</i></p> <p>Ditchley telephone number, in case of need: +44 (0)1608 677346 (landline)</p>
0910 GMT 1010 CET 1110 EET 1440 IST 1710 SGT 1810 JST/KST 2010 AEDT	In-house participants take their seats in the Library .	Remaining remote participants join the Zoom call, using the <i>same</i> Zoom link as yesterday.

BRIEFING	AI in the Indo-Pacific: reflections from India, China and ASEAN countries	
0915 GMT 1015 CET 1115 EET 1445 IST 1715 SGT 1815 JST/KST 2015 AEDT	<p>Welcome Director, James Arroyo, welcomes everyone back.</p> <p>Introductions Director introduces the Speakers: Dr Urvashi Aneja Dr Jung-Woo Ha</p>	
	<p>After introductory remarks from the Speakers, interventions are invited from the participants. Please use the 'Hand Raise' function in Zoom or raise your nameplate if you are in the room, to indicate that you would like to speak. <i>Your active participation in the discussion is encouraged. Remote guests: please familiarise yourself ahead of the conference with the location of the Hand Raise button: depending on your device, it is usually found under the 'Reactions' menu; under 'Participants', next to your name; or under 'More' on mobile devices.</i></p>	
1030 GMT 1130 CET 1230 EET 1600 IST 1830 SGT 1930 JST/KST 2130 AEDT	After closing remarks from the Speakers, Director's closing remarks.	
	In-person participants	Remote participants
1030 GMT	Coffee in the Saloon	Close, until 0605 PST 0905 EST 1405 GMT 1505 CET 1605 EET
1100 GMT	Participants take their seat in their break-out rooms	
Working Group discussions – Session Two		
1105 GMT	<p>Group A: The impact on information systems, intellectual property and liability</p> <p>Group B: The impact on the future of work by humans in an age of creative machines</p> <p>Group C: The impact on the relationships between government, the private sector and society</p>	
1235 GMT	Working Group discussion closes	
1245 GMT	Buffet lunch	

	In-person participants	Remote participants
0605 PST 0905 EST 1405 GMT 1505 CET 1605 EET	In-house participants take their seats in the Library	Remote participants re-join the Zoom call <i>using the <u>same</u> Zoom link as previously.</i> <i>Again, please mute your audio but keep your video on.</i>
PLENARY II	Reports from the Working Groups	
0610 PST 0910 EST 1410 GMT 1510 CET 1610 EET	Welcome Director, James Arroyo, welcomes everyone back and explains the procedure. <i>The Rapporteur and Chair of each working group will provide the main points, as they see them, to have emerged from their discussion, before the remaining members of that group are invited to add their comments.</i> <i>Each session will last approximately 30 minutes.</i>	
0615 PST 0915 EST 1415 GMT 1515 CET 1615 EET	Presentation of Group A's discussions	
0645 PST 0945 EST 1445 GMT 1545 CET 1645 EET	Presentation of Group B's discussions	
0715 PST 1015 EST 1515 GMT 1615 CET 1715 EET	Presentation of Group C's discussions	
0745 PST 1045 EST 1545 GMT 1645 CET 1745 EET	Group photo, followed by afternoon tea	Break
0815 PST 1115 EST 1615 GMT 1715 CET 1815 EET	In-house participants take their seats in the Library	Remote participants re-join the Zoom call <i>using the <u>same</u> Zoom link as previously.</i> <i>Again, please mute your audio but keep your video on.</i>
PLENARY III	Conference Rapporteur presentation	

0820 PST 1120 EST 1620 GMT 1720 CET 1820 EET	<p>The Conference Rapporteur will provide their reflections on the discussions over the course of the conference, identify unresolved questions or areas where agreement was not reached; and highlight any conclusions or concrete recommendations that may have emerged.</p> <p>Conference Rapporteur: Ms Sophie Hackford</p> <p>Brief final interventions from the participants.</p>	
0855 PST 1155 EST 1655 GMT 1755 CET 1855 EET	Director's closing remarks, and farewell.	
0900 PST 1200 EST 1700 GMT 1800 CET 1900 EET	<p>Conference closes</p> <p>Coffee available in the Saloon</p>	Conference closes
1720 GMT	Transport leaves Ditchley for The Bear	
	Conference Briefing	
	<p>The following session will bring an invited audience from the wider Ditchley community, via Zoom, to hear a presentation of the of the main findings, lines of discussion and conclusions (if any) from the conference, and to participate in a Q&A, all subject to the Ditchley Rule.</p>	
0920 PST 1220 EST 1720 GMT 1820 CET	<p>Panellists, and those wishing to participate, take their seats in the Library for a post-conference presentation to a wider Ditchley audience.</p>	<p>A Zoom Waiting Room will be in operation until the formal start time of 1730 GMT. <i>You will be sent a separate Zoom link for this briefing.</i></p>
0930 PST 1230 EST 1730 GMT 1830 CET	<p>Briefing for an invited Ditchley audience, followed by a Q&A:</p> <p><i>AI and creative destruction: how will current rapid advances in AI through large 'foundation' models impact on society, the economy and governments?</i></p>	
1030 PST 1330 EST 1830 GMT 1930 CET	Briefing closes	
1900 GMT	Transport leaves The Bear for Ditchley	
1915 GMT	Drinks in the White Drawing Room	
2000 GMT	<p>Black-tie Dinner and overnight</p> <p><i>Seating plan displayed in the Hall.</i></p>	
2230 GMT	Transport leaves Ditchley for The Bear hotel	

Day 3 – Saturday 25 February

Guests accommodated at The Bear

- 0800 GMT** Breakfast at The Bear Hotel
- 0915 GMT** Transport leaves The Bear Hotel for Hanborough Station, for the 0935 train to Paddington (arrives 1039)

Guests accommodated at Ditchley

- 0800 GMT** Breakfast
(please place your luggage outside your door before you go to breakfast)
- 0900 GMT** Transport to Charlbury station for 0927 train to Paddington
(arrives 1039)

NOTE 1: Luggage

It is helpful if your luggage is labelled with your name, so that your luggage may more easily be directed on arrival and departure.

Guests accommodated at Ditchley: Please place your baggage (other than hats, coats and hand luggage) outside your bedroom by 8am on Saturday, so that it may be collected and brought to the Hall. Individual arrangements will be made should anyone need to leave earlier.

Please note: Luggage will be arranged in the Hall according to whether you are travelling to the station, to the airport or by car. Please check that your luggage is in the correct place prior to your departure and avoid placing belongings in the vicinity of luggage destined for the station or airport, if that is not where you are travelling.

NOTE 2: Internet Access

Wi-fi is available throughout the main house and Lower House. The network name is 'Ditchley Guest' and no password is required.