

# ROBOT/AI TECHNOLOGY AND ITS ETHICAL AND RELIGIOUS IMPLICATIONS

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**A**s early as 2004, several robot engineers from Europe and Japan began to discuss potential ethical and religious implications regarding the social inclusions of the wide variety of the next-generation Robot/AI technology. Thus, Roboethics emerged as a genre of applied ethics. Since then, the Robot/AI technology became more socially visible, and researchers from different disciplines began to pay more attention to their potential significances. What are particular about the recent next-generation Robot/AI technology are their intensifying fusions of human existence of every dimension with machine technology from bodily dimension, social dimension and intellectual dimension. In addition, recent bionic technology present new possibility of becoming a human, too.

This paper attempts to examine how new images of human began to emerge in light of human's relationship to Robot/AI technology and what these new images imply for the future course of human society with special emphasis on what communicative AI would do with social humans.