

IEEE Standards Association Tech Policy Work Overview

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Today's Discussion

- Introduction to IEEE and IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA)
- IEEE's work at the intersection of technology, policy and standards
- Brief overview of
 - IEEE Ethics Initiative
 - IEEE Digital Trust & Identity Program
 - IEEE Internet Initiative



About IEEE

World's Largest Professional Association Advancing Technology for Humanity



IEEE Standards Association

- **Mission:** Provide a high quality, market-relevant standardization environment, respected worldwide
- An independent global community with an open standards development process
 - Proven process produces results that reflect the collective, consensus view of participants and enables industry to achieve specific objectives and solutions

IEEE Standards span a broad spectrum of technologies, such as

- Aerospace Electronics
- Broadband Over Power Lines
- Broadcast Technology
- Clean Technology
- Cognitive Radio
- Design Automation

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IEEE Standards Association

Serving industry collaboration needs

- IEEE offers more than a globally open, rules-based standardization ecosystem
- For over 130 years, IEEE has been the place where new technology areas emerge, become visible for the first time and are thoroughly debated
- Where work matures, consensus is built and standards are established
- A global democracy of technical experts, with a formidable reputation of technical excellence in vast areas of technology and science, setting the stage for generations of scientists and technologists to advance technology for humanity



IEEE-SA and Technology Policy

- Technology Policy—one of four IEEE 2015-2020 goals
 - Leverage IEEE's technology-related insight to provide government, NGOs and other organizations, and the public with innovation and practical recommendations to address public policy issues
- Connect technologists with policy makers/venues to amplify the voice of the technical standards community
- Working at the intersection of technology and policy to advocate for and inform policy makers and other stakeholders about the IEEE standards development paradigm of collaborative, bottom up, technical, consensus-based open standards development
- Facilitate and promote technology policy environments that promote open, inclusive and transparent standards development
 - Goal is to foster global competition, provide building blocks for innovation, enable global interoperability, scalability, stability and resiliency, and contribute to the creation of global communities that advance technology to benefit humanity
- Develop and advocate contributions, positions and policies that promote best practices for open consensus and collaborative activities, including global standards and open participation



Integrated approach

Trust: Digital Inclusion, Digital Identity & Intelligent Systems

- Optimizing the relationship & work of initiatives & programs
 - Global Initiative for the Ethical Considerations in the Design of AI/AS
 - Digital Inclusion through Trust and Agency
 - IEEE Internet Initiative/Internet Inclusion
- Encouraging privacy & ethical responsibility in technology & use
- Educating and informing developers & users
- Identifying opportunities for technical oriented outputs that support interoperability & trustworthy solutions & models
- Advocating for & bolstering collective action for trust & agency





IEEE Global Initiative for Ethical Considerations of AI/AS

Intelligent Systems





IEEE Global Initiative for Ethical Considerations of AI/AS

Overview

- Work begun in late 2015
 - Public launch as an Industry Connections Group, April 2016
- Over 200 AI / Ethics experts involved from the US, EU, Australia, India, China, Korea, and Japan
- Working on Ethically Aligned Design, version 2
- Eleven approved Standards Projects
- Events featuring Ethically Aligned Design in India, Japan, China, World Economic Forum, OECD, EU Parliament, and UN/ITU in Geneva

- 13 Working Groups
 - General Principles
 - Embedding Values into Autonomous Intelligent Systems
 - Methodologies to Guide Ethical Research and Design
 - Safety and Beneficence of AGI/ASI
 - Personal Data and Individual Access control
 - Reframing Autonomous Weapons Systems
 - Economics/Humanitarian Issues
 - Law
 - Affective Computing
 - Policy
 - Classical Ethics in Artificial Intelligence
 - Mixed Reality
 - Well-being



Ethically Aligned Design

A Vision for Prioritizing Human Wellbeing with Intelligent Systems

- Create "Ethically-aligned" autonomous and intelligent systems:
 - Incorporate ethical aspects of human wellbeing that may not automatically be considered in the current design and manufacture of intelligent technologies
 - To reframe the notion of success so human progress can include the intentional prioritization of individual, community, and societal ethical values





IEEE P7000[™] Series Standards Projects

- IEEE P7000[™]: <u>Model Process for Addressing Ethical Concerns During System Design</u>
- IEEE P7001[™]: <u>Transparency of Autonomous Systems</u>
- IEEE P7002[™]: <u>Data Privacy Process</u>
- IEEE P7003[™]: <u>Algorithmic Bias Considerations</u>
- IEEE P7004[™]: <u>Standard on Child and Student Data Governance</u>
- IEEE P7005[™]: <u>Standard on Employer Data Governance</u>
- IEEE P7006[™]: <u>Standard on Personal Data AI Agent Working Group</u>
- IEEE P7007[™]: <u>Ontological Standard for Ethically driven Robotics and Automation Systems</u>
- IEEE P7008[™]: <u>Standard for Ethically Driven Nudging for Robotic, Intelligent and</u> <u>Autonomous Systems</u>
- IEEE P7009[™]: <u>Standard for Fail-Safe Design of Autonomous and Semi-Autonomous Systems</u>
- IEEE P7010[™]: <u>Wellbeing Metrics Standard for Ethical Artificial Intelligence and Autonomous</u> <u>Systems</u>



Digital Inclusion through Trust and Agency

Industry Connections Program

INDUSTRY CHALLENGE

- A clear and imminent threat to the security to everyone's (already online and those coming online) digital identity within the digital universe
- Lack of industry-recognized definition for "what is digital identity."
- Build consensus and to develop a framework towards solutions that facilitate digital inclusion, trust, personal data agency and security
- Trust and Agency Using the "Digital Identity Framework Discussion" as a roadmap combined with the robustness of distributed ledger and other emerging technologies that provide a platform to support the digital citizen self-managing their data with the desired outcomes
 - The ability to be forgotten online and offline
 - Having the option with which (entity) to transact
 - Protecting and securing one's data
 - Developing frameworks that equally benefit the privileged and the underserved



IEEE Internet Initiative

- Mission: To provide a collaborative platform for advancing solutions and informing global technology policymaking through a consensus of sound technical and scientific knowledge in the areas of internet governance, cybersecurity, privacy, and inclusion.
- A multi-domain and multi-discipline community that connects technologists and policymakers from around the world to foster a better understanding of, and to improve decisions affecting, Internet governance, cybersecurity, and privacy issues
- Provides a neutral, respected forum to help ensure <u>trustworthy</u> technology solutions and best practices in guiding Internet policymaking
- Focused on building trust and confidence in the internet and its technology underpinnings, and advancing solutions to provide <u>meaningful and ethical</u> internet access and use to all the world's citizens



IEEE Internet Initiative Global IEEE Internet Community

- Through the IEEE Internet Initiative, global technical and policy communities can work together to improve internet governance
 - Inform, debate, share findings, and improve decisions
 - Help foster trustworthy technology solutions and best practices
 - We enable multi-directional dialogue to encourage online collaboration and information exchange
 - Community participants can connect via global conferences and workshops on internet governance, cybersecurity, privacy and inclusion
 - 7 working groups under the Internet Inclusion: Advancing Solutions work stream
 - Community Networks
 - Connectivity and Energy
 - Digital Gender Divide
 - Digital Literacy
 - Evidence-based Research
 - New models for Financing Connectivity
 - Public Acesss



Thank You

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